

Bond Falls

Paulding, MI



Bond Falls is located in the western U.P. on Bond Falls Rd, east of Paulding, MI. This is the one of the more impressive waterfalls in Michigan. The main drop is 40 feet high and 100+ feet wide. Above the main falls are a series of cascades and rapids as well.

The water level is controlled by a dam and a steady flow over the falls is maintained for scenic reasons. During the spring melt the flow generally is much higher.

Bond Falls is a Michigan State Scenic Site. The Bond Falls site was renovated in 2003. The new parking area is near the base of the falls, and a level boardwalk leads you to prime views of the falls. The area is not quite as wild and natural looking as it once was, but it is now accessible to everyone. The trail on the east side of the falls is still wild with some steep rocky climbs.

In the summer months, this is a great location for a picnic. Bring insect repellent and a camera! The Bond Falls Outpost is open during busier months and has excellent ice cream as well as souvenirs.

Directions

Turn RIGHT out the top of the drive toward Watersmeet. Go 4 miles until Old US 2 ends at US 45. Turn RIGHT and head north on 45 for 9 miles to the town of Paulding, MI. Turn RIGHT onto Bond Falls Road and head east for 2.5 miles. Turn LEFT into the well-marked parking area and walk the trail to the Falls.

