

# Introduction to Maps



What is a Map?



A Map is a detailed picture of the earth.

Why do we use Maps?

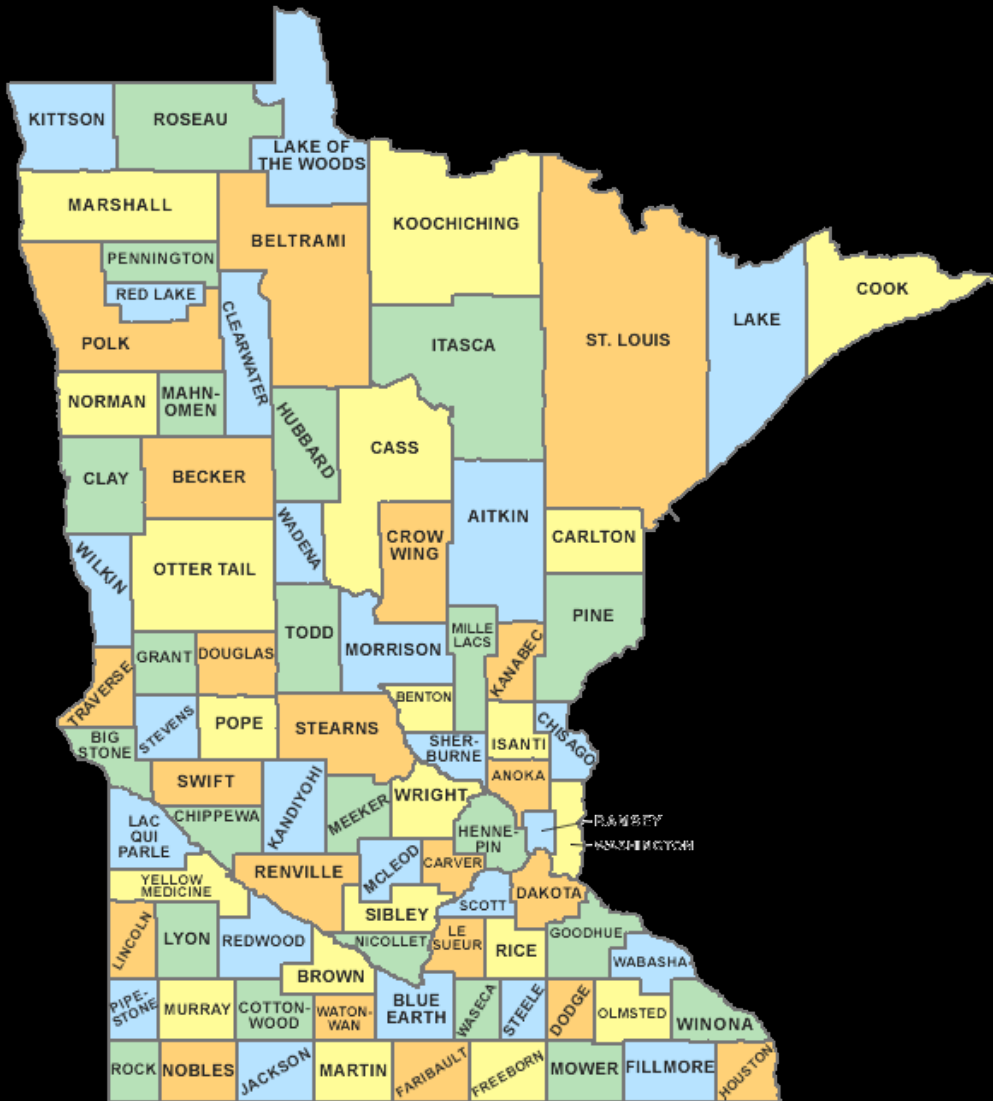




# 1) Find Places

# 2) Give Perspective



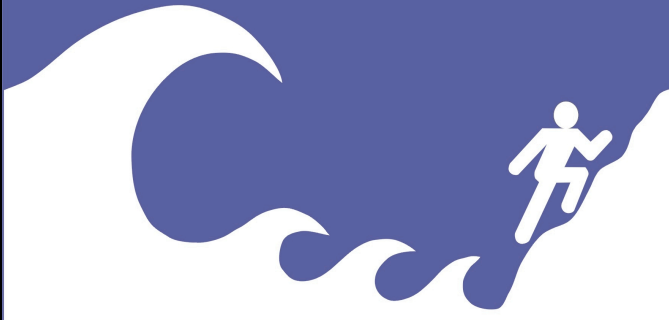


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# 3) Organize



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IN CASE OF EARTHQUAKE, GO  
TO HIGH GROUND OR INLAND



4) Basically Help People



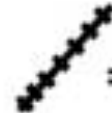
# Parts of a Map

*Note: these parts are “universal”, which means they should be found on ALL good maps!*

