WELCOME

The Polk County Department of Forestry, Parks & Trails would like to invite you to visit any of the beautiful county parks, dams, forest, lakes and trails located in Polk County, Wisconsin. All our parks are peaceful and scenic with four park shelters available to rent, one education building to rent, and one with primative camping. The parks are by water flowage with fishing accessibility and playgrounds. We offer 400 plus miles of snowmobile trails, 31 miles of ATV/UTV trails, 40 miles of bicycling trails, 25 miles of cross country skiing trails, and a 2 mile snowshoe trail. Stop by and visit our many other recreation amenities in Polk County.

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For more information, including lodging, contact **Polk County Information Center:**
(800) 222-POLK / www.polkcountytourism.com

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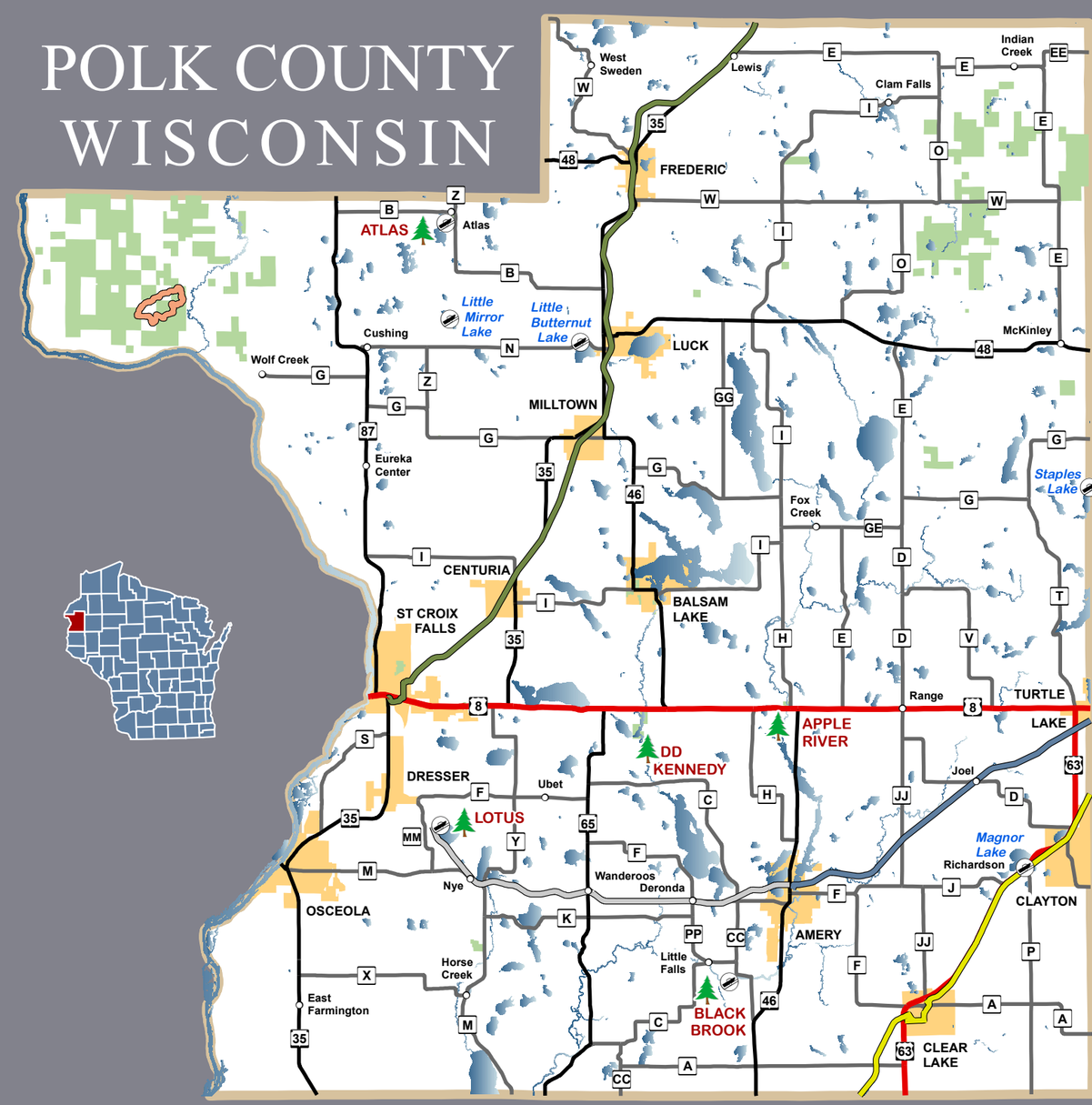


