MOOSE LAKE STATE PARK

FACILITIES AND

- trails
- Swimming beach
- Boat rental

Fishing

Swimming

VISITOR FAVORITES:

Exhibition hall with geological displays and gem and mineral collections

 Snowmobile trails. Hiking trails

Agate/Geological Interpretive Center Drive-in boat access on Echo Picnic grounds 20 electric sites • 35 semi-modern campsites Hiking and snowmobile Portage River 1120 Tall Pine Trail 0.3 mi. ֎?⁺ Echo Lake **SUMMER TRAILS** Hiking Swimming Hiking Club Trail Fishing Pier -- Biking Dam **FACILITIES**

1.8 miles to MOOSE LAKE and Willard Munger Trail Moosehead Lake 1060 1080 1100 0.7 mi. 1120 - MOOSE LAKE, 2 miles 73 7\ 35 "I,*- TWIN CITIES, 100 miles Primitive Group Camp Information/Park Office Trail Shelter Agate/Geological Interpretive Center Restrooms/Showers Ă Campground .3 PRIVATE PROPERTY 0 .2 Picnic Area .1 Miles Public Use Prohibited Wildlife Observation .5 ___ Kilometers



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MOOSE LAKE STATE PARK is

located in Carlton County one-half mile east of Interstate 35 at the Moose Lake exit. The park entrance is off of County Highway 137. Highway map index: K-11. Moose Lake State Park was established in 1971. Its 1,194 acres are easily accessible off of Interstate 35. The park's popularity arises from its sandy beach, wooded hiking trails and good fishing.

GEOLOGY: The park lies in an area covered by glacial till and outwash deposits dropped by the last glacier as it melted. Large ice blocks which melted after the glacier retreated created both Moosehead and Echo Lakes. The south shore of Moosehead Lake was also the shore of Glacial Lake Nemadji.

VEGETATION: Much of the original white and red (Norway) pine that once blanketed the are is now gone. When the park was established, much of it was old farm fields, just beginning the long process of forest succession. In many of these areas, pine and spruce have been planted to help restore the original forest. Other areas of the park have mature aspen stands mixed with basswood, birch, and maple.

WILDLIFE: The open areas of the park along with the mature hardwood stands combine to provide habitat for a wide variety of wildlife species. Northern pike and walleye are found in both Moosehead and Echo Lakes. Panfish are also common in Echo Lake. Both lakes have been stocked with northern pike, walleye, and largemouth bass.

VISITOR CENTER: The

4,500-square-foot center includes interpretive displays, a multi-purpose classroom, Nature Store gift shop, park offices, a resource workroom, restrooms, and ehibition hall that showcases Minnesota's gemstone, the Lake Superior Agate.

SO EVERYONE CAN ENJOY THE PARK. . .

- The park belongs to all Minnesotans. Please treat it with respect and help us to protect it by following the rules:
- The park is open year-round. On a daily basis, the park gate is closed from 10:00 P.M. to 8:00 A.M. the following morning except to registered campers.
- Camp only in designated locations.
- The use of firearms, explosives, air guns, slingshots, traps, seines, nets, bows and arrows, and all other weapons is prohibited in state parks.
- Pets must be restrained on a leash no longer than six feet. Pets are not allowed in park buildings.
- Park in designated areas only.
- Motor bikes and other licensed vehicles are allowed only on park roads, not on trails.
- Enjoy park wildlife and plants but please respect them. Do not pick or dig up plants, disturb or feed animals, or scavenge dead wood.
- Build fires only in designated locations—fire rings or fireplaces. Wood is available for purchase from park staff. Portable stoves or grills are permitted.
- Daily or annual permits are required for all vehicles entering a state park. They may be purchased at the park headquarters or the Information Center in St. Paul (see "FOR MORE INFORMATION" to left).

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