

Willard Munger State Trail

Pine, Carlton and St. Louis Counties

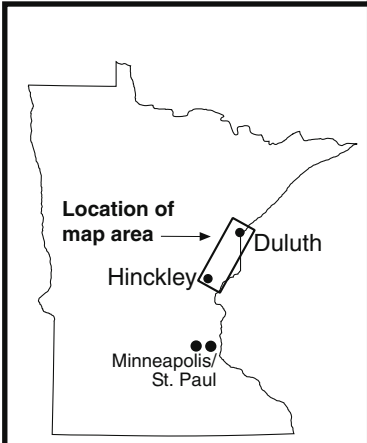
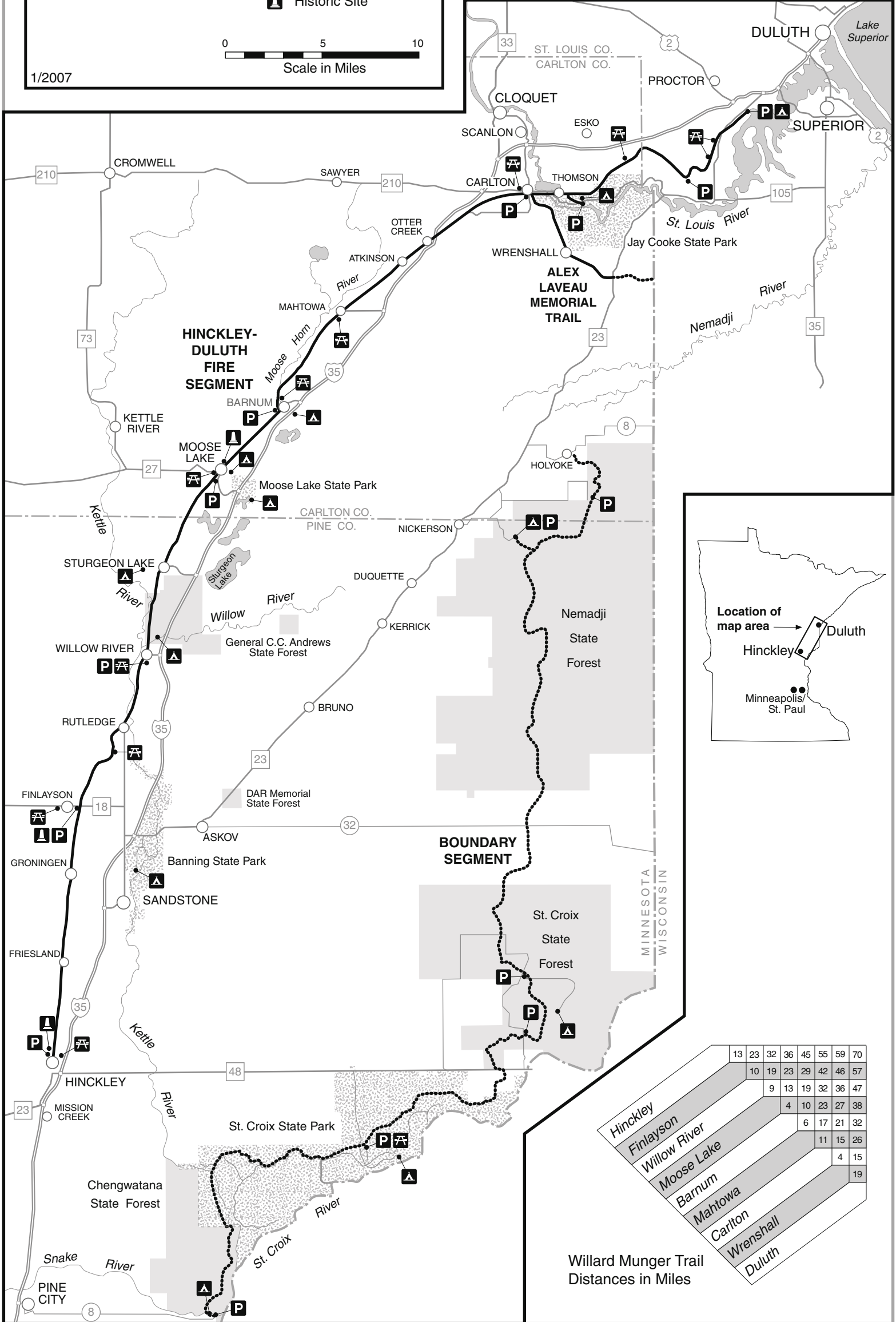
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Trails
 — Paved (Asphalt)
 Unpaved

