

Public use policy

Consolidated Water Power Company (CWPCo.) owns and operates five hydroelectric projects on the Wisconsin River. These projects span approximately 32 river miles and include projects from the DuBay Flowage south to the Wisconsin Rapids Dam.

Most CWPCo. land is open to the public for recreational purposes and general enjoyment. However, certain activities are prohibited to: minimize property damage, promote safety and allow better overall management and protection of natural resources. The rules outlined here state the company's policy on allowable activities on the properties. Signs are posted at most common access points, however, the absence of such signs does not relieve public users from following stated rules on a company property.

Make sure you have up-to-date land ownership information before entering and recreating on lands perceived to be owned by the company. You are encouraged to contact the Register of Deeds to confirm ownership and contact the company for information regarding allow-

able activities on a particular parcel of land. If you wish to have a copy of this policy contact CWPCo. at 715-422-3927.



Allowable activities

These recreational activities – hunting, fishing, hiking, picnics, and cross-country skiing – are allowed on all CWPCo. property, unless specifically posted otherwise. Also allowed is any other recreational activity which **does not require the use of any type of motorized vehicle or might otherwise cause damage to the property, shoreline, or timber resources.**



Don't take chances boating or canoeing

- Boating above or below a dam can be very dangerous. Always maintain a safe distance from the dam. Keep your motor running when near a dam so that you are always ready to maneuver or to leave the area quickly.
- Stay away from spillways. Changing currents and unpredictable waves make boat control difficult.
- Never anchor a boat below a dam. Rapid surges in water levels can pull an anchored boat under water in seconds.
- Beware of dangerous and unseen currents. Backrollers, eddys and whirlpools can pull a boat upstream into a spillway and quickly capsize it.

Recreation and stewardship of the land

Recreation is a year-round enjoyment in the central Wisconsin area. There are numerous parks for play and relaxation. Camping, golf, tennis and spectator sports complement the river recreational activities. Hunting, hiking and nature observation are some of the other outdoor pleasures. If you enjoy cold weather action, there's plenty of downhill and cross-country skiing, snowmobiling and ice fishing.

Consolidated Water Power Company (CWPCo.) owns and maintains many boat ramps and recreational sites located on the Wisconsin River. These sites are designed to maximize public access to the river and enjoyment of the outdoors in a safe manner. CWPCo. strives to maintain these sites in a clean, operational condition as stewards of the land we own. However, we need the help of the public. Vandalism, litter and disregard of our land-use policy negatively affect everyone's ability to enjoy the river. Please help us keep the lands free of litter by picking up after yourself, and if you see trash, please pick it up and dispose of it properly.

CWPCo. has an aggressive policy of working with local law enforcement, neighborhood watch programs and area residents to identify individuals who decide to vandalize, litter, or ignore land-use policies. When we catch individuals engaged in illegal acts, we prosecute to the fullest extent of the law. Please help by notifying us of any illegal activities observed on our properties at 715-422-3927.

