



Environment and Natural Resources Trust Fund (ENRTF) M.L. 2014 Work Plan

Date of Report: January 15, 2014
Date of Next Status Update Report: January 1, 2015
Date of Work Plan Approval:
Project Completion Date: June 30, 2017
Does this submission include an amendment request? No

PROJECT TITLE: Mesabi Trail Development – Soudan to Ely Segment

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Location: St. Louis County between the Cities of Tower and Ely including the Townships of Soudan, Eagles Nest & Morse

Total ENRTF Project Budget:	ENRTF Appropriation:	\$1,000,000
	Amount Spent:	\$0
	Balance:	\$1,000,000

Legal Citation: M.L. 2014, Chp. 226, Sec. 2, Subd. 07c

Appropriation Language:

\$1,000,000 the second year is from the trust fund to the commissioner of natural resources for an agreement with St. Louis and Lake Counties Regional Rail Authority for the right-of-way acquisition, design, and construction of segments of the Mesabi Trail totaling approximately 11 miles east of Soudan towards Ely. This appropriation is available until June 30, 2017, by which time the project must be completed and final products delivered.

I. PROJECT TITLE: Mesabi Trail – Soudan to Ely Segment

II. PROJECT STATEMENT:

The Mesabi Trail is a 145 mile paved trail that serves as an alternate transportation corridor namely for non-motorized pedestrian, bike, ski, horses, and motorized snowmobile use where designated. The trail extends from the Mississippi River in Grand Rapids to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area in Ely. Approximately 115 miles of the trail, from Grand Rapids to Embarrass, has been completed since its inception in 1996. The Mesabi Trail is owned and maintained by the ST. Louis and Lake Counties Regional Railroad Authority (RRA).

The Soudan to Ely Segment yet to be constructed is 18 miles in length lying between the east boundary of the Vermillion State Park the City of Ely. As you may know from the way in which RRA develops the Mesabi Trail, it is not practical or manageable to construct the entire 18 miles at one time; therefore, we break it down into manageable segments or parts of the whole for development and construction.

We are proposing to use this LCCMR appropriation, along with other funding sources, to construct the Mesabi Trail from the eastern boundary of the Vermilion State Park to the Highway 169 DM&IR Railroad grade underpass approximately 10.5 miles in length estimated to cost \$2,500,000 from the following funding sources:

Proposed 2014 LCCMR	\$1,000,000
Other Secured Funding Sources:	
2015 Federal Transportation Alternatives (TAP)	\$ 400,000
2016 Federal TAP	\$ 400,000
Federal Recreational Trails	\$ 150,000
2012 MN Legacy	\$ 512,000
2014 MN Legacy (minimum)	*\$ <u>38,000</u>
Total	\$2,500,000

*\$500,000 of 2014 Legacy funds are being directed to the Soudan to Ely trail with funds available for this 10.5 mile segment as needed

This trail will allow for a non-motorized transportation corridor along a heavily traveled and congested portion of Highway 169. The trail will address existing traffic safety concerns, provide for more healthy lifestyles, allow for handicapped accessibility and will be constructed in an environmentally sensitive manner to avoid potential impacts to adjacent property owners and the pristine natural resources in this region of the state. The trail will provide access to destinations predominately orientated to outdoor activities.

St. Louis and Lake Counties Regional Railroad Authority (RRA) performs the trail development work including liaison with agencies & local jurisdictions, public meetings, contract administration, right-of-way acquisition and other administrative functions. The RRA is experienced at leveraging funds, meeting specific funder requirements, matching non-state & non-federal sources and completion dates. This trail will be funded by a combination of state, federal and local funds all with varying rules and guidelines. The most prescriptive grantor(s) rules will be used advancing this project.

III. PROJECT STATUS UPDATES:

- Project Status as of January 1, 2015**
- Project Status as of July 1, 2015**
- Project Status as of January 1, 2016**
- Project Status as of July 1, 2016**

Project Status as of January 1, 2017

Project Status as of July 1, 2017

Overall Project Outcomes and Results:

This project is another step towards completion of the planned Mesabi Trail; 115 miles are done, another 25 miles to go. This project will have short-term results by connecting the City of Tower, Soudan and Vermillion State Park and, Bearhead State Park. The short-term connections in themselves are wonderful additions to this area.

IV. PROJECT ACTIVITIES AND OUTCOMES:

ACTIVITY 1:

ENTRF Budget \$100,000
Amount Spent \$ 0
Balance \$100,000

Description: Environmental for Federal NEPA & State MEPA and other Federal, State and Local permits

Environmental work needed to comply with Federal National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Minnesota Environmental Protection Act (MEPA). From our experience, the trail routing described will likely be close to the final designed route; however, as part of NEPA and MEPA, we will be analyzing the "Universe" of trail route alternatives that could be used and then "down – select" to the most preferred alternative. Along with no-build, land use, social, economic & other impacts; environment and cultural resource are usually the most sensitive impacts for new trail construction particularly avoidance and/or minimization of impacts to waters, wetlands, protected wildlife & vegetation and historic sites.

Other permits will be secured from the Federal Army corps of Engineers if wetlands are impacted, Federal EPA, State MPCA and Local Soil and Water Conservation, Planning & Zoning, Environmental Services.

