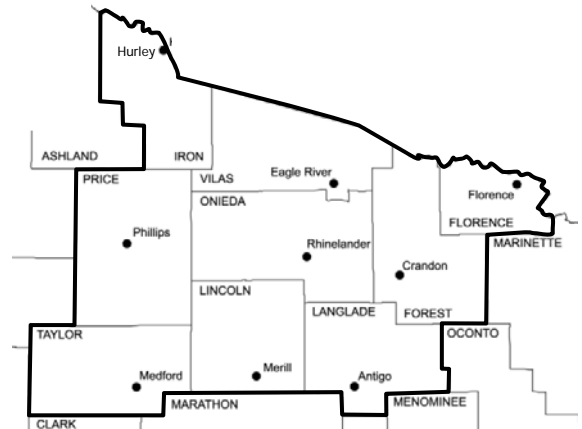


Help shape outdoor recreation in the Northwoods Region!

The Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is seeking information from the public on existing outdoor recreation opportunities in the Northwoods Region and the most pressing needs for the future. **The data gathered in this form, along with other information, will be used to develop a Recreation Opportunities Analysis that will help guide future management and uses of DNR properties in the region.** The nine counties comprising the Northwoods Region are (see map):



Iron	Vilas	Florence
Price	Oneida	Forest
Taylor	Lincoln	Langlade

Section A: Your participation in outdoor recreation in the Northwoods Region.

1 Which **outdoor recreation activities** do you pursue in the Northwoods Region? (check all boxes that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> A. ATV/UTV riding | <input type="checkbox"/> I. Fishing – from shore | <input type="checkbox"/> R. Motorboating |
| <input type="checkbox"/> B. Bicycling on paved trails | <input type="checkbox"/> J. Fishing – from a boat, canoe or kayak | <input type="checkbox"/> S. Snowmobiling |
| <input type="checkbox"/> C. Bicycling – mountain biking, single track | <input type="checkbox"/> K. Fishing – ice fishing | <input type="checkbox"/> T. Swimming |
| <input type="checkbox"/> D. Bicycling – winter/fat tire | <input type="checkbox"/> L. Harvesting berries, mushrooms, etc. | <input type="checkbox"/> U. Target firearm shooting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> E. Camping – RV/pop-up | <input type="checkbox"/> M. Hiking, walking, running on trails | <input type="checkbox"/> V. Trapping |
| <input type="checkbox"/> F. Camping – tent | <input type="checkbox"/> N. Horseback riding | <input type="checkbox"/> W. Wildlife/bird watching |
| <input type="checkbox"/> G. Canoeing/kayaking | <input type="checkbox"/> O. Hunting – big game (deer, bear) | <input type="checkbox"/> X. Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> H. Cross-country skiing/snowshoeing | <input type="checkbox"/> P. Hunting – turkey, waterfowl, small game | <input type="checkbox"/> Y. Other _____ |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Q. Off-road motorcycle riding | <input type="checkbox"/> Z. Other _____ |

2 From the above list, which **two** are your **favorite activities** to pursue in the Northwoods Region? _____ and _____
(letter) (letter)

3 Which public properties have you **visited in the last three years** in the Northwoods Region? (check all boxes that apply)

- Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest
- Northern Highland American Legion State Forest
- County Forests (counties: _____)
- Turtle Flambeau Flowage
- Willow Flowage
- Pine-Popple Wild Rivers
- Upper Wolf River Fishery Area
- Pershing Wildlife Area
- Kimberly Clark Wildlife Area
- Hay Creek-Hoffman Lake Wildlife Area
- Powell Marsh Wildlife Area
- Spread Eagle Barrens Natural Area
- Council Grounds State Park
- Bearskin State Trail
- Other _____
- Other _____

4 Which **three factors** are most important in **determining your favorite property** to visit in the Northwoods Region? (check up to three boxes)

- The quality of the trails.
- The quality of the recreation facilities. (other than trails)
- Good maps, signs, or information about the property.
- The desire to be in a quiet place.
- The likelihood of seeing or harvesting fish and/or wildlife.
- The quality of the habitat.
- The property is easy to access.
- The ability to meet friends or family at the property.
- I anticipate that the property will not be crowded.
- Opportunity to combine the property visit with other places of interest.
- Other _____
- Other _____
- Other _____



Section B: Your thoughts on **future needs** for outdoor recreation in the Northwoods Region.

5 Which, if any, of these **additional outdoor recreation opportunities** do you think are most needed in the Northwoods Region? (check all the boxes that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> More hiking/walking/running trails | <input type="checkbox"/> Larger populations of big game species (deer, bear) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> More trails for motorized recreation (ATVs, UTVs, off-road motorcycles, etc.) | <input type="checkbox"/> Larger populations of turkey, waterfowl, small game species |
| <input type="checkbox"/> More paved bicycling trails | <input type="checkbox"/> More public shooting ranges |
| <input type="checkbox"/> More natural surface (dirt) bicycling trails | <input type="checkbox"/> More developed campgrounds (electric hook-ups, flush toilets, showers) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> More horse trails | <input type="checkbox"/> More rustic/quiet campgrounds (pit toilets, no electricity or generators) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> More public boat launches | <input type="checkbox"/> More local parks and playgrounds |
| <input type="checkbox"/> More public shore access to lakes & streams | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> More wildlife watching decks or platforms | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> More lands open to public hunting | <input type="checkbox"/> No additional recreational opportunities are needed in the region |

6 There are nearly 2,000 miles of roads on DNR properties in the Northwoods Region, most of which are active or former logging roads, that are open to “street-legal vehicles” (this includes cars, pick-up trucks, SUVs, motorcycles, horses, and bicycles). These roads are **not** open to motorized recreational vehicles, such as **ATVs, UTVs, and off-road motorcycles**. Recently, several local units of government in the Northwoods Region have authorized some types of motorized recreational vehicles on designated local roads. We’d like your opinions on allowing access by **motorized recreational vehicles** on roads in DNR properties in the Northwoods Region for the following purposes. (check one box)

- I support **all** roads on DNR properties remaining **closed** to motorized recreation vehicles **year-round**.
- I support **all** roads on DNR properties being **opened** to motorized recreation vehicles **year-round**.
- I support **some** roads on DNR properties being **opened** to motorized recreation vehicles for **some** purposes.

If you select this option, please check all the circles below that apply.

- I support **some** roads on DNR properties being **opened** to motorized recreation vehicles to provide access **during the fall hunting season** (Sept 1 to Dec 31).
- I support **some** roads on DNR properties being **opened** to motorized recreation vehicles in order to **connect regional motorized trail networks**.
- Other: _____
- Don't know/unsure.

7 Please describe any other needs or issues related to outdoor recreation in the Northwoods Region, particularly on DNR properties, that you believe should be included in the Recreation Opportunities Analysis.

Section C: About you.

8 In which county and zip code is your permanent residence?

_____ (county) _____ (zip code)

9 Do you own vacation or recreational property in the Northwoods Region?

- No Yes

If yes, where? _____ (municipality) _____ (county)

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Thank you!

