









# Chippewa National Forest 2019 Cut Foot Sioux Summer Naturalist Schedule

Join naturalist Maggie Petersen for a summer filled with great summer activities!

Date/Time	Program	Description
 July 26 10 a.m.	Bug Hike and presentation on Emerald Ash Borer	Emerald Ash Borer poses a large threat to northern Minnesota forests. Learn about this invasive species.
July 26 1 p.m.	Wild Painting	Let's paint outdoors with inspiration from the Northwoods!
July 27 10 a.m.	Critters	What beaks go with these feet?
 July 28 10 a.m.	Zon Memorial Hike	Hike around the Cut Foot Sioux Experimental Forest and learn about Raphael Zon, forest researcher.
 July 28 Noon	Picnic with the Naturalist	Bring along a picnic lunch and enjoy some time at the Old Cut Foot Sioux Ranger Station.
 July 31 10 a.m.	Wildflower Hike	Let's see what mid-summer flowers are blooming during this short hike.
July 31 1 p.m.	Endangered and Threatened Species in Northern Minnesota.	Learn more about the TES species on the Chippewa National Forest.
 Aug 2 10 a.m.	Hike to the Lost 40	Join us for a hike to thru the big pine forest of the Lost 40. Meet at the trail head parking lot.
Aug 3 All day	Tall Timber Days in Grand Rapids, MN	Watch for Maggie at the Education Tent at the annual Tall Timber Days at Central School in Grand Rapids.
Aug 4 10 a.m.	Fish of Cut Foot Sioux	Hike down to the Cut Foot Pier across from Mosomo boat launch and learn more about the fish!
 Aug 4 1 p.m.	Minnesota Bees	Learn to identify common bees in northern Minnesota and how to help the bee population.
Aug 7 10 a.m.	Wildland Fire	Look at wildland fire status across country and learn about firefighter life.
Aug 7 1-2 p.m.	Smokey Bear's 75 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Party	Join us for cake and firefighter games! Smokey appears at 1 p.m.
Aug 8 11:30-1 p.m.	Itasca State Park Water Event	Join us at Itasca State Park and learn more about the Mississippi Headwaters Region.
Aug 9 10 a.m.	Firefighter Week	Ever wonder what it takes to be a wildland firefighter. Learn about gear and training needed to be a firefighter.



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Aug 9	Firewise Program	How can you keep your home or cabin safe during severe fire seasons?	1 p.m.	
Aug 10	Smokey's Birthday at Norway Beach Visitor Center (Cass Lake)	We will be celebrating Smokey's 75 <sup>th</sup> birthday at Norway Beach. Join us! Smokey appearance at 1 p.m.	10 a.m.	
Aug 11	Incredible Journey---life of a water drop!	Fun activity about the water cycle---kids will make a bracelet to show their journey	10 a.m.	
Aug 11	Picnic with the Naturalist at the Old Cut Foot Sioux Ranger Station	Enjoy the scene, the history and do a little art activity to build a fish!	Noon	
Aug 14	Aquatic birds	Identify birds flying over and swimming under you at the lake.	10 a.m.	
Aug 14	Birdwatching	Short birdwatching hike---any birds migrating through?	1 p.m.	
Aug 15	Continental Divide Hike	Car Caravan: Follow the naturalist to the Continental Divide and hike along the Cut Foot Sioux Trail. (2 miles)	10-12 noon	
Aug 16	Monarch Butterfly Migration	Where do the monarchs go? What can we do to promote butterfly populations.	10 a.m.	
Aug 16	Pollinator Garden tour	It's late in the season, let's tour the garden right at the Visitor Center.	1 p.m.	
Aug 17	Forest History---Civilian Conservation Corps and Black Ash Site	Learn about CCC projects and camps in the area, and stop by the Cut Foot Experimental Forest Black Ash Site	10 a.m.	
Aug 17	Logging History	Ever wonder how Simpson Creek got its name? Lots of logging history in the Cut Foot Sioux area.	1 p.m.	
Aug 18	Women's History on the Chippewa National Forest	A women's group helped to set aside the original Minnesota Forest Reserve in 1902.	10 a.m.	
Aug 18	Picnic with the Naturalist	Stories of life at the Old Cut Foot Sioux Ranger Station.	Noon	
Aug 21	Hike at Stony Point Campground on Leech Lake	Take time to explore the Forest. Meet at the Stony Point boat landing near Walker.	10 a.m.	
Aug 22	Hike to Joyce Estate	Meet the naturalist at the North Trailhead.	10 - 12 noon	
Aug 23	Paint a Rock	People have been leaving inspirational messages around the District Offices. Let's add to the collection.	10 a.m.	
Aug 23	Simpson Creek Trail Hike	Bioblitz! That's just a fancy word to mark down every living thing we see!	1 p.m.	
Aug 24	Owls of Minnesota	Whoooooo is out there? Learn your owls of Minnesota.	10 a.m.	

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