

The North Country Trail Association is a national group that works to promote, develop and maintain the North Country Trail. You can contact them at:

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The North Country National Scenic Trail in the Chequamegon National Forest is primarily maintained by the Chequamegon Chapter of the North Country Trail Association in cooperation with the US Forest Service and the National Park Service.

For further information, calendar of events or to become a member of the Chequamegon Chapter go to: northcountrytrail.org/che email: che@northcountrytrail.org Phone: 715-316-HIKE (4453)

For more information and topographic maps of the North Country National Scenic Trail go to northcountrytrail.org or call 1-866-445-3628

National Park Service Website: nps.gov/noco

US Forest Service Website: www.fs.usda.gov/cnnf



### The North Country Trail

The North Country Trail is the longest of the eleven National Scenic Trails. It is designed and maintained for hiking and backpacking. Other uses may be prohibited by the land managers (the USFS, Wisconsin DNR or Bayfield County) and are discouraged by the NCTA, the association of volunteers who maintain the trail. Motorized vehicles are prohibited everywhere on the trail and the use of mechanical transportation devices is strictly prohibited in the Rainbow Lake and Porcupine Lake Wilderness areas. This map depicts a 70 mile section of the trail maintained by the Chequamegon Chapter of the NCTA. To report trail conditions or volunteer to maintain the trail, email the Chapter at che@northcountrytrail.org.

### Camping

There are developed Campgrounds at Copper Falls State Park, at Beaver Lake, at Two Lakes, in Drummond and at Perch Lake. There is a fee to use them. There are primitive campsites near Trout Brook, Lake Three, Whiskey Creek and East Davis Lake, and Adirondacks-style shelters just east of the Marengo River and just west of Quarry Road (FR 604). Dispersed camping is also allowed. Campsites should be 200 feet from any shoreline and 150 feet away from any trail. Campers should acquaint themselves with the precepts of "leave-no-trace" camping and follow them.

### Water

Water is available from pumps at Lake Owen Day Use Area, Two Lakes and Beaver Lake Campgrounds.

Water in streams and lakes along the trail is only safe to drink if boiled or treated.

### Garbage and Waste

Pack out what you pack in. Burying garbage is not satisfactory because garbage will usually be exposed in time through animal or frost action. Human waste must be buried in a hole located at least 200 feet from any open water, the trail or any campsite.

### Fire

Fires are allowed on National Forest land but please be careful. Most locations along the trail have one to four inches of duff on top of mineral soil. The duff will burn if you build a fire on it. You must remove the duff to mineral soil before constructing a small fire. Rocks have no effect in containing a fire. All fires should be put completely out by thoroughly soaking the embers with water and then mixing them with mineral soil. In dry conditions we suggest that you use camp stoves rather than wood fires. In extremely dry conditions open fires may be prohibited.

### Bears

Bears frequent the area along the North Country Trail. Please be careful with food storage when you camp. It is best to suspend food supplies in a bag or pack between two trees at least 10 feet off the ground. In the alternative, we recommend the use of a bear-proof container. The black bears that inhabit the area rarely attack people, but use caution when around a mother bear and her cubs.

### Wildlife

Several species of birds and animals make their home in the woods along the trail. A few of the animal species are white-tailed deer, black bear, coyote, grey wolf, fox, fisher, gray squirrel, red squirrel and chipmunk. Birds that may be seen are bald eagle, osprey, several species of hawk, raven, crow, owls, several species of ducks and shore birds, loon, heron, grouse, spruce grouse, jays, vireos and warblers. The sighting of any wildlife depends upon the ability of the trail users to travel quietly and use their powers of observation. Wildlife, as a whole, are quite timid and will avoid you at every opportunity. They generally won't bother you unless they feel their security threatened or are searching for food stores.

### Parking

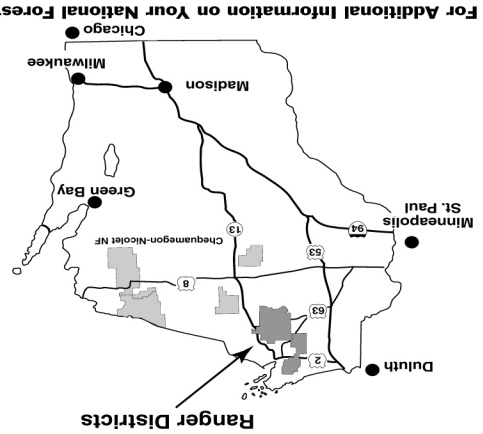
There is no charge for most parking areas shown on the map, however, several of the more developed parking areas are fee areas. The following areas require either a daily fee or an annual sticker: Penokee Mountain Ski Trailhead, Lake Owen Day Use Area, Drummond Ski Trail head.