# MAP KEY



= Park



= Railroad



= Gas Station



= Road

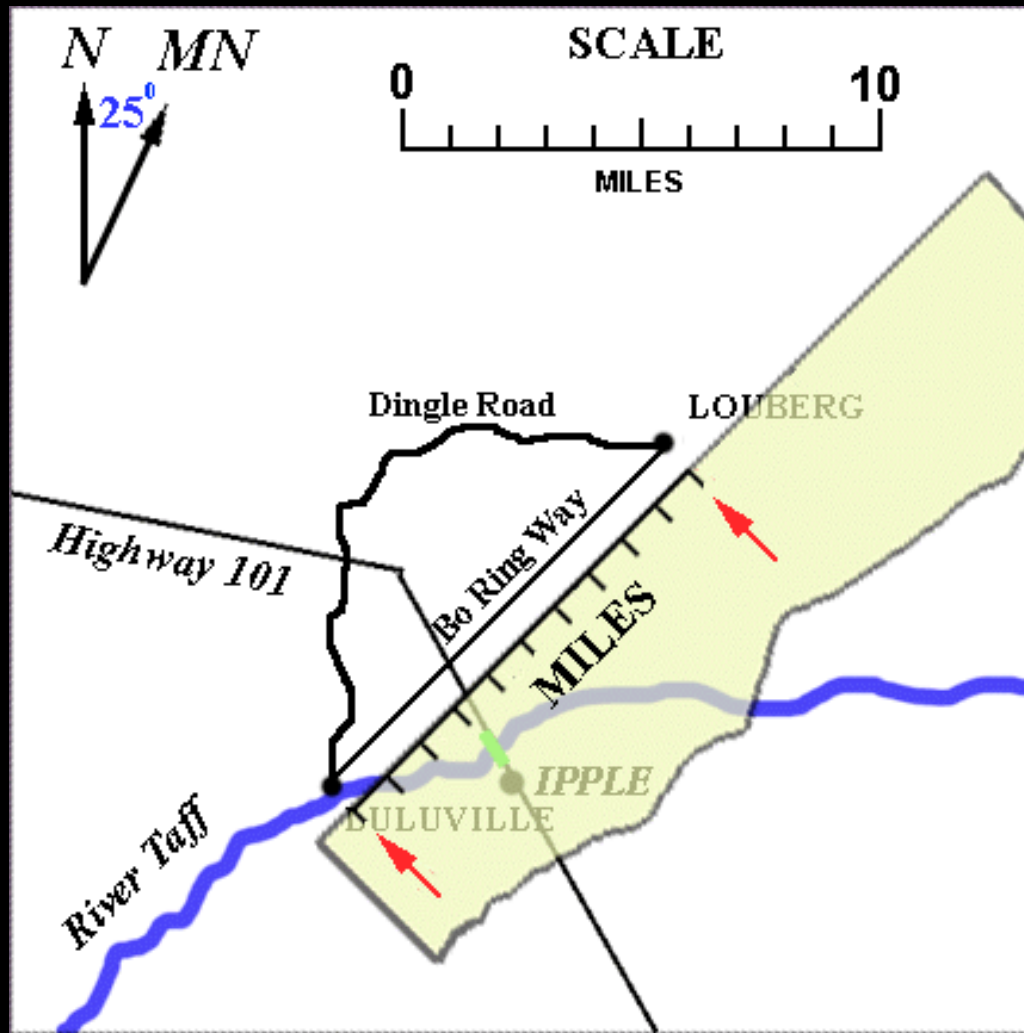


= Campground

**Key/Legend:** explains symbols used on a map



Compass Rose: shows where NORTH is



**Scale:** tells the reader how much area is covered on the map (ex/ 1 inch = 1 mile)





Title: gives reader basic background of what is displayed on a map

