

<b>If you were bothered by noise please describe the issue?</b>
"neighbor" in site across the lake was very loud and we could hear his/their voices until they went to bed. Not terrible, but loud enough that we never felt seclusion
A couple occasions of people doing friendly yelling within their group.
a couple of crowded nights were noisier than usual
A couple of nights disrupted by loud, apparently drunken campers.
A few groups were very loud in their site.
A group of 6 were quite rowdy while on the same lake for a night
A group of guys exceeded the allowed number of people and canoes per campsite and were extremely loud while also shooting guns. They were reported to the outfitter where they got their canoes from and the outfitter seemed to have had issues with their group while launching so hopefully something was done.
A guided group of young males camped nearby and were very loud until quite late
airplanes
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Baker Lake, entry 39 - could hear motors for most of first day travel
Barking dogs
Boat in a no motor area
Boats and radios all night on wind and basswood
Boats on Moose lake.
bull frogs! :)
camp with loud kids and adults who screamed at them
Camped across from the Teenage Cliff Jumping Capital of the Upper Midwest on Cherokee Lake

Camped deep in the wilderness. We camped at the only site available on that lake. 5 other sites occupied. I could hear the group of college aged guys at the neighboring campsite for 2 full days. They were laughing and yelling. At one point, my wife and I heard one of them belch extremely loud and then all of them laugh. Banging and scraping canoes.

It always amazes me that with an ENTIRE wilderness at one's disposal that another group would park their canoe 5 feet off the shore of my campsite and go fishing within earshot and sight of my wife and I. All the while talking and banging their fishing gear around and disrupting our solitude.

There are too many permits issue. There is often no solitude even 2 days paddle away from an entry.

Camping in the far southeast portion of BWCA I could hear a low droning or motor sound, very faint and low pitched, at night.

Canoes fishing and talking loudly right in front of our site, early in the morning.

Constant low-flying planes and helicopters on every trip this year. Also occasional random gunshots.

Construction sound near Hegman entry point

Could hear a truck, grader, or something like that to the south one or two nights while on Crystal Lake.

Daily float plane flyover but assumed it was part of the fire monitoring efforts as we were on Little Saganaga in mid July, just after the fires erupted to our west. No complaints!!

Disrespect by rookies.

dogs barking

Entirely overcrowded with people
Family trips that take sites close to the entry points are typically noisy.
firefighting aircraft - absolutely necessary!
Fixed wing and rotor aircraft operating nearby.
Float planes
Forest Service planes. Water pump hosing down nearby campsite due to John Ek Fire.
From other visitors on the lake being loud and playing music late at night.
Group over limit partying
Heard one jet and some yellow prop planes...firefighters I assume.
Hearing people in other campsites on what should be a secluded lake.
hearing planes was weird though
Helicopters
Helicopters and planes fighting the fires, so totally understandable and tolerable.
Hooting and hollering from a group over 9 people. Also some loudmouth young men on a nearby campsite.
I cant really complain as it's not really noise pollution, but we had a large group across at a campsite across from us and they were up till early in the morning having a "good time".
I could hear people talking all evening at a campsite almost a mile away from me.
I heard a boat motor one day
In May, could hear motorboats from La Croix and on Agnes, were drunk and loud people.
inconsiderate groups being loud while paddling and loud music at campsite
Inebriated campers at a site nearby.

Inexperienced campers( 18yo leader with a group of 10-12 yr olds) trying to find a site way past dark. Decided to let them stay at ours putting us over capacity, then they hung around for far too long the next day(almost noon) and in the end didn't even get a thank you from the leader(s).

Jet airplanes

Just normal noise from several occupied sites on the same lake

Kids screaming

Kids screaming but only during the day. it quieted down by 8pm or so

Large loud group across lake

Large noisy groups

Literal boom box playing music. Seagull lake. 9am. I was trolling for Lakers.

Loud / rowdy campers

Loud campers across the lake. They were trying to howl at night and just generally being obnoxious.

loud campers on a lake with too many campsites.

Loud conversation down the lake

Loud groups after dark

Loud guitar/singing at dusk one night.

loud music hollering....alton lake

Loud talking and yelling from other sites was a consistent issue.

