

## RECREATION MANAGEMENT

The overall approach is to provide an area for quiet, wildlands recreation. Within this context hiking, cross-country skiing, nature walks, hunting, outdoor education and mushroom hunting are all compatible recreational uses. The use of ORV's, snowmobiles and mountain bikes are not compatible with quiet wildlands recreation and should not be allowed on hiking trails and throughout the property. Since the access road is considered a county road, ORV's, snowmobiles and bikes can use the road. Trail markers should be used to identify trail locations. Trail signs should be erected at all trail intersections.



The current fragmented trails should be connected to create a network of trails on the property. The maintenance of existing trails and creation of new trails should be accomplished with minimal tree removal. The trails should be narrow and winding since wider trails may in fact would encourage ORV's. Trail markers

should be erected along the hiking trails to identify their location. At junctions of trails and at the trail heads, post location maps with the trail system and park rules.

It will be necessary to improve the access road by constructing a one lane gravel road to the proposed parking facility. The issue of the location of the easement as the road first leaves Bass Lake Road should be resolved with Long Lake Township, Grand County Road Commission and adjacent landowners. The intention is to keep the roadway narrow and winding, following its current alignment through the park. A couple of turn-outs should be placed to allow opposing traffic to pass. It is not recommended for the road upgrades to extend beyond the proposed parking facility. The parking facility should be relatively small and accommodate around four cars. It will be necessary to use cedar post and rail fencing to define the extent of the parking lot and cedar posts to define the roadway boundaries.



# Trail System

