

## **Utilities and Community Facilities**

Developing an inventory of existing utilities and community facilities is an important step when planning for the future. Utilities and community facilities that are or may need to be provided in the future could include the following:

### **Sanitary Sewer Service**

Sanitary sewer service is a type of underground carriage system for transporting sewage from houses or industry to treatment or disposal. There is no sanitary sewer infrastructure or services available to Town residents. Most Town residents rely on privately owned wastewater system (POWTS) to collect and dispose of their wastewater. The main types of systems used by Town residents include a conventional system, in-ground pressure system, mound system, at-grade system or holding tank.

### **Water Supply**

Currently, there is no municipal water service. The water supply for Town residents is primarily groundwater. Private water systems generally consist of wells which serve one or a few households. Wells are fed by groundwater sources which are replenished by nearby surface water sources like undeveloped watershed and wetlands. Private wells consist of wells, piping, tanks, and water treatment devices.

### **Storm Water Management**

Storm water runoff is managed through a series of ditches and culverts throughout the Town. Storm water runoff from construction activities can have a significant impact on water quality. In addition to sediment, as storm water flows over a construction site, it can pick up pollutants such as debris, pesticides, petroleum products, chemicals, solvents, asphalts and acids which also contribute to water quality problems.

### **Garbage Disposal and Recycling**

Residents can contract with private providers for trash disposal or they can drop of their household garbage and recyclables at the Town of Round Lake Recycling Center located on County Highway A approximately one-half mile from the Town hall. Hours of operation, fees and details are available at [www.TownofRoundLakewi.org](http://www.TownofRoundLakewi.org).

### **Telecommunication Facilities and Services**

Telecommunication facilities and services are becoming increasingly important to Round Lake permanent and seasonal residents and businesses. Access to fast and reliable telecom services is an important factor allowing many residents to work out of their homes.

- **Landline/Cellular Service.** CenturyLink provides local landline telephone service to the Town’s residents. Cell phone carriers in the Hayward/Town of Round Lake area include Verizon, T-Mobile, ATT and Sprint. Because of the Northwoods terrain, cell service is not as robust as in metropolitan areas.
- **Internet.** Internet providers in the area include: CenturyLink, Viasat, Spectrum and HughesNet. A few areas are served by Norvado.
- **Newspapers.** The Sawyer County Record is the primary newspaper serving the area. The paper is published once a week each Wednesday. Sawyer County Gazette is published weekly in Winter with information on activities in Round Lake area.
- **Television and Radio.** No locally operated network TV stations (ABC, CBS, NBC, FOX) are available to the area. Network TV is broadcast out of Duluth MN. Cable TV is offered (which includes network stations) by Direct TV and Dish TV.
- Three licensed radio stations include WOJB 88.9 FM (National Public Radio from the Lac Courte Oreilles Reservation), WRLS 92.3 FM (Adult Contemporary Radio), WHSM 101.1 FM (Adult Contemporary Radio).
- **Postal Service.** United States Postal Service provides mail route delivery to Town residents. Package delivery is also available from UPS, USPS, Fed X, and Spee Dee delivery service.

### **Electricity and Natural Gas**

Electricity providers in the Town include Xcel Energy, Jump River Cooperative and North Central Power Company. Jump River is the primary provider for Town of Round Lake residents. As of 2019, there is no natural gas service available to the Town.

### **Parks & Campgrounds**

There are currently no designated Town or county parks in Round Lake. Camping (and RV) facilities are located within the Town, in the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest and in areas nearby.

- **Moose Lake Campground** is located on the east side of Moose Lake in the Town of Round Lake. A total of 15 campsites are available, accommodating tents to RVs. Some sites are accessible by boat. Picnic tables and fire grates are located at each site. Amenities include water pumps, vault toilets, a swimming beach, and boat ramp.

- **Treeland Resorts** is located on County Road B north of the Chippewa Flowage. It houses 75 sites with amenities that include concrete patios, swimming pool, game room, camp store showers, playground and more.
- **Black Lake Campground** is located on the east side of Black Lake in Winter WI. A total of 29 campsites are available, and can accommodate tents to RVs. Some sites are accessible by boat. Each site has a picnic table and fire grate. Amenities include water pumps, vault toilets, a swimming beach area with picnic tables, and two boat ramps to Black Lake. The Black Lake foot trail, approximately 4 miles in length, circles Black Lake. Along the trail interpretive markers note the history of the area and there are many excellent views of Black Lake.
- **Black Iron Resort** is located 10 miles from Hayward on Highway 77. It features 40 campsites suitable for tent and RV campers, a public boat launch and full service bar and restaurant.

