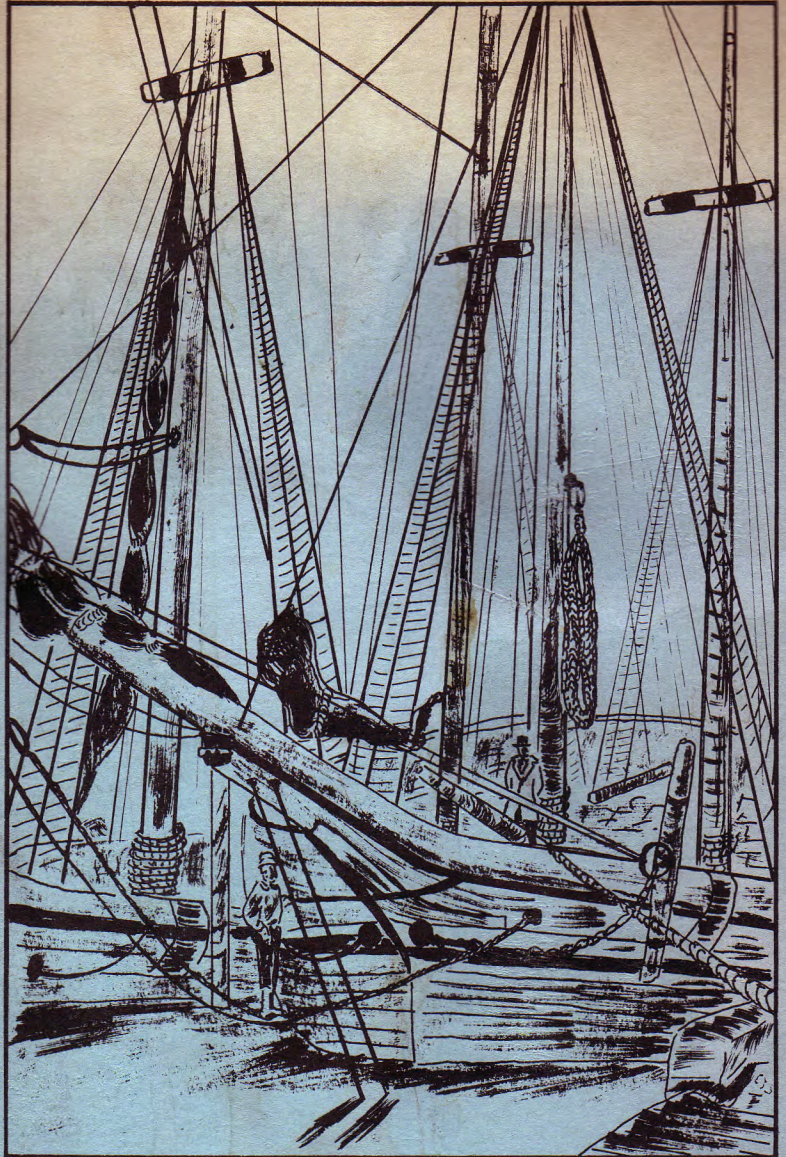
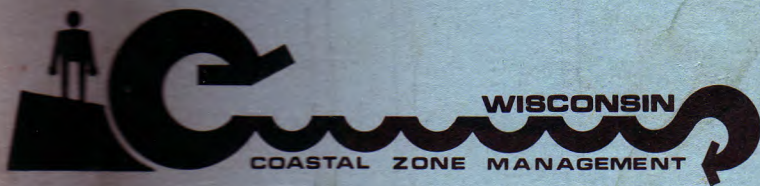


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**Wisconsin  
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**LAKE MICHIGAN**



## TRAIL DESCRIPTION AND CUES

### Carol Beach to Kenosha Harbor (6 miles)

**Lake Shore Drive:** Starting at Chiwaukee Prairie (116th Street) north of the state line, follow Lake Shore Drive until it curves inland, becomes North End Road. Meets CTH T (7th Avenue).

**7th Avenue:** Turn right onto 7th and enter Kenosha, following the "Kenosha History Tour" route.

### Kenosha Harbor to Racine Harbor (10 miles)

**CTH EE:** From the "Kenosha History Tour" and Carthage College, cross STH 32 and take CTH EE northwest to CTH Y. Turn right.

