

WHAT IS KALKASKA COUNTY?

Kalkaska County is a rural, recreation-oriented place filled with pristine rivers, rich forests, and open farmland. Urban development is generally found in the Village and in the western townships. The eastern townships contain more forest cover and have cottage-like development patterns. State-owned land is prominent throughout the county, especially in the east and northwest areas. This amount of public land allows for vast recreation, especially snowmobiling, hunting, camping, and ATV riding. The Rapid River, the Boardman River, and the Manistee River highlight the natural corridors and provide for a multitude of recreation, especially fishing and canoeing. Although agriculture is not the dominant land use, it is the principal land use in the middle of the county, and is visually expressive of the county's heritage. Housing is affordable, which is important. Housing types vary, which also makes the county accommodating to residents, second homeowners, and visitors alike. Commercial and industrial sites are located along highway corridors, especially near the Village. Kalkaska County is not an urban place, nor does it want to be. Kalkaska County wants to retain its rustic and outdoor playground atmosphere.



Rugg Pond, Rapid River Township