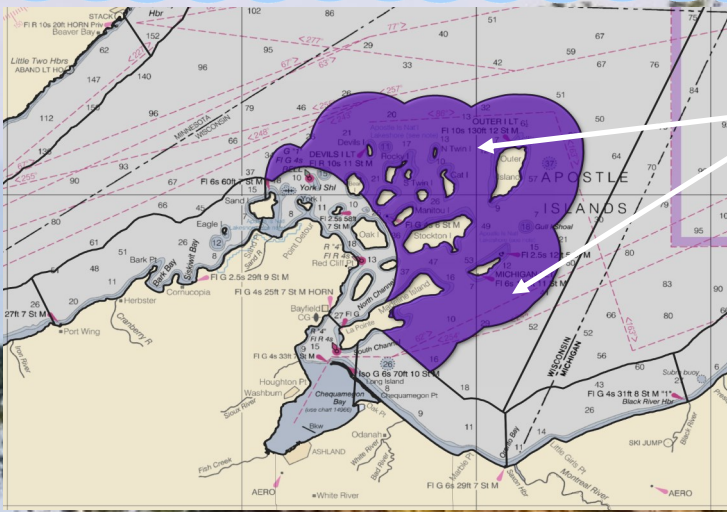




Beginning March 30, 2021:

# New Nearshore Marine Forecast Zone for the Apostle Islands!



New zone will provide nearshore marine forecasts to the waters in and around the archipelago beyond 5 nautical miles from the mainland.

**The NWS forecasts for Lake Superior?**  
Yes! We provide marine forecasts for the nearshore (within 5 nautical miles of shore) and open waters of Lake Superior year round. Our primary focus is on wind, waves, and chances for precipitation.

**How is this new zone different? Why is the change being made?**  
The area denoted by the new zone will now be a nearshore zone instead of an open water zone. This will allow us to provide specific marine forecasts and issue Small Craft Advisories for the entire Apostle Islands archipelago, in addition to all of our other marine products.

**How can I find marine forecasts?**  
Marine forecasts can be found on our website at [weather.gov/greatlakes](https://weather.gov/greatlakes) and on NOAA Weather Radios.

**What should I know before venturing out onto Lake Superior?**  
Lake Superior is not another inland lake—in fact it is considered an inland sea. Make sure that you have proper equipment, training, and communication devices (other than a cell phone) before heading out on the lake.