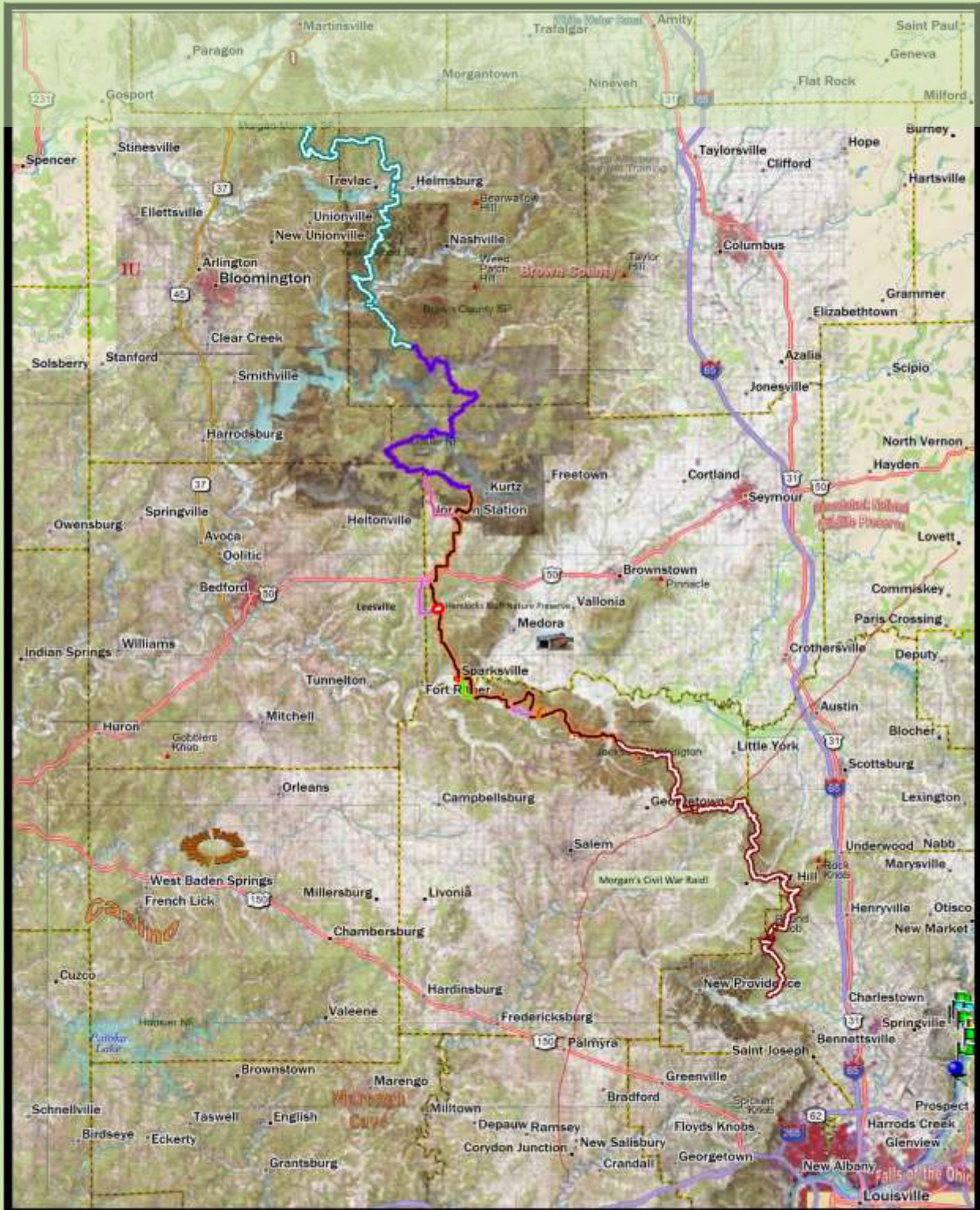


The KHTA MAP SET

2020-21 2nd Edition



- Tecumseh — Light Blue Line
- Hoosier National Forest — Dark Blue Line
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The Knobstone Hiking Trail Map Set

(2020-2021— 2nd edition)

The Knobstone Hiking Trail runs from Deam Lake just North of the Ohio River to the Morgan Monroe State Forest just South of Indianapolis. With the efforts to create connecting trails in the metropolitan areas of Martinsville and Louisville and the possibility of a rail trail on the former Monon Rail Line, in the not too distant future it may be possible to hike from down own Louisville to down town Indianapolis. Along this route live 3 million people in the two major metropolitan areas and the numerous small towns, county seats, and the rural area in between. There are countless historic sites along the way. The Falls of the Ohio State Park contain world renowned fossil beds and the rallying point for the Lewis and Clark expedition. At the junction of the Knobstone Escarpment with the Ohio River in New Albany is the building site of the Robert E Lee paddle wheeler steam boat. As you go North you will cross the path of Morgan's Raid, the northern most intrusion by the Confederate army into the Civil War. In the area of Brown County State Park you will encounter the boundary of the Ten O'clock Line Treaty of Fort Wayne which took over 3,000,000 acres of land from our Native Americans. This area is not only rich in history it is rich in diversity. Through it flows the Muscatatuck River and the East Fork of the White River. Adjacent to it is the 13,000 acres Deam Wilderness in the Hoosier National Forest. Four State Forests are a part of the route. Its people have a cultural inheritance of both North and South—the Hoosier Heartland and the Southern Hospitality of the Ohio River Valley. You will find remnants of our Native American ancestor, European pioneers, and their descendent who still inhabit these wooded hills. In the March and April, spring flowers decorate the forest floor. In the Fall its leaves provide a "multi-colored coat" in the forest canopy. You are invited to immerse yourself in a truly remarkable experience as you hike and camp along the Knobstone Hiking Trail.

Water availability is similar to all trails East of the Mississippi. Except from mid summer to early fall in the driest time of the year the streams usually have water flowing in them. Even when cease to flow, often there are pools of water or small seep springs up and down the creeks. Down the road the KHTA hopes to locate and "develop" these seep springs. All water should be treated. Many ponds have been noted on the maps and the data book. Many hikers choose to cache water jugs at road crossings. It is important for hikers to practice "pack it in and pack it out". This includes the water jugs that one may cache.