Activity Completion Date: July 2017

Outcome	Completion Date	Budget
1. COE, EPA, SHIPO, Easements, MN DNR, MPCA & Other secured	July 2017	\$ 100,000

Activity Status as of January 1, 2015

Activity Status as of July 1, 2015

Activity Status as of January 1, 2016

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ACTIVITY 2:

ENTRF Budget \$150,000
Amount Spent \$ 0
Balance \$150,000

Description: Engineering design, survey, plans, specification and construction management.

Engineering will be done in accordance with the MN Dot Standards for Bicycle Trails. Engineering work begins with route(s) identification needed for NEPA work and then to more specific survey work once a preferred trail route alternative is selected. Engineer survey includes topographic, paying particular attention to vertical alignment for Americans' with disabilities access and horizontal curve for minimum speed, and property lines and other features needed for design. Engineer trail design is in accordance with MN Dot Standards, Federal Highway Administration (FHWA) and ASHTO and on-site conditions such as waterways, wetlands, hills, valleys determining the final trail design and plan. Engineer is also required to provide a MN Dot Project Memorandum which is a document summarizing the project including NEPA, right-of-way, design and other elements. Engineer is required to provide a Project Specification document that includes special construction needs, bidding documents, contracts and other. Engineer is required to provide construction management that includes on-site inspections, testing oversight, processing payments and other work for a completed project.

Activity Completion Date: July 2017

Outcome	Completion Date	Budget
2. Plans, specifications, bid documents for/and construction	July 2017	\$ 150,000

Activity Status as of January 1, 2015

Activity Status as of July 1, 2015

Activity Status as of January 1, 2016

Activity Status as of July 1, 2016

Activity Status as of January 1, 2017

Activity Status as of July 1, 2017

Final Report Summary:

ACTIVITY 3:

ENTRF Budget \$750,000

Amount Spent \$ 0

Balance \$750,000

Description: Trail Construction

We have divided the 10.5 mile overall trail length into 3 parts or segments known as **Vermillion 4, 5 and 6**. We do this in order to abide by Grantor (other granting agencies) rules, funding limits and requirements. For example:

Vermillion segment 4 has received a year 2015 TAP grant in the amount of \$400,000 that can only be used on that trail segment in year 2015.

The trail will be constructed by a responsible contractor. Contractor selection is based on a bidding process acceptable to MN Dot, FHWA. Contractor constructs the trail in accordance with engineers plan and specifications. Contractor is responsible to perform construction using methods that are in accordance with OSHA, NEPA and other industry standards. The following is a general description of each trail segment:

Vermillion 4: Construction of a 3.5 mile long, 10 feet wide bituminous surface trail beginning at the east end of the Vermillion State Park and ending at Bearhead Lake State Park Road (SLC 128). This segment

will be located about one-half mile south of Highway 169 traversing boreal type forest, granite rock outcrops and a wonderful vista of the Vermillion peaks.

Vermillion 5: Construction of a 3.0 mile long, 10 feet wide bituminous surface trail from Bearhead Lake State Park road to Camp Lake Road. This trail will follow an abandon DM&IR Railroad grade to the west Shore of Armstrong Lake and then traverse southerly to Camp Lake through an open canopy forest with access to both Armstrong and Camp Lakes.

Vermillion 6: Construction of a 4.0 mile long, 10 feet wide bituminous surface trail from Camp Lake easterly along an abandon DM&IR Railroad grade ending at the railroad underpass of highway 169. The railroad grade passes by Robinson Lake and through Dead Man’s Lake traversing open canopy forest, boreal forest, wetlands, creeks and other natural settings.

Activity Completion Date: July 1,2017

Outcome	Completion Date	Budget
3. Constructed 10 foot wide bituminous surface trail	July 1,2017	\$750,000

Activity Status as of January 1, 2015

Activity Status as of July 1, 2015

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V. DISSEMINATION:

Description: Mesabi Trail news and updates are provided through a variety of media, marketing and publications. Web site is: Mesabitrail.com. The following are some of the groups & organizations that disseminate Mesabi Trail information and typically include updates of newly completed trail segments:

- Club Mesabi (10,000 maps & web site)
- Iron Range Tourism (30,000 brochures & web site)
- MN Office of Tourism
- MPR
- Parks & Trails, Home & Away, other private magazines
- 180,000 trail users per year
- Named by the Star Tribune as “Best of Minnesota” in year 2013

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VI. PROJECT BUDGET SUMMARY:

A. ENRTF Budget Overview:

Budget Category	\$ Amount	Explanation
Professional Service Contracts		
Environmental	\$100,000	As described under ACTIVITY 1
Engineering	\$150,000	As described under ACTIVITY 2
Capital Expenditures over \$5,000	\$750,000	As described under ACTIVITY 3 and as explained under "Explanation of Capital Expenditures Greater than \$5,000.
TOTAL ENRTF BUDGET:	\$1,000,000	

Explanation of Use of Classified Staff: N/A

Explanation of Capital Expenditures Greater Than \$5,000: Trail construction costs vary depending on the type of terrain or base being used. For example, constructing trail on an abandon railroad grade may cost a \$100,000 per mile while construction through a rocky terrain with bridges may cost in excess of \$500,000 per mile. Our estimation is that this 10.5 mile trail segment will cost approximately \$250,000 per mile which includes professional services for engineering and environmental work.

