IOWA GREAT LAKES REGION State Recreation Area



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CAMPGROUNDS IN THE LAKES REGION

Two state parks offer modern facilities in this region — Gull Point and Marble Beach. Gull Point State Park is located on the west side of West Okoboji Lake. Other facilities at Gull Point include swimming, boating, fishing, picnicking, enclosed shelter rental and electrical hookups.

Marble Beach Park access is located on the west shore of Spirit Lake. Besides offering modern campgrounds, both of these parks offer picnicking, swimming, fishing and

boating.

Non-modern camping facilities are available at Emerson Bay located on the southwest shore of West Okoboji and the Isthmus area, located between the lakes of East Okoboji and Spirit Lake. Other activities include picnicking, fishing and boating.

ENCLOSED SHELTER

Gull Point has a fine enclosed shelter (lodge) that may be rented. See enclosed insert for current rates. Rate given is for each 100 people per reservation. No charges are made for electricity or fuel on lodge rentals. The lodge is closed during the winter. Reservations are made through the park ranger.



GULL POINT NATURE TRAIL

The Gull Point Nature Trail is 1.3 miles in length. It is divided into two parts so that those who wish can take a short walk for .3 of a mile and return to the parking area.

The trail is self guiding and offers a variety of

both plant and animal life.

CAMPING RATES AND REGULATIONS

All camping permits are done through self registration. See enclosed insert for current rates and regulations.

OTHER RECREATION AREAS

Four other recreation areas located in the immediate great lakes region are Pillsbury Point, Pikes Point, Mini-Wakan, and Lower Gar Park access. Pillsbury Point is a nice picnic area and also provides fishing access to West Okoboji Lake. Pillsbury Point is the site of the infamous Spirit Lake massacre and offers a museum telling the story. This site is listed in the National Register. Pikes Point, located on the northeast shore of West Okoboji, provides an excellent swimming beach and picnic area. Lower Gar Park offers a picnic area and fishing access. A boat ramp is located nearby. Mini-Wakan, located on the north shore of Spirit Lake, offers fishing and picnicking. Picnic shelters are available at Pikes Point and Mini-Wakan on a first-come, first serve-basis.

Okamanpedan State Park, located in adjacent Emmet County on the east, and Trappers Bay State Park on Silver Lake at Lake Park are two other popular parks nearby. Both of these parks provide picnicking, boating and fishing. A picnic shelter is available on a first come, first-serve basis in each park.



IOWA GREAT LAKES FISHING

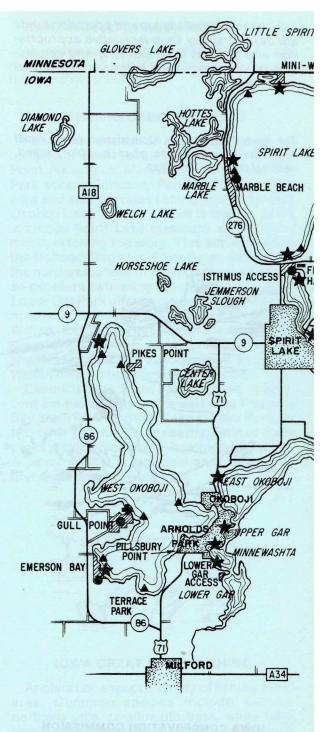
Anglers can expect a variety of fishing in this area. Common species include walleye, northern pike, smallmouth bass, white bass, perch, bluegills, crappie, catfish and bullhead. Muskies have been stocked in Spirit Lake, East Okoboji and West Okoboji.

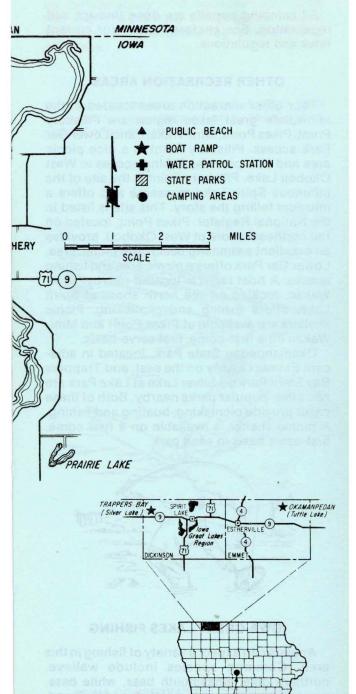
State park maintenance and operation funds are derived solely from legislative appropriation and receipts from camping and concession revenue, cabin and lodge rental and boat dock fees.

The lowa Conservation Commission offers equal opportunity, regardless of race, color, creed, national origin or handicap.



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