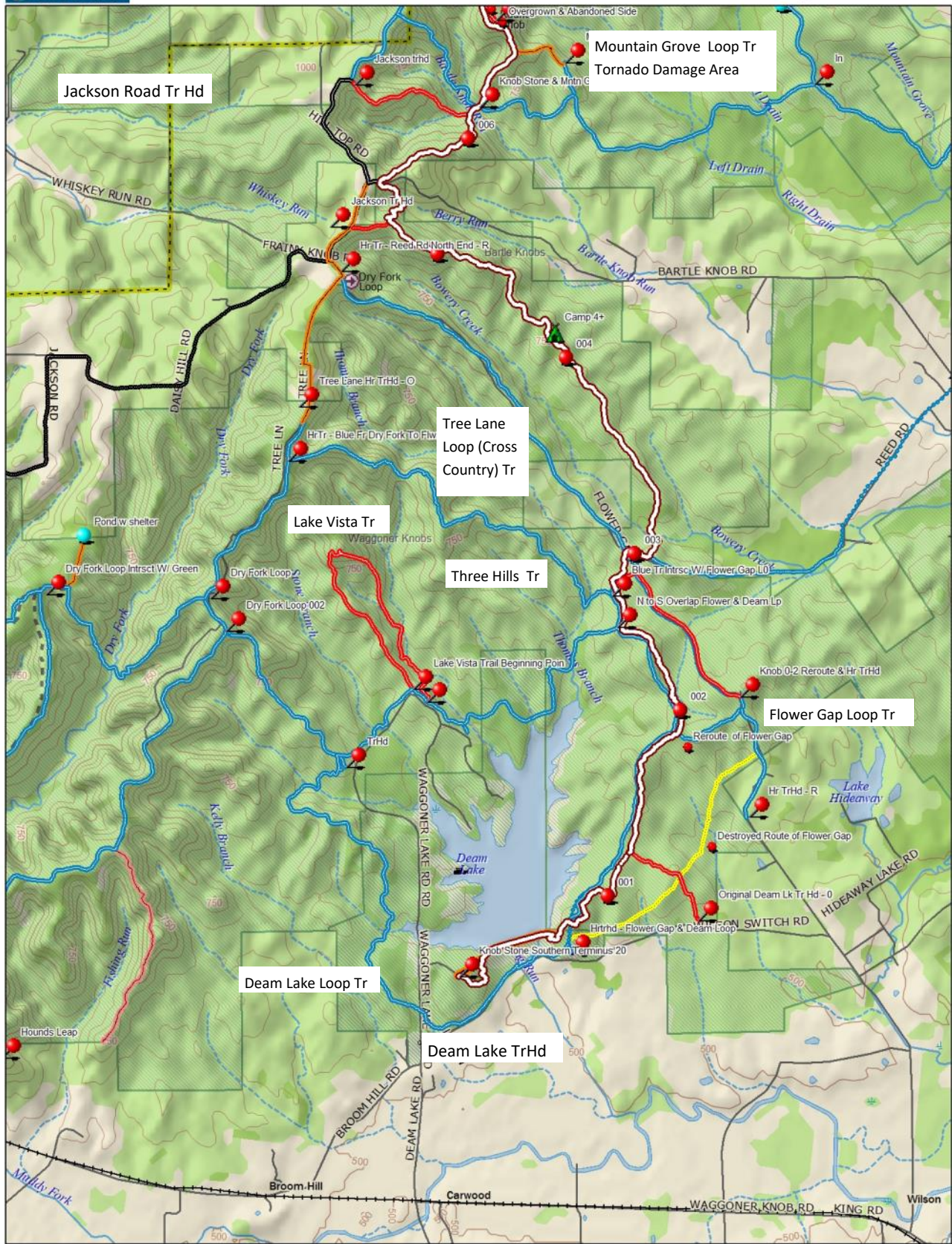
This is a work in progress. Your suggestions and corrections of any of the material is welcomed. The KHT Data Book, Map Sets, Town Guide, a gpx file of the KHT, and other info can be downloaded from the KHTA website at www.knobstonehikingtrail.org and my personal website at www.hoosierbywaysandpathways.com .

Steven Schaftlein



KT—1 —Deam Lake to Jackson Road 0-6.2

In the Fall of 2017 the DNR dedicated a new southern trailhead for the KT inside of the Deam Lake Recreation area. Note that there are extensive resources in the area including campgrounds for car campers and equestrians, camp store, and beach (**1217 Deam Lake Road, Borden, IN 47106, (812) 246-5421** , Deam-LakeSRA@dnr.IN.gov). Upon entering the recreation area, take the first right to a paved parking area with a shelter and restroom facilities. This provides a secure parking area. Individuals with a Golden Hoosier Passport do not have to pay the entrance fee. During the off season one may enter free of charge. The first 1.25 miles is newly constructed trail by the KHTA. It begins with a 100 yd walk on a former county road that takes you to the site of a former 1 or 2 room school. Then you curve to the left winding down hill to a newly constructed bridge (Spring 2019) financed by the DNR Forestry Division with the labor provided by the KHTA. At 0.3 miles you reach the Deam Lake Dam on which you cross to the East side at (0.6). From here you wind up hill onto the ridge above the lake soon intersecting in 0.1 (0.7) with the Deam Lake Loop Trail. Paralleling this trail you soon reach the former KT Trail Head trail on the right at (1.2) At (1.9) you reach the Flower Gap Loop Trail Southern Intersection which had a temporary trailhead for the KT during a logging operation in the area. At (2.5) you reach the a southern intersection with the Tree Lane Loop Trail. And in 0.2 you reach the intersection with the Three Hills Trail at (2.7). Proceeding another 0.1 to reach the Northern intersection with Flower Gap Loop Trail (2.8). And then in another 0.1 reach the Northern Intersection of the Tree Lane Loop Trail (2.9). Continuing on the KT in 0.1 reach a former trail going out to Reed Road. Begin climbing and reach a potential campsite at (4.1). Climb again to reach an unofficial access trail to Bartle Knob Road at (5.2). Descend steeply and the climb back up steeply to cross Bartle Knob Road at (5.6). Then descend again to the intersection with the access trail to the Jackson Road Trail Head at (6.2). It is a 320 foot climb over 0.6 of a mile to the Jackson Road Trail Head. There is a seasonal creek at this intersection.