# 3 Main Map Types



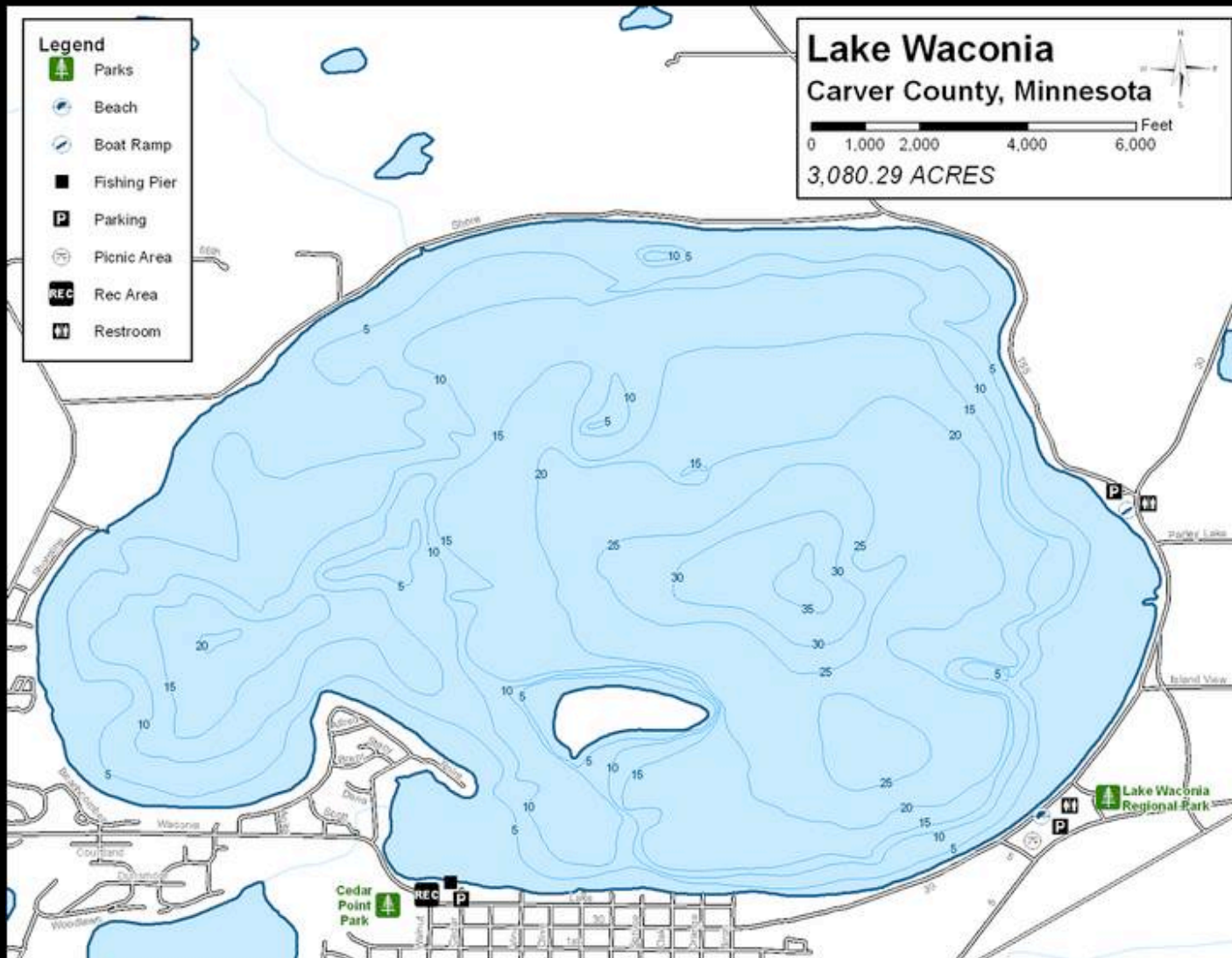
Political Maps: show human made divisions or features of the earth





Physical Maps: display the natural features of the earth





**Special Purpose:** highly specific maps created for a particular purpose