Introduction to the History, Use, and Facilities of the Cloquet Forestry Center

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The University of Minnesota’s Cloquet Forestry Center is the University’s primary research and education forest and has been pursuing its mission “To conduct applied education, research and outreach related to northern forests” since 1909. The Center has more than 3,400 acres of contiguous, actively managed forest on the southern edge of the boreal forest. Facilities include more than 10,000 ft² of indoor learning space for up to 140 people, with lodging available for 72 people. In 2005, the Center hosted more than 10,000 user days in approximately 200 meetings and classes.