

# What Else Can You Do?

At the Delta County Parks



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## Pioneer Trail Park & Campground

This park is 73.57 acres fronted by Highway US 2 & 41 & M-35 on the Escanaba River, just North of Escanaba.

## O.B. Fuller Park & Campground

This regional 82.46 acre parcel is fronted by Highway M35 and south of Escanaba. The park is on the Bark River and Lake Michigan.

## Sac Bay Park

30 minutes South of US 2, in the Garden Peninsula. This 65.85 acre community park is in the southern portion of the Garden Peninsula. It is accessed by County Road 438, and is fronted by Big Bay de Noc of Lake Michigan.

## Rapid River Falls

This 80-acre park is just off Highway US 41 approximately 5 miles north of Rapid River in Delta County.

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# Pioneer Trail Park & Campground

Escanaba

This park is 73.57 acres fronted by Highway US 2 & 41 & M-35 on the Escanaba River. There are several picnic & playground areas, large and small pavilions and a boat launch. This park has a strong recreation tradition among county residents and its visitors.

In early times, Indians and missionaries were to have visited the area. About 1844, a sawmill was built (where the dam now stands) just west of the Park. In 1851, that sawmill was sold to the Nelson Ludington Company and was fostering a small settlement.

The hard life of these early pioneers ended at their burial ground on the ridge that was later included in Pioneer Trail Park. The sawmill grew into one of the nation's largest mills, the I. Stephenson Co.

This company expanded by moving downstream to the mouth of the Escanaba River. The I. Stephenson Co., from its earlier land holdings along the lower River, sold the Pioneer Trail Park land to the County of Delta.

"In 1927 a system County Parks was set up. It then became the duty of the trustees to improve these Parks, build roads and trails, provide approved drinking water, tables and fireplaces." (R.P.Mason, 1943)

In a contest, for all the schools' children, the name Pioneer Trail Park, in memory of those early pioneers who passed this way, was submitted by a young John Bloomstrom and chose from 380 entries.

### The Pioneer Trail Park and Campground offers:

- 17 tent/primitive sites with picnic & fire pits.
- 58 RV/electrical sites (36 have water also)
- Dump station for registered campers
- Showers/flush toilets
- Ice/Firewood/Pop
- Picnic Area
- Playground/play field
- Optional pay cable television
- Shoreline fishing on Escanaba River
- Small Boat Ramp

# O.B. Fuller Park & Campground

Bark River

This regional 82.46 acre parcel is fronted by Highway M35 and south of Escanaba. The park is on the Bark River and Lake Michigan. Fuller Park is very popular for camping and day use activities of fishing and sight seeing. It's been a favorite of the local community as a lakeside camping area.

### The OB Fuller Park and Campground offers:

- 25 large "back-in" sites all with electric and water
- Dump station for registered campers
- Showers/flush toilets
- Ice/Firewood/Pop Machine
- Picnic area
- On Lake Michigan Shoreline (no lifeguard on duty)
- River bank fishing on Bark River
- Small boat ramp



# Sac Bay Park

Garden

This 65.85 acre community park is in the southern portion of the Garden Peninsula. It is accessed by County Road 438, and is fronted by Big Bay de Noc of Lake Michigan. Primarily during the summer months, local residents use the park for day picnics and gatherings.



# Rapid River Falls

Rapid River

This 80-acre park is just off Highway US41 in North Delta County. The park rests at the foot of several small rapids created by limestone bedrock. Rapid River Falls Parks is used by County residents for picnics and gatherings, and by travelers along the highway as a rest stop between Escanaba & Marquette.

