

BIG LAKE CAMPGROUND



Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest



WELCOME!

Big Lake Campground, sites 1801-1870, is located 19.8 miles northwest of the Crystal Lake Visitor Station and campground in the northern portion of the forest. This 835-acre lake is known for excellent fishing of walleye, musky and smallmouth bass, and has a boat landing for campers. The campground also offers an open beach area and bathrooms close by. If you are looking for quiet, spaced-out sites, the back loop may be just what you are looking for. Lake sites offer wonderful views from the campground on the northwest corner of the lake.

AMENITIES

- **Campsites Available:** 70
- **Reservable Sites:** All sites in the campground are reservable.
- **Double Sites:** 1866-1867
- On-site campground manager (May through October)
- Self-registration station
- Beach access
- Nearby access to Heart of Vilas County Paved Bike Trail
- Boat landing
- Trash and recycling stations
- Four vault toilet buildings
- Three hand pumps for drinking water
- Firewood for sale
- **State Parks and Forest Admission Sticker required for camping**

TICKS AND LYME DISEASE

Ticks are common across Wisconsin and may be found in the forest. Lyme disease is an illness that can be spread to humans from the bite of a tick. You can protect yourself against Lyme disease and other tick-borne diseases by practicing these tips:

- Stay in the middle of trails.
- Apply insect repellent on exposed skin and over clothes.
- Wear light-colored clothes to spot ticks more easily.
- Do a full-body tick check after outdoors activities.

CAMPING RESERVATIONS

Camping reservations are required and can be made for the same day of your arrival or up to 11 months in advance of your planned date of occupancy. **Campers must make a reservation before setting up on any site.** Reservations can be made online at dnr.wi.gov or by calling **888-947-2757**.

VEHICLE STICKER

A vehicle admission sticker is required on all motor vehicles within the campgrounds at Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest.

CAMPGROUND ADDRESS

6690 Highway P, Presque Isle, WI 54557

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

For questions, contact:

- **Clear Lake Visitor Station**
715-356-3668
- **Crystal Lake Visitor Station**
715-542-3923

CAMPING RATES

Campsite rates for Wisconsin State Park System properties vary and are based on any of the following: residency, electricity and amenities, location, campsite type, day of the week and season.

LOCAL EMERGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION

Vilas County Sheriff: 715-479-4441
Dial 911



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Boat landing at Big Lake Campground.



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Lichen heart at Big Lake.



CAMPGROUND RULES

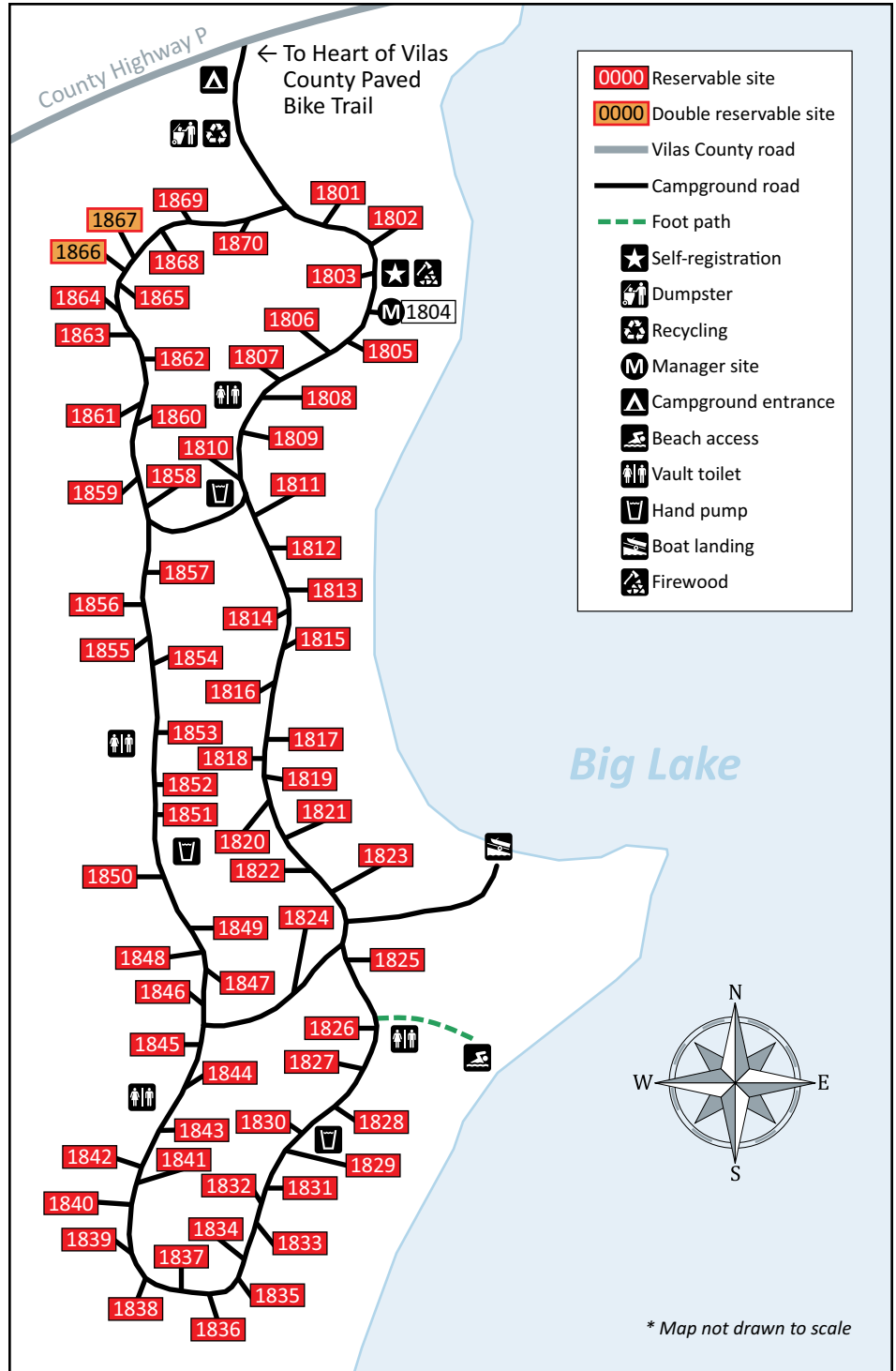
- **All campers must make a reservation before setting up on any site.**
- **Checkout Time:** Must vacate site by 3 p.m. on the last day of the permit.
- **Campground/Day-use Areas and Closing Time:** Campground closed to nonregistered campers 11 p.m. to 6 a.m.
- **Pets** must be on a leash at all times and not left unattended.
- **Noise** may not interfere with the enjoyment of the forest by others.
- **Generators** may be used from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- **Camping Party:** A “non-family group” may not exceed six people. A “family” is limited to parents with their dependent children and not more than two guests.
- **A State Parks and Forest Admission Sticker** is required for camping.
- For complete rules and regulations, see Chapter NR 45, Wis. Admin. Code, or contact DNR Law Enforcement.

Visit dnr.wi.gov for a complete list of camping rules. Violations may be reported to the Wisconsin DNR Tipline at 800-847-9367.



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Fall at the lake.



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| 2 Brule River State Forest 715-372-5678 | 6 Black River State Forest715-284-4103 |
| 3 Flambeau River State Forest.....715-332-5271 | 7 Coulee Experimental State Forest608-785-9007 |
| 4 Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest.....715-542-3923 | |

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DNR Call Center (toll-free 7 a.m.-10 p.m.) **1-888-936-7463** • Warden Tip Line: **1-800-847-9367**

