The St. Louis River Estuary Trails

Boater Safety

The St. Louis River Estuary offers some of the best boating experiences in the nation, but it also requires thorough knowledge of boating safety and a sharp eye for weather. Be prepared before you embark on a trip!



Scan the QR code to the right or go to paddlesafetwinports.org for current weather updates, water levels and other safety considerations.

Trail Etiquette

- 1. Be Courteous & Respectful of Others. Be considerate of other river users. Everyone is welcome and should feel safe.
- 2. Respect Private Property. Do not land your boat or disembark on private property.
- 3. Leave No Trace. Take out everything you brought in with you. KEEP IT CLEAN!

Construction Closures

There are many construction projects happening throughout the St. Louis River Area of Concern. Plan your route accordingly; please avoid construction areas and stay away from any equipment. Current construction closures can be found at: StLouisRiver.org/AOC-Construction

Legend



(Privately Owned)



Shore Fishing / Fishing Pier



Trail Head



Carry-In Access (non-motorized only)



Water Access (motorized & non-motorized)



Camping Site (Public or Private)

Picnic Area



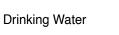
ADA Access Minnesota-

Wisconsin border





Marshland





River mile



* Asterisk denotes privately-owned facilities where launches and campsites may have associated costs. Please check before starting your trip.

NOVICE TRAILS

Boy Scout Shuffle Length: 3-4 miles —

Points of Access: Boy Scout Landing public water access, Perch Lake carry-in access

Description: This intermediate distance trip can be done entirely on the water, or as a relay with some members of a party travelling the first leg of the relay on a multi-use trail.

Special Considerations: Wild rice restoration in Walleye Bay, Duck Hunter Bay and North is a sensitive habitat and their disturbance should be avoided.

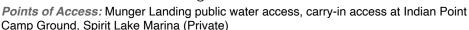
Radio Tower Relay Length: 1-3 miles — — — —

Points of Access: Oliver public water access

Description: This short loop highlights the historic Oliver Bridge, the Radio Tower Bay restoration area and the causeway at Mud Lake.

Special Considerations: Wild rice restoration areas are sensitive habitats and their disturbance should be avoided.

Tallas Adventures Length: 1-7 miles



Description: This short to intermediate distance trip explores many of Duluth's estuary bays and has beautiful long views across the open water.

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Pokegama Bay Paddle Length: 5-9 miles •••••••

Points of Access: Woodstock Bay Landing, Billings Park access; or carry-in access along Billings Drive and State Highway 105 at Pokegama Bay Landing

Description: This intermediate to long distance trip explores the immersive natural environment of the Pokegama River delta. Public land surrounds this loop, making it an ideal place to explore the area's natural habitat and wildlife diversity from the water or by land.

Special Considerations: Trip distance and difficulty level will vary depending on seasonal water flow and water level of the Pokegama River.

INTERMEDIATE TRAILS

Pokegama Loop Length: 2-3 miles

Points of Access: Oliver public water access

Description: This short seasonal trip offers excellent bird and wildlife observation with impressive scenery and views of the rugged landscape surrounding the river.

Special Considerations: Trip distance and difficulty will vary depending on seasonal water flow and water levels of the St. Louis River.