Number of Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Directly Funded with this ENRTF Appropriation:

Number of Full-time Equivalent (FTE) Estimated to Be Funded through Contracts with this ENRTF Appropriation: 7 FTE's for one year

B. Other Funds:

Source of Funds	\$ Amount Proposed	\$ Amount Spent	Use of Other Funds
Non-state			
Federal TAP	\$ 800,000	\$0	Construction
Federal Trails	\$ 150,000	\$0	Construction
State			
MN Legacy 2012	\$ 512,000	\$0	Construction & professional services
MN Legacy 2014	\$ 38,000	\$0	Construction & professional services
TOTAL OTHER FUNDS:	\$1,500,000	\$	

VII. PROJECT STRATEGY:

A. Project Partners

- Lead - St. Louis and Lake Counties Regional Railroad Authority with assistance from St. Louis County Public Works
- Local Assistance – Breitung & Eagles Nest Townships, St. Louis County Land Department, MN DNR Forestry
- Funding and Trail Development Contributors – MN DNR, MNDOT, FHWA Enhancements, MN Legacy and Local Funds

B. Project Impact and Long-term Strategy:

Long-term strategy for the Mesabi Trail has not changed since 1995 which is to construct a trail from Grand Rapids to Ely connecting 26 communities along the way as seen on enclosed map. A key component in this strategy is to maintain the completed trail as some parts/segments will be over 20 years old by the time the overall trail is finished. The Regional Railroad Authority has committed to maintain the trail and currently budgets over \$300,000 per year for maintenance costs.

Short-term impacts make local trails connections between communities and destinations.

C. Spending History: Since 1995, funding received is approximately 8.8 million federal, 4.5 million state and 3.0 million local

Major Funding Sources	M.L. 2008 or FY09	M.L. 2009 or FY10	M.L. 2010 or FY11	M.L. 2011 or FY12-13	M.L. 2013 or FY14
State Bond as amended					950,000
LCCMR 2005 to present					1,000,000
State 1995 to 2005					2,500,000
Federal HPP 2005 to present					2,900,000
Federal ARRA 2009					1,200,000
Federal Enh. 2005 to present					982,000
Federal Enh. 1995 to 2005					3,000,000
Local, IRRRB, RRA, SLC 1994 to 2014					3,000,000

VIII. ACQUISITION/RESTORATION LIST: N/A

IX. VISUAL ELEMENT or MAP(S): See attached

X. ACQUISITION/RESTORATION REQUIREMENTS WORKSHEET: N/A

XI. RESEARCH ADDENDUM: N/A

XII. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS:

Periodic work plan status update reports will be submitted no later than at six month intervals beginning January 1, 2015 and ending July 1, 2017. A final report and associated products will be submitted between June 30 and August 15, 2017.



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ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES TRUST FUND BUDGET	Activity 1 Budget	Amount Spent	Activity 1 Balance	Activity 2 Budget	Amount Spent	Activity 2 Balance	Activity 3 Budget	Amount Spent	Activity 3 Balance	TOTAL BUDGET	TOTAL BALANCE
BUDGET ITEM	NEPA/Environmental/R-O-W			Engineering			Construction				
Professional Service Contracts											
Environmental work preliminary to construction in accordance with Federal NEPA & EPA; Minnesota MPCA, SHIPO, DNR; Local jurisdictions as explained under Work Plan ACTIVITY 1	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000							\$100,000	\$100,000
Engineer for trail design, plans, specifications, bidding and construction administration as explained under Work Plan ACTIVITY 2				\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000				\$150,000	\$150,000
Capital Expenditures Over \$5,000 <i>(List specific items. Add rows as needed.)</i>											
Trail construction of Results 26b, 31 & 32 as further explained Work Plan ACTIVITY 3							\$750,000	\$0	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000
COLUMN TOTAL	\$100,000	\$0	\$100,000	\$150,000	\$0	\$150,000	\$750,000	\$0	\$750,000	\$1,000,000	\$1,000,000

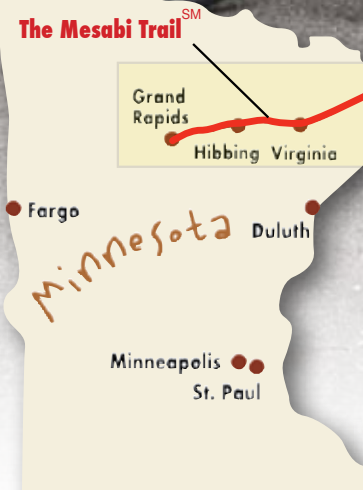


For Mesabi TrailSM Information:
 Online: www.mesabitrail.com
 Phone: 877-637-2241

Wheel pass is required for persons age 18 and older using wheels on the trail. \$15 annually or \$5 for 3-days. Available online at www.mesabitrail.com or at wheel pass vendors listed on other side.

Join Club Mesabi and get a FREE annual wheel pass! See other side of this map for more information about joining!

