

# Ottawa National Forest

## Forest Briefing Papers



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#### Ottawa National Forest Wild and Scenic Rivers

Legislation designating rivers on the Ottawa National Forest as Wild and Scenic came about through the Michigan Scenic Rivers Act of 1991.

Selective river segments throughout the Nation are designated under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act, which possess outstandingly remarkable scenic, recreational, geologic, fish and wildlife, cultural, or other similar values and will be preserved in free-flowing condition, and their immediate environments shall be protected for the benefit and enjoyment of present and future generations. The following river segments located within the Ottawa National Forest proclamation boundary have been designated under the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act for one or more outstandingly remarkable values.

River	Designation	Miles	Segments
Black	Scenic	14.0	From the ONF Boundary to Lake Superior
East Branch of the Ontonagon	Recreation	20.5	From its origin at Spring Lake to its confluence with an unnamed stream in section 30, township 48 north, range 37 west
	Wild	25.5	From its confluence with an unnamed stream in section 30, township 48 north, range 37 west, to the ONF boundary
Middle Branch Ontonagon	Recreational	20.0	From Crooked Lake to Burned Dam
	Scenic	8.0	From Burned Dam to Bond Falls Flowage
	Recreational	8.0	From Bond Falls to Agate Falls
	Scenic	6.0	From Agate Falls to Trout Creek
Cisco Branch Ontonagon	Wild	17.4	From Trout Creek to the Northern ONF Bdry
	Recreation	10.0	From the origin of Cisco Branch Ontonagon at Cisco Lake Dam to the County Road 527 crossing
	Scenic	27.0	From the Forest Development Road 527 crossing to the confluence of the Cisco Branch and Ten-Mile Creek
West Branch Ontonagon	Recreational	10.5	From its confluence with Cascade Falls to its confluence with the South Branch Ontonagon
	Recreational	4.5	From its confluence with the South Branch

			Ontonagon to Victoria Reservoir
Paint	Recreational	6.0	From the confluence of the North and South Branches Paint to the ONF boundary
North Branch Paint	Recreational	17.0	From its origin at Mallard Lake to its confluence with the South Branch Paint
South Branch Paint	Recreational	28.0	From its origin at Paint River Springs to its confluence with the North Branch Paint
Presque Isle	Recreational	17.0	From its confluence of the East and West Branches Presque Isle to Michigan State Highway 28
	Scenic	6.0	From Michigan State Highway 28 to Minnewawa Falls
East Branch Presque Isle	Recreational	14.0	The segment of the East Branch Presque Isle River within the ONF
West Branch Presque Isle	Scenic	13.0	The segment of the West Branch Presque Isle River within the ONF
South Branch Presque Isle	Recreational	28.0	The segment of the South Branch Presque Isle River within the ONF
Sturgeon	Wild	16.5	From its entry into the ONF to Prickett Lake
	Scenic	8.5	From the outlet of Prickett Lake Dam to the northern boundary of the ONF
Yellow Dog	Wild	4.0	From its origin at the outlet of Bulldog Lake Dam to the boundary of the ONF