

Leech Lake

The Leech Lake campground is located in the heart of the Chippewa National Forest in Federal Dam, Minnesota, and is best known for its fishing and boat access to Portage Bay on Leech Lake. Fishing opportunities are available for walleye, perch, bass, northern pike and musky.

Our campground includes well-maintained wooded campsites, clean restrooms, showers, handicap accessible facilities and a boat mooring area. Experience picturesque sunsets, autumn colors, visiting with other campers, or just peaceful evenings around the campfire.

Leech Lake fills a basin formed by receding glaciers. The 126,000 acre reservoir, formed upon the construction of the dam in 1884, controls the runoff from a 1,163 square mile drainage area, contains 316 miles of shoreline and encompasses about 14 natural lakes. Lake levels were raised approximately 2 feet with construction of the dam.



Emergency - Call 911

Thank You for visiting!

Leech Lake Recreation Area is operated by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Our trained staff is here to assist you, and we welcome your comments and suggestions.

Volunteer opportunities are available. Visit corpslakes.us/volunteer, www.volunteer.gov, or Call 1-800-VOL-TEER (800-865-8337) for more information.

You may make reservations for campsites or the picnic shelter up to six months in advance by visiting www.recreation.gov or calling 1-877-444-6777 (TDD: 1-877-833-6777).

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Leech Lake Recreation Area

01217 Federal Dam Dr. NE

Federal Dam, MN 56641

(218) 654-3145

www.mvp.usace.army.mil

www.corpslakes.usace.army.mil

Headwaters Recreation Sites

Cross.Lake@usace.army.mil

Gull.Lake@usace.army.mil

Lake.Winnibigoshish2@usace.army.mil

Leech.Lake@usace.army.mil

Pokegama.Lake2@usace.army.mil

Sandy.Lake@usace.army.mil



CEMVP 25-1-23 | Rev. 01.20



US Army Corps
of Engineers®
St. Paul District

LEECH LAKE RECREATION

AREA

Federal Dam, Minnesota



BUILDING STRONG®

Rules & Visitor Information

- **FIREWOOD ALERT!** Only firewood certified or approved by a state or federal natural resource agency is permitted. Any unauthorized firewood in the campground may be removed and destroyed by Corps of Engineers staff.
- Please keep all fires in the fireplace or grill.
- Drive with care. Watch for pedestrians and obey posted traffic regulations. Keep motorized and trailered vehicles on gravel and paved surfaces.
- Off-road and all-terrain vehicles, or ATV, including golf carts and motorized recreational scooters are not allowed without authorization.
- Our boat ramps provide easy access to more than 110,000 acres of pristine water. Please only moor your boat in designated areas and observe water safety rules.
- Pets are welcome, but please keep them physically leashed (no longer than 6 feet) and attended. Owners are responsible for clean-up of all excrement.
- We offer a safe recreation area where the use or display of firearms, air rifles, bow and arrows, sling shots and fireworks are not permitted.
- Report any disturbances, vandalism or loss of property to the park ranger or campground host.
- Please use our recycling area whenever possible.
- There is no designated swimming area.

- No fishing within 300 feet above or below the dam.
- Please check-in at the office from 9-11 a.m., 1-3 p.m. or 5-7 p.m.
- You are welcome to camp for up to 14 days in a 30-day period. You will need reservations.
- Campsite check-out is **NOON** on the last day of your stay. You may use our picnicking, boating and day use facilities to finish your visit.
- To help all guests enjoy the serenity of the northwoods, quiet hours are 10 p.m. to 7 a.m. Please respect the privileges and privacy of others at all times.



- Please keep all camping units and equipment on your assigned camping pad and driveway surface to protect the grass, shrubs and trees. Only two tents OR one wheeled-camping unit plus one tent are authorized per site (unless otherwise noted for tent only or double sites).
- Placing equipment on a campsite with the intent of saving the site for future use is prohibited.
- An easily accessible dump station is available for refuse and gray water.



Day Use Information

Boat launches provide access to Leech Lake and the Leech River (a nominal fee may apply). A picnic shelter is available for use and may be reserved for a fee. Shore-fishing, bathrooms, additional picnic areas, a fish cleaning facility and other activities are available free of charge. Marina Services are available from a private concession business by calling 218-654-3715.



LEECH LAKE RECREATION AREA



LEGEND

Accessible	Boat Ramp	Dump Station	Fishing	Fish Cleaning
Hiking	Information	Laundry	Marina	Office
Parking	Phone	Picnic	Picnic Shelter	Playground
Recycle	Restroom	Shower	Water	Trail
Reservable, 50 amp Electric, Water & Sewer Site	Reservable, 50 amp Electric Site	Reservable, 50 amp Electrical, Double Site	Reservable, Non-Electric, Tent Only Site	Marsh
				One-way road