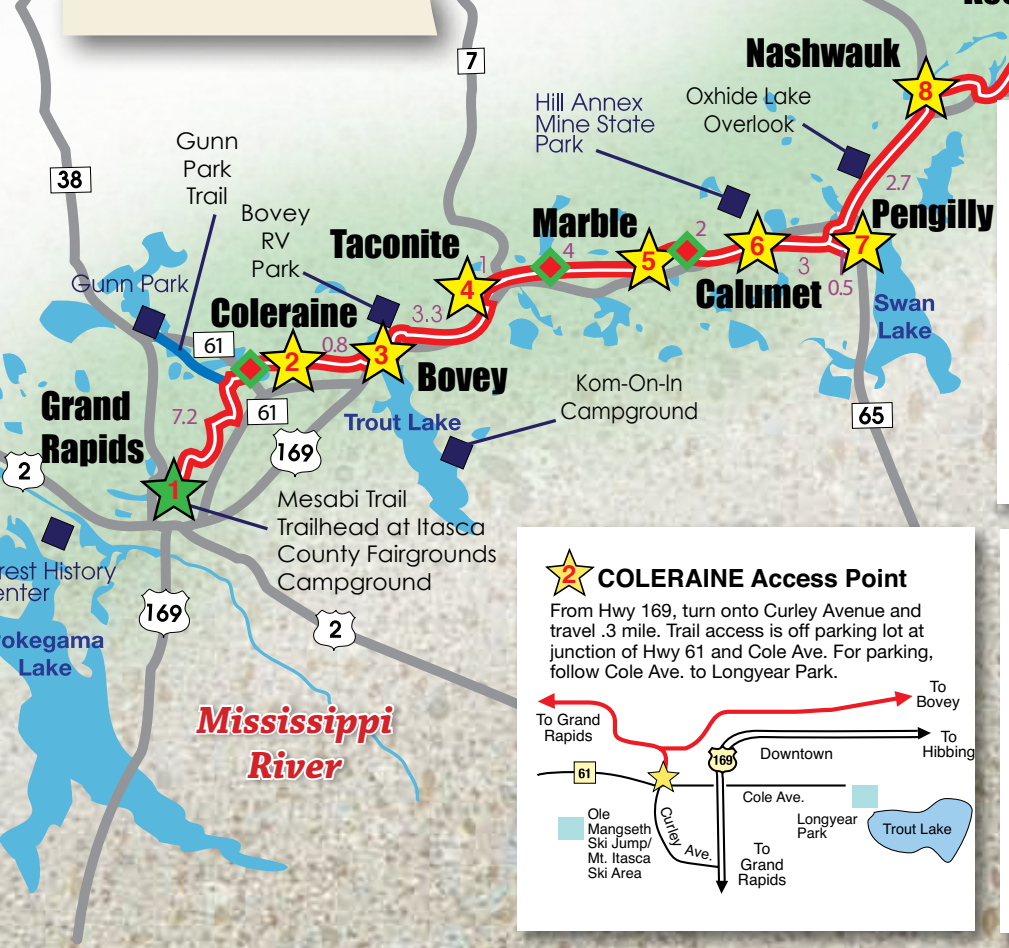
From the Mississippi to the Boundary Waters



Grand Rapids	16.3	29.3	39.3	46.3	51.3	64.3	74.5	83
Marble	13	23	30	35	48	58.2	66.7	
Keewatin	10	17	22	25	35	43.7		
Hibbing	7	12	18	25	36.7			
Chisholm	5	13	23.2	31.7				
Buhl				10.2	18.7			
Virginia						8.5		
McKinley								
Giants Ridge								

Legend

- Trailhead Communities With Access Points
- Completed Trail
- Future Construction
- Future Trail
- Attractions
- Communities
- Local Trails
- Indicates a hill with up to 8% grade



TACONITE Access Point

From Hwy 169, exit north onto Hwy 15 into Taconite. Trail access in town at Bennett Street. Parking is available at the Community Center and on Bennett Street.

PENGLILLY Access Point

From Hwy 169, turn south onto Hwy. 65 and the trail access and parking will be immediately on your right.

HIBBING Access Point

From Hwy 169, exit west onto Howard St., follow to 3rd Ave. E. Turn right and go 1/2 mile. Trail access at the Greyhound Bus Museum parking lot on the left.

KINNEY Access Point

From Hwy 169, exit north at Highway 25 and travel approximately .3 mile towards downtown Kinney. The Trail access and parking lot are on the left.

GILBERT Access Point

From Hwy 37 (Broadway) turn east on Wisconsin Ave. to trail access. Bathrooms, parking, and water available at Sherwood Forest Campground.

TOWER Access Point

From Hwy 169 turn south onto Pine Street. Parking is available at Civic Center and trail access is two blocks away.

COLERAINE Access Point

From Hwy 169, turn onto Curley Avenue and travel .3 mile. Trail access is off parking lot at junction of Hwy 61 and Cole Ave. For parking, follow Cole Ave. to Longyear Park.

MARBLE Access Point

From Hwy 169, turn north onto Co. Rd 80/Alice Avenue and the trail access and parking will be .5 miles on your left, just past the ball field.

NASHWAUK Access Point

From Hwy 169, turn north on Hwy 65 to parking lot on west side of road. Access is directly across Hwy 65.

CHISHOLM Access Point

From Hwy 169, exit onto 4th Ave. SE (downtown exit). Continue to Lake St., veering left. Trail entrance and parking is on the corner of Lake St. and 1st Ave. SE.

MTN. IRON Access Point

From Hwy 169, exit north onto Hwy 102 and travel .75 mile into downtown Mtn. Iron. Turn left on go 2 blocks on Main Street. Turn right at Mountain Ave. Trail access and parking lot 1 block ahead.

