


Baraboo Segment (Atlas Map 60f-W)




SNAPSHOT


 **4.0 miles:** UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County to Effinger Rd. at Manchester St


Note: A reroute is planned south of Water St. Check with the Ice Age Trail Alliance (800-227-0046, IceAgeTrail.org) for details.


 On the UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County campus, Ochsner Park and Zoo, Attridge Park, Mary Rountree Park, Statz Park and Maxwell-Potter Conservancy Area.


 From the Baraboo River.




 At several of the city parks. Restroom also available at UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County campus.

 Segment is entirely in the city of Baraboo.

 Dogs must be leashed (8-ft max) and under control at all times.

 Portions follow sidewalks or roads and the Baraboo Riverwalk. The Riverwalk is also open to bikes.

 Other trails in some city parks.

 Portions of this segment may be suitable for those using wheelchairs or similar devices.

TRAIL ACCESS AND PARKING

① UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County Trail Access (43.48397, -89.76321): From I-90/94 take Exit 92 and follow USH-12E south for 7.0 mi. Take Exit 218 and follow STH-33 (Linn St.) east for 0.6 mi. At Connie Rd. turn left and go north 0.5 mi. Trail access is at the north end of the parking area to the west of the disc golf kiosk. **Parking:** Adjacent to Trail Access.

② Effinger Rd. at Manchester St. Trail Access (43.46004, -89.72798): From I-90/94 take Exit 106 and follow STH-33 west for 11.9 mi. At Washington St. turn left and go south 0.6 mi. At Water St. (STH-113) turn left and go east less than 0.1 mi. At Effinger Rd. turn right and go south 0.4 mi to its intersection with Manchester St. **No Parking.** Instead, park roadside on Water St.

Additional Parking: (i) Ochsner Park and Zoo. (ii) Attridge Park. (iii) Lower Ochsner Park. (iv) Mary Rountree Park. (v) Statz Park. (vi) Maxwell-Potter Conservancy on Hill St.

THE HIKE

This segment begins along the edge of the Johnstown Moraine before dropping into the delta of what was once glacial Lake Baraboo. It also shows off a picturesque Ice Age Trail Community, with the Baraboo River flowing beside a network of city parks. Baraboo's vibrant downtown offers an outstanding array of shops, restaurants, and services.

From the Trail access at the UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County parking area, follow a ridge with fine views toward the Baraboo Range. Pass through campus property featuring mixed hardwoods, remnant prairie, and oak savanna. You will also pass a small, scenic glacial kettle with cattails and a rock ledge. Cross the campus' disc golf course and bend south, skirting area schools' athletic fields. Pass through Baraboo High School's parking area and meet Berkeley Boulevard.

Head east, then south, a short distance on Berkeley Boulevard, then continue east on 9th Avenue. At Draper Street, turn south and cross 8th Avenue (Ringling Boulevard/STH-33). Continue through a wooded area in Ochsner Park and Zoo, then down steep stone stairs to meet the Baraboo Riverwalk. The



Riverwalk parallels the Baraboo River for most of its route as it goes through or connects to several city parks.

Once on the Riverwalk route, head south through Lower Ochsner Park, passing an old bridge crossing the Baraboo River to Attridge Park. Bend east on 2nd Avenue a short distance to skirt private property along the river. Then head south into Mary Rountree Park and back toward the river before resuming an eastward course into Statz Park. Cross underneath Broadway Street and continue to follow the Riverwalk to Water Street (STH-113).

On Water Street (STH-113), you'll pass Circus World. This National and State Historic Landmark was the site of Ringlingville, the Ringling Bros. Circus winter quarters from 1884 to 1918. It is home to 200 preserved circus wagons and displays extensive historical circus exhibits.

Depart from Water Street at Effinger Road and head south to the segment's terminus at Manchester Street.

POINTS OF INTEREST

Man Mound Park: 4.7 mi from the Ice Age Trail. From Water St. (STH-113), head east and turn left on Washington Ave., then right on 8th St. (STH-33), then left on CTH-T, then right onto Man Mound Rd. to the park (E13085 Man Mound Rd., Baraboo).

Man Mound is the only surviving anthropomorphic (human-shaped) effigy in North America, a National Historic Landmark, measuring 214 ft by 48 ft, its legs damaged by road construction.

AREA SERVICES

T **Baraboo and West Baraboo:** Restaurant, grocery store, convenience store, general shopping, lodging, camping, library, medical service. On Trail. Baraboo area info available from the Baraboo Chamber of Commerce (800-227-2266, baraboo.com and Downtown Baraboo (608-448-3490, downtownbaraboo.com).

Devil's Lake State Park: See *Devil's Lake Segment*, p. 203. From the UW-Platteville Baraboo Sauk County campus go south ~5 mi.