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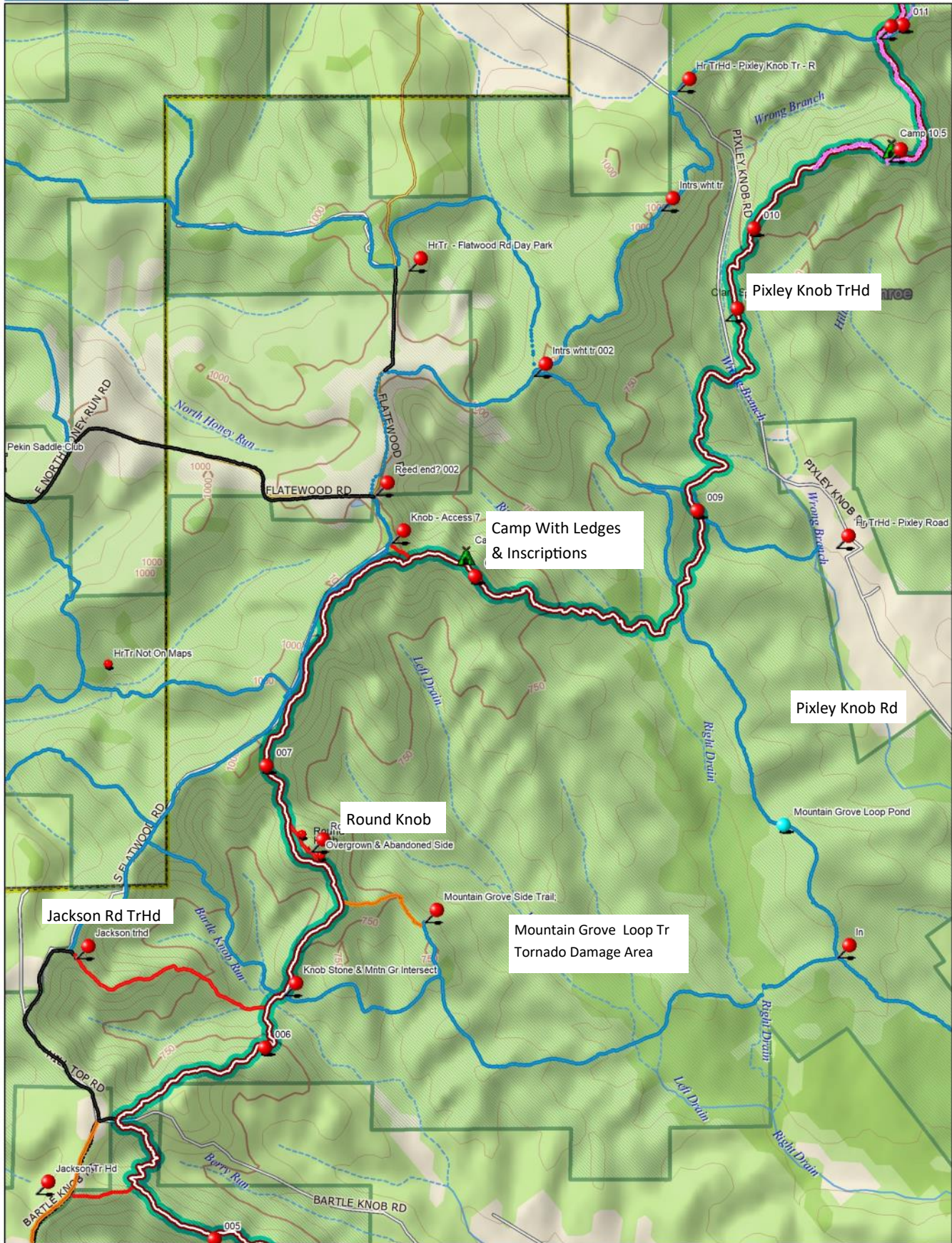
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KT—2 —Jackson Road TrHd to Pixley Knob Road TrHD - 6.2-9.8

This area is noted for the damage to the forest from the March 2, 2012 F3 and F4 Tornadoes that swept across Southern Indiana for 49 miles. Here the path of complete destruction was about 1 mile wide and mowed the forest down to the ground. New growth has sprung up quickly and there are many trees 10 to 20 feet in height. A total of 34 people died that day from the series of storms in Kentucky and Southern Indiana. There is a memorial to those who died at St. Francis Church in Henryville.

Continuing ahead, in 0.1 reach the intersection of Mountain Grove Loop Trail. Continue on as you climb 0.5 miles to the steep trail to Round Knob at (6.8). There are great views from the top and an abandoned and eroded trail down the South East side back to the KT. Climbing for about 0.3 reach another intersection of Mountain Grove Loop Trail at (7.1). Then parallel Mountain Grove Loop Trail for about 0.6 until at (7.7). At 7.8 reach an short access trail from Flatewood Road (part of the Mountain Grove Loop Trail). In another 0.1 reach the Ledges Overhang campsite with the Rock Inscriptions. There's room here for several tents on top of the ledge and for two to sleep under the overhang out of the weather. Descending for 0.9 you cross Mountain Grove Loop Trail another time at (8.8). Continue ahead and reach an access trail from Pixley Knob Road to Mountain Grove Loop Trail. This trail does not appear on all maps. In 0.5 reach Pixley Knob Trail Head.



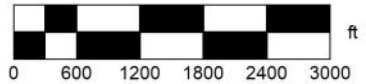


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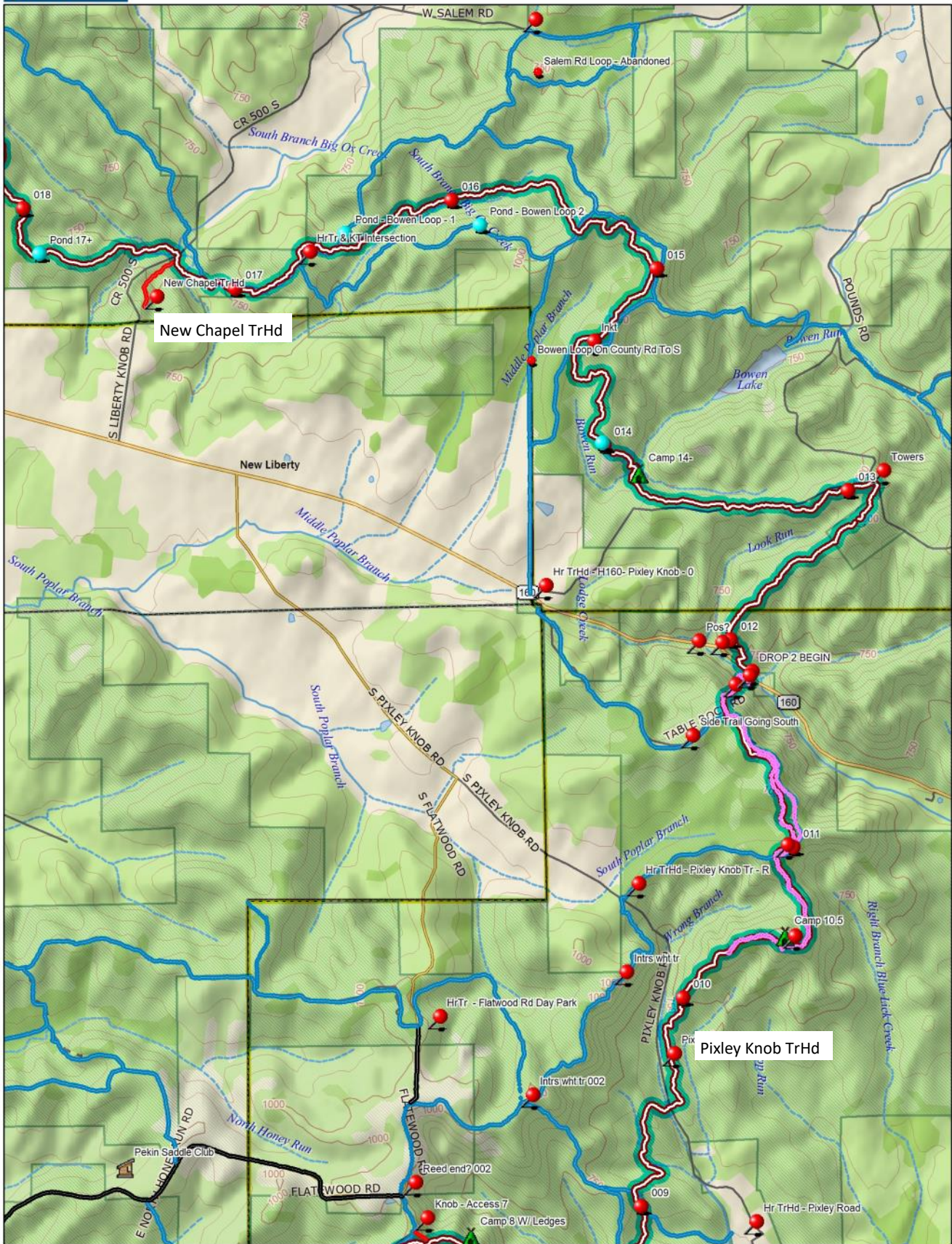
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KT—3 —Pixley Knob Road TrHd to New Chapel TrHd 9.8-17.2