EVELETH Access Point

From Hwy 53, exit onto Hwy. 37. Turn west on 37 (Fayal Road) to Fayal Pond Parking. 1 mile on left or continue to Fayal Ave, turn left and follow signs to parking at Southside Park.

Soudan Access Point

From Hwy 169 turn north into Breitung Monument Park. Parking and restrooms are available.

GRAND RAPIDS Access Point

From combined Hwys. 169 & 2, turn north onto 3rd Ave. NE to the Itasca County Fairgrounds and Campground. Trail access and parking at north side of fairgrounds.

BOVEY Access Point

From Hwy 169, take 2nd Ave. W or 2nd Street exits west to 2nd Street. Turn north on 1st Ave. W. Trail access is on left and parking is available on 1st Ave.

CALUMET Access Point

From Hwy 169 turn north on Gary Street. Continue three blocks north to City Park/Depot Center. Trail access and parking available.

KEEWATIN Access Point

From Hwy 169, exit onto Hwy 82/7th Street and continue north approximately .3 mile. Trail access is at the corner of 3rd Avenue and 7th Street.

BUHL Access Point

From Hwy 169, exit onto Pennsylvania Ave. or Forest Street. Trail access and parking at the corner of State Street and Culver Avenue.

VIRGINIA Access Point

From Hwy 53, exit east onto 9th Street N. Travel .3 mile to kiosk and parking on left.

McKINLEY Access Point

From Hwy 135, turn south on County Road 20. The parking area is one block south.

ELY Access Point

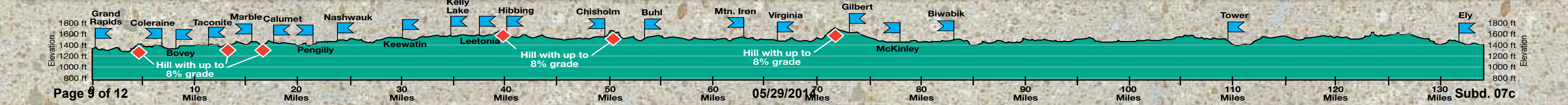
From Hwy 169, turn north onto N. Central Ave./Pioneer Road and continue for 3 blocks. Trail access and parking is on the right.

BIWABIK Access Point

From Biwabik, travel east approximately one mile on Highway 135. Trail access and parking is on right, at the northwest corner of Embarrass Lake.

AURORA Access Point

From Hwy 100 (W. 3rd Ave N) trail kiosk is located at junction of Hill Street. Parking is available at Pine Grove Park to the south.



MESABI TRAILSM

From the Mississippi to the Boundary Waters

The Mesabi TrailSM offers an abundance of natural and outdoor experiences. You may choose to hike, bike, skate, ski, snowshoe and, in some areas snowmobile, along the Trail as it traverses over 100 miles and through 28 communities. These communities offer historical buildings, mining artifacts, early industry and ethnic history, plus other treasures well worth the discovery. Forests teeming with wildlife can be found between rolling hills. Streams and creeks provide habitat for birds and animals. Grand heaps of earth provide man-made mountains that are becoming regrowth forests lining the edges of some of the world's largest mines. These former mines are fast becoming a linked chain of watery passages. Come enjoy a quality guest experience in the Land of Mesabi, via the Mesabi TrailSM.

Get your Mesabi TrailSM Wheel Pass:

Online at www.mesabitrail.com

By calling: 877-637-2241

At any local Wheel Pass vendor

LODGE TO LODGE BICYCLING

Let us design a package to suit your style! A romantic B&B getaway, a family bike camping trip, a trip for two... or a trip for 20! The Mesabi Trail Shuttle Service can help you plan lodging, luggage shuttles, box lunches along the trail, and we can shuttle you and your bikes back to your vehicle when you're done!

Part of your package includes suggestions on great places to eat, awesome overlooks to see, cool historical things to visit, (and practical things like convenience stores and rest stops)! Hosted rides, group rides for up to 25 people, and sag-wagon supported rides are available too.

The Mesabi Trail Shuttle Service is based at the Giants Ridge Golf and Ski Resort in Biwabik, and you can contact us at 1-800-688-7669 ext. 8025. Our direct line is 218-865-8025, or email us at chris.johnson@giantsridge.com

Love the trail?

Join the Club!

Have you fallen in love with the Mesabi TrailSM? Show your love by joining Club Mesabi! Club membership supports both the Mesabi TrailSM and Club Mesabi, plus you get some great membership perks - like your annual wheel pass, and discounts on the bike tour and Mesabi TrailSM merchandise. Join online at mesabitrail.com, or call the Mesabi TrailSM at 877-637-2241

The mission of Club Mesabi is to promote and support the Mesabi TrailSM. The Club hosts the Great River Energy Mesabi TrailSM Tour held each August.

