

## **Paddling Route Eight: Bear Island Loop**

**Put In and take out:** Crescent City Boat Ramp

**Distance:** 3.4 miles

**Difficulty:** Easy

**Estimated Time:** 3 hours

**Description:** This is a 3.5 mile loop tour and can be easily completed in a few hours. Because it is completely within Crescent Lake, weather should be taken into consideration and paddling under windy conditions avoided.

Launch at Crescent City's public boat ramp and paddle northeast towards the western tip of Bear Island which is visible from the launch site. Bear Island is privately owned so please don't go ashore unless it is an emergency. Follow the shoreline of the Island to the northernmost point of land and look for the BTS marker. While paddling around the Island, watch for peacocks which are usually heard before they are seen. Continue around the Island until the launch site can be seen on the western shore of the Lake and proceed back to the boat ramp in Crescent City.

**Coordinates:**

Crescent City Boat Ramp: 29° 25.810'N 81° 30.378'W

BTS-10 – Bear Island: 29° 26.576'N 81° 29.154'W

Proposed BTS-10 re-location: 29° 26.158'N 81° 29.436'W