Begin climbing from Pixley Knob Road until reaching a campsite in 0.7 mile at (10.5). There is a great view looking South when the leaves are off of the trees. This is a possible site for a shelter to be built. Having achieved the ridge top you wind around on fairly level ground for 1.1 miles before reaching a steep descent at (11.6). Descend 300 feet taking care not to slip on the steep slope and reach Hwy 160 with a parking spot in 0.2 (11.8). There's a seasonal creek running parallel to the highway. On the opposite side of Hwy 160 you begin climbing again reaching the ridge top and continuing onto the Fire Tower in 1 mile at (12.8). Continue on for 1 mile to a campsite at (13.8). In 0.2 reach a small pond at (14.0). In 0.4 intersect the access trail from South Casey Road to the Cross Country Trail at (14.4). Parallel with the access trail to the intersection with the Cross Country Trail in 0.6 at (15). Parallel with the Cross Country Trail to intersection with the Bowen Loop Trail in 0.4 at (15.4). Hike for approximately 1.3 miles until reach a 2nd intersection with the Bowen Loop Trail. Follow it briefly westward before exiting it to the West at (16.7). Descend to the access trail from the New Chapel TrHd just before reaching S Liberty Knob Road in 0.5 at (17.2). The access trail is 0.2 miles in length.

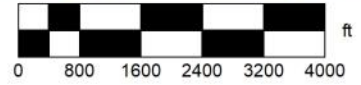




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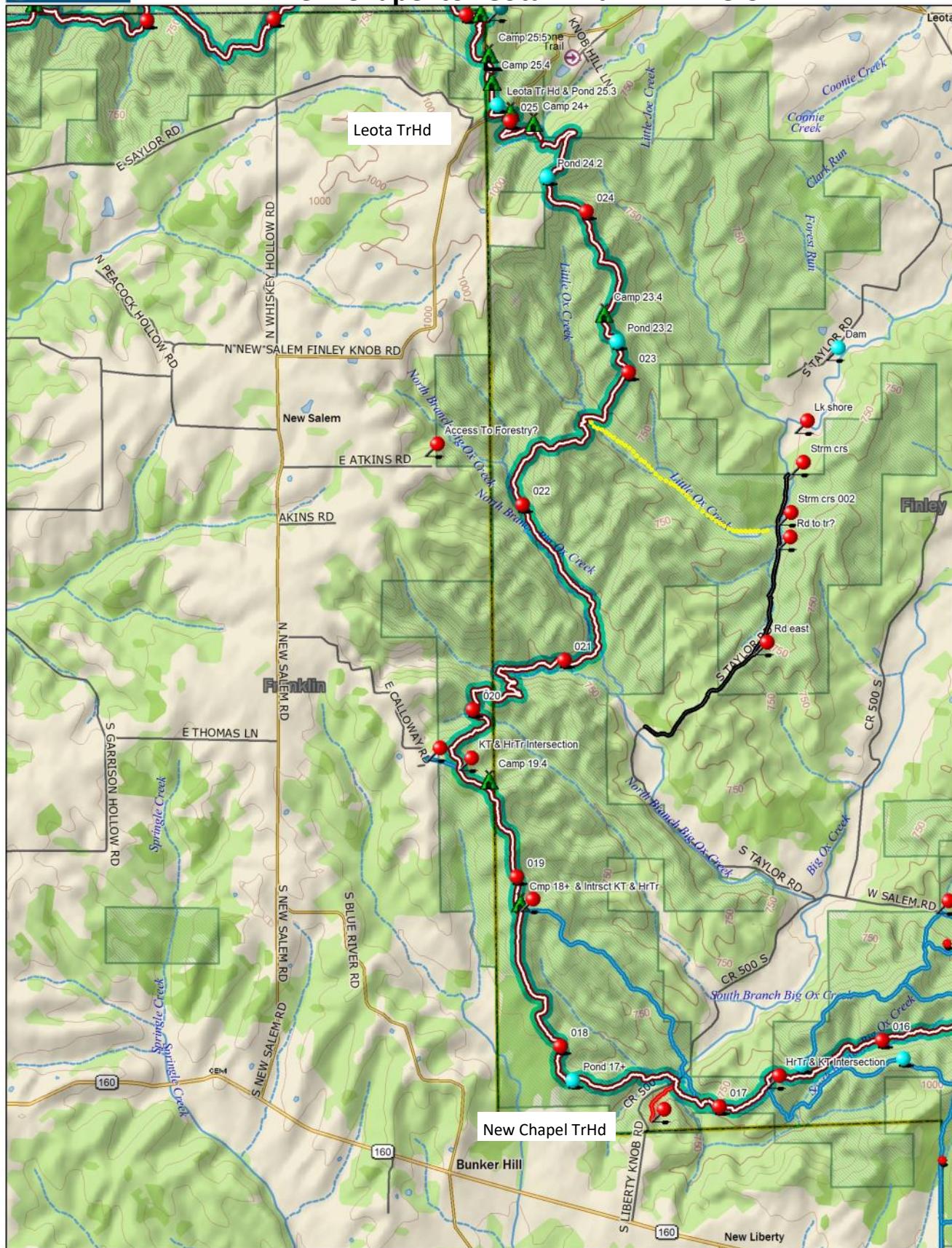
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Camp Sites—Green Tents
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KT—4 —New Chapel TrHd To Leota TrHd - 17.2 to 25.3

Begin climbing from Liberty Knob Road for 1.6 miles and reach a campsite (18.8) just past an intersection with an abandoned horse trail. Going North the KT follows the tract of the abandoned horse trail for 0.6 mile and reach another campsite at (19.4). In this area the trail is in a deep wide rut that is muddy. The trail needs to be relocated upon the berm of the old woods road. In 0.2 of a miles at (19.6) the former horse trail exists to the west on a public right of way to Calloway Road. This short access trail should only be used in the case of an emergency. Descend for 0.4 miles to an intermittent stream at (20.0). Climb briefly and then descend to a 2nd seasonal stream in 0.7 at (20.7). Follow this stream for a short distance and then head North on Big Ox Creek for a total of 1.4 miles at (22.1). Begin an a brief ascent and then a descent to Little Ox Creek in 0.6 at (22.7). Climb to the ridge and after 0.5 reach a pond at (23.2). Continue on the ridge for 0.2 to a campsite at (23.4). Continue on the ridge for another 0.8 miles to another pond at (24.2). Descend for 0.6 to a campsite beside a seasonal stream. As you ascend you will pass another campsite in 0.2 (25). Cross Leota Road in 0.2 (25.2). Walk uphill on Leota Road for a very short distance and ascend steps on the far side of the road. In 0.2 reach the Leota Trailhead with a nearby pond (25.3).





