Touring Pigs Eye Lake Regional Park:

A trek from north to south

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North end – storage

Looking across what appears to be a turnaround area that currently has a large pile of wood chips.



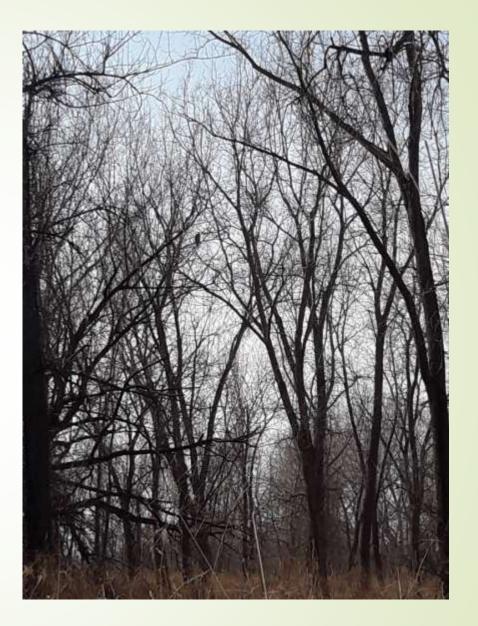
Same North Lot

An occupied eagles; nest is in the wood beyond the pile of wood chips.



Eagle Watching Us

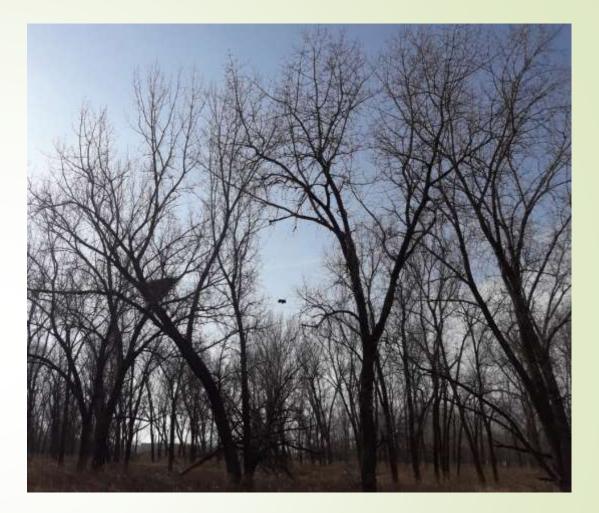
Sitting in the tree just left of center.



Eagle Approach

One of the two eagles is approaching in the center of the photo. Another eagle was in the nest at the time of the photo.

Then both took flight



Coming in for a Landing

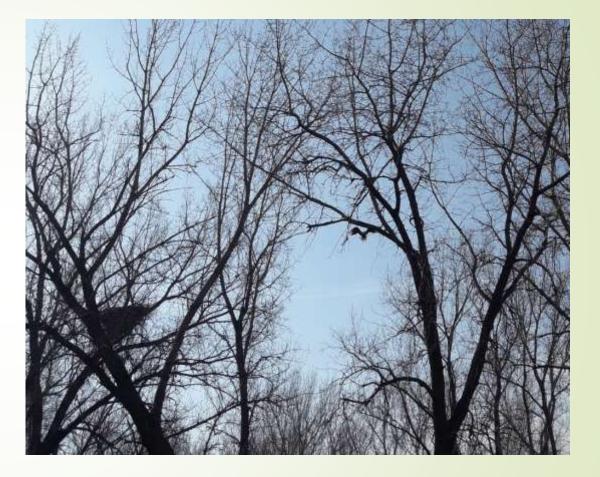
The Approach ©

After Landing ©



Still on Approach

The eagle is inflight – visible in the circle at one o'clock



One Member of the Aerial Team

The pair of eagles put on a show for us. I wasn't able to get both in a single frame – too busy watching!



Lining Up the Nest

Property boundary markers line up right near the occupied nest.

This photo is taken looking south from the north-most markers.



The Nest in the Northern Woods

Still looking south ...



Eastern Boundary Marker – North Parcel

Went south past the nest and now looking north from the corner marker.





Heading South

Discarded or Stored?



Just north of the wood recycling ... ©





More storage?



The wood recycling operation looking south after leaving the woods.





Same photo – close-up for size perspective only.





Uncertain why this small area is fenced with barbed wire ... ©



Headed Back to the Road

From this point we are looking north again.



Welcome to the Entrance to the Southern Section

This is on Sunday, gate access is locked.



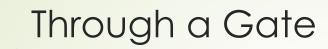
A Different Angle

Pigs Eye Wood Recycling structure



Walking in







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Southern Most Use

Last bit before entering the prairie and wetlands.