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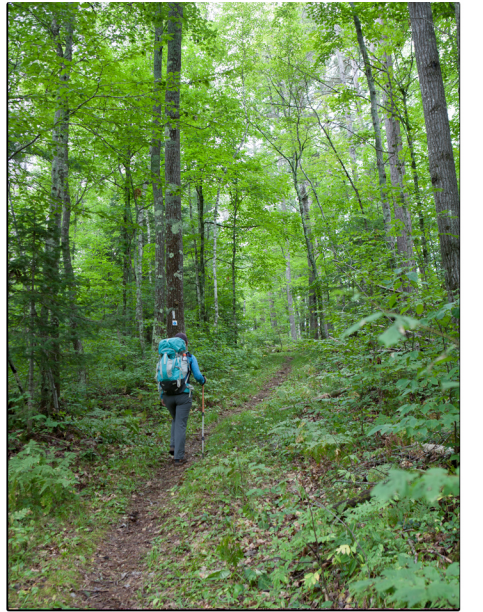
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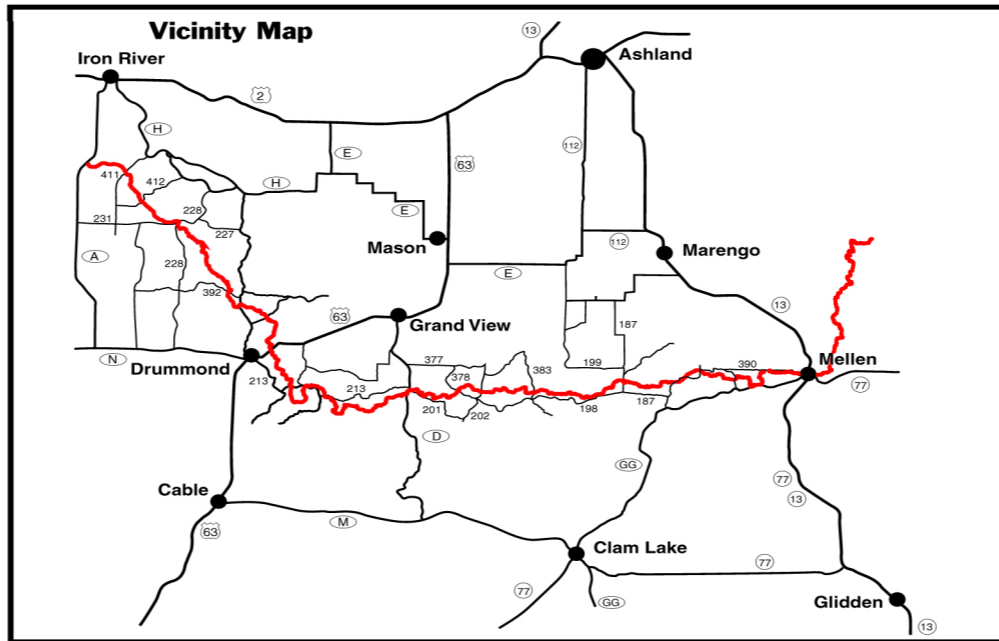
## North Country National Scenic Trail



## Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest Segment



Porcupine Lake	30.4 miles
Highway D & East Boundary Porcupine Lake	
Wilderness	34.3 miles
Forest Road 201	34.8 miles
Long Mile Lookout	37.1 miles
Forest Road 378	38.6 miles
Forest Road 202 - Parking	40.3 miles
Marengo River	41.4 miles
Trail To Adirondack Shelter	41.5 miles
Swedish Settlement	42.1 miles
Forest Road 383	44.0 miles
Trail to Beaver Lake Campground	47.1 miles
Scenic Overlook - Seitz Lake	48.8 miles
Forest Road 187 - Parking	50.1 miles
Access trail to Lake Three Campground	50.2 miles
Scenic Overlook - Lake Three	50.3 miles
Brunsweler River	52.1 miles
Forest Road 188 Parking	54.1 miles
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Forest Road 604 - Parking	58.3 miles
Penokee Trailhead - Parking	59.9 miles
Forest Road 390 - Parking	61.4 miles



For those who don't want to hike the entire distance of the North Country Trail on the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest here are some interesting places to hike:

