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Road and Trail Bicycling Guide

BARAGA • GOGEBIC • HOUGHTON
IRON • KEWEENAW • ONTONAGON
COUNTIES

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Road Network

Vehicle Traffic Volume

Wide outside lane or paved shoulder 4' or greater

Heavy (AADT above 10,000)

Medium (AADT 2,500 - 10,000)

Light (AADT under 2,500)

Paved roads (no surface or volume info)

Gravel or other unpaved road

US Highway Route

State Highway

Forest Highway

County Route

Forest Service Road

Towns

No public services

Some services

Full service (Food, restrooms, and lodging)

Trails

Off-road trail network

Paved multi-use trail

Unpaved multi-use trail

North Country Hiking Trail

Points of Interest

Peak

Hospital

Other point of interest

Visitor Center / Information

Land Cover

Incorporated City/Village limits

Water

Ottawa National Forest

State or County Forest or other protected lands

Wilderness Area

Recreation Areas

Park / Public Recreation Area

Campground

Picnic facilities

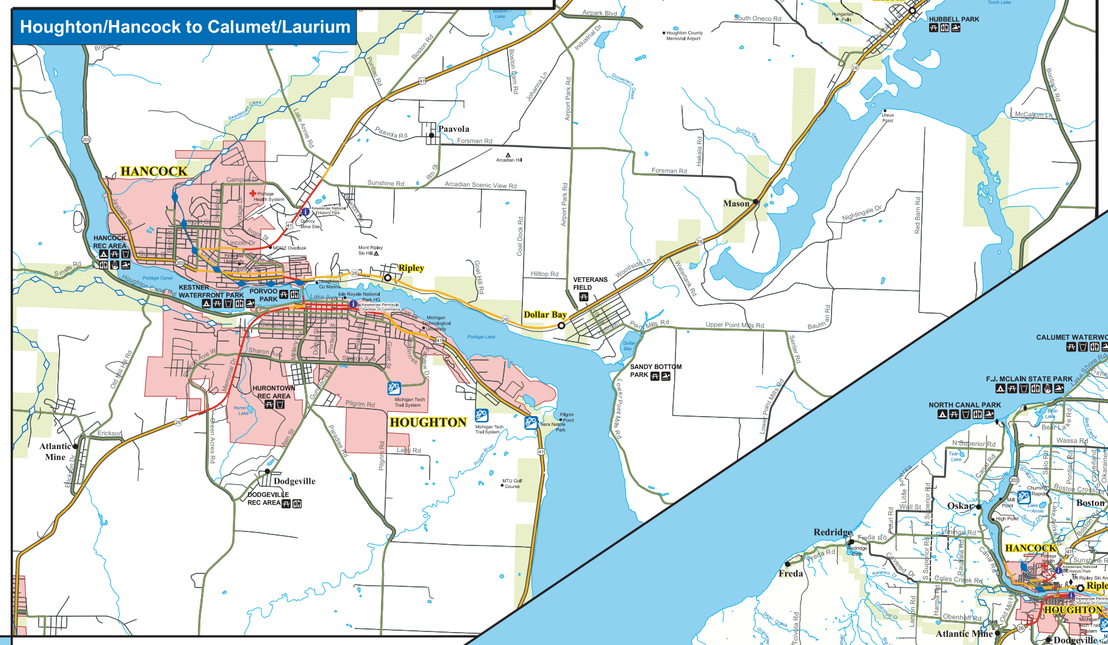
Drinking water

Toilets

Showers

Swimming beach

Houghton/Hancock to Calumet/Laurium



Where to Ride

On the Road:
Bicycles are permitted on all Michigan highways and roads EXCEPT limited access freeways or unless otherwise posted. Bicycles are allowed on all road systems including those in State Forests, State Parks, National Forests, and National Parks.

State Parks:
Bikes are allowed on all paved and non-paved roads in State Parks and recreation areas. Bikes may also be ridden on designated bike paths. Mountain bikes are allowed on trails only if they have been designated for bicycle use. For more information, call the individual park or the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Parks Division at (517) 373-9900.

