

## Dowagiac River DNR Access at M-139

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### ***Fish Species***

Brown Trout; Steelhead

### ***Species Description***

Many Brown Trout larger than 20 inches are captured in this part of the river. Adult steelhead average 7-10 lbs. Chinook and Coho salmon sizes vary depending on prey fish abundance in Lake Michigan. Wild steelhead adults are present most of the year. Wild Chinook and Coho salmon are present in September-mid October.

### ***Geographic Coordinates***

Lat:41.844482 / Long:-86.262556

### ***Noteworthy***

The current is swift and many spots are too deep to wade. Anglers typically launch at this access site and fish out of a canoe or rowboat. A private canoe livery uses a portion of this site through a permit from the DNR.

### ***Fishing Regulations***

Dowagiac River at M-139 is a designated Type 3 trout stream. Please refer to the Inland Trout and Salmon Stream Regulations in the current Michigan Fishing Guide. Mixture of stocked and wild brown trout. Mostly resident fish, but some brown trout move into the river from Lake Michigan.

### ***Directions to Site***

The DNR access site is located on the west side of M-139 about 0.3 miles south of the Pucker Street intersection. Gravel parking lot and carry-in access for canoes or small boats. Canoes/boats must be carried a distance of approximately 10 feet from the staging area to the river.

### ***Regional Visitor Information (URL)***

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