

# Luce Line State Trail

Hennepin, Carver, McLeod and Meeker Counties



Trail Distances in Miles

Vicksburg Lane Trailhead	6	7	19	29	37	44	51.5	63
Wakefield - Cony Rest Area	1	13	23	31	38	45.5	56	
Stubbs Bay Road Trail Access	12	22	30	37	44.5	55		
Watertown	10	18	25	32.5	43			
Winsted	8	15	22.5	33				
Silver Lake	7	14.5	24.5					
Hutchinson	7.5	17.5						
Cedar Mills		10						
Thompson Lake (near Cosmos)								

### MAP EXPLANATION

**Trails**

- Crushed Limestone
- Crushed Aggregate Base
- Adjacent Horse Trail
- Undeveloped
- Paved (Asphalt)

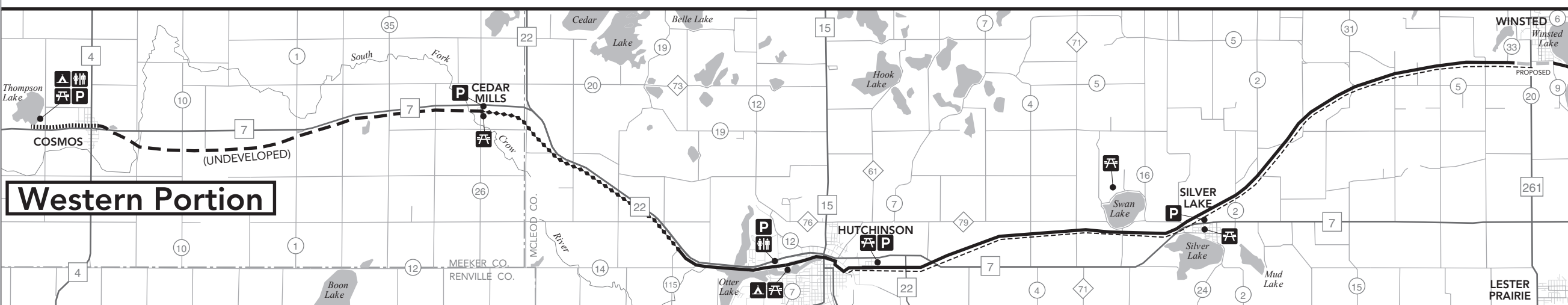
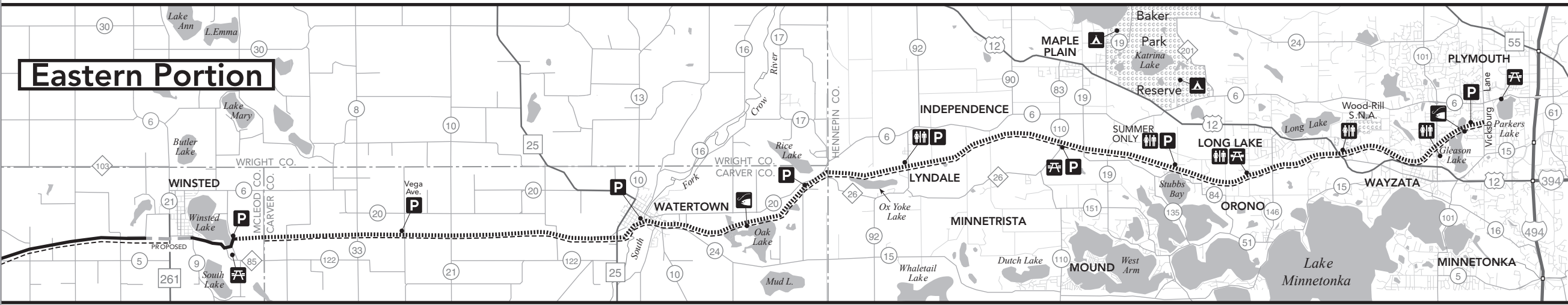
**Facilities**

- Parking
- Picnic / Rest Area
- Campground
- Toilet
- Shorefishing

NORTH

Scale in Miles

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The Luce Line State Trail is a 63 mile long former railroad grade which is developed for biking, hiking, horseback riding, mountainbiking, snowmobiling, and cross-country skiing. The limestone surfaced trail runs from Plymouth 30 miles west to Winsted, with a parallel treadway for horsebackriding.

Snowmobiles are allowed on the trail west of Stubb's Bay Road. (Snowmobiles are prohibited between Vicksburg Lane and Stubbs Bay Road. Be aware of local speed limit restrictions.)

The trail from Winsted to Hutchinson was developed as a paved trail with a parallel, natural surface treadway for horseback riding. The aggregate base is of a larger size than the crushed granite, but is bikeable.

The trail from Hutchinson to Cedar Mills was developed with a base of crushed granite, which is of a larger size than the crushed limestone, but is bikeable.

Stretching across the varied landscapes of metropolitan and rural Minnesota, the Luce Line is a preserved strip of countryside alive with many varieties of plants and animals. In the east the influence is woodland, a carry-over from the Big Woods that once occupied the area.

Rolling stands of sugar maple and basswood, along with many colorful forest floor ground-cover plants can be found here. From Hutchinson westward, the Big Woods gives way to remnants of the tall-grass prairie, with many prairie plants still visible.

Wildlife inhabitants range from deer, fox and mink to owls and pheasant. Many adjacent lakes also support ducks and geese. The Luce Line is truly like a jaunt down a quiet country road.

## Share the Trail with Others:

- Stay on designated trail.
- Keep right so others can pass.
- Keep all pets on leash/Dispose of pet waste.
- Obey traffic signs and rules.
- Pack out all garbage and litter.
- Respect adjoining landowners rights and privacy.
- Warn other trail users when passing by giving an audible signal. Some horses may be spooked by quiet bikers. Let them know you are passing.
- Overnight camping and campfires are not permitted.
- Enjoy the beauty of wild plants & animals, but leave them undisturbed for all to enjoy.
- Trail users are legally responsible for obeying the rules and regulations per Minnesota Rules, 6100.3000.

## PARKING AVAILABLE:

*Do not leave valuables in your vehicle.*

- PLYMOUTH, off of 10th Ave. No. and Vicksburg Lane.
- LONG LAKE, take Old Crystal Bay Rd. south to Watertown Rd., then west to Stubb's Bay Rd.. Go south 1/4 mile to parking lot on west side of the road.
- INDEPENDENCE, east side of County Road 110, south of County Road 6
- LYNDALE, off County Road 92.
- Off of Carver County Road 127, south of County Road 20.
- Off Vega Avenue.
- 2 located in Hutchinson, both located off Hwy 7, one on the east end and one on the west end of town.
- In the towns of Watertown, Winsted, Silver Lake, Cedar Mills and Cosmos.



This trail requires a permit for anyone snowmobiling or horseback riding. For more information about the Snowmobile State Trail Sticker or the Horse Pass, please call the DNR Info Center at 1-888-MINNDNR or check the website at [mndnr.gov](http://mndnr.gov)

**For more information or copies of this or other state trail maps, please contact the DNR Information Center:**

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