**Portage Location:** from Opeongo Lake to Happy Isle Lake  
**Length of portage:** 2200 meters  
**Portage maintenance:** regular  
**Elevation above Sea Level @ Opeongo Lake:** 420 meters  
**Elevation above Sea Level @ Happy Isle Lake:** 433 meters  
**Difference in elevation:** ~13 meter rise between Opeongo Lake and Happy Isle Lake  
**Elevation of highest point:** 455 meters.  
**Overall Rise/Fall:** ~35 meters

From left to right – Portage Elevation Profile (PEP) - Opeongo Lake to Happy Isle Lake.

**Portage Trail**

**General description:** Good trail, well groomed, over generally hard packed earth and dry. A gentle trending upwards slope from Opeongo to Happy Isle with a few up down sections along the way. The portage had good footing throughout and lots of shoulder room / spaciousness when overtaking/passing other groups. Mixed forest roughly of 30% evergreens and 70% hardwoods, with lots of beech and maple. A few boardwalk sections, portage not very wheel-friendly.

**Topographical impediments to travelling:** None.

**Areas susceptible to impact by periods of rain or beaver flooding:** None encountered during summer travel. Spring will see higher waters at landings but this should not affect the topography or difficulty.
Upstream Landing at: Opeongo Lake.

Co-ordinates of location (optional): N45 44.5 W78 27 11.9

Topography of under-water approach: Rocky and shallow beach landing.

Impediments to disembarking from and/or unloading a canoe: None during normal summer water levels. Doubtful there'd be an issue at spring water levels either. Strong south-east winds may make the landing rough. Thinly sloped grassy shoreline with scattered rocks.

Topography of the ascending grade: Portage begins along a flat grade, descends into a small valley and rises steadily towards Happy Isle over a series of short up/down sections.

Impediments to moving gear to portage trail: None. Lots of room up from landing for over 5+ canoes + gear. Landing adequate to support 6 vessels on the water at a time.
View of portage from Opeongo Lake landing to Happy Isle Lake.

Opeongo Lake– Happy Isle Lake portage.
**Landing at:** Happy Isle Lake

**Co-ordinates of location (optional):** N45 44 42.7 W78 28 35.2

**Topography of under-water approach:** Shallow sandy beach landing.

**Impediments to disembarking from and/or unloading a canoe:** None during normal summer water levels. Strong west winds may make the landing rough. Up from beach it’s a sloped sandy/earth rooted shoreline.

**Topography of the ascending grade:** Flat for the first 200 meters from landing than a few short rises before a gentle downward slope all the way back to the landing on Opeongo Lake.

**Impediments to moving gear to portage trail:** None. Space for 6 canoes in the water at time, easily another 6 or more up on shore + gear. There is a flat lunch/snack area up on a white-pine treed knoll and protected from any winds that groups/individuals can use without hindering the passage of other trippers.
Reverse view from the beach landing on Happy Isle Lake of the portage to Opeongo Lake

Date visited: mid July 09       Submitted by: Stephen Molson March, 2010