**CTH Y:** Continue on Y for 2½ miles to CTH KR (County Line Road). Turn right onto KR. You are now on the MARKED Racine County Bike Route.

**CTH KR:** East for ½ mile to Lathrop Road.

**Lathrop Road:** Turn left onto Lathrop and continue for one mile. At this point, either continue on Lathrop to Taylor and follow the "Racine History Tour," or follow the city bike route signs to the lakeshore.

### Racine to Grant Park in South Milwaukee (16 miles)

**Racine County Bike Route:** Take the Bike Route northward from Racine around Wind Point and to STH 32. It jogs along CTH G, Charles Road, 5½ Mile Road, Middle Road, 6 Mile Road, Michna Road and 7 Mile Road.

**STH 32:** CAUTIOUSLY proceed north on 32 for 4½ miles to Ryan Road (STH 100). Turn right.

**Ryan Road:** Go east for ½ mile to S. 5th Avenue. Turn left onto 5th.

**S. 5th Avenue:** Continue north through South Milwaukee and over Oak Creek. That's Grant Park to your right. Follow the MARKED Milwaukee County '76 Bike Tour.

### Grant Park to Central Milwaukee (12 miles)

**Milwaukee County Bike Route:** Follow the lakeshore all the way to South Shore Park. Then the route travels only on city streets (Russell—E. Bay—S. 1st—Pittsburgh—Erie—Polk—Harbor Drive) to the War Memorial at the foot of E. Wisconsin Avenue.

### Central Milwaukee to Doctors Park in Fox Point (10 miles)

**Milwaukee County Bike Route:** Follow the lakeshore path through Juneau and Lake Parks. Here the route swings west to STH 32 at the city's Water Purification Plant.

**STH 32:** Turn right onto 32 (N. Lake Drive). Continue to the north end of Fox Point and E. Dean Road. Doctors Park is at the lake's edge at the end of E. Dean Road.

**Alternate Route:** Stay westbound on the Milwaukee County Bike Route at Lincoln Memorial Drive and STH 32. Follow the signs to Estabrook Park, north to Milwaukee River Parkway, and finally to N. River Road. Here the route meets W. Dean Road and curves left. Turn east (right) onto West Dean Road and continue toward Lake Michigan. This route is more scenic but less direct than STH 32.

### Fox Point to Port Washington (17 miles)

**STH 32:** Follow STH 32, curve westward at Brown Deer Road and meet CTH W just before US 141. Turn right onto W.

**CTH W:** Adjacent to US 141, STH 32. Go north 5 miles to Highland Road.

**Highland Road:** Turn right and cross the freeway. Meet Lakeshore Drive and turn left.

**Lakeshore Drive:** Continue for 2½ miles to CTH C. Turn right onto C.

**CTH C:** C goes to the lakeshore and then curves north to Port Washington (8½ miles).

**Alternate Route:** Except for the octagonal barns and the last 7 miles of lakeshore, this portion of the Lake Michigan Coastal History Trail is not very scenic or historic. The Ozaukee County Tour (See "Connectors and County Tours") is a highly recommended alternate route.

### Port Washington to Sheboygan (31 miles)

**CTH KW:** Take KW north into Sheboygan County to CTH D.

**CTH D:** Turn right onto D and continue through Cedar Grove (15 miles from Port Washington) to Sauk Trail Road. Turn left onto the Sauk Trail.

**Sauk Trail Road and Oostburg:** Go north on Sauk Trail Road to the second crossroads. Turn left. This town

road curves northward and becomes Oostburg's S. 10th Street. In Oostburg (5 miles from Cedar Grove) jog west (left) to CTH A and then go north on A to CTH KK. Turn right onto KK.

**CTH KK:** Cross the freeway for the last time and continue to Sheboygan (11 miles from Oostburg). Terry Andrae State Park is 6 miles from Oostburg via KK and CTH V.