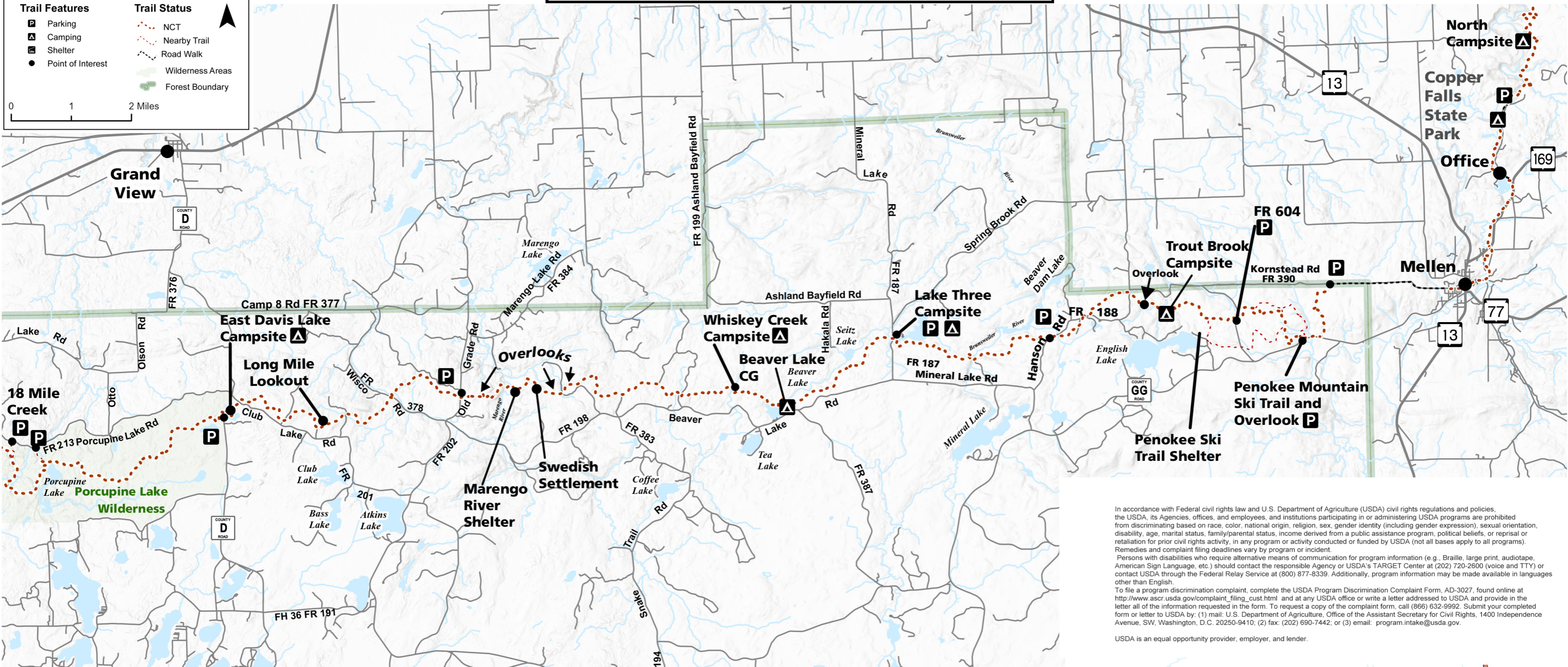
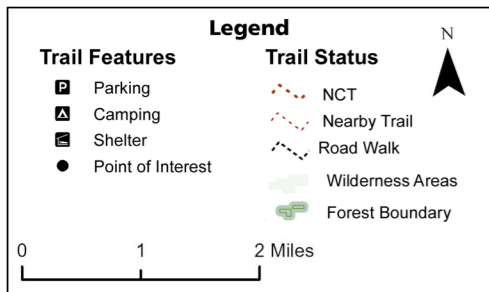
**Marengo** The Marengo Semi-Primitive Non-Motorized area from FR 202 to the Snake Trail (FR 383). This section has quite a bit of topography. There are three overlooks where one can see for several miles. In addition there is the historical Swedish Settlement just east of the Marengo River.

**Rainbow Lake Wilderness** The Rainbow Lake Wilderness is particularly scenic in the fall color season. Here the trail passes by several small lakes and you can see where loggers around the turn of the century constructed several narrow gauge railroads to remove the white pine. Bufo Lake along the North Country Trail is particularly scenic.

**Porcupine Lake Wilderness** The western portion of the Porcupine Lake Wilderness is fairly scenic. Here the trail passes by Porcupine Lake and Eighteen Mile Spring Pond, Eighteen Mile Creek, and Porcupine Creek.

**Long Mile Lookout** This old fire tower is 2.5 miles east from the parking lot at Highway D. From the rock outcrop at the base of the tower there is a great view to the east.

**Lake Owen Day Use Area** There are great views of Lake Owen from FR 213 near Lake Owen Day Use Area and then back north to Forest Road 213. A short link trail runs east from the Day Use Area to connect to the North Country Trail



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