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**Route Name:** Bear Trap River Loop

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**Location:** BWCAW

**Entry Point:** Moose Lake

**Shuttle:** None Required

**Distance:** 90 Miles

**Longest Portage:** 340 Rods (1.1 mile)

**Number of Portages:** 22

**Maps Required:** Fisher F9, F10, F16, F17

**Main Features:** Pictographs, Waterfalls, and Rivers

**Difficulty:** Moderate to Strenuous (moderate for a 10 day trek, strenuous for 8-9 day treks)

**Itinerary:** Moose Lake, Wind Lake, Basswood Lake (Wind Bay, Hoist Bay, Back Bay, Pipestone Bay, Jackfish Bay), Sandpit Lake, Mudro Lake, Fourtown Lake, Boot Lake, Fairy Lake, Gun Lake, Gull Lake, Thunder Lake, Beartrap Lake, Beartrap River, Sunday Lake, Beartrap River, Iron Lake, Crooked Lake, Basswood River, Basswood Lake (Merriam Bay, Bailey Bay, Inlet Bay), Sucker Lake, Newfound Lake, Moose Lake



**Route Description:** This popular 9 to 10 day trek returns along the U.S. Canadian border and takes your crew past famous Curtain Falls, Basswood Falls and Wheelbarrow Falls, as well as seeing a large portion of the immense Basswood Lake. There are many ways to vary the route, especially in the Beartrap River section. Most of the portages are quite short, except the long but relatively easy 340 Rod portage around Basswood Falls. Plan to get your campsite early, as you will most likely see other people along this route.