Courtesy of Jim Larison

### **Sheboygan to Manitowoc (23 miles)**

**CTH LS:** Sheboygan's N. 15th Street becomes CTH LS. Take it all the way to Manitowoc. Cleveland is about halfway.

### **Manitowoc to Two Rivers (7 miles)**

**STH 42:** HEAVILY TRAVELED, but very scenic. Use the UNMARKED BIKE LANE along the extreme west side of Memorial Drive.

### **Two Rivers to Kewaunee (28 miles)**

**Sandy Bay Road:** Head northeast to Point Beach State Forest. Curve inland with Sandy Bay Road to meet STH 177 and Lakeshore Road about 6 miles from Two Rivers. Turn right onto Lakeshore Road.

**Lakeshore Road:** Continue north for 2 miles to Nuclear Road. Begin the "Nuclear Plant Bypass."

### **"Nuclear Plant Bypass":**

West (left) on Nuclear Road, 2 miles to Tannery Road.

North (right) on Tannery, 3 miles to Zander Road.

East (right) on Zander, 1 mile to Woodside Road.

North (left) on Woodside, 4 miles to CTH G.

East (right) on CTH G, 2½ miles to Lakeshore Road.

**Lakeshore Road:** Turn left onto Lakeshore and continue northward for 6 miles to Kewaunee.

### **Kewaunee to Algoma (10 miles)**

**Lakeshore Road:** Go north for 6 miles to STH 42. Cross 42 and go straight on Longfellow Road.

**Longfellow Road:** Continue north, then curve east with Longfellow to Algoma. 4 miles, partly gravel.

### **Algoma to Sturgeon Bay (18 miles)**

**CTH S:** Go north on S to CTH U (4 miles). Turn right onto U.

**CTH U:** Continue northward along Lake Michigan from CTH S to Sturgeon Bay (14 miles).

**Alternate Route:** Ride on the Ahnapee State Trail (18 miles). It is an interior trail that passes through farmland on the bed of an abandoned railroad.

### **Sturgeon Bay to Jacksonport (20 miles)**

**To Lake Michigan:** After crossing the bridge, turn right onto 3rd Avenue (at the stoplight). Third Avenue becomes Memorial Drive, curves inland through a golf course, and becomes 18th Avenue. It eventually meets Utah Street. Turn right onto Utah and follow the signs to the U.S. Coast Guard Station at the lake (5 miles total).

**Lake Forest Drive:** Go north (left) from the Coast Guard Station all the way to the end. Jog right to meet Lake Michigan Drive.

**Lake Michigan Drive:** Follow this shore road north to CTH T (4 miles from the Coast Guard Station). Turn right onto T.

**CTH T:** Curve along 6 miles of lakeshore. Follow T when it curves inland and meets Nelson Lane. Turn right onto the lane.

**Nelson Lane:** Go one mile north to Clark Lake Road. Turn right onto Clark Lake Road.

**Clark Lake Road:** Go east to the Cave Point County Park sign. Follow the signs to Cave Point Park. From the park, continue northward along the shore road on Schauer Road.

**Schauer Road:** Go northwest with Schauer until it curves west and meets Cave Point Drive. Turn right onto Cave Point Drive.

**Cave Point Drive:** Go north to Jacksonport. Meet STH 57 just south of town.

### **Jacksonport to Baileys Harbor (10 miles)**

**CTH A:** Follow A north to Peninsula Center and CTH E (6 miles). Turn right onto E.

**CTH E:** Go east over Kangaroo Lake to STH 57. Cross 57 and go straight onto Lakeshore Road (3¼ miles).

**Lakeshore Road:** Follow Lakeshore into Baileys Harbor (¾ mile).

### **Baileys Harbor to Ellison Bay (20 miles)**

**CTH Q:** Follow Q north, then west to Woodcrest Road (9 miles). Turn right onto Woodcrest.

**Woodcrest Road:** Go two miles north on Woodcrest to CTH ZZ. Turn right onto ZZ.

**CTH ZZ:** Follow ZZ east, then north to CTH Z (4½ miles). Continue straight ahead on Z.

**CTH Z:** Follow Z north, then east, halfway to Rowleys Bay until it meets Mink River Road (1 mile). Turn left onto Mink River Road.

**Mink River Road:** Angle north on Mink River Road to Ellison Bay (3 miles).

### **Ellison Bay to Gills Rock (4 miles)**

**Garret Bay Road:** Go north on Garret Bay Road for 3 miles to Garret Bay. Turn right onto a town road when you can go no farther. This road is called Cottage Road, but it is not marked at this corner.