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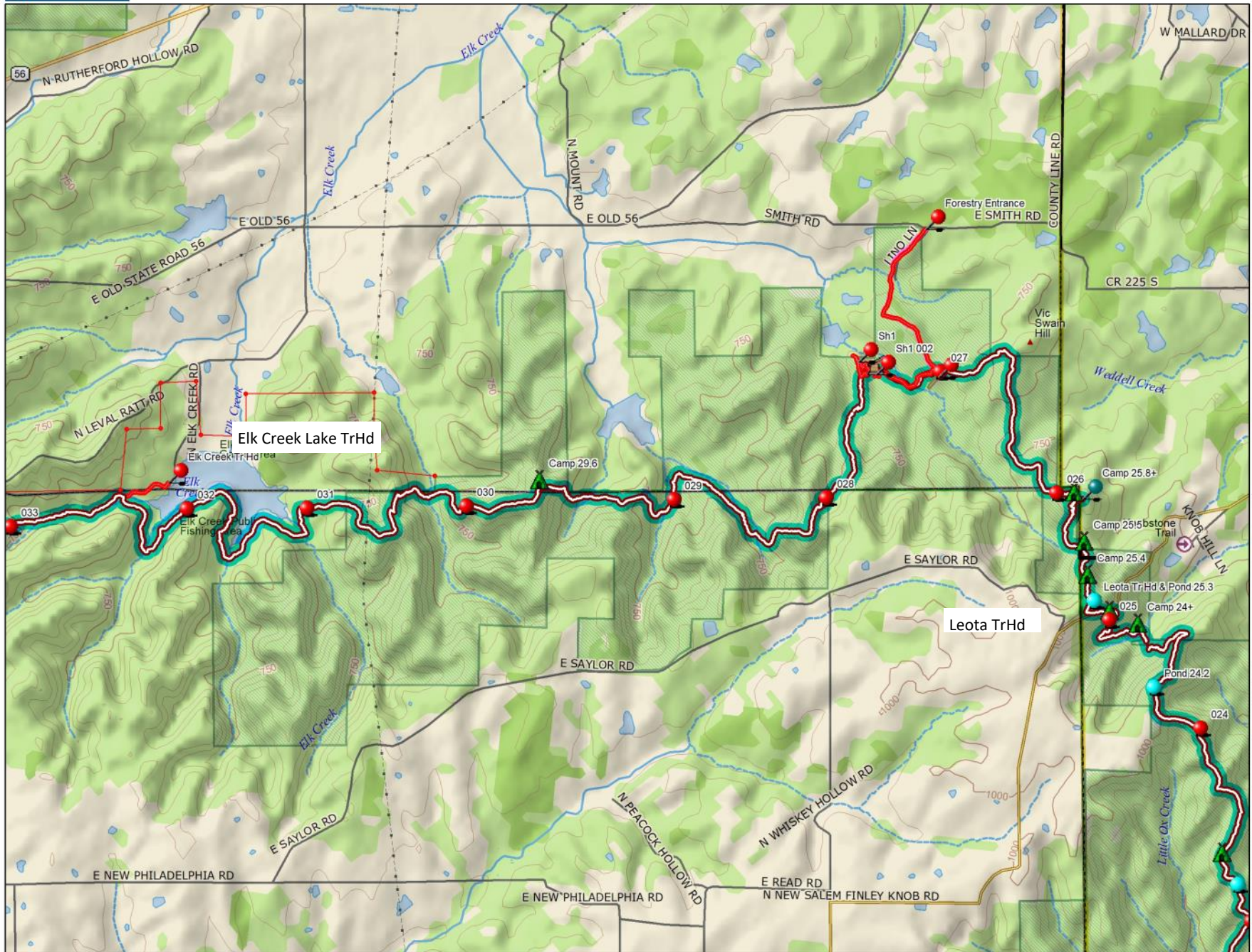
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Camp Sites—Green Tents
 Ponds—Light Blue Circles (Treat All Water)

KT—5 — Leota TrHd to Elk Creek TrHd - 25.3-32.5

Head north for 0.1 and reach a good campsite at (25.4). Descend a bit 0.2 to another campsite at (25.6). Then ascend 0.2 to a third campsite with a nearby pond. Continue onward with a slow descent for 1.2 to a crossing of a graveled Forest Serviced road from Smith Road. (27) Continue your descent for 0.3 to flood control lake (#8) at (27.3). Although the dam and most of the lake is on private property, the lake extends onto state land where you can get water. Also, a seasonal stream flows into the lake here. In this area there is the possibility of shelter being built. For the next 2.3 miles you climb and descend several times till you reach another campsite at (29.6). Continue ascending and descending for another mile till reaching a ridge under a power line (30.6). Descend 1 mile to Elk Creek Lake (31.6). Follow the Southwest shoreline around the lake for 0.9 til reaching an intersection at (32.5) with the Elk Creek Lake TrHd access trail. It is 0.2 miles to the TrHd. There are some campsites in the area.





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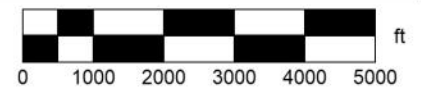
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KT—6 — Elk Creek TrHd to Oxley Memorial TrHd - 32.5-37.8

Head west on a 0.8 uphill climb to West Neval Ratt Road at (33.3)ea. (There is room to park here). Cross the road and the begin a 0.5 mile descent to a good campsite overlook a seasonal creek at (33.8). Climb and descend 2 times before reach the former route of Highway 56 at (34.4). Descend, climb, and descend for 0.9 to reach Highway 56 at (35.3).