RULES FOR CONDUCT

- Wheel Pass is required for persons aged 18 years and older, using a bicycle, inline skates or other non-motorized wheeled device.
- Passes must be displayed while on the Trail.
- The Mesabi TrailSM is a non-motorized trail, except snowmobiles where designated.
- Non-motorized vehicles and motorized wheelchairs shall not exceed 36" in width.
- Keep pets on a leash no longer than 6' long
- Holes or trenches may not be dug.
- No signs or advertisements.
- Start fires only in officially designated fire rings, stove or grills. Do not leave a fire unattended. Be sure fire is extinguished before leaving the area.
- No hunting, loaded weapons or alcohol.
- Do not remove, alter, injure or destroy any tree, plant, rock, soil or mineral.
- Camping and horseback riding are allowed only in designated areas.
- EMERGENCY CALL 911.
- Report all violations to the Mesabi TrailSM office at (218) 744-1388.
- Audible signal when passing.

Snowmobiles allowed within the corridor of these areas only: Grand Rapids to Hwy 61; Coleraine to connection of Taconite Trail, and; Hibbing to Buhl.

MESABI TRAILSM SHUTTLE SERVICE

Call the Mesabi TrailSM Shuttle Service and we'll "portage" you and/or your gear to your hotel or to the next completed trail segment. All you have to do is enjoy the ride! We can also help you plan your trip. Email us at: chris.johnson@giantsridge.com

Hours & Dates of Operation

May 1-31: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
June 1 - August 31: 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.
September 1 - October 15: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

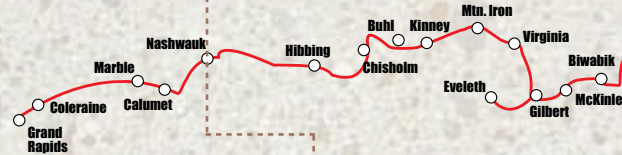
For more information and to make reservations, call:

218-865-8024 or 800-688-7669 (ext 8024 or 8025) or 218-780-4541 (cell) or 218-749-9278 (cell)

The Mesabi TrailSM Shuttle Service is based out of Giants Ridge Golf & Ski Resort near Biwabik.

Service Areas and Pricing

Shuttle services are available to trail users from Grand Rapids to Aurora and all points in between. We can transport up to 12 bikes and passengers per trip. Prices vary with distance traveled but are packaged into two zones. For regular shuttle service, please call at least one day in advance.



Zone 2: Nashauk-West

- 1 Person: \$52
- 2 People: \$62
- 3 People: \$72
- 4 People: \$82
- 5 or 6 People: \$102
- 7+ people: Call for details

Zone 1: Nashauk-East

- 1 Person: \$37
- 2 People: \$47
- 3 People: \$57
- 4 People: \$67
- 5 or 6 People: \$87
- 7+ people: Call for details

Due to fuel cost, printed prices are subject to change without notice. Shuttle must be booked with a credit card. Cancellations less than 24 hours prior to scheduled shuttle will be charged a 25% cancellation fee (inclement weather is an exception).

Longer distance shuttles beyond zones one and two are also available with advance notice and a deposit. Group rates are available for groups of more than six people. Please call for details.

MESABI TRAILSM WHEEL PASS VENDORS

A wheel pass is required for persons ages 18 and over using a wheeled device such as a bicycle or inline skates. Hikers, joggers and walkers are not required to purchase a pass. The Mesabi Trail Wheel Pass costs \$15 for an annual and \$5 for a 3 day pass. Revenue from Wheel Pass sales are used to support the Mesabi Trail. Passes are available at www.mesabitrail.com or any of these vendors.



Towns are listed from West to East. All Numbers (218) Area Code

Grand Rapids	Itasca Trail Sports	326-1716	316 NE 4th St.
Grand Rapids	Reed Drug Store	326-3453	417 NW 1st Ave
Grand Rapids	Glen's Army-Navy Store	326-1201	701 NW 4th St.
Grand Rapids	Morning Glory B & B	326-3978	726 NW 2nd Ave
Grand Rapids	TimberLake Lodge	866-800-2000	144 SE 17th St.
Bovey	Hollywood Bait Shop	245-1612	50 County Rd 10
Marble	Ron's Korner Market	247-7351	Hwy 169
Pengilly	Swan Lake Sinclair	885-3806	31277 Hwy 65
Nashauk	Nashauk Little Store	885-3105	121 1st St.
Keewatin	Keewatin Sinclair	778-6140	210 N First St.
Hibbing	Bikes on Howard	262-0899	407 E Howard St.
Hibbing	Hibbing Park Hotel	262-3481	1402 E Howard St.
Hibbing	Hibbing Parks & Rec.	362-5940	401 E 21st St.
Hibbing	Hibbing Tourism Center	262-4166	1202 E Howard St.
Hibbing	Hull-Rust Mineview	262-4900	401 Penobscott Rd.
Chisholm	Chisholm Inn & Suites	254-2000	501 Iron Dr. (Hwy 169)
Chisholm	Chisholm Area Chamber	800-422-0806	223 West Lake St.
Chisholm	Minnesota Discovery Center	800-372-6437	801 Highway 169
Buhl	Buhl City Hall	258-3226	300 Jones Ave
Mtn. Iron	Spring Creek Outfitters	735-8719	8873 Main St.
Mtn. Iron	Holiday Inn Express/Suites	741-7411	8570 Rock Ridge Rd
Mtn. Iron	Americinn Lodge & Suites	741-7839	5480 Mtn. Iron Drive
Virginia	Mesabi Recreation	749-6719	720 9th St. N
Virginia	Natural Harvest Foods	741-4863	505 3rd St. N
Eveleth	Iron Range Tourism Bureau	749-8161	Hwy 53, Mesabi Stn
Eveleth	Super 8	744-1661	US Hwy 53
Gilbert	Sherwood Forest Cmpngnd	748-2221	301 Ore-Be-Gone Dr.
Biwabik	Biwabik City Hall	865-4183	321 Main St.
Biwabik	Giants Ridge Bike Shop	800-688-7669	6325 Giants Ridge Rd
Biwabik	The Villas at Giants Ridge	865-4155	6266 Giants Ridge Rd
Ely	The Ely Bike Shop	365-2453	225 West Camp St