**Cottage Road:** Follow the south shore of Garret Bay into Gills Rock. Gravel stretches.

### **SIDE TRIP: Gills Rock to Newport State Park (4 miles)**

**Wisconsin Bay Road:** Follow Wisconsin Bay Road north around Table Bluff from the ferry docks. Meet Daubner Road at Wisconsin Bay.

**Daubner Road:** Head south on Daubner, cross STH 42, and follow the signs to Newport State Park.

### **Gills Rock to Washington Island**

Nice biking and scenery on Washington Island. Take



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the ferry across or take an excursion boat to either Washington or Rock Island.

Rock Island State Park is accessible (no bikes) via ferry from Jackson Harbor on Washington Island or via excursion boat from Gills Rock.

### **Gills Rock to Ellison Bay (4 miles)**

Retrace the previous route along the south shore of Garret Bay and Garret Bay Road.

### **Ellison Bay to Sister Bay (6 miles)**

**STH 42:** Follow 42 for a short distance up the big Ellison Bay hill to Porcupine Bay Road (at the Ellison Bluff County Park Sign). Turn right onto Porcupine Bay Road.

**Porcupine Bay Road:** Go west to the Green Bay shore, then curve south on Shore Drive to Sister Bay.

### **Sister Bay to Ephraim (5 miles)**

**CTH ZZ:** Go east from Sister Bay, 1 mile to Woodcrest Road. Turn right onto Woodcrest.

**Woodcrest Road:** Go south 2 miles to CTH Q. Turn right onto Q.

**CTH Q:** Go west for 2 miles to Ephraim.

### **Ephraim to Fish Creek (6 miles)**

**STH 42:** Follow 42 southward out of the village to the northern entrance of Peninsula State Park (½ mile). Turn right into the park.

**Park Roads:** Follow the park roads for a beautiful ride all the way into Fish Creek.

### **Fish Creek to Egg Harbor (8 miles)**

**STH 42:** From Fish Creek proper, take 42 NORTHBOUND for a short distance to CTH F at the high school. Turn right onto F.

**CTH F:** Go east only 100 feet to Spring Road. Turn right onto Spring Road.

**Spring Road:** Go south until Spring Road ends at Peninsula Players Road. Turn right.

**Peninsula Players Road:** Go west about a mile to STH 42. Turn left onto 42.

**STH 42:** Proceed CAUTIOUSLY for ½ mile to Juddville and Juddville Road. Turn right onto Juddville Road.

**Juddville Road:** Go west to the Green Bay shore, curve south, proceed downhill and continue on White Cliff Road.

**White Cliff Road:** South into Egg Harbor.

### **Egg Harbor to Sturgeon Bay (13 miles)**

**CTH G:** Follow G south for 3 miles to CTH B at Horseshoe Bay.

**CTH B:** When G goes inland, continue south along the shoreline on B to Sturgeon Bay.

### **Sturgeon Bay to Green Bay (47 miles)**

**Duluth Avenue:** Go north (turn right) from the intersection of Maple Street and Duluth Avenue at the western limits of the city. When CTH C turns west (left), go straight on Duluth to the water's edge. Follow the shore road to Potawatomie State Park.

**Park Roads:** Curve through the park to its southwest entrance. Go straight (west) 1 mile to CTH M on a town road. Turn left onto M.

**CTH M:** Follow M south for 2 miles to CTH C. Turn right onto C.

**CTH C:** Follow C west, then curve south to CTH N (9 miles). Turn right onto N.

**CTN N:** Follow N as it jogs southward along the shoreline for about 6 miles to Namur and STH 42. Turn west with N and proceed ½ mile to Pleasant Ridge Road and the "STH 42 Bypass."

#### **"STH 42 Bypass":**

South (left) on Pleasant Ridge, about 1½ miles to CTH D (cross 42).

East (left) on CTH D, ½ mile to CTH Y.

Follow Y south, then west to Duval Road (just before reaching 42).

South (left) on Duval, about 3½ miles to Bader Road.

West (right) on Bader Road, about 3½ miles to CTH P.

North (right) on CTH P, 1/10 mile to STH 42. Turn left onto 42.

