

NOTICE OF RESEARCH GEAR

NEAR GULL ISLAND SHOAL

The Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Fisheries Department and The Nature Conservancy will be studying fish movement during 2025, 2026, and 2027.

Equipment will not be visible from the surface. **The equipment moorings use 100-pound anchors (see picture below) that could entangle fishing gear, boat anchors, etc.** 95 of the moorings are in the no-fishing refuge (see map) and 5 are outside of the no-fishing refuge (see map and table). If equipment is snagged and brought to the surface **DO NOT RETURN TO WATER**, please contact us using the information below.

Lake Trout and **Lake Whitefish** will be tagged with internal transmitters (not visible) and **fluorescent orange** T-bar tags (will be visible on the fish's back). Tags will have a unique ID, "Internal Tag", and a phone # on them (715-779-3750). If you catch a tagged fish, please:

1. Record the T-bar tag ID and report to the contact given below. We'll be happy to tell you what we've learned about the fish so far!
2. Consider releasing the fish alive.
3. If the fish is deceased or is being kept, please return the internal transmitter to the address below (will be the size of a AA battery and inside the gut cavity).



Outside Refuge GPS Locations	
Longitude	Latitude
-90.45159085	46.90811267
-90.44769978	46.90812501
-90.44660458	46.91082819
-90.45099605	46.91107961
-90.44594526	46.9135076



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