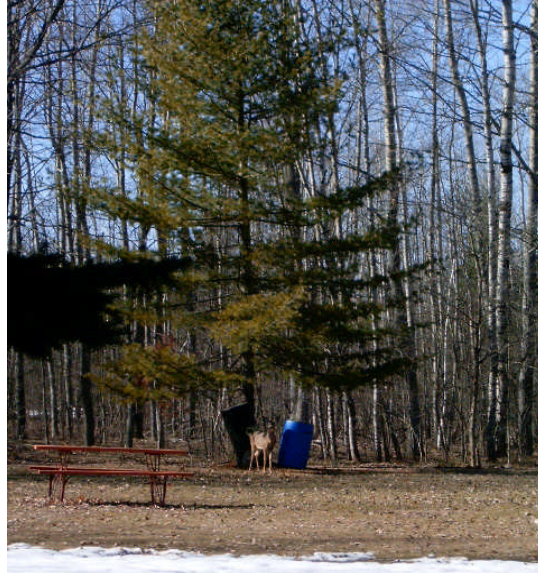


# Manistee River Currents

From The Banks At Chippewa Landing



The deer in the photo on the right is in the Front Entrance campground, and she knows the campers will be arriving soon. It won't be long and we will be seeing fawns and mothers along the camp roads and amongst the picnic tables. Yes, winter has finally lost its grip, and we are finally able to get to the livery to start the summer of 2009. And it looks to be a great one.

Many reservations are already made, including a large Boy Scout group in June that plans to spend the week on the river, with the last couple of days of the trip at Chippewa Landing. We are eagerly looking forward to meeting them, and seeing them enjoy the unique and beautiful Manistee River.

The weather has been superb lately with a nice slow melt off that has kept the runoff nice and easy. The river has stayed clear and it looks like it will be a great trout opener. Some friends and I have been able to get out a few times and fish down stream from US-131 Bridge where it is classified as a type 4 trout stream. (open all year, but browns and brookies must be released) It is a real treat to view the watershed this time of year with the ability to see deep in the woods before the all the vegetation grows back up and the leaves come back on the trees and bushes. As a reminder to the fisherman, we have room in the campgrounds for the trout opener, and what a wonderful way to start the season, waking up in the morning right on the river bank.

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