Legend for County, Boat Landing, Forestry, Park, and Trail maps.

COUNTY BOAT LANDING	DAM	PARK BUILDING	SNOWSHOE	GANDY DANCER TRAIL
CITY OR VILLAGE	BALL FIELD	PARKING	WATER BODY	SAWMILL TRAIL
COUNTY LAND	BATHROOM	PICNIC AREA	WATER PUMP	STERLING TRAIL
COUNTY PARK	FISHING	PLAYGROUND	PARK ROAD	STOWER SEVEN LAKES TRAIL
COUNTY TRAIL	FISHING PIER	SHELTER	CATTAIL TRAIL	OTHER TRAILS

APPLE RIVER PARK & CAMPGROUND

Rustic camping available on a first come-first serve basis. Fee for camping is $15 per night paid at the self pay station. Campground is open the Friday before Memorial Day to October 1st.

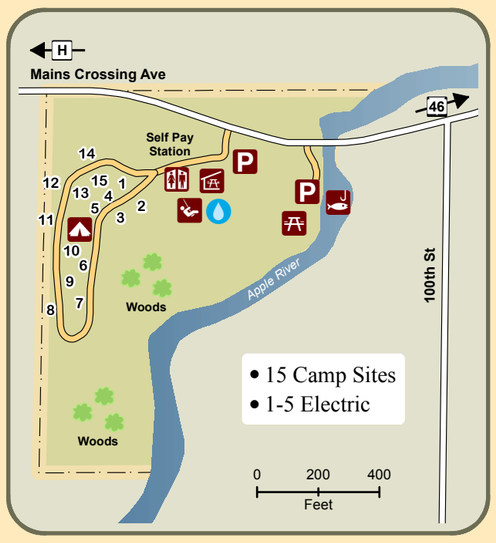
The park is a 20-acre park along the Apple River north of Amery that includes fishing, a picnic area with grills, playground, shelter with electric, vault toilets, and water fountain pump.

Park Regulations

The parks are open to the public daily during daylight hours opening at dawn and closing at dusk from Memorial weekend to September 30th.

During the off-season, when the parks are closed, the parks are minimally maintained. Restrooms are closed, no garbage disposal or trash collection, and no snow removal in the park or along the service road is provided.

No hunting allowed in the park, no ATV use, no picking of any plant species, no operating of loud devises, no throwing objects, fires are allowed in charcoal grills or fire rings.



Directions
10 minutes from Amery going north on WI-46 and take a left onto Mains Crossing Avenue.

Park Address
1014 Mains Crossing Ave
Amery, WI 54001

ATLAS PARK

Park located in the northern part of the county off County Rd B. Comprised of three land areas along the Trade River and Long Trade Lake.

The park includes fishing, picnic area with grills, playground, dam, boat landing, ball field, walkway, shelter with electric, and vault toilets.

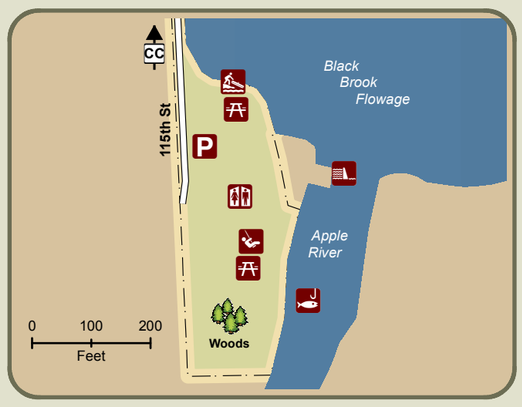
Directions
25 minutes from Balsam Lake going north on WI-46, go north onto WI-35, turn left onto Cty Rd B into Atlas and the park will be on the left.