Facilities
 P Parking
 Picnic / Rest Area
 A Campground
 Historic Site

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 Scale in Miles

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Willard Munger Trail Distances in Miles

	13	23	32	36	45	55	59	70
Hinckley		10	19	23	29	42	46	57
Finlayson			9	13	19	32	36	47
Willow River				4	10	23	27	38
Moose Lake					6	17	21	32
Barnum						11	15	26
Mahtowa							4	15
Carlton								19
Wrenshall								
Duluth								

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The Willard Munger State Trail is a collection of multiple use trails between Hinckley and Duluth. It consists of interconnecting trails offering hiking, bicycling, in-line skating, snowmobiling and horseback riding. It highlights the picturesque scenery and rich history of East Central Minnesota. Some of the trail follows the route of the railroad that saved many lives in the historic Hinckley and Cloquet fires in the nineteenth century.

The trail passes through northern hardwood forests and stands of jack, red, and white pine, as well as the spruce fir community. Ranges of hills pocked with countless lakes and bogs cover the region. Common mammals noticed along the trail include whitetail deer, raccoon, red fox, porcupine, beaver and muskrat. The observant trail user may also spot coyote, weasel, mink, bobcat or black bear.

The Willard Munger State Trail consists of three different trail segments:
Hinckley - Duluth segment
Alex Laveau Memorial Trail
Boundary segment

Hinckley - Duluth segment

This 70 mile segment of the Willard Munger State Trail is now completely paved. The trail passes near Banning State Park and Moose Lake State Park. It passes through the towns of Finlayson, Willow River, Moose Lake, General C.C. Andrews State Forest and through the spectacular scenery of Jay Cooke State Park. The northeast portion of the trail provides scenic views of the St. Louis River and the twin ports of Duluth and Superior.

Alex Laveau Memorial Trail

The Alex Laveau Memorial Trail honors the memory of a former county commissioner and dairy farmer who was a strong advocate of the idea of reusing abandoned railways as public trails. This trail allows users to ride from Gary-New Duluth 16 miles through Wrenshall into Carlton. Six miles of off-road paved trail from Carlton to Highway 23 are open. The remaining miles are a combination of bike routes on paved highway shoulders and city streets.

Boundary segment

The Boundary segment is an 80 mile natural surface trail used primarily for snowmobiling, horseback riding, hiking and mountain biking. This trail passes through remote forests linking St. Croix State Park with the Chengwatana, St. Croix and Nemadji State Forests. Some areas may be impassable in summer.

PARKING AVAILABLE:

** Do not leave valuables in your vehicle.*

- at the southern trailhead, located in Hinckley 1 block north of the fire museum at the intersection of Hwy 61 and Co. Rd. 18.
- at the northern trailhead located on Grand Ave. (Hwy 23) and 75th Ave. West, behind the Munger Hotel.
- in Carlton off Hwy 210, 1 block south on Co. Rd. 1.
- in the towns of Finlayson, Willow River, Moose Lake and Barnum.



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 www.dnr.state.mn.us.

For more information:

DNR Information Center

500 Lafayette Road
Saint Paul, MN 55155-4040
(651) 296-6157 (metro area)
1-888-MINNDNR
TDD
(651) 296-5484 (metro area)
1-800-657-3929 (MN toll free)

Minnesota Department of Tourism

100 Metro Square
121 7th Place East
Saint Paul, MN 55101-2112
(651) 296-5029 (metro area)
1-888-TOURISM (MN toll free)

Minnesota Bikeway Maps

Minnesota Department of Transportation
395 John Ireland Boulevard
Room 110
Saint Paul, MN 55155
(651) 296-2216

MnDOT produces two maps (east and west MN) that grade the quality of road shoulders suitable for biking. There is a charge for these maps. Maps not available for the Metro area.

Printed on recycled paper with a minimum of 30% post-consumer material.



This information is available in alternative format upon request.

You can also check out our website at:
www.dnr.state.mn.us/trails_waterways/index.html

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