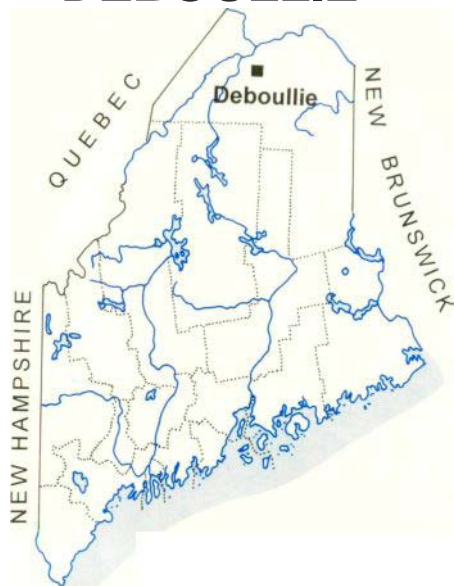
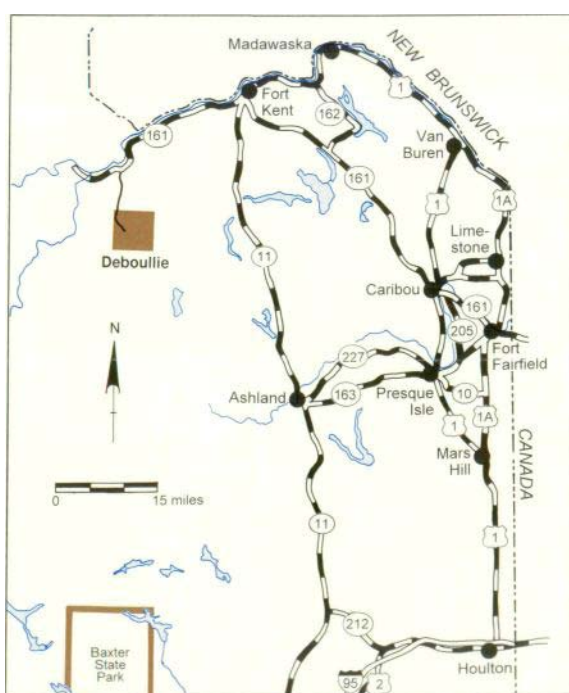


DEBOULLIE



Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands



LOCATION MAP

Enjoy Other Public Lands

Lands Managed by the Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands

You will find Maine's public reserved lands throughout the state, often beyond the limits of named townships and paved roads. Twenty-nine "units" (large parcels up to 43,000+ acres) include a variety of landscapes reflecting the rugged character and natural beauty of Maine's environment.

The Department of Conservation's Bureau of Parks and Lands administers these lands for public enjoyment and recreational use. The units' large size allows for effective ecosystem and backcountry recreation management. The bureau manages these lands to provide wildlife habitat, protect outstanding natural features, and grow high-value forest products to generate revenues to maintain these areas.

The Bureau of Parks and Lands also manages Maine's state parks (except Baxter), historic sites, the Penobscot River Corridor, and the Allagash Wilderness Waterway. For information about these areas, please call us at (207) 287-3821 or TTY (207) 287-2213.

9 Tips for Wildlife Watchers

1. Keep a safe distance from all wildlife.
2. Avoid nests and dens. Leave young birds and mammals where found.
3. Know and respect wildlife alarm signals.
4. Avoid stressing animals by deliberately making noise or chasing them.
5. Go out early in the morning and again late in the day for best wildlife watching.
6. Move slowly and quietly; then stay still.
7. Use binoculars or a spotting scope for closer views.
8. Stay in your vehicle when watching wildlife from the road.
9. For your safety and their well-being, don't feed the animals and do secure your food and trash.

About Deboullie

The landscape of three-fourths of the Deboullie Unit is the gently rolling, forested ridges typical of northern Maine. However, it is the southeastern quarter of the unit that attracts anglers, hikers, and others who enjoy scenery with many small ponds and low rugged mountains. *Deboullie* is the French word for the rock slides on some of these mountains.

Fishing and Hunting In spring and summer visitors enjoy fishing for brook trout in most of the scenic ponds, and also for landlocked salmon in Togue Pond. In the fall there is hunting for partridge and deer. Fishing and hunting are allowed on the unit, subject to state law. Please note rules regarding firearms on and around campsites, trails, and boat launches.

Camping/Lodging For camping on the shores of the ponds, campsites have primitive facilities, including a table, fire ring, and pit toilet nearby. For the traditional Maine sporting camp experience, Red River Camps on Island Pond (Box 16, Portage, Maine 04768) offers cabins and meals on property leased from the bureau.