GREAT RIVER ENERGY- MESABI TRAILSM



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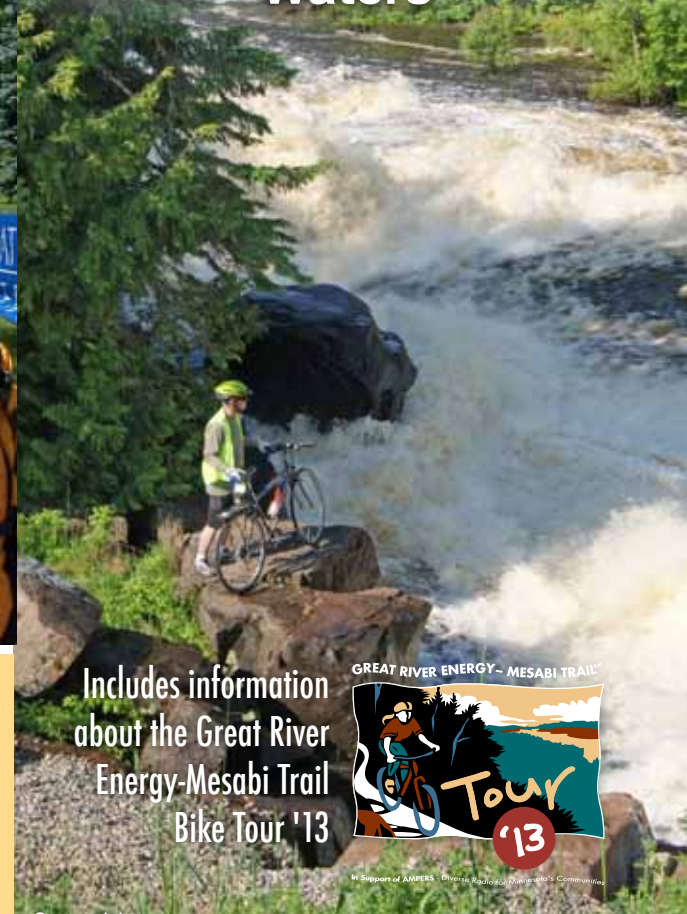


Home of the Great River Energy- Mesabi Trail Bike Tour



2013 Trail Map

From the Mississippi to the Boundary Waters



Includes information about the Great River Energy-Mesabi Trail Bike Tour '13



August 3, 2013 Join the fun on Minnesota's Premier paved bike trail!

A UNIQUE RIDING EXPERIENCE

GREAT RIVER ENERGY- MESABI TRAILSM



Ride for the fun or ride for the challenge—either way, mark your calendar for **August 3, 2013**, when Great River Energy and the Mesabi TrailSM again join forces in northern Minnesota to support two state traditions: recreational trails and AMPERS, Diverse Radio for Minnesota's Communities. The Great River Energy Mesabi TrailSM Tour '13 offers great food, music and family entertainment. Charitable proceeds will be donated to AMPERS and the Mesabi TrailSM.

The "CenturyLink Ride" route is sponsored by: **CenturyLink**
All 100k riders earn a "special" t-shirt!



Now there are four routes - and they all lead to fun!

The Great River Energy Mesabi TrailSM Tour is a day-long event designed for families and serious trail riders alike. Four starting points allow riders to customize their route, from 13 to 67 miles. At the end of the day, all trails lead to Virginia, where the event culminates in an outdoor picnic and concert. Whichever starting point you choose, you'll encounter historic and scenic points of interest with fun stops along the way. We'll even transport you and your bike to your start point.

Route	STARTING POINT (MILES)	STARTING TIME	Registration & FINISH LINE
1	CENTURY LINK RIDE STARTING POINT (67 MILES)	8:00 - 9:00 a.m.	The finish for all routes is Virginia's Olcott Park. Riders can catch the FREE bus shuttle here on Saturday morning to all starting points. The finish line party is here with a picnic and concert.
2	STARTING POINT (48 MILES)	9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	
3	STARTING POINT (26 MILES)	10:30 - 11:30 a.m.	
4	STARTING POINT (13 MILES)	11:00 - 12:00 noon	

Rider Bus Transportation: Saturday morning from the finish line in Virginia to all start locations:
• 7:00 a.m. to Grand Rapids • 10:00 a.m. to Hibbing
• 8:00 a.m. to Marble • 10:30 a.m. to Buhl
There is no transportation of riders or bikes at the end of the day.
Entertainment: 12:30 - 5:00 p.m. Virginia Olcott Park, and entertainment at most start points
Food: Snacks and beverages at six start locations and rest stops. Picnic dinner at Virginia Olcott Park/11:30 a.m. until all riders are off the course (5:00ish)
Rest stops: Grand Rapids - Marble - O'Brien Reservoir (Keewatin) - Hibbing - Buhl - Mtn Iron



What riders said about the '12 tour:

- "Awesome! Very organized. A great deal for the registration fee. Will definitely do it again!"
- "I've ridden the Lakeville Iron Man, Jesse James Tour, but this is the best ride I've ever done!"
- "Awesome... lots of fun. We're from St. Louis and this is our first time on the ride."
- "This is my first year - had a blast! Plan to recruit more friends to try it! Thank you!"
- "We are bringing friends next year. We will be back. Nice work everyone."
- "Awesome. Has become a family tradition. Very well organized."
- "Thank you so much! First time at event, from state of Virginia. Beautiful!"