### **Recreational Facilities**

The Chequamegon National Forest provides a number of non-motorized activities as the entire National Forest is open to foot travel during all seasons. The Black Lake foot trail and Mukwonago Ski Trail are two mapped and maintained trail systems. While the Black Lake foot trail is accessible by foot travel only, users can snowshoe the trail in the winter months.

Hunters extensively use the Chief River Wildlife Area during the fall grouse and deer seasons. The hunter walking trails located within this area are maintained by the DNR and can be accessed off of Chief River Road and Shuler Road. Motorized activities are prohibited on all of the trails except the westernmost trail off Chief River Road that is used as a snowmobile trail during the winter months. This trail, #18, connects County Highway B and the Chippewa Flowage area to the Tiger Cat Flowage and State Highway 77 and is a major north-south route for snowmobiles, additionally, these trails might also provide for snowshoeing and cross-country skiing opportunities.

ATVs and snowmobiles are allowed only on designated roads/trails, as off-road or off trail use in the Chequamegon Nation Forest is not allowed. All designated ATV trails are closed from March 15 through April 30. Trail maps are available at Power Sports on Highway 77 and Hayward Visitors Center.

### **Cemeteries**

The Spider Lake Cemetery, located on Lower Twin Lake Road., just south of Highway 77, is the only cemetery in the Town.

### **Health and Child Care Facilities**

The nearest hospital facility is Hayward Area Memorial Hospital (HAMH), located at 11040 N State Highway 77 in the Town of Hayward. Several healthcare facilities are available including

Essentia Health-Hayward, Northlakes Community Center, and Marshfield Clinic. The Lac Courte Oreilles operates a health care facility on the reservation. There are no licensed childcare facilities in the Town.

The Sawyer County Human Services Department has a program in place to financially assist childcare while a single parent or parents are employed and for teen parents attending high school or High School Equivalency Diploma classes.

### **Schools**

No schools are located in the Town. The Town of Round Lake is within the Hayward Community School District, which consists of Primary, Intermediate, Middle and High Schools. Additionally, these educational institutions in close proximity to the Town:

- Hayward Community Schools
- Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe School
- Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College (WITC): Hayward, Ashland, Superior and Rice Lake
- Lac Courte Oreilles Ojibwe Community College University of Wisconsin – Barron County (Rice Lake)
- Northern Lights Christian Academy – Hayward Northwood Mennonite School – Hayward
- Northern Waters Environmental School- Hayward (NWES) St. Francis Solanus School – Stone Lake
- Hayward Area Center for Individualized Learning (HACIL) - Hayward LCO Head Start program
- The Family Connection Resource Center (Hayward) has a current list of pre-school locations.

### **Senior Care**

At this time there are no senior care facilities in the Town of Round Lake however, there are several senior care facilities in the Town of Hayward. Meals on Wheels provides service to this area. Senior Centers are in the Town of Hayward and Winter provide social services, meals, and educational offerings.

**Police Protection** – Located in the City of Hayward, the Sawyer County Sheriff’s Department takes complaints and provides investigative services, traffic control, weather and road information and assistance with all kinds of emergency situations. The Department also takes bond and fine payments, operates the county jail, provides dispatch services for all emergency services within Sawyer County, facilitates visitors to the jail and provides interfaces with other police agencies.

### **Ambulance Service**

Located in the City of Hayward, the Sawyer County Ambulance Service does patient care and transport to nearest emergency facility. Ambulance service (from Sawyer County) for the Town is housed and dispatched from Town of Round Lake Fire Station Two

### **Fire Protection & Rescue**

The Town of Round Lake Volunteer Fire Department serves The Town of Round Lake and the north side of the Town of Hunter. It covers approximately 194 square miles. Additionally, the Department has a mutual aid agreement with surrounding fire departments in Sawyer County.

The Town of Round Lake hosts two fire stations. Station One is located near Moose Lake on Pine Point and Louie’s Landing Road; Station Two is located on County Highway A at the Town Hall. They operate with the Mutual Aid Box Alarm System (MABAS). The Fire Department currently has an Insurance Services Office (ISO) rating of 9. Ratings of departments go from a Class 1 (the best) to Class 10 (unprotected).

The Fire Department has the following resources:

- 23 Active Members
- EMT & First Responder Personnel
- 1 engine/pumper (to be updated in 2020)
- 2 tenders/tankers
- Brush truck
- Cold-Water rescue equipment
- Motorized, inflatable watercraft for water and ice rescue
- Equipment vehicle with Extrication equipment and Mobile Cascade for filling air packs
- Snow Mobile equipped for winter emergency situations

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