State Forests:
Bicycles are allowed on most State Forest trails. Contact the Michigan Department of Natural Resources Forest Management Division at (517) 373-1275 for further information.

Ottawa National Forest:
Besides wilderness and specifically designated hiker only trails (including the North Country Trail), the entire forest is open to mountain bikes. This includes closed, gated and blocked roads, unless the road is specifically closed to bicycles Maximum penalties for riding sections not open to biking are a fine of $5,000 and/or six months imprisonment. Contact the U.S. Forest Service at (906) 932-1330 for more information.

Wilderness Areas:
Bicycles are considered to be mechanical devices and are therefore prohibited in National Wilderness Areas.

North Country Trail
When completed, the North Country Trail will be a 4,000-mile National Scenic Trail stretching from New York to North Dakota. While the entire trail is open to hiking, only portions are open to other non-motorized uses including mountain biking. Contact the North Country Trail Association at 1-888-454-6282 for more information. Bikes are NOT allowed on the NCT in the Ottawa National Forest.

Local Trail Systems:
Rules and regulations vary by each individual trail and community. Contact the appropriate jurisdiction for more information.

Bicycle Safety

Be predictable and act like a vehicle
Bicyclists on public roadways have the same rights and responsibilities as automobile drivers, and are subject to the same state laws and ordinances.

Always wear an approved helmet
Always have your helmet fitted and adjusted properly. Helmets should fit snugly so that they do not move around while riding.

Ride with traffic
Motorists are not looking for bicyclists riding on the wrong side of the road. State law requires that cyclists ride with the flow of traffic.

Use hand signals
Hand signals tell pedestrians and motorists what you intend to do. It is state law that you use signals.

Watch for cars pulling out
Always assume that motorists do not see you. Make eye contact with the driver to assess your safety before proceeding in front of a vehicle.

Wear appropriate clothing
Wear light, bright and/or reflective clothing at all times to improve your visibility. Dress in layers and bring gear for unforseen changes in weather.

Use lights at night
State law requires a front white light visible for 500 ft and a red reflector visible for 600 ft at night. More reflectors and stronger lights make you more visible.

Be courteous and respectful on trails
Show courtesy to all trail users. Adhere to trail hours and restrictions. Respect the rights of property owners.

Always yield to other, slower trail users
Slow down and use caution when approaching other trail users. When overtaking, announce your intentions by saying "passing on your left" or ringing your bell.

Ride as far to the right as practical
Form a single file line when other users are present. Slower trail users should stay to the right.

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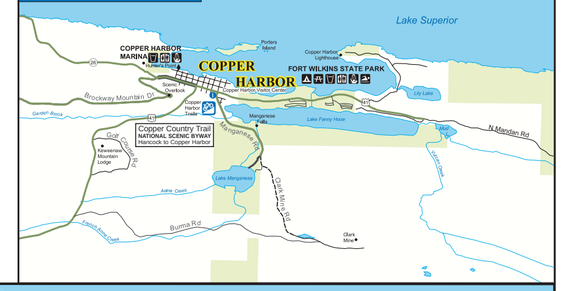


Tourist Resources

Western Upper Peninsula Visitor & Convention Bureau
www.westernup.com
(906) 932-4850

Upper Peninsula Travel & Recreation Association
www.uptravel.com
(800) 562-7134 or (906) 774-5480

Keweenaw Peninsula Chamber of Commerce
www.keweenaw.org
(906) 482-5240

Keweenaw Convention & Visitor Bureau
www.keweenaw.info
(906) 337-4579

Baraga County Tourist & Recreation Association
www.destinationmichigan.co/baraga
(900) 743-4908 or (906) 524-7444

Iron County Chamber of Commerce
www.tryiron.org
(888) TRY-IRON or (906) 265-3822

Ontonagon County Chamber of Commerce
www.ontonagonmi.org
(906) 884-4735

Porcupine Mountains Ontonagon Area Visitor Bureau
www.porcupinemountains.com
(906) 884-2047

