

April 10th, 2020



**Our dock:** Despite the shelter in place and the accesses all being closed our dock took a beating from the ice. We made the decision to completely remove this dock and build a floating dock instead. Watch for pictures of the new dock.

March 24, 2020

This was shared on the Northern Light Region's Facebook Page:

**"BREAKING NEWS: MORE ACCESS POINTS TO RAINY RIVER SET TO CLOSE**

The Lake of the Woods County Board of Commissioners met this morning and held a teleconference call with the Koochiching County Commissioners who were meeting in their county. During that discussion, the Koochiching County Board voted unanimously to **CLOSE ALL THEIR COUNTY OWNED RAINY RIVER ACCESS POINTS UNTIL FUTURE NOTICE** citing concerns about the traditionally large number of anglers coming into the area at a time when people are being encouraged to not travel and stay home in the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic. Those accesses are Upper Sioux landing, Frontier

landing, Nelson Park landing and Vidas landing. The Lake of the Woods County Board, in consensus, supported the move by the Koochiching County Commissioners. The Lake of the Woods County Board went on to CLOSE ALL "COUNTY CONTROLLED RIGHT OF WAY LANDINGS THAT PROVIDE ACCESS TO THE RAINY RIVER" UNTIL FUTHER NOTICE. We'll post a full story on this later today."

## March 23, 2020

This was posted on the Northern Light Region's Facebook Page:  
"BREAKING NEWS:

The City of Baudette met in special session this afternoon and voted to CLOSE ALL RIVER ACCESSES within the City of Baudette. This would include the Timber Mill Park and Peace Park public accesses and will be in effect until further notice. This is being done to discourage anglers from large numbers of travelers into the area in the upcoming weeks as the Rainy River opens up. The council members took the action knowing that Koochiching County Commissioners are scheduled to meet with Lake of the Woods County Commissioners via teleconference Tuesday morning to discuss action on river access point east of Baudette. More on this meeting and the County Board meeting in this week's NLR. We'll post any decisions that come out of that County Board meeting tomorrow after the meeting."

## MARCH 14TH, 2020



## Manitou Rapids

The river is only open to the Manitou Rapids. We did see some open patches to west but the river hasn't changed much since Sunday.



Manitou Rapids: Showing where the open water ends.

### March 11, 2020

It has been a crazy week and we haven't made it east yet to check the river. We are shooting for Thursday or Saturday when we have more time during the day. We are suppose to get close to 40 degrees today.

### MARCH 8TH, 2020



One of our friends and her family enjoyed the day checking out the Manitou Rapids. I am not sure if it was wide open to the west of the rapids but I thought I would share this picture of them out enjoying the weather. Yesterday we saw 50 degrees and again today we are in the high 40s with the sun shining. We had some things to get done around the house but hope to check the river tomorrow.

March 6th, 2020

I (Alyse) came back late last night from my work conference and from what we could tell the river hadn't changed too much since Wednesday.

March 4th, 2020

I (Alyse) am on my way to a work conference and was watching the river. I saw open water a few miles west of Loman. The river is open almost shore to shore where I

could see it. They are calling for 1-3 inches of snow tonight and then 43 degrees on Saturday. We will most likely check the river again Sunday or early next week.