**STH 42:** Follow 42 southbound CAUTIOUSLY for 1¾ miles to Edgewater Beach Road. Turn right.

**Edgewater Beach Road:** Go west to the shoreline, then curve south to meet CTH A. Turn right onto A.

**CTH A:** Go west on A to the shoreline, then follow it southwest to Green Bay. Begin the MARKED Green

Bay Bike Route. (Green Bay is 14 miles from the junction of STH 42-Edgewater Beach Road).

### **Green Bay to DePere Circle Route (14 miles)**

**Green Bay Bike Route:** Follow the bike route and the "Green Bay History Tour" to Webster Street (CTH X). Turn south onto Webster.

**Webster Street:** South to CTH XX. Turn right toward the Fox River.

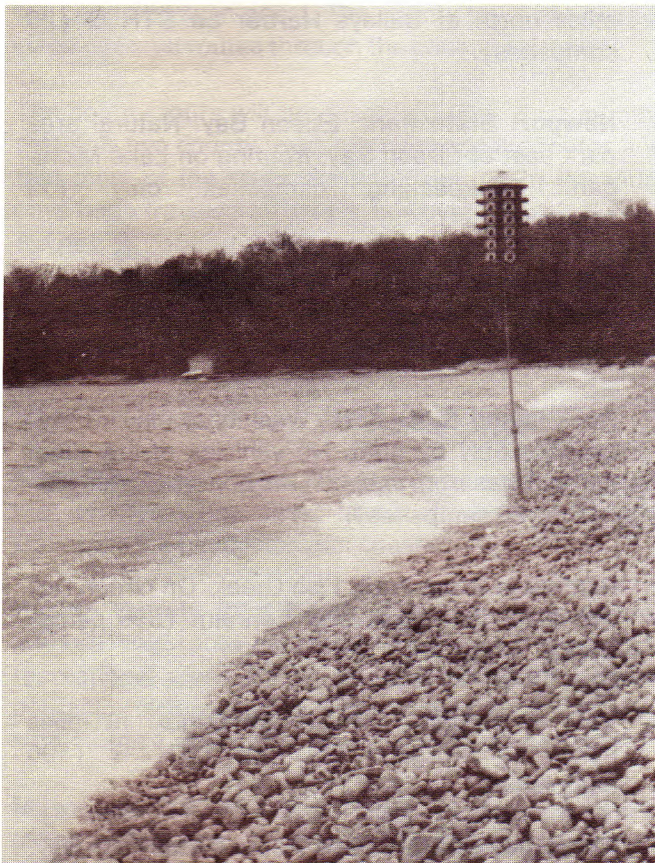
**CTH XX:** Follow XX west, downhill to Broadway (STH 57). Turn left onto 57.

**STH 57:** Follow 57 south into DePere. Turn right to cross over the Fox River and meet CTH H.

**CTH H:** Head north with CTH H along the west bank of the Fox River to Green Bay and rejoin the Green Bay Bike Route and the "Green Bay History Tour."

### **Green Bay to Oconto (27 miles)**

**CTH J:** Take the "Green Bay History Tour" to the junction of US 141 and Velp Avenue. Turn left onto Velp and go under the freeway for a short distance to CTH J. Turn right onto J and continue for 13 miles to Little Suamico and CTH S. Angle right onto S.



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**CTH S:** Continue northeast on S to Oconto (14 miles).

### **Oconto to Peshtigo (15 miles)**

**CTH Y:** Follow Y northward out of Oconto to CTH B just west of Peshtigo (14 miles). Turn right onto B.

**CTH B:** East into Peshtigo.

### **Peshtigo to Marinette (14 miles or 9 miles)**

**CTH B to CTH BB** and along lakeshore to Marinette (14 miles).

**Alternate Route:** CTH B all the way (9 miles).

## **CAMPSITES**

As a general rule, camping is not allowed on any public property unless camping areas are specifically designated. This section identifies all known public camping areas near the Lake Michigan Coastal History Trail. Whenever these public facilities are few and far between, some private campgrounds are identified.

For more detailed information on State Parks and Forests and private campgrounds, contact the State Division of Tourism, Camping and Tourist Information, Box 177, Madison, Wisconsin 53701. Ask for **Woodall's Trailering Parks and Campgrounds**, state park brochures, and county tourist maps.

