

PUBLIC FORESTS ARE WHERE WISCONSIN WORKS AND PLAYS

COUNTY FORESTS PROVIDE JOBS, PROTECT NATURE, AND ARE HOME TO THOUSANDS OF MILES OF TRAILS.

Publicly owned forests are key to the economic health and cultural heritage of northern Wisconsin. County forests are always open to the public. They generate far more revenue for local communities than forests owned by corporations or private lands enrolled in the Managed Forest Law Program.

County forests fuel northern Wisconsin's tourism economy and connect communities. Expansive trail systems attract tourists from across the country. For hunters, healthy public forests provide wildlife habitat and ensure access to the best hunting spots.

2.5 MILLION ACRES
of county-owned forestland.
That's more than the state or the federal government own.

Supports the
\$24 BILLION
forestry industry including
60,000 jobs

Public lands are the backbone of Wisconsin's **outdoor recreation** economy.

\$17.9 BILLION
in consumer spending


168,000
jobs


\$5 BILLION
in wages

County forests are home to thousands of recreational opportunities.



9,130

miles of managed snowmobile trails



3,340

campsites



1,730

miles of ATV trails



504

miles of designated hiking trails



460

miles of ski trails



396

miles of bike trails



260

boat landings

County forests are managed for long-term economic and environmental sustainability, not just to turn a profit. Public forests keep trail systems and wildlife habitat intact. They keep forestry dollars in local communities. *Get out there and enjoy Wisconsin's working forests!*



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