Lake Gogebic Chamber of Commerce
www.lakegogebicarea.com
(906) 842-3611

Bessemer Chamber of Commerce
www.bessemer.org
(906) 663-0026

Ironwood Chamber of Commerce
www.ironwoodmi.org
(906) 932-1122

Watersmeet Chamber of Commerce
www.watersmeet.org
(906) 358-9961

Ontonagon Village

Bicycle Resources

League of Michigan Bicyclists
www.lmb.org
(517) 334-9100

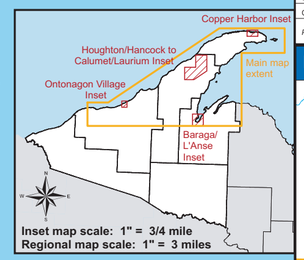
Michigan Trails & Greenways Alliance
www.michigantrails.org
(517)485-6022

www.keweenawtrails.com

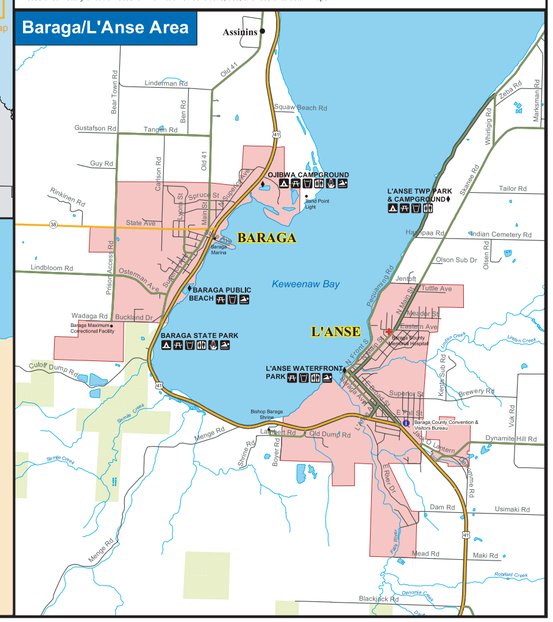
www.copperharbortrails.org

www.gogebic.org/bike

Michigan Mountain Biking Association
www.mmba.org
(616) 785-0120



Baraga/L'Anse Area



Trail Descriptions

MULTI-USE TRAILS	COUNTY	LENGTH	TYPE	OWNERSHIP	USES
Agonikak Trail	Gogebic	11 miles	old road bed	U.S. Forest Service	Non-motorized
Baraga Plains Trail	Baraga	28 miles	two track	Michigan DNR	Multi-Use
Bill Nicholls Trail	Houghton/Ontonagon	37 miles	old railroad bed	Michigan DNR	Multi-Use
Crystal Falls to Iron River Trail	Iron	25 miles	old railroad bed	Iron County	Multi-Use
Crystal Falls to Stager Trail	Iron	11 miles	old railroad bed	Michigan DNR	Multi-Use
Iron River - Marenisco Trail	Gogebic/Iron	67 miles	old railroad bed	Michigan DNR	Multi-Use
Jack Stevens Trail	Houghton	14 miles	old railroad bed	Michigan DNR	Multi-Use
State Line Trail	Iron	20 miles	old railroad bed	Michigan DNR	Multi-Use

MTB (OFF-ROAD) TRAILS	COUNTY	LENGTH	TYPE	OWNERSHIP	USES
Powers Trail System	Gogebic	20 miles	two track, gravel roads	Gogebic County Forestry & Parks	Non-motorized
Copper Harbor Trail System	Keweenaw	15 miles	single track, two track, gravel roads	Keweenaw County, MIDNR,Private	Non-motorized
Michigan Tech Trail System	Houghton	18 miles	single track, wide ski trails	Michigan Technological University	Non-motorized
Chassell Ski Trails	Houghton	7 miles	single track	Private	Non-motorized
Swedetown Trails	Houghton	19 miles	single track, wide ski trails	Calumet Township	Non-motorized
Churning Rapids	Houghton	12 miles	single track, two track, gravel roads	Private	Non-motorized

Please check locally or at trailheads for information on conditions, use, and fees or to obtain maps.