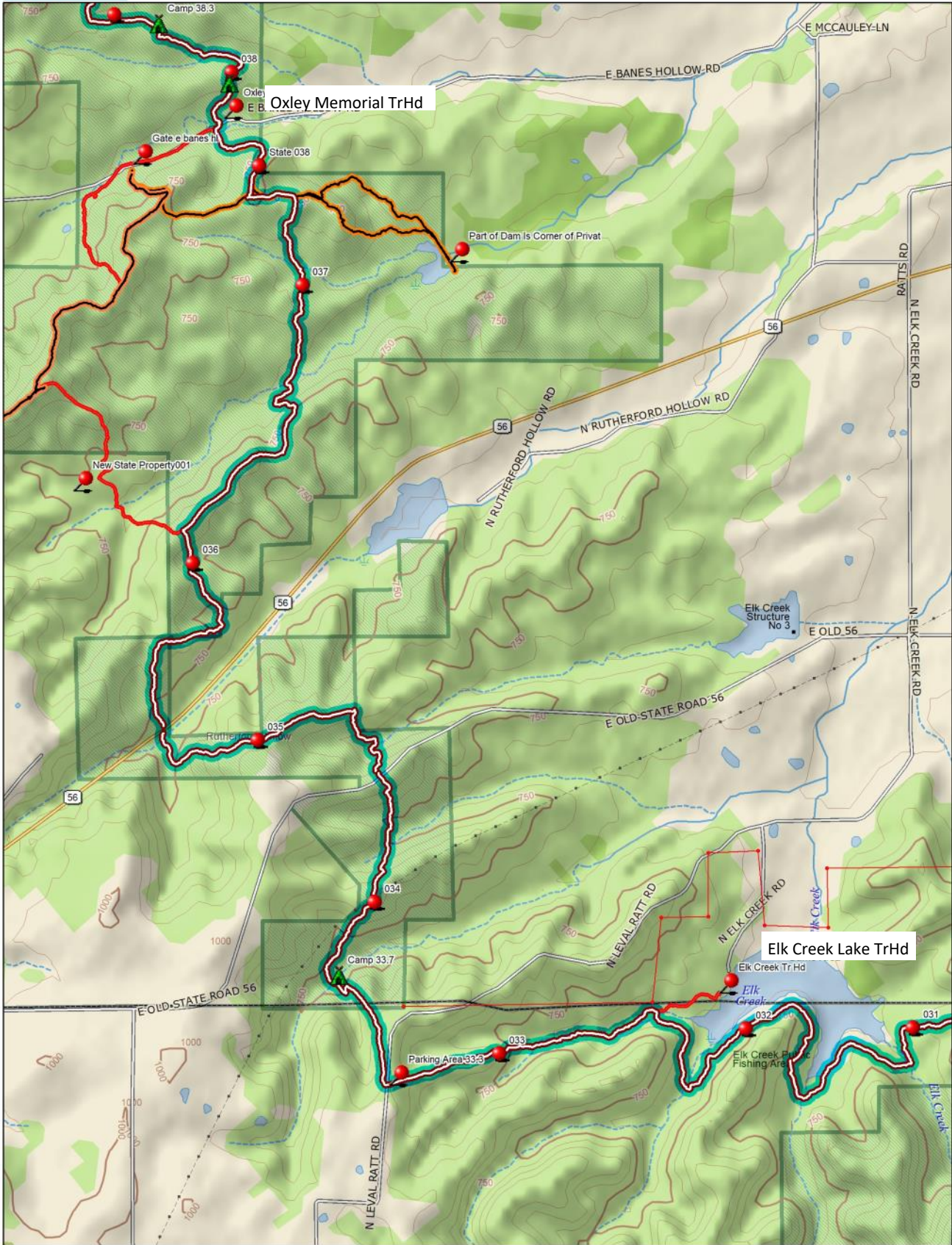
Cross the highway and reenter the woods. Contour a bit before rising to a new high point in 0.7 in a clearing at (36). From here turn right and then descend (watch closely in this clearing for the blazes) to a seasonal stream at (36.7). There are some difficult steps in the descent. The area of the stream was logged around 2014. Climb for 0.6 and reach a logging road at (37.3). Follow this North for a short distance and then leave the road as you being a 0.5 mile descent to Oxley Memorial TrHd on Banes Hollow Road. There's a seasonal stream at the trail head.



KT-6— Elk Creek Lake to Oxley Memorial TrHd—32.5-37.8

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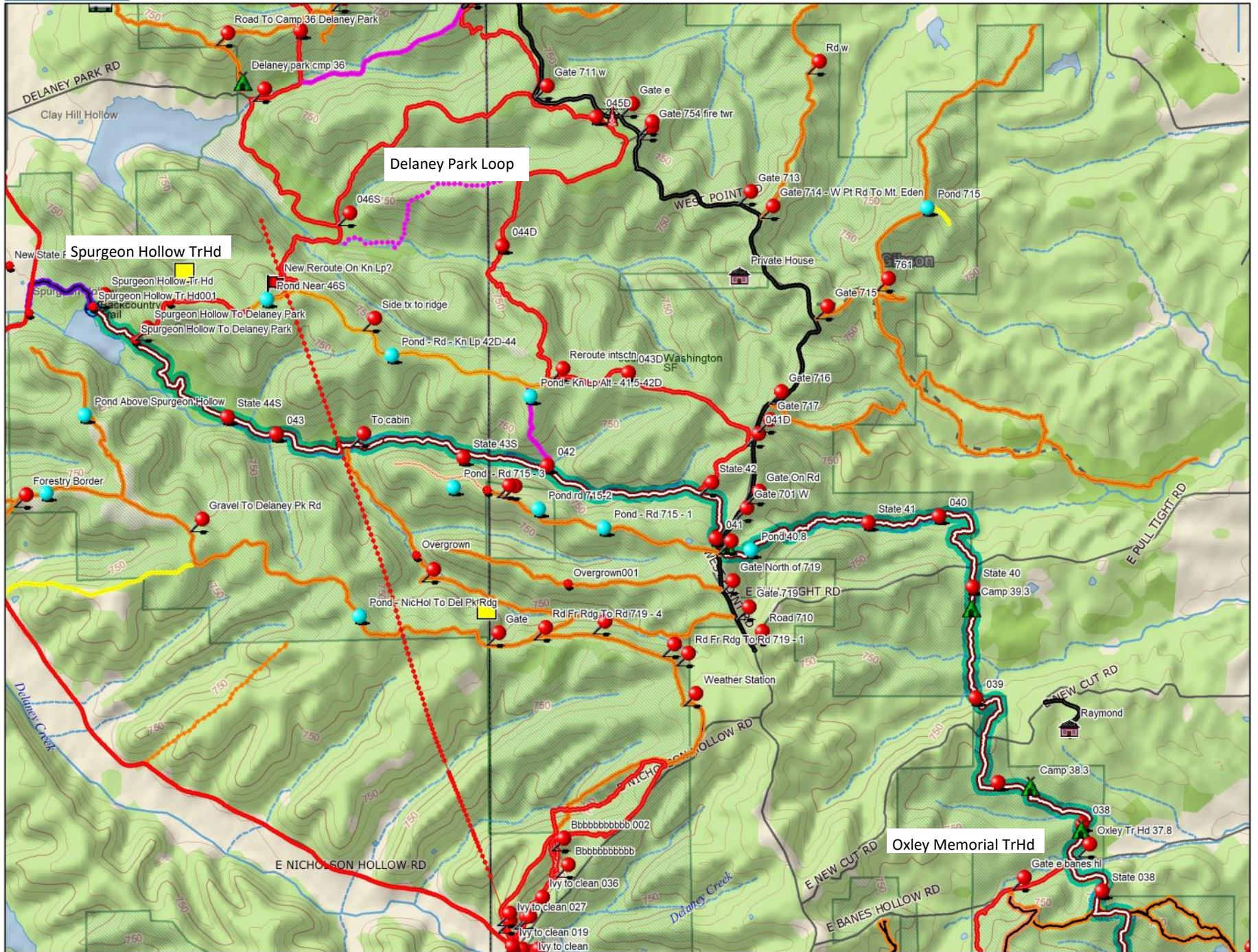
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Data Zoom 13-2

KT—7 Oxley Memorial TrHd to Spurgeon Hollow TrHd - 37.8-44.1 (45- State)

Continue North on trail with moderate climbs for 0.9 miles and reach Short Cut Road at (38.7). There a couple of possible campsites in this section. Cross Short Cut Road and cross a couple seasonal creeks before climbing to a campsite in 0.7 at (39.4). In 0.1 miles reach Pull Tight Road at (39.5). Descend 0.3 to a seasonal creek at (39.8). Go upstream 1.0 to reach a pond and then a campsite at (40.8). In 0.2 reach the Mail Route Forest Service Road at (41). (From Pull Tight and the Mail Route it is possible to hike in approximately 2 miles to the Hoosier Hiker Hostel by way of E. Nicholson Hollow Road.) Descend steeply for 0.2 to reach an intersection with the Delaney Park Loop section of the KT at (41.2). From here follow the seasonal creek down stream for 2.9 miles to the Spurgeon Hollow TrHd at Spurgeon Hollow Lake. There are ample opportunities for camping and water along the way. In the early Spring there are some displays of spring flowers along the route. Please note the difference in mileage between my gpx track 44.1 and the state reporting 45. This discrepancy appears to be spread over the distance Elk Creek Lake and Spurgeon Hollow.





