Welcome to our 18,000 acre classroom...

The primary goal of the Boulder Lake Environmental Education Program is to provide a “window” for students of all ages to view full-scale natural resource management. Our outside classroom includes access to trails, lakes, streams, ponds, wetlands, bogs, gravel pits, and forests. The diversity of plants and animals, cultural history, and ongoing stewardship of land and water are what make Boulder Lake Management Area an ideal setting for education. We offer a variety of kindergarten through professional level field programs. These programs develop decision-making, observation, and critical thinking skills while instilling respect for our natural history and heritage.

We are not just for kids; in fact Boulder Lake Environmental Learning Center is emerging as a leader in adult environmental education. These advanced educational programs are a tremendous benefit to our communities and immediately impact the forested watersheds of the region. With highly trained staff and an 18,000 acre classroom, the educational opportunities are endless. Please do not hesitate to contact us for more information. Our friendly full-time staff will explain existing programs or work with you to create an environmental education program that fits the goals and interests of your group.

Call 218-721-3731 or e-mail boulder@d.umn.edu to discuss a program designed just for your group.

Below are the types of programming we provide:

- Adult education
- College classes
- Family events
- Professional development workshops
- K-12 programs

Visit our website for a full listing of programs available.

www.boulderlake.org
FISHING AND BOATING
Boulder Lake Reservoir includes walleye, northern pike, yellow perch, sunfish and crappie. Good places for shore fishing are next to the dam, near the public boat launch off the Boulder Dam Road. During business hours, Boulder Lake Environmental Learning Center allows public fishing off its handicapped accessible fishing dock.

Public boat launch access is located at the dam. The reservoir is more desirable for smaller motored or motorless boats than neighboring Island Lake and Fish Lake reservoirs.

HIKING
Woodland trails for hiking and cross-country skiing are accessible from the Bear Paw/Blue Ox, Rolling Pin, and East Parking Lot trailheads and the Boulder Lake Reservoir dam. Check out the self-guided Sustainable Forestry Interpretive Signage on Bear Paw Trail.

CROSS-COUNTRY SKIING
Twenty-three kilometers of trails are groomed for traditional and skate style cross-country skiing in the southern portion of the Boulder Lake Management Area. Wolfski Ski Den is open on a daily basis during the ski season. Trail and snow conditions are available on the Skiers Hotline at (218) 721-4903.

SNOWMOBILING
A snowmobiling corridor is maintained off Boulder Dam Road, providing a link to Island Lake Reservoir.

WILDLIFE VIEWING
Mammal tracking, bird watching, botanizing, and other plant and wildlife viewing opportunities can be found anywhere within the Boulder Lake Management Area.

PRIMITIVE CAMPING
Primitive & Group campsites are available on a first-come, first serve basis-no permit or fee is required. Please leave sites cleaner than you find them.

How to get there
The Boulder Lake Management Area is about 18 miles north of Duluth.
- Take Rice Lake Road (Hwy. 4) north from Duluth about 18 miles.
- Just past the Island Lake Inn, turn left on Boulder Dam Road.
- See map for trailhead parking locations.

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Snowmobiling Access
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Snowshoeing Opportunities
- Visitors looking to snowshoe will find 6 km of trails beginning at Wolfski Ski Den or endless backcountry opportunities within Boulder Lake Management Area.