North Eastern State Trail

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**Trail Mileage**
- Alpena to Cathro: 6.4 miles
- Cathro to Bolton: 2.5 miles
- Bolton to Posen: 7.7 miles
- Posen to Metz: 5.6 miles
- Metz to Hawks: 4.3 miles
- Hawks to Millersburg: 8.9 miles
- Millersburg to Onaway: 9.2 miles
- Onaway to Tower: 3.6 miles
- Tower to Aloha: 14 miles
- Aloha to Cheboygan: 7.8 miles
- Total Miles: 70

**Trailheads**
- Alpena Trailhead
  - Woodward Street
  - Restroom, Picnic Area

**Rest Stops**
- Millersburg Depot Trailhead
  - 638 Hwy in the village
  - Restrooms, picnic area, historic site

**Access Points**
- Onaway Access Park along M-211 just north of the commercial district
- Aloha State Park; M-212
  - Restrooms, beaches, picnic area

**Historic Sites**
- Hawks Community Park
- Metz Fire Historic Trailside Park
- Restroom, picnic area & historic site

**Other Points of Interest**
- Alpena Bi Path
  - Access
- Posen Access Park along M-65, south end of town
- Ap welding County Park
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