For more information, registration and event updates, visit: www.mesabitrail.com
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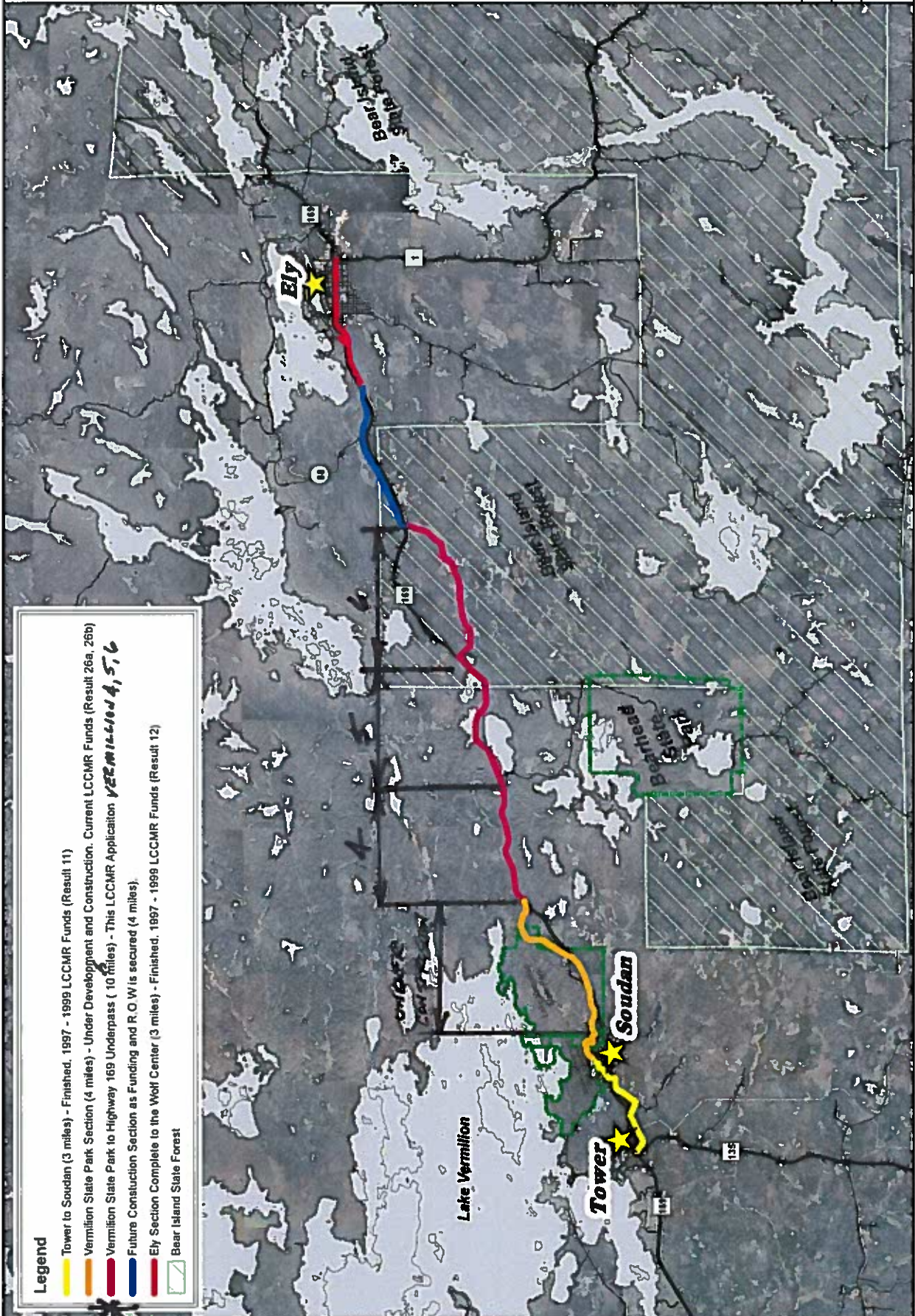
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Tower Minnesota to
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Legend

- Tower to Soudan (3 miles) - Finished. 1997 - 1999 LCCMR Funds (Result 11)
- Vermilion State Park Section (4 miles) - Under Development and Construction. Current LCCMR Funds (Result 26a, 26b)
- Vermilion State Park to Highway 169 Underpass (10 miles) - This LCCMR Application *VERMILION 4, 5, 6*
- Future Construction Section as Funding and R.O.W is secured (4 miles)
- Ely Section Complete to the Wolf Center (3 miles) - Finished. 1997 - 1999 LCCMR Funds (Result 12)
- Bear Island State Forest

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