

South Branch Au Sable River Downeys North and South



Fish Species

Brook Trout; Brown Trout

Species Description

Wild brook and brown trout are present here. Brook trout up to ten inches are common and brown trout can grow to twenty inches or larger in this reach.

Geographic Coordinates

Lat:44.592612 / Long:-84.480256

Noteworthy

Cobble, gravel and sand substrate are all present here. The angler must walk east from the parking areas off South Branch Road. The Mason Tract Pathway parallels the river in this area and provides multiple access points. The parking lot offers room for a handful of vehicles at both turnoffs from South Branch Road. This is in the Mason Tract of State forest land.

Fishing Regulations

The South Branch Au Sable River at Downeys North and South is a designated Gear Restricted Stream. Please refer to the Inland Trout and Salmon Stream Regulations in the current Michigan Fishing Guide.

Directions to Site

North: From M-72, turn south on South Branch Road. Drive south/southwest past Canoe Harbor Campground and continue on for a total of 2.3 miles. There is a small parking area and the river is a 100 yard long walk to the east. South: From M-72, turn south on South Branch Road. Drive south/southwest past Canoe Harbor Campground and continue on for a total of 2.4 miles. There is a small parking area beneath a tree and the river is a 100 yard long walk to the east.

Regional Visitor Information (URL)

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