

# ROUTE DESCRIPTION - RM 160 to 78

NOTE: (R) and (L) represent right and left banks of the river when facing downstream.

## RIVER MILE

- 160.0** Beginning of State Water Trail/Highway 29 bridge and culvert. Depending upon flow conditions, experienced paddlers can make it through. Others should start downstream of the culvert. From this point to Highway 34, there are several commercial tubing vendors using the river. City of Rochert.
- 158.4** **157.7** Flow increases through former bridge/rock dam location. **335th Avenue bridge**. Possible one foot drop on downstream side. During low flow, passage is difficult.
- 157.4** **State Highway 34 bridge**. Can be paddled during most flow conditions. No parking on highway right of way is strictly enforced. Congested area during tubing season.
- 156.6** **Small private bridge**. Portage on private property is necessary (either side).
- 155.5** **Highway 29 bridge and culvert**. Depending upon flow conditions, experienced paddlers can make it through. Others should portage on either side. Watch for steep banks and traffic when portaging.
- 154.9** Powerline crossing.
- 152.1 (L)** **Wannigan Road carry-in access and bridge**. Usually passable. Limited parking at access.
- 149.8** Powerline crossing.
- 145.5** **Private, covered bridge**.
- 145.4** **Old bridge remnants**. Watch for concrete and rebar.
- 144.9** **Highway 87 bridge/North Lake Street**. City of Frazee.
- 144.5** **Five man-made rock weirs**. These speed up flow.
- 144.5 (L)** **Riverside Park**. Carry-in access and rest area. A series of small, rock weirs for the next 1/2 mile.
- 144.5** **East Main Avenue bridge**. Depending upon flow conditions, experienced paddlers can make it through. Others should portage on either side.
- 144.3 (L)** **Utility pipe crosses the river**. If river is low, possible to pass under by ducking. Otherwise, 30 yd. portage.
- 144.1 (R)** **Three bridge crossings**. No passage underneath first bridge. Portage right along the road. Watch for traffic!
- 143.3 (R)** **Dam/Lion's Park**. Portage right 100 yds under a wooden stairway. Fifteen foot drop with four rows of boulders. Toilets, picnic shelter, playground, statue of a turkey.
- 143.0, 134.0, and 116.0**, the river passes through culverts under Highway 10. Paddling through these culverts is not recommended, except by experienced paddlers. Be sure to scout them first for hazards such as high and/or fast water, drop offs, floating bogs, and other obstructions. **DO NOT** portage over Highway 10.
- 143.0** **Highway 10 bridge and culvert**. See warning above. Powerline crossing.
- 137.4 (L)** **Rice Lake trailer access**.
- 135.4** Powerline crossing.
- 135.1** **Black Diamond Road culverts**. Often blocked by bogs.
- 134.9** **Highway 10 bridge and culverts**. See warning above.
- 134.2** **403rd Avenue bridge**.
- 132.8** Powerline crossing.
- 132.5** **Highway 60 bridge**.
- 129.7** **425th Avenue bridge**.
- 126.6** **Highway 51 bridge**.
- 126.5 (R)** **Paul Miller Park**. Trailer access and rest area.
- 124.7 (R)** **Dam**. Portage 50 yds. Highway 8/455th Avenue bridge. Trailer access and toilet.
- 123.5 (L)** **Big Pine Lake carry-in access**.
- 123.5 (R)** **Big Pine West trailer access**.
- 120.9 (L)** **Big Pine East trailer access**.
- 120.7** **Dam**. Portage right 50 yds. Access is by permission and payment of fee at Big Pine Lodge.
- 117.1** **Highway 80 and railroad bridges**.
- 116.9** **Highway 10 bridge and culvert**. See note above.
- 112.0** **390th Street/River Road culverts**.
- 109.9** **County Road 14/St. Lawrence Road culvert**.
- 108.0 (L)** **Rush Lake East trailer access**.
- 105.6** **Dam upstream of Highway 78**. Portage right 50 yds. Rush Lake West trailer access with parking and toilet.
- 103.7** **Railroad bridge**.
- 102.0** **County Road 1 bridge**.
- 100.2 (R)** **Riviera trailer access**.
- 100.1 (L)** **Pelican Bay/Sportsman's trailer accesses**. Fishing pier.
- 98.8 (L)** **Otter Tail Lake rest area**.
- 95.9 (R)** **Amor Park**. Rest area, toilet and drinking water.
- 92.8 (R)** **Otter Tail Lake West carry-in access**.
- 92.0** **County Road 72 and dam**. Portage left 75 yds. Riverside trailer access with parking, shorefishing and toilet. NOTE: Heavy tubing use on warm days.
- 91.8** **Highway 83 bridge**.
- 91.7 (L)** **Deer Lake trailer access**.
- 88.4** **County Road 1 bridge**.
- 86.4** **County Road 45 bridge**.
- 85.0 (R)** **Phelps Mill County Park and Dam**. Portage 285 yd. Carry-in access, toilet and rest area.
- 81.5** **County Road 35 bridge**. West Lost Lake trailer access (L).
- 79.4** **Water Street Road bridge**.

END MAP 1 - BEGIN MAP 2, PHELPS MILL TO BRECKENRIDGE

# OTTER TAIL RIVER STATE WATER TRAIL

## MAP 1 - Rochert to Phelps Mill

- Carry-in Access
- Trailer Access
- Hospital/Clinic
- Rest Area
- Fishing Pier
- Campground
- Dam
- Restroom
- Drinking Water
- River Miles
- Hazards
- State Unit Boundaries
- Public Lands

W.M.A. = Wildlife Management Area  
A.M.A. = Aquatic Management Area

Scale 1:150,000  
Scale in Miles

