

## 1 Negwegon State Park



Negwegon State Park is a 3,738 acre rustic, undeveloped area open for hunting and hiking. The terrain is a mixture of low land areas, with small ridges, to mature pine forest, with some hardwoods and aspen forest, with some pockets of open meadows mixed in. Negwegon hosts a beautiful undeveloped sandy beach on Lake Huron. The Algonquin Trail, the Chippewa Trail, and the Potawatomi Trail provide scenic hiking opportunities.

Backcountry camping is available in Negwegon from April through November. This type of camping can be a very rewarding experience as some of Negwegon's most scenic areas are accessible only by hiking, kayaking or canoeing along the Lake Huron shore.



## 2 Sturgeon Point Lighthouse



Sturgeon Point juts into Lake Huron, and the waves off the point conceal a long and shallow reef which extends for almost a full mile beyond the visible confines of the land. In 1870, the Sturgeon Point Lighthouse became operational to mark the hazard of Sturgeon Point and continues to be an operational lighthouse today. The lighthouse was electrified and automated in 1939 and the last personnel left in 1941. The light apparatus is still maintained by the U.S. Coast Guard. The keeper's house is now a maritime museum maintained by the Alcona Historical Society. The keeper's house and the tower are both open to the public.

## 3 Old Bailey School



Built in 1907 of Norway pine, the Bailey School is one of the few remaining one-room, log schoolhouses still standing in Michigan. The school bell still rings from atop the roof to summon students of history and simpler times. It was built at the site of C.A. Johnson Logging Camp west of Mikado for the children of the logging crews. It bears the name of a lumberman

who was part of the crew that built the school and who supervised moving it in 1913 to a site on F-30, where it served the community until 1941. Partially restored in 1973, the structure was disassembled, moved and restored in 1998 to its current Sturgeon Point site. It is furnished with items used during its time, including a recitation bench, desks, drinking pail and dipper, and coal stove.

## 4 Harrisville Harbor



The Harrisville Harbor was completed in 1961. A large basin had to be created along the shoreline by dynamite, dredging, and removing large boulders. The limestone wall was constructed to create the harbor of refuge for anchorage and shelter. A fixed dock was built in 1963, floating dockage was added in 1986, and the current updated comfort station in 2006. The Harbor provides a total of 98 slips, 49 for transient and 49 for seasonal boaters. During the summer months, the Harbor Pavilion provides the backdrop for a variety of activities as well as the city's summer concert series on Wednesday nights.

## 5 Harrisville State Park



Harrisville State Park features a campground and day-use area nestled in a stand of pine and cedar trees along the sandy shores of Lake Huron. The park is within walking distance of the resort town of Harrisville. Established in 1921, it is one of Michigan's oldest state parks. The original park area consisted of six acres, much smaller than the current 107-acre size.

## 6 Harrisville Depot



Built in 1901 for the Detroit and Mackinac Railway Company, this cut stone depot was a busy place any day of the week with the bustling lumber business in and around Harrisville. Daily trains arrived or departed to destinations such as Detroit or Cheboygan. As the lumber business diminished and automobile use increased, rail travel became less and less common. The last passenger train left the station on March 31, 1951. Mail and freight service continued through the early 1960's, after which the building was used for occasional storage by the railroad. This depot is one of the few remaining in northern Michigan.

## 7 Harrisville Heritage Route Trail



This 2.5 mile pedestrian and bicycle trail winds along the picturesque streets of Harrisville. The trail begins at the Harrisville Harbor, follows portions of Lake Street, Church Street, Main Street, 3rd Street, and 2nd Street and connects to trails at Harrisville State Park at the south end of town and Harrisville Township Park

at the north end. Pick up a Harrisville Heritage Route trail brochure and follow along as you hike or pedal past such historic buildings as the Widow's Watch Bed and Breakfast (where the former roof-top gazebo can be seen sitting on the grounds of the property) and the Old Place Inn (where John Dillinger reportedly had coffee). Be sure to stop and take in the spectacular view of sparkling Lake Huron at the end of Main Street!

## 8 Lincoln Depot



The Lincoln Depot, a wood structure that has been standing since 1886, was built by the Detroit, Bay City and Alpena Railroad. The Depot is located on Lake Street in Lincoln and served the community and the surrounding area until 1929. The first rail service to this area passed through Lincoln from the south and continued north through Ossineke and Alpena. In December of 1998, the Lincoln Depot was officially recognized as a Michigan Historic Site.

## 9 Reid Lake Quiet Area



Reid Lake is a 3,000 acre back-country recreation experience that is closed to motor vehicles. 12 miles of gently rolling trail through the Huron National Forest will lead you around Reid Lake, once part of a northern Michigan farm. The ski trails are easily negotiated by a beginning skier, with enough rolling terrain to please even the more advanced skier. Hunting and fishing are permitted. Reid Lake boasts a large population of largemouth bass, perch, sunfish, and rainbow trout. Small boats, canoes, and inflatable rafts are permitted, but they must be carried in and out of the foot travel area. Parking lot and trailhead are located on M-72. National Forest Service vehicle pass is required.

## 10 Hoist Lakes Foot Travel Area



Hoist Lakes encompasses over 10,000 acres of pine, aspen and hardwood forests. The area is large enough to challenge any backpacking enthusiast. There are over 20 miles of trails winding through small pothole lakes and areas of beaver flooding, as well as over and around hills and ridges. As you travel through the area, watch for examples of timber harvesting and tree regeneration, wildlife management and watershed management. Hunting and fishing are permitted in season. The Hoist Lakes Area is home to white-tail deer, black bear, raccoon, red fox, coyote, beaver, otter, mink, badger, skunks, and squirrels. North Hoist Lake is home to bass and sunfish while South Hoist Lake is a designated trout lake and is regularly stocked with rainbow trout. Byron Lake offers good bass and perch fishing. National Forest Service vehicle pass is required.

## 11 Alcona Park/Au Sable River



Located on the historic AuSable River floodwaters above the Alcona Dam, this 1,100 acre park has three miles of shoreline on each side of this trophy fish producing river. Surrounded by the Huron National Forest and is a favorite home away from home for many vacationers. The river provides quality fishing of walleye, pike, perch, bass and trout. Canoeing, boating, swimming, fishing, hunting and wildlife viewing are all popular activities for visitors. Over 450 campsites available. Camping cabins are available for rent!

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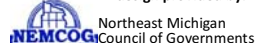
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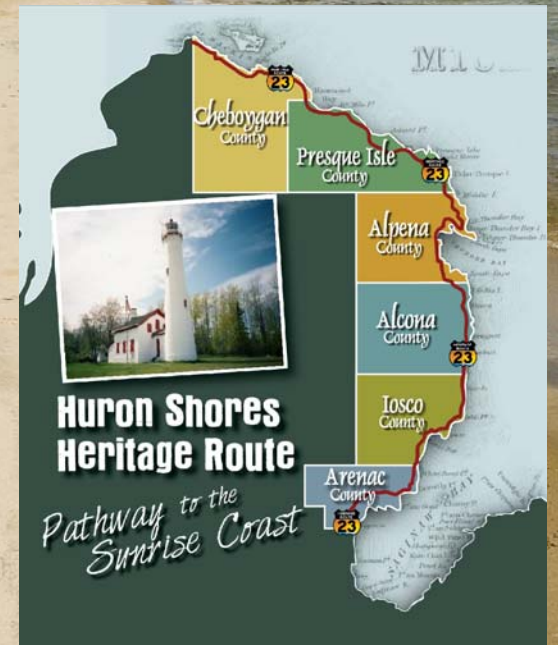


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