Park Address
2108 295th Ave/Cty Rd B

Landing Address
2907 210th St/Cty Rd B

BLACK BROOK PARK

Park located southwest of Amery on the Apple River. A large dam next to the park creates the Black Brook Flowage.



The park includes a carry-in boat landing, fishing, a picnic area with grills, playground, and vault toilets.

1 mile east of the park is the Black Brook Flowage Landing.

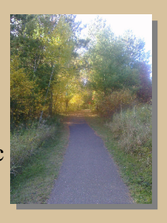
Directions
8 minutes from Amery going south on WI-46, turn right on 45th Avenue, turn left onto 105th Street which becomes 40th Avenue, go west onto Cty Rd CC, and turn left onto 115th Street.

Park Address
376 115th St
Amery, WI 54001

DD KENNEDY PARK

A 99-acre environmental area preserve located between Amery and Balsam Lake along the Balsam Branch which flows through central Polk County.

The park includes a prairie restoration area with hiking trails (interpretive) with native grasses, wildflowers, and birds, fishing (bridge and Handicap accessible pier), picnic area with grills, playground, dam and millpond, shelter with electric, and restrooms.



Park Rental

All the Polk County Park shelters are available to rent at $40 a day. To reserve a shelter, please email a request with date to Polk Co. Forestry, Parks & Trails Dept. at polkrecreation@co.polk.wi.us or call (715) 485-9294. A park rental agreement will be mailed to you for your signature and send it back with the payment. You will then receive signs to post on the day of the reservation.

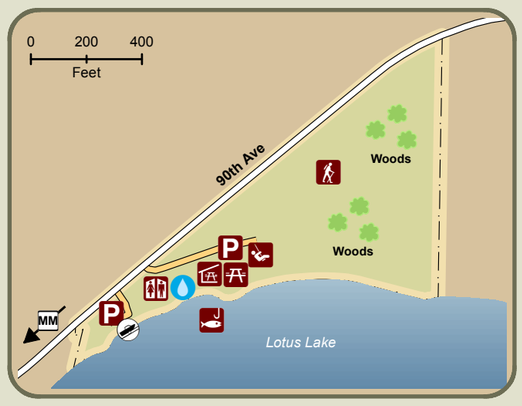
The Education Building located at DD Kennedy Park is also available to rent for $100 plus a refundable deposit of $150. The building holds about 30 people and includes 8 tables, 48 folding chairs, and 3 benches.

Directions
17 minutes from St. Croix Falls going east on US-8, take a right on 150th Street, left on 120th Avenue, and a right onto Kennedy Mill Avenue.
19 minutes from Amery going north on WI-46, take a left on Cty Rd H, take a left on 120th Avenue, and then a left onto Kennedy Mill Avenue.

Park Address
1459 Kennedy Mill Ave
Amery, WI 54001

LOTUS LAKE PARK

A 14-acre park located along the northwest shore of Lotus Lake. This park gives view of American Lotus beds in the Lake.



The park includes fishing, picnic area with grills, playground, boat landing, hiking, shelter with electric, vault toilets, and water fountain pump.

Directions
9 minutes from Osceola going east on County Rd M, turn left onto County Rd MM, and take a right onto 90th Avenue.

Park Address
2142 90th Ave
Osceola, WI 54020

COUNTY FOREST

Polk County Forest (PCF) is 17,144 acres in size and supports a variety of public uses. PCF manages, conserves, and protects its natural resources on asustainable basis for present and future generations.