Low flying float planes

More motorized boats than anticipated

More noise than normal after dark

Motor boats

Motor boats were in Loon lake in prohibited areas, coming from Canada.

Motor noise from a nearby lake
Motor zone...expected
Motorboats - I really think it is time to phase them out of the BWCA or at least not allow them past an initial entry point lake (get rid of any motorized portages remaining). We also had a very loud group of campers that were illegally camped on an island near our legal campsite.
Motors Canadian side of border
N/A
N/A
NA
Neighbor campers howling like wolves
Noise from firefighting activity was pretty close
noisy campers at one site
not noise "pollution", but we had some very noisy birds in a large flock in one campsite!
Only one night, it was still, no wind, and a group across the lake was clearly drunk, loud and being stupid. They had a guitar, and sucked at playing it. As soon as the mosquitoes came out, they went into their tents and quieted down. This is probably the only time someone is thankful for the mosquitoes.
paddlers who dont realise their voices carry. Newbies. after 30+ trips i can tell who they are
Party in next campsite playing loud music
People are too loud
People being loud at night
People passing by with loud music playing [included lots of swearing in the music].
People playing loud music at night. Loud voices.

Personal radios and shouting/ singing camp groups
Plane flyover, and motorboats on a adjacent lake.
Planes flying overhead. Later found out they were due to the forest fires.
Planes overhead on mountain lake (eastern bwca)
Radio's played at campsites that could be heard at multiple campsites around the lakes. Loud laughing and other noises even at night.
Radios in boats/canoes
Road noise from the Gunflint Trail when we were in Carabou.
Rock n Roll Ain't Noise Pollution
See above - large group noise. Not just the campsite one over waking up for breakfast, but loud, into-the-night noise.
sounded like someone on the next site was holding some kind of ritual
That damn silver bi-plane going over Little Sag area every single day around 2:30pm. I want to file a complaint with the FAA but don't know how.
The BWCA has become the amateur hour. As a result, many people don't abide by the idea that leave no trace also includes noise. Many people seem uncomfortable with the quiet, or simply find it okay to yell across the lake. I hear most people before I see them, which is a change from years past.
The group across the lake was incredibly loud.
The other canoe partners in my group got really drunk and loud. Not planning to camp with them again.
There are people everywhere it's out of control. Honestly I see less people on a metro lake during a work week than I saw in the bwca this year. Way to many permits issued imo.
There was some airplane noise

To many tow boats on Moose lake.
Understandably helicopter working on fire
Usual canoe banging
Very loud and probably drunk neighbors
Very loud groups in the area
Voices and laughter carrying across the lake late into the night. But I also appreciate that people are out there building relationships.
Voices carry over water and larger groups tend to be quite loud
Voices carry over water very well
We camped in East Loon Bay and had no idea motors are allowed there. At least half a dozen boats a day went by our campsite.
We camped on motor lakes for the first time and that was new to us
We couldn't find a site so went back to NF campsite and car camped. 55 cars in parking lot at Kawishi! We had a permit - some must not have.
We ended up staying at the same site our entire trip instead of moving, due to the crowds. The site across from ours was relatively close and very noisy until late hours of the night. Most noise was due to loud talking. They weren't completely out of line, just having a good time, but their behavior is not in line with what I feel to be commonly understood code of conduct for being in a public wilderness space.
we had to go to a motorized lake (Trout) and there was a firefighting helicopter getting water near our campsite, didn't really bother us but not used to that
We were at a campsite near the boarder where boats were permitted. While fishing they were talking very loud.

We were not bothered, but did see and hear aircraft going to and from forest fire sites - we thank those folks for their service to our favorite place!

We were on Loon Lake for a few days (wind prevented us from going further north). It was just odd to hear motorboats after not hearing anything for a week.

We were on Mountain Lake in Cook County. Borders Canada. On the Canadian side, there was a person camping in a trailer, and an active boat landing with motor boats. The Canadians stayed on the northern half of the lake, and avoided the campsites. But it was still strange to go so far North and feel like you're away from civilization, and then as the sun is setting, an 16' fishing boat with a 50HP motor is going by.

Went in late September, so with less people, less noise.

Young people being stupid.