

## **Paddle-to-the-Sea**

Google Lit Trip

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Paddle-to-the-Sea has taught children and adults alike about the natural and cultural wonders of the Great Lakes. It remains timely nearly seven decades after its initial publication. Follow Paddle-to-the-Sea, a carving of a young Indian boy in a canoe, on a journey through all the Great Lakes.

This Google Earth application was developed by David Hart, GIS Specialist at the University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute, and his son, Noah Hart, while he was a student at Madison West High School. The initial version was created during the summer of 2007. It shows the path of Paddle's journey to the sea. The entry for each chapter includes key words, discussion questions, and links to relevant websites, lessons, and Great Lakes data.

The Google Earth file is available for download at the University of Wisconsin Sea Grant Institute (<http://seagrant.wisc.edu/digitalgreatlakes/>) and the Teaching with Google Earth course website (<http://greatlakesmashups.net/stonelab2010/>). The Paddle-to-the-Sea application is also featured at COSEE Great Lakes (<http://coseegreatlakes.net/>) and Google Lit Trips (<http://www.GoogleLitTrips.com/>). To collaborate on the application of virtual globes in environmental education, visit the VGEE Wordpress blog at (<http://vgee.wordpress.com/>).