

ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR  
EMERGENCY PUBLIC SAFETY CLOSURE  
AFFECTING PORTIONS OF  
THE CHIPPEWA NATIONAL FOREST

Under authority of the Act of Congress of June 4, 1897, 16 USC 551, and pursuant to the Secretary of Agriculture's Regulations set forth at 36 CFR 261.50(a) and 261.50(b), and 261.50(f), the following acts or omissions are prohibited on portions of Chippewa National Forest System lands, roads and trails in Cass and Itasca County, Minnesota. These restrictions go into effect at 12:00 p.m. on Friday January 11, 2013.

**CHIPPEWA NATIONAL FOREST AREAS CLOSED FOR PUBLIC SAFETY**

**Norway Beach Recreation Area** including; Norway Beach Visitor Center, Swimming Beach and Boat Access, Cass Lake, Norway, Chippewa, Wanaki Campground Loops and Forest Road 2005 from US Highway 2 North to the Wanaki turn around.

**South Pike Bay Campground** (Forest Road 3455).

**Tamarack Campground** (Forest Road 2220).

**Birches Picnic Shelter Area** (Forest Road 2218).

**Mi-gi-zi Bike Trail**, Starting at the junction of US Highway 2 and Pike Bay Loop Road (FR 2137) heading south and ending at the junction of 61<sup>st</sup> Ave NW and Pike Bay Loop Road.

**These areas and roads are closed to all public use for safety reasons with the following exceptions:**

- Forest Road 2005 from US Highway 2 to Norway Beach Resort and Norway Beach boat access for Resort Guest and employees only.
- South Pike Bay boat access and picnic/swimming area (Forest Road 3455 A).

THESE EMERGENCY RESTRICTIONS ARE NECESSARY FOR THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH AND SAFETY DUE TO STORM DAMAGE IN THE VICINITY OF THE AFFECTED LANDS, THESE RESTRICTIONS WILL REMAIN IN EFFECT AS LONG AS THEY ARE POSTED ON-SITE. THESE RESTRICTIONS ARE IN ADDITION TO THE GENERAL PROHIBITIONS FOUND AT 36 CFR 261, SUBPART A, THE GENERAL OCCUPANCY AND USE RESTRICTIONS FOUND IN FOREST ORDER NOS. R903-08-01, R903-06-01, R903-07-02.

THIS ORDER SUPERSEDES AND RESCINDS FOREST ORDER R903-12-005,

Pursuant to 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

1. Persons with a permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission.
2. Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty.

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Dated this 11th day of January, 2013 - Cass Lake, Minnesota.



Darla Lenz  
Forest Supervisor  
Chippewa National Forest

Violations of these prohibitions are punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000.00 for an individual or \$10,000 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than 6 months, or both. [16 USC § 551, 18 USC §§ 3559 and 3571.]