One of the most popular ways to access the Wabakimi Area is by train. VIA Rail provides tri-weekly transcontinental passenger service in each direction along the Canadian National Railway (CNR) northern line which crosses the southern part of the park between the communities of Armstrong and Savant Lake. Fares are reasonably low and there is no charge for canoe packs, however, the surcharge for each canoe is $100.00 per train trip plus applicable taxes.

With a minimum of 48 hours notice, VIA Rail will make unscheduled stops for canoeists on request. The only two conditions are that there must be visible evidence of direct access to a navigable waterway or a portage trail at the proposed drop-off location and the train crew must be given the exact mileage to the drop-off or pick-up point accurate to the nearest tenth of a mile west of Armstrong. There is no extra charge for an unscheduled stop. The fare charged for insertion at an unscheduled stop is what would be paid to the next scheduled stop; the fare for extraction at an unscheduled stop is what would be paid from the previous scheduled stop.

Space in the baggage car is limited and during the peak of the canoe season, the demand for this service cannot always be met. Advance reservations are strongly recommended and should stipulate the number of canoes none of which should exceed 18' in length. Loose items such as paddles and fishing rods should be securely lashed below the thwarts and seats as canoes are often stacked one on top of each other in the baggage car.

VIA Rail westbound service departs Armstrong each Wednesday, Friday and Sunday; eastbound service departs Savant Lake each Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday. There is no service in either direction on Monday or Saturday. Westbound service departs Armstrong at 9:31pm and arrives in Savant Lake at 10:18pm; eastbound service departs Savant Lake at 07:07am and arrives in Armstrong at 9:48am. During the summer months, Armstrong is on Eastern Daylight Saving Time (EDST); all points west of Armstrong are on Central Daylight Saving Time (CDST).

The following chart lists the popular canoe trip insertion/extraction points with the known mileages along the CNR right-of-way from Armstrong west to Savant Lake.

**VIA Rail Popular Insertion/Extraction Points**

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