ALLOWED PUBLIC USES

- **ATV/UTV: On designated trail only.**
- **Bicycling: On any trail, road or fire lane. Off trail use also allowed.**
- **Camping: Up to 2 weeks at a time. No fee.**
- **Firewood Cutting: Permit and fee required.**
- **Fishing: All lakes and streams are open to regulated fishing.**
- **Hiking: Both designated and undesignated trails.**
- **Horseback Riding: On any trail, road or fire lane. Certain restrictions apply.**
- **Hunting: Permanent tree stands not allowed.**
- **Picnicking: Please no littering.**
- **Snowmobiling: On designated trails and on logging roads when ground is snow covered.**
- **Snowshoeing: Anywhere when ground is snow covered.**

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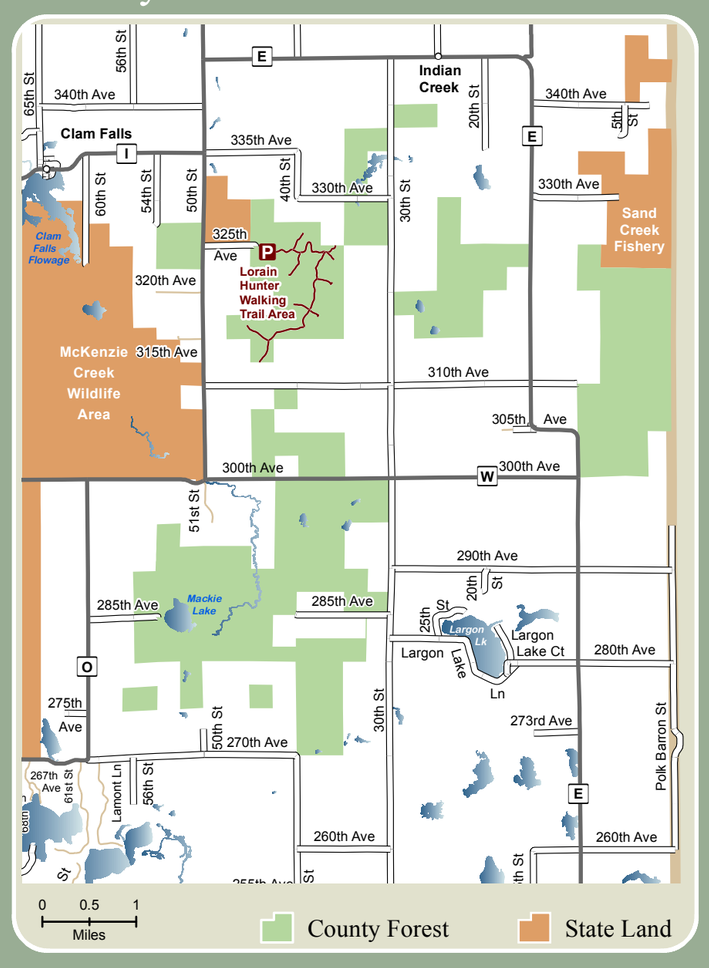
For more information, please contact the Polk County Forest Administrator at (715) 485-9265. Please visit the Polk County RECREATION VIEWER to discover where public and private recreation amenities are located throughout the county. **www.co.polk.wi.us/landinfointeractivemaps**

County Forest-Sterling Block

County Forest-Northeast Block



ALL-TERRAIN VEHICLE TRAILS

Cattail

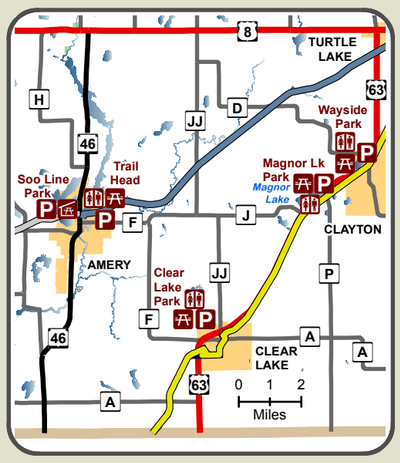
- 12-mile multi-use trail open year-round.
- Crushed stone surface.
- Amery to Turtle Lake.

Sawmill

- 14-mile trail open year-round.
- ATV and motorcycle use.
- Snowmobile use when posted.