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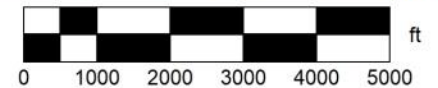
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Camp Sites—Green Tents

Ponds - Light Blue Circles (Treat All Water)



Data Zoom 12-6

KTP—8—Spurgeon Hollow to West Goat Hollow 45-50.5

45—Walk the road out to Delaney Park Road (45.2), turn right (North) for 0.5 to Rooster Hill Road (45.7) - (Delaney Park is 0.2 mile further North). Follow Rooster Hill Road for 0.4 and pass the intersection with Winslow Road at 46.1. Be careful as you climb the narrow curvy road with little shoulder to the top of the hill. Continue on a flat course to Highway 135 (48) for a total of 1.9. Cross the highway and while still on Rooster Hill reach the intersection with Plattsburg Rd. Turn right and past a church on your left, Just to the West of here we are working on easements to take us off of HWY 135, Continue to Hwy 135 at 48.3 and follow it carefully all the way North to West Goat Hollow Road at 50.5.

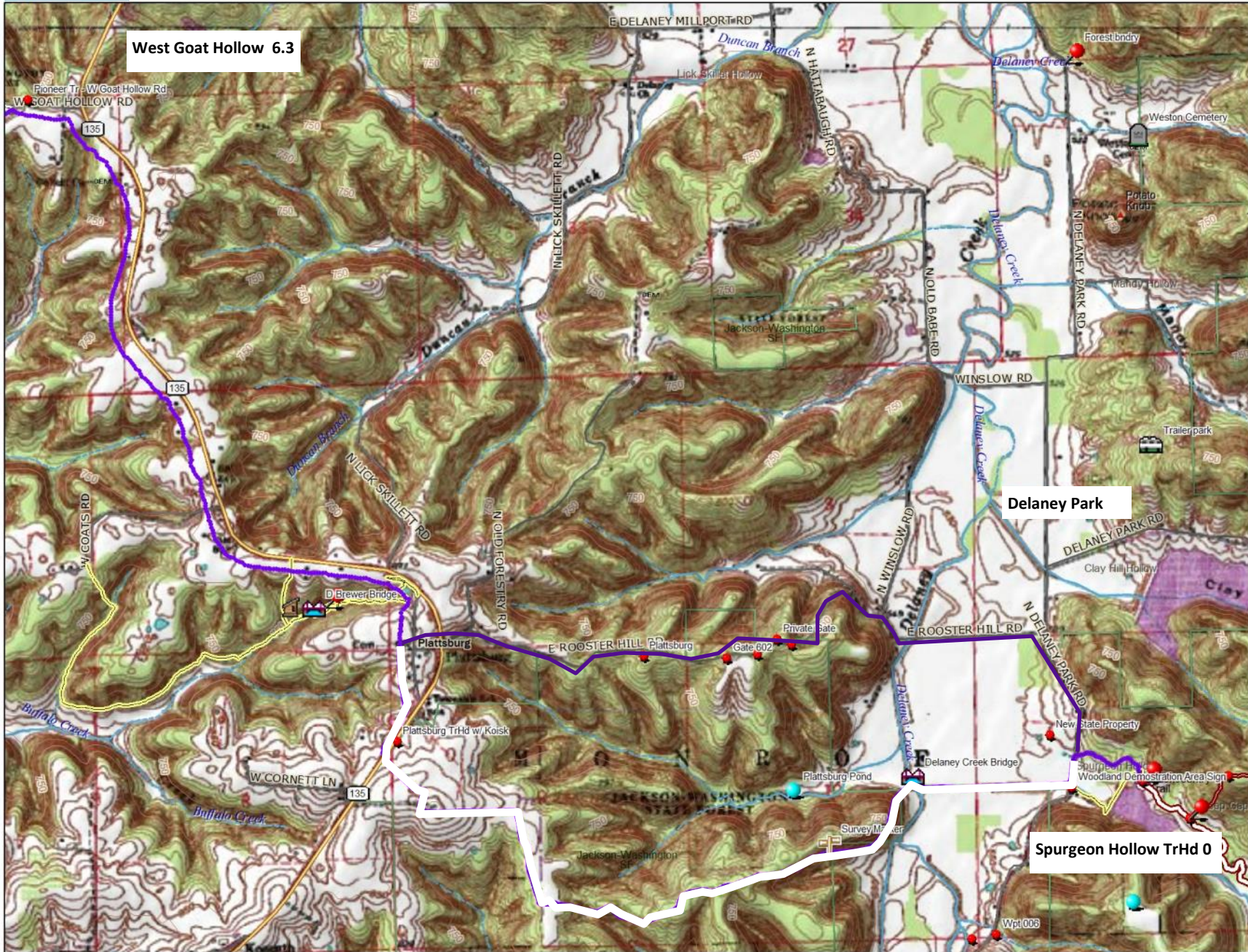
There is an effort to get a state certified foot bridge across Delaney Creek. When this is accomplished, it will be possible to route a trail on state forest property out to Highway 135. This will eliminate the dangerous road walk up Rooster Hill. One possible route is shaded in yellow.

Delaney Park (about a half mile North of Spurgeon Hollow) is a Washington County Park with a seasonal restaurant and snack shop. It has cabins for rent, campsites for rent, a lakeside beach and other activities available. The Knobstone Loop Trails are accessible from the park. Contact Info—8215 N Delaney Park Rd., Scottsburg, IN 47170—Ph. 812-883-5101 You may wish to contact them to see if they would be willing to hold a mail drop of supplies for you,

Salem the county seat of Washington County is about 7.5 miles South on Hwy 135. It has all of the usual accommodations and stores of a rural county seat including a Walmart.

St. Vincent Hospital is located at 911 Shelby Street, 881-883-5881



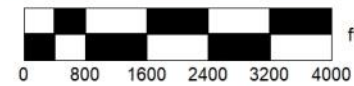


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KT—Violet



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KTP—9—W Goat Hollow Road to W Ault Saw Mill Road Intersection With Buffalo Bottoms Road—50.5-57.7

The **current official route** is a combination of road walking and trail hiking. Follow West Goat Road (also Co R 990 N) Westward. At (52.2) you pass a gate to an access road to what is sometimes called the Muscatatuck Bluff area of the Jackson-Washington County Forest. Continuing West on CR 990 you will intersect Haleysburg Road at (53.5). Turn North on Haleysburg continuing past W Buffalo Bottoms Road (53.8). Continuing North you will reach on your right the Trail Memorial Monument at (55). Pause and review the names of those involved with the creation of the trail. Above this Memorial we hope some day to get permission to build trail through the Muscatatuck Bluff area of the state forest. Watch to your left and in about 300 feet you will see PT signs on a post by a driveway. From here there is a marked trail to follow on private easements. Follow the driveway sharply to the left for a brief moment and then follow signs heading towards the foot of the hill on the other side of some stacked lumber. Follow a zig zag trail to reach the ridge at (55.4). At (55.6) reach the Lorna Drummond memorial bench on the ridge. Shortly begin a descent and reach West Ault Saw Mill Road at (55.8). Continue on trail on the South side of the road to the TrHd at (56.3). Continue South now on W Ault Saw Mill Rd to the intersection with W Buffalo Bottoms and N Reynolds Road at (57.7) the end of this section.

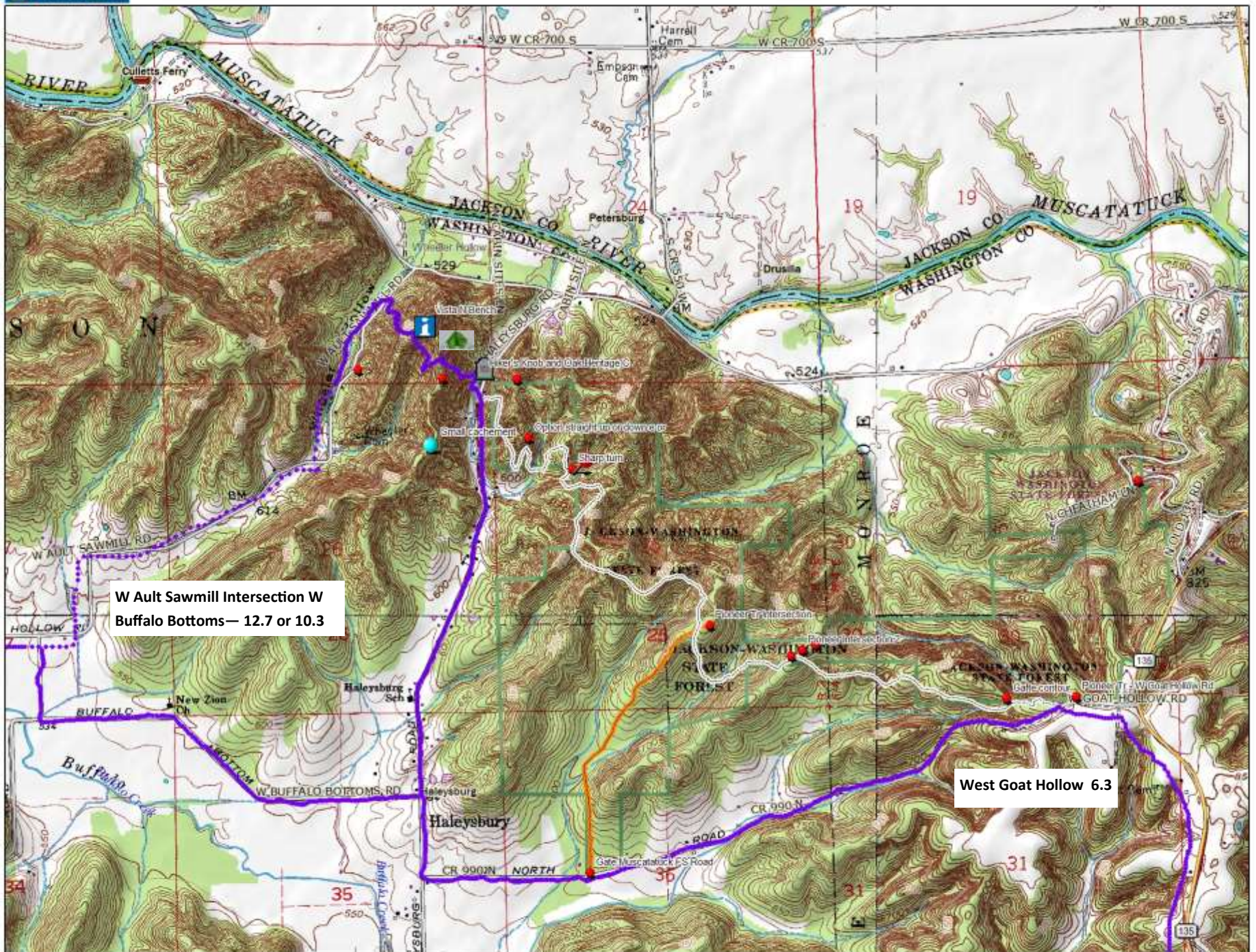
An Alternative is to turn West (left) at (53.8) and follow W. Buffalo Bottoms Rd passing North Reynolds at (1.2). Continue on W Buffalo Bottoms and soon intersect W Ault Sawmill Road for an Alt (2.53) at the official route (57.7)

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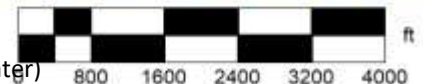
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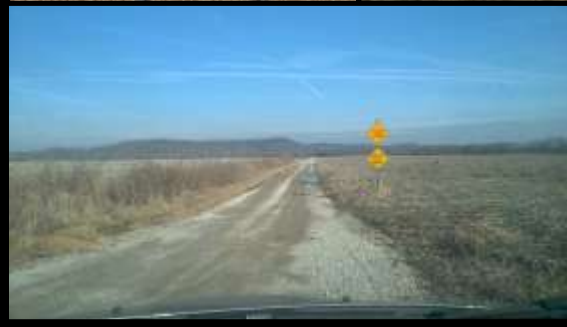
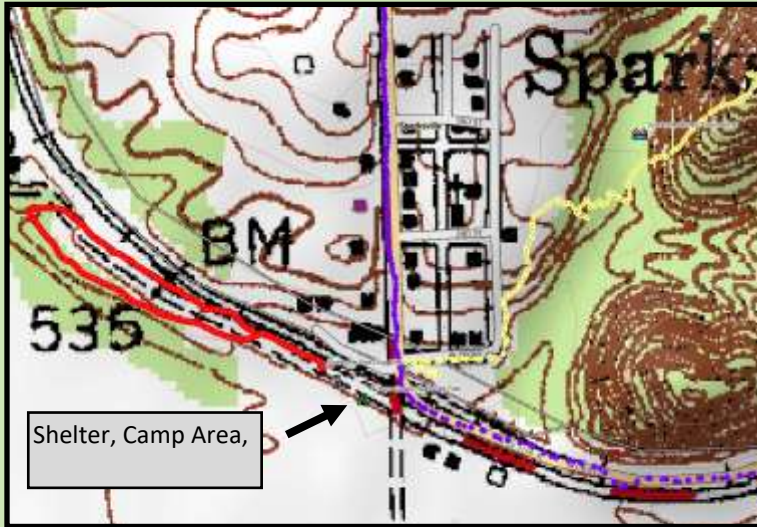
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