

## Historical Marker - S213 - First Roadside Park (Marker ID#:S213)



### Front - Title/Description

#### ***First Roadside Park***

In 1918 the Iron County Board of Supervisors approved the recommendation of the road commission, through its engineer-manager, Herbert F. Larson, to purchase this 320-acre tract of roadside virgin timber and to dedicate it as a forest preserve. The following year Iron County established Michigan's first roadside park and picnic tables. This was quite likely America's first such facility. Since then similar parks have been provided by most states for the comfort and enjoyment of the traveling motorist.

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#### ***Significant Date:***

Two World Wars and the Depression (1915-1945)

***Registry Year:*** 1958    ***Erected Date:*** 1964

#### **Marker Location**

***Address:*** US-2 four miles east of Iron River.

***City:*** Iron River

***State:*** MI    ***ZipCode:***

***County:*** Iron

***Township:***

***Lat:*** 46.10650500 / ***Long:*** -88.54778700

***Web URL:***