Looking West to Water District and Viewing Battle Creek Geese ©



Bridge Over Battle Creek

Sturdy concrete bridge crossing over the creek.



Northeast View & Southwest View of Battle Creek near the Bridge ©



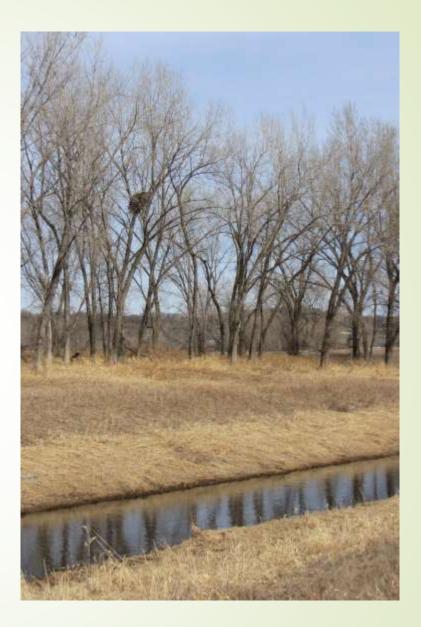
Just northeast of the Bridge

Throughout the park, we found a lot of these yellow metal posts which have lids that are locked. Some are painted black but most are this bright yellow.



Another Occupied Eagle Nest

East of the wood recycling



White Head

Big white head peeking out of the nest.



Zoomed in ...

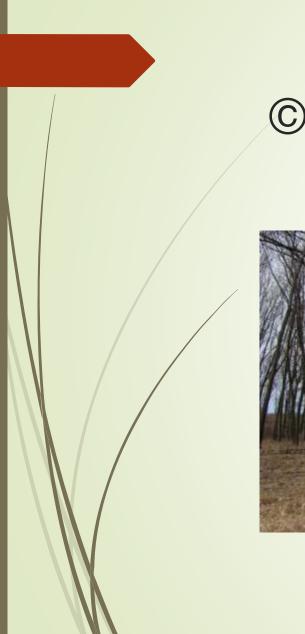
A close up view via camera!



West of Battle Creek

Heading south on the west side of Battle Creek









Another Locked Yellow Pole and Possibly a Vent Pipe between Bollards ©



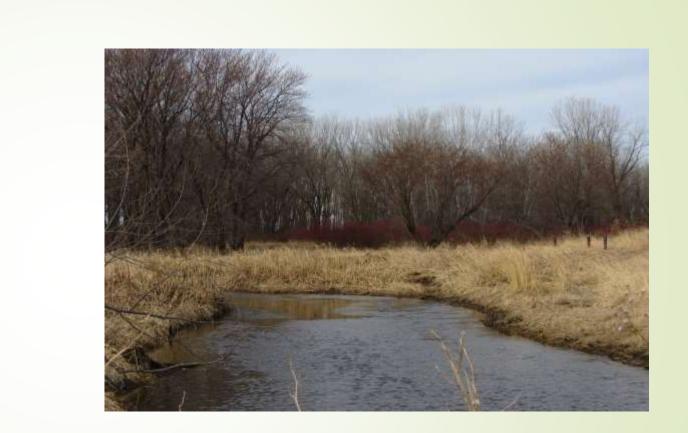
Battle Creek

Still heading south and nearing Pigs Eye Lake.





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Iced Over Pond

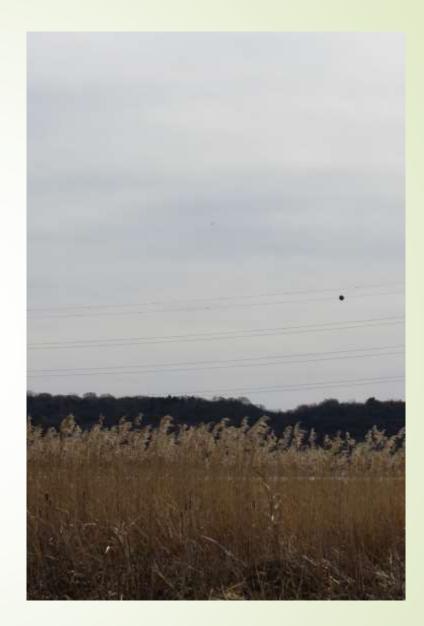
Yep, it is still March (2021)

I wonder how deep that pond must be to still have ice? We threw a big stick onto it but it didn't even crack. Marshy areas are fully thawed.



Almost There ...

Pigs Eye Lake is just beyond the reeds!



Pigs Eye Lake – Saint Paul's Largest Lake



Another Pond

Geese hanging out ...



Back On the Road

Almost back to the wood recycling center.



Overlooking South Entrance



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The wood recycling center



Across the street from the wood recycling center



