









Hovland Woods SNA North Unit

Directions and Notes from Minnesota DNR

North Unit

Directions: From Hovland 6.7 miles on Co Rd 16, then 1.2 miles W on Irish Creek Rd. Park in lot at junction of Boyd Rd. Hike 0.8 mile on Boyd Rd into site. Boyd Rd is also used by ATVs and dogsleds. GPS recommended.

Lat/Lon: 47.935775, -89.998817

Notes: In winter Tower Road, Tom Lake Road, Boyd Trail, the Stevens Lake Spur are used by snowmobiles and/or dogsleds.

South Unit

Directions: From Hovland 0.2 miles N on Co Rd 16, then 2.6 miles W on Co Rd 69 (North Rd), then 4.6 miles NE on Co Rd 70 (Camp 20 Rd) Stay right at Y. In 0.25 mile park at Superior Hiking Trail lot on right. Hike trail 1.2 miles E to site. GPS recommended.

Lat/Lon: 47.884298, -90.060867

Notes: The road and lot may not be plowed in winter.

The Superior Hiking Trail passes through site.... This site is within Grand Portage State Forest.

Minnesota's natural resources are threatened by a number of invasive species; be informed and help keep them from spreading to natural areas.

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Parking

North Unit (Boyd Rd) N47 56.147, W89 59.929

South Unit (Camp 20 Rd) N47 53.058, W90 3.652

Hiking Trails

There are several roads and trails in the North Unit. The Hovland Woods Trail is a 16-mile ATV trail. It forms a loop that passes through both units of Hovland Woods SNA. It is open to ATVs from May 15 to November 30, to hikers year round.

North Unit: The Hovland Woods Trail follows Boyd Road, a light duty dirt road, from the north parking area 0.83 miles to the north boundary of the SNA; 2.26 miles to the southwest corner of the North Unit; then 0.83 miles to Tom Lake Road, the Superior Hiking Trail, and the South Unit of the SNA. A 0.63-mile spur off the main trail on Boyd Road leads east to Stevens Lake. A minimum maintenance road leads southwest from Boyd Road for 0.68 miles. It ends at a fork with two trails, one leading west into Grand Portage State Forest, the other leading north and back onto the SNA.

South Unit: From Tom Lake Road, another light duty dirt road, the Hovland Woods Trail leads northeast following the road 0.71 miles to the north boundary of the South Unit. The Superior Hiking Trail passes through the South Unit for a short distance. The Hazel Campground is adjacent to the south boundary.

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