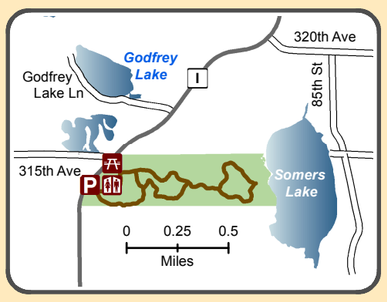
Sterling

- 6-mile closed loop. • Picnic Area
- Parking Area • Restrooms
- Open from June to November 15th.
- 7 miles west of Cushing.



SNOWSHOE TRAIL

Somers Lake



- 2-mile closed loop. • Parking Area
- 5 miles east of Frederic.

BICYCLE & SNOWMOBILE TRAIL

Gandy Dancer

In Polk County the state trail travels 28 miles north from St. Croix Falls to Lewis along WI-35. The trail is surfaced with limestone and is limited to biking and hiking from April to November. Polk Co. Parks & Trails, snow condition permitting, opens and closes the trail for snowmobiling from December to March. Check state regulations for state trail pass requirements.

The trail extends beyond Polk County north to Superior making the trail a total of 98 miles.

Mileage Distances:

St. Croix Falls to Centuria	4.5 miles
Centuria to Milltown	6.2 miles
Milltown to Luck	3.7 miles
Luck to Frederic	6.1 miles
Lewis to Siren	5.7 miles
Siren to Webster	7.2 miles
Webster to Danbury	8.9 miles

Trail Head: Polk County Information Center

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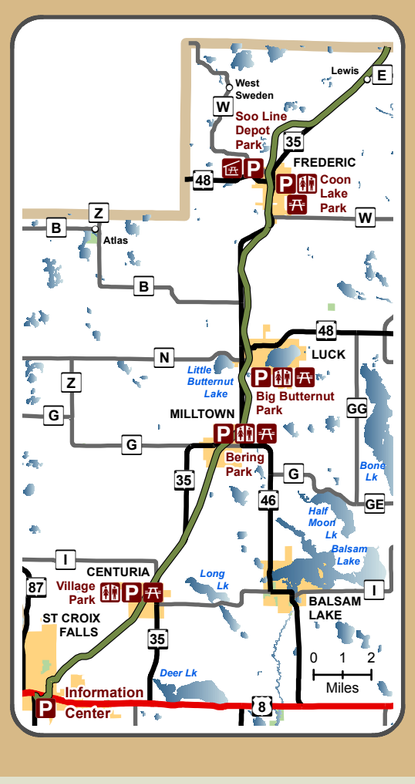
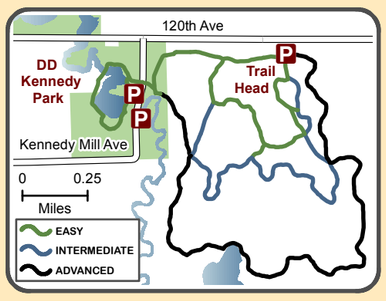


CROSS-COUNTRY SKI / SNOWSHOE TRAIL

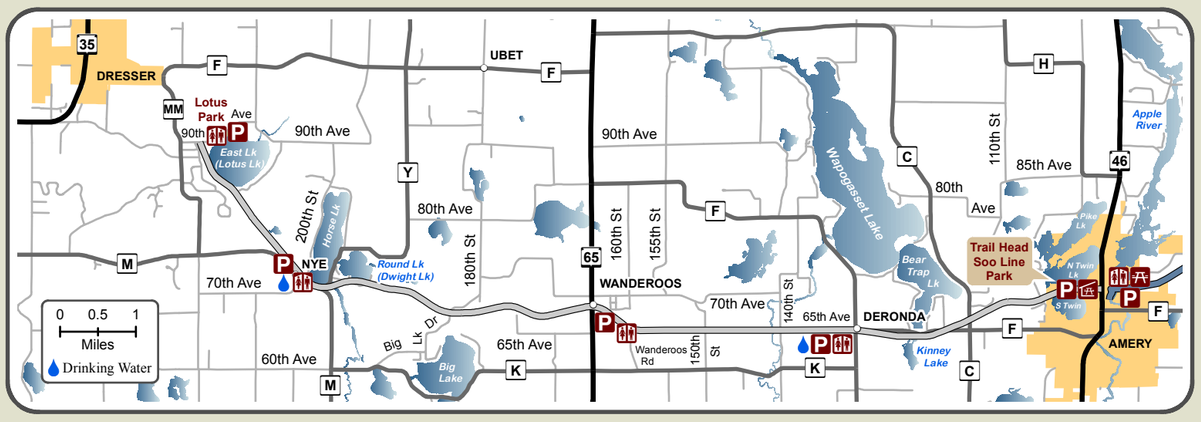
Balsam Branch



- 11-K of trails • 4-K lighted
- Groomed for classical and skate skiing.
- Open December 1st with adequate snow.

BICYCLE & CROSS-COUNTRY SKI TRAIL

Stower Seven Lakes

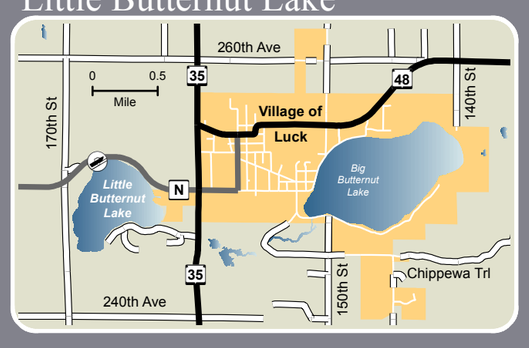


The state trail is a 13-mile packed limestone surface trail that extends from downtown Amery west to the Lotus Lake County Park off 90th Avenue near Dresser. The trail is open to biking, hiking, snowshoeing, and cross-country skiing (groomed for classic and skating). Parking and restrooms are available at Amery, Deronda, Wanderoos, Nye, and Lotus Lake Park from May to October. Check state regulations for state trail pass requirements which can be purchased along the trail or from local vendors.

BOAT LANDINGS

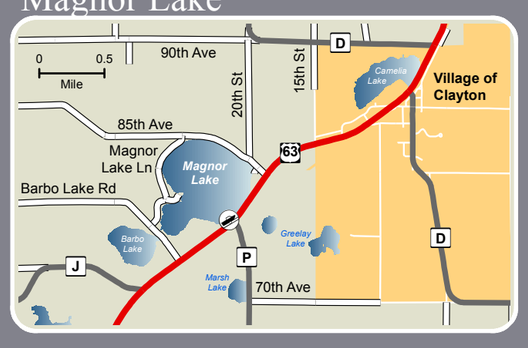
Polk County Dept. of Forestry, Parks & Trails manages seven public boat landings three which are within County Parks. A map of each landing location is provided here, except for Black Brook Flowage, Long Trade Lake, and Lotus Lake which can be viewed on the reverse side of this brochure.

Little Butternut Lake



Paved ramp and dock. 1682 250th Ave/Cty Rd N Luck, WI 54853

Magnor Lake

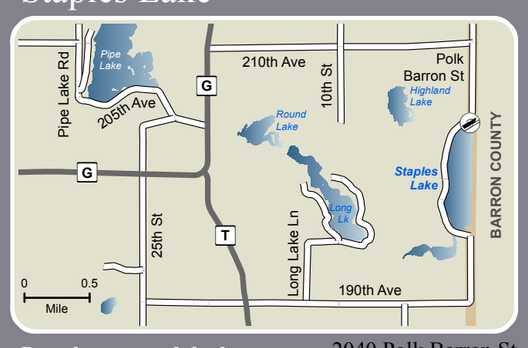


Paved ramp, dock, and picnic area with grill. 753 US Hwy 63 Clayton, WI 54004

Little Mirror Lake

Gravel ramp and dock. 2594 212th St Cushing, WI 54006

Staples Lake



Paved ramp and dock. 2040 Polk Barron St Comstock, WI 54826

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Balsam Lake, WI 54810

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