### Enjoy the River Safely and Responsibly.

#### Regulations Boating and Paddling (36CFR 3)

- Wear your life jacket! Approved life jackets for each person are required on your vessel.
- Children under 13 are required to wear a life jacket.
- Slow-no wake, which is operation of a motorboat at the slowest possible speed necessary to maintain steerage, isin effect within 100 feet of
- o A downed water skier;
- A person swimming, wading, fishing from shore or floating with the aid of a flotation device;
- o A designated launch site; or
- A manually propelled, anchored or drifting vessel.
- Use of personal watercraft and airboats is prohibited. (Defined in 26CFR 1.4)

# Camping (36CFR 2.10)

- Camping is only allowed at designated sites on a first-come, first-served basis.
- Camping stay limit is 3 consecutive nights at a campsite.
- Individual campsites accommodate a maximum of 8 people and 3 tents. Group sites accommodate a maximum of 16 people and 6 tents.
- Tents must be occupied on the first night of stay. Equipment left unattended to hold a site will betreated as abandoned.

# Camping (36CFR 2.1)

- Campfires are allowed in designated areas with NPS-provided metal campfire rings.
- Dead and down wood may be collected for campfires from shoreline areas but not from islands.

- The cutting of live vegetation is strictly prohibited.
- To prevent the spread of emerald ashborer, only use firewood that is kiln dried or collected within 25miles of where it will be used.
- Campfires must be out and cold before you leave the area.

# Fishing (36CFR 2.3)

- Dumping or release of live bait is prohibited.
- Use of live crayfish as bait is prohibited.
- Help prevent the introduction of invasive species. Never release bait, bait water, or water from live bait wells into the river.

# Sanitation and Refuse (36CFR 2.14)

- Where a pit toilet is not available, human waste and pet waste must be removed from the park or be buried at least 6 inches underground and a minimum of 100 feet from any water source, high water mark, trail, or facility.
- Carry out all trash.
- Littering is not allowed.
- Please do not put trash in toilets.

# **Resource Protection (36CFR 2.1)**

• Collecting live or dead mussels, empty mussel shells, historical artifacts, or wildflowers is prohibited.

#### General

- Pets must be on a leash no longer than 6 feet. Pet waste must be removed from the park or buried. (36CFR 2.15(a)(1))
- Possession or shooting of fireworks are prohibited. (36CFR 2.38(b))
- Quiet hours are from 10:00 pm to 6:00 am. (36CFR 2.10(b)(4))
- Do not jump or dive from cliffs, trees, swing ropes, or bridges. (36CFR 1.5

# Safety Tips

- Check river conditions before launching www.nps.gov/sacn/planyourvisit/ current-conditions.
- Know your paddling ability. Not all stretches of the Riverway are suitable for beginners.
- Avoid trees that have fallen into the river. They can catch and overturn your vessel.
- Wear sunscreen, sunglasses, and a hat to prevent sunburn.
- Use alcohol responsibly.
- Do not bring glass containers to the Riverway. Broken glass cuts bare feet.
- Protect your feet with river shoes or sandals.
- Bring your own drinking water. River water is not safe to drink unless purified.
- Check for ticks.
- Watch for poison ivy.

Codes: Superintendent's Compendium, park specific rules under 36 Code of Federal Regulations (36CFR), www.nps.gov/sacn/learn/compendium.htm. National Park Service St. Croix National Scenic Riverway



**St. Croix River Map 10**: High Bridge to Boom Site Landing



Male wood ducks are some of the most colorful birds in North America. Despite the riot of color, their plumage provides incredible camofage.

# In This Stretch

- This 4.5 miles of lake-like water is used extensively by powerboats. There is a slow no wake rule. (See map)
- Paddlers should consider headwinds and that the river current is generally slow when planning trip times.
- Canoers and kayakers should paddle near the shore and head into boat wakes to avoid capsizing.
- The **Boom Site Landing** and the northern city limits of Stillwater, Minnesota, mark the boundary of the federally managed St. Croix National Scenic Riverway.
- Upstream travel past the High Bridge is prohibited to prevent the spread of zebra mussels and other invasive species.

# **Scenic Riverway** St. Croix National St. Croix River Map 10:

High Bridge to Boom Site Landing

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www.nps.gov/sacn/learn/compendium.htm For more park-specific regulations visit



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