Wildlife Watching The ponds, marshes, and forests provide habitat for many species of wildlife, ranging in size from mayflies to moose. In or near the water, visitors enjoy watching beavers, moose, loons, and bald eagles. In the forests, wildlife watchers may see red squirrels, snowshoe hares, and white tailed deer.

Hiking Visitors can enjoy an extensive network of hiking trails leading to many remote ponds. Deboullie Mountain is also a popular destination for hikers: its inactive fire tower offers expansive views of the area. In thick woods the alert hiker may spot one of the area's locally famous "ice caves"- actually deep, narrow crevices in the rocks where ice remains into late summer or throughout the year, depending on the weather.



Deboullie has low rugged mountains and small scenic ponds.

Trailheads are located at parking areas near Denny and Pushineer Ponds and at the boat-access site at the base of Deboullie Mountain on Deboullie Pond.

Getting There The Deboullie Management Unit includes all of Township 15 Range 9 WELS, located about thirty miles southwest of Fort Kent. It is within the boundaries of North Maine Woods, a large block of forest land, most of which is privately owned and cooperatively managed to provide recreation opportunities for the public.

Visitors must register at a checkpoint and pay camping and day use fees to enter the area. Although, at times, neighboring landowners may open alternative routes to the unit for timber harvesting, the bureau has designated the road south from the St. Francis Checkpoint as the primary access route. This road is maintained for safe automobile travel from late spring through early fall.

For more information about the Deboullie Unit, contact:

Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands
RRI, Box 16 DC
Ashland, Maine 04732-9722
Telephone: 207-435-6573

10 Ways

You can reduce your impact on this area

1. Buy food in bulk and pack it in reusable containers and resealable plastic bags.
2. Choose reusables, especially silverware, dishes, and flashlights.
3. Avoid disposables, especially lighters, fuel cylinders, and solid fuel cans.
4. Use refillable, liquid-fuel stoves/lanterns.
5. If you build a fire, use only down and dead wood, or bring your own. Burn only paper waste; do not burn foil, plastic, styrofoam, or food.
7. Avoid trenching or disturbing the ground.
8. Use phosphate-free soap/detergent and a basin for washing dishes, clothes, and yourself; dump waste water in the toilet pit or in a small pit 100 feet from water.
9. Seal food waste in a bag and hang it high and away from animals and camp; take food waste home to compost.
10. Carry out all trash.

For More Information on Outdoor Recreation in Maine

Acadia National Park	288-3338
Baxter State Park	723-5140
Maine Forest Service:	
Fire Permits and Campsite Information	
Ashland	435-7963
Greenville	695-3721
Old Town	827-6191
Augusta	287-2275
Maine Dept. of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife: Hunting/fishing licenses	287-2571
Boat/snowmobile registration	287-2043
Maine Publicity Bureau	1-800-533-9595
Maine Bureau of Parks and Lands	287-3821
Mattawamkeag Wilderness Park	736-4881
Moosehorn Nat'l Wildlife Refuge	454-3521
North Maine Woods	435-6213
Rachel Carson Nat'l Wildlife Refuge	646-9226
Wells Nat'l Estuarine Research Reserve	646-1555
White Mountains National Forest	824-2134

Recreational Activities and Facilities

To preserve the natural character of these lands, the bureau has developed only primitive recreational facilities. Recreation in these areas requires self-reliance on the part of the visitor. Camping, hiking, and fishing are among the most popular activities.

Most units have rustic campsites-some accessible by vehicle, others by boat or on foot-generally available on a first-come, first-served basis. Visitors traveling in large recreational vehicles should call the bureau in advance, since few sites can accommodate large RVs. Fees are charged for the use of certain campsites, such as those located within the North Maine Woods and on Richardson Lake, as they are maintained privately under agreements with the bureau.

The bureau maintains hiking trails on many units to offer visitors the opportunity to get away from it all and enjoy some of Maine's exceptional natural environments. The Appalachian Trail crosses public reserved lands in several places, including the Mahoosuc, Four Ponds, Bigelow Preserve, and Nahmakanta Units.

Fishing and boating are popular activities, and many units have small, unpaved boat launch sites. All public reserved lands are available for hunting and fishing, subject to state law and Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife regulations.

For your safety in this remote region, please:

Yield right of way to logging trucks on gravel roads in and around the unit; Bring adequate supplies of medicine, food, gasoline, insect repellent, and safety equipment, as there is none nearby; Purify all drinking water by boiling, filtering, or treating with chemicals; Be prepared to wait for safe boating conditions to cross lakes exposed to strong winds, usually from the northwest; In emergencies, call the **State Police at 1-800-452-4664 or *77** on cellular phones.