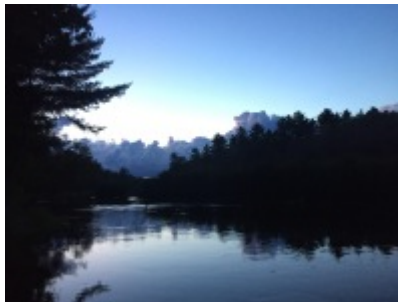




- **DNR RESPONSE TO COVID-19:** For information on the status of in-person services at DNR facilities, [visit this webpage \(https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/covid-19.html\)](https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/covid-19.html). For more general information on the state's COVID-19 response, visit the [Minnesota COVID-19 response webpage \(https://mn.gov/covid19/\)](https://mn.gov/covid19/).

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Huntersville State Forest with Crow Wing River (10/23/2011) - Beau Lofgren



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Shell City Campground - Looking West Up the Shell River (10/20/2011) - Beau Lofgren



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Huntersville State Forest is located in northern Wadena County about 12 miles southeast of Park Rapids. Its southern boundary can be reached from State Highway 71 by taking State Highway 227 east to County Highway 27 north. To



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reach its northern boundary from State Highway 87, take County Highway 25 south.

Huntersville State Forest comprises 52 square miles of mostly red and jack pine forests with a scattering of aspen and spruce and a variety of northern hardwoods covering rolling, sandy hills.

Two rivers, the [Crow Wing River State Water Trail](https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/watertrails/crowwingriver/index.html) (<https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/watertrails/crowwingriver/index.html>) and the Shell River, cut through this forest. Both the Shell River and the Crow River provide many canoeing opportunities, with access ramps at the campgrounds as well as other put-in and take-out points along the river's course through the forest.

Huntersville is only a short distance from [Itasca State Park](https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/itasca/index.html) (https://www.dnr.state.mn.us/state_parks/itasca/index.html) and offers a great alternative to the more developed and heavily used state park.

Recreation

- canoe/kayak
- picnic area

Trails

- x-county skiing
- hiking
- 18 miles horseback
- 3.6 miles class 1 ATV
- 3.6 miles class 2 ATV
- 58 miles off-highway motorcycle
- 12 miles hunter walking

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