



West Forty RV Park and Campground
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West Forty RV Park & Campground --FACT SHEET--

In 2023, West Forty RV Park and Campground had 628 individual campsite check-ins with an average of 2.4 campers per site or 1,517 total guests for the season. Iron Range Tourism Bureau recent economic impact numbers indicate each visitor to the area spent an average of \$144 per day with an average stay of 2.5 days for an estimated regional tourism impact of \$ 546,120 per year to Gilbert and surrounding communities.

Supporting Local Government and Community

- The campground spent more than \$13,500 with small business owners in the region and other local maintenance and operation suppliers.
- West Forty invested in excess of \$66,500 in construction with area contractors and local businesses to improve capacity and amenities for guests.
- The campground paid \$9,049 to the City of Gilbert for water, sewer, electricity and garbage services in 2024.
- Local and state government received \$17,678 in the form of utilities purchased, property taxes paid and state and local sales taxes collected.
- In total, West Forty was contributed more than \$107,000 in direct support of the local Iron Range community in 2023.

Campground Expansion and Improvements for 2024

For the upcoming camping season, we expect to begin or complete the following improvement projects for our guests:

- We will open our new restroom/shower building featuring men's and women's restrooms plus an all-gender, family restroom. The family restroom/shower unit is being built to ADA-compliant standards to serve guests with different accessibility needs. The new building will also feature and three individual, private all-gender shower rooms.
- Dedication of the former, Gilbert High School campus flagpole, to Veterans of Gilbert which now stands on campground property to welcome guests.
- Creation of a community/peace garden which will be open to all campground guests with access for guests to pick fresh vegetables in-season for free.
- Upgrades to 20/30/50-amp power on campsites C9, C10 and C11, offering improved amenity options for our big-rig-friendly campsites.
- Upgrades to 20/30-amp electric pedestals on campsites C1 and C2, improving amenity options for small campers.
- Addition of two glamping-style tent-cabins - sites G1 and G4 - which will offer a new category of luxury camping on the Iron Range.

About West Forty RV Park and Campground

West Forty RV Park and Campground opened in May 2004 in conjunction with the opening of the nearby Iron Range Off-Road Vehicle Park. The campground has quickly become a popular lodging option for people traveling to Gilbert - Minnesota's Off-Road Capital. The campground is the only privately-owned campground in a 30-mile radius of the Gilbert, MN. Featuring the longest drive-through campsites in the area, a wide selection of full-hookup campsites and direct trail access to the Iron Range Off-Road Vehicle Park and Mesabi Trail, the campground is built for off-road adventure vacations for the entire family. West Forty offers many extra amenities including free air, ATV/OHV wash station, on-site propane tank exchanges, a campground store and other services.

West Forty RV Park and Campground has 26 drive-through full-hookup campsites, eight back-in full-hookup sites, six dedicated tent/group tent sites, a two-camper group site which includes full use of the campground's pavilion and 14 back-in sites for smaller campers with a variety of electric and water/sewer options. West Forty has a total of 58 campsites making it the third biggest campground on the east Iron Range area with the most drive-through, full-hookup options for campers.

Reservations can be made online at www.WestFortyRVPark.com or by calling **218-248-7362**. The campground is open seasonally from May through October.

The West Forty RV Park and Campground Newsroom is available at:
<https://www.westfortyrvpark.com/campground-news.html>