The first part of this section briefly lists public facilities near the coast on a county-by-county basis. County park camping policies are mentioned, and all state facilities are listed. It is easy to see which counties have public campgrounds to accommodate extended visits.

The second part of this section lists all the campgrounds numbered on the Lake Michigan Coastal History Trail maps.

### **County-By-County Public Campgrounds**

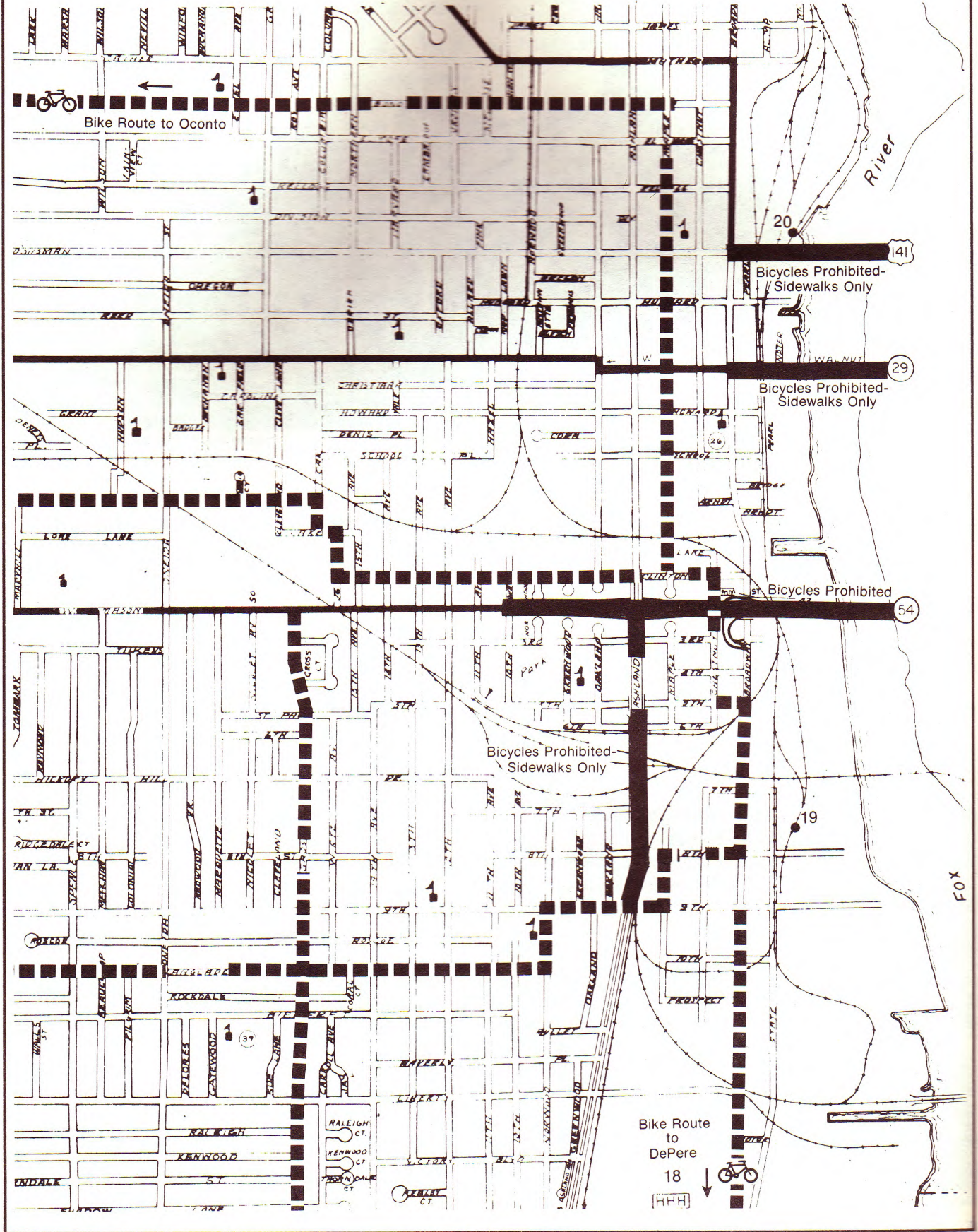
**Kenosha County:** There are no public facilities along the lakeshore.

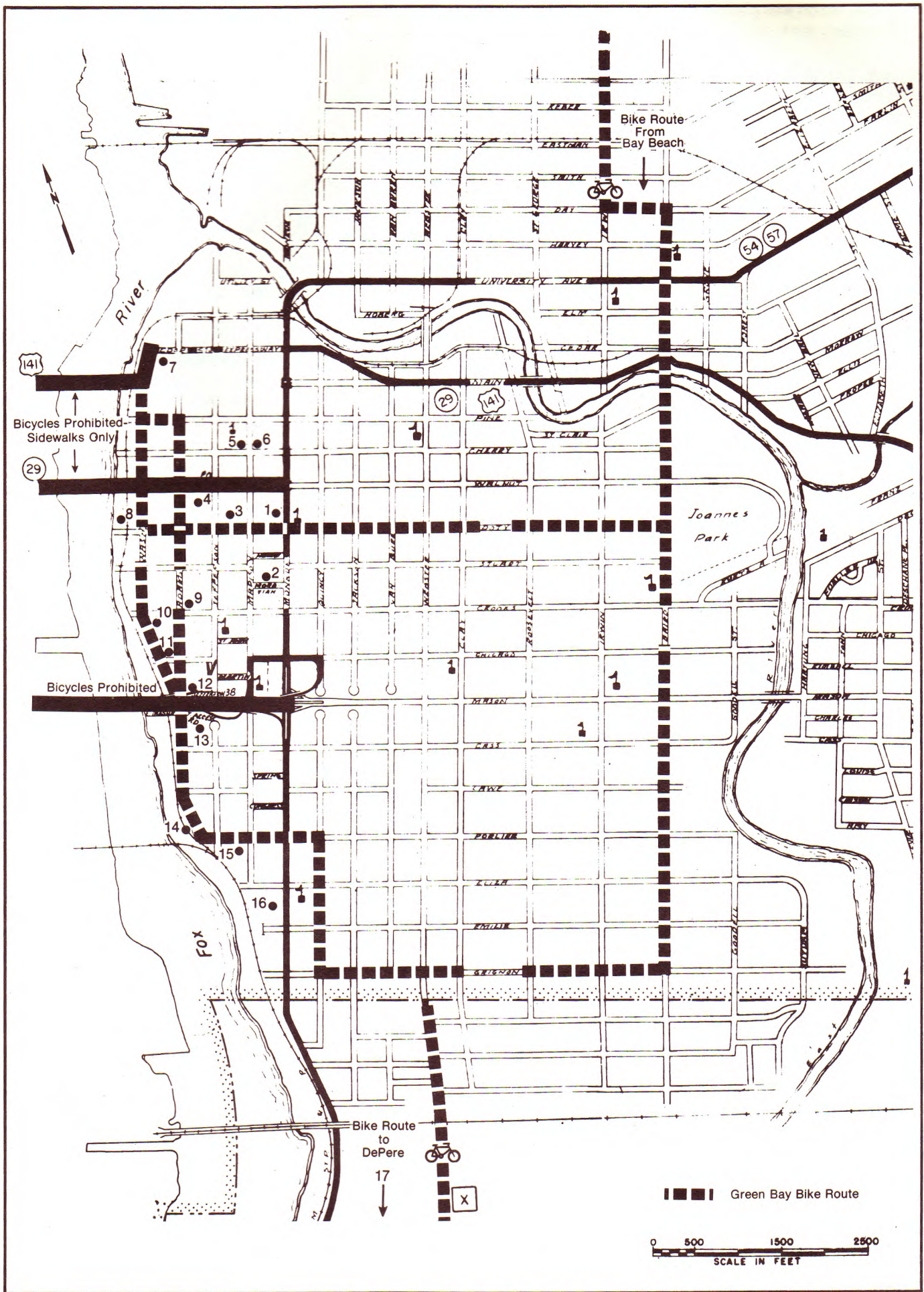
**Racine County:** Sanders Park south of the city of Racine.

**Milwaukee County:** No camping in county parks. No state parks. Overnight lodging available at the Milwaukee School of Engineering or at the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

**Ozaukee County:** Waubedonia County Park at Fredonia is the only known public camping area.

# Green Bay History Tour







# Marinette History Tour

