

## Trapping on School Trust Lands in North Dakota

Trapping on school trust lands is allowed, if the current surface lessee gives written permission. This is consistent with the ND Game & Fish proclamation governing requirements on private land. By giving permission, the lessee is made aware that legal traps and snares may be there. The current public access policy has been in effect since 1983. This board action did not open the land to trapping, as it did to walking hunting. Public access is allowed provided it does not conflict with the constitutional mandate to produce income for the trusts.

The State does not guarantee that school trust lands are legally accessible. In some cases, terrain and other natural obstructions may make access difficult.

For the protection of the land and the natural resources that we all enjoy, access to school trust lands is strictly **non-vehicular**. You must park your vehicle and walk. Trails are used only for management purposes and may not be used by the public for vehicular travel. Contact the ND Dept of Trust Lands for the [name and address of the current surface lessee](#). 701-328-1919 or [jsaude@nd.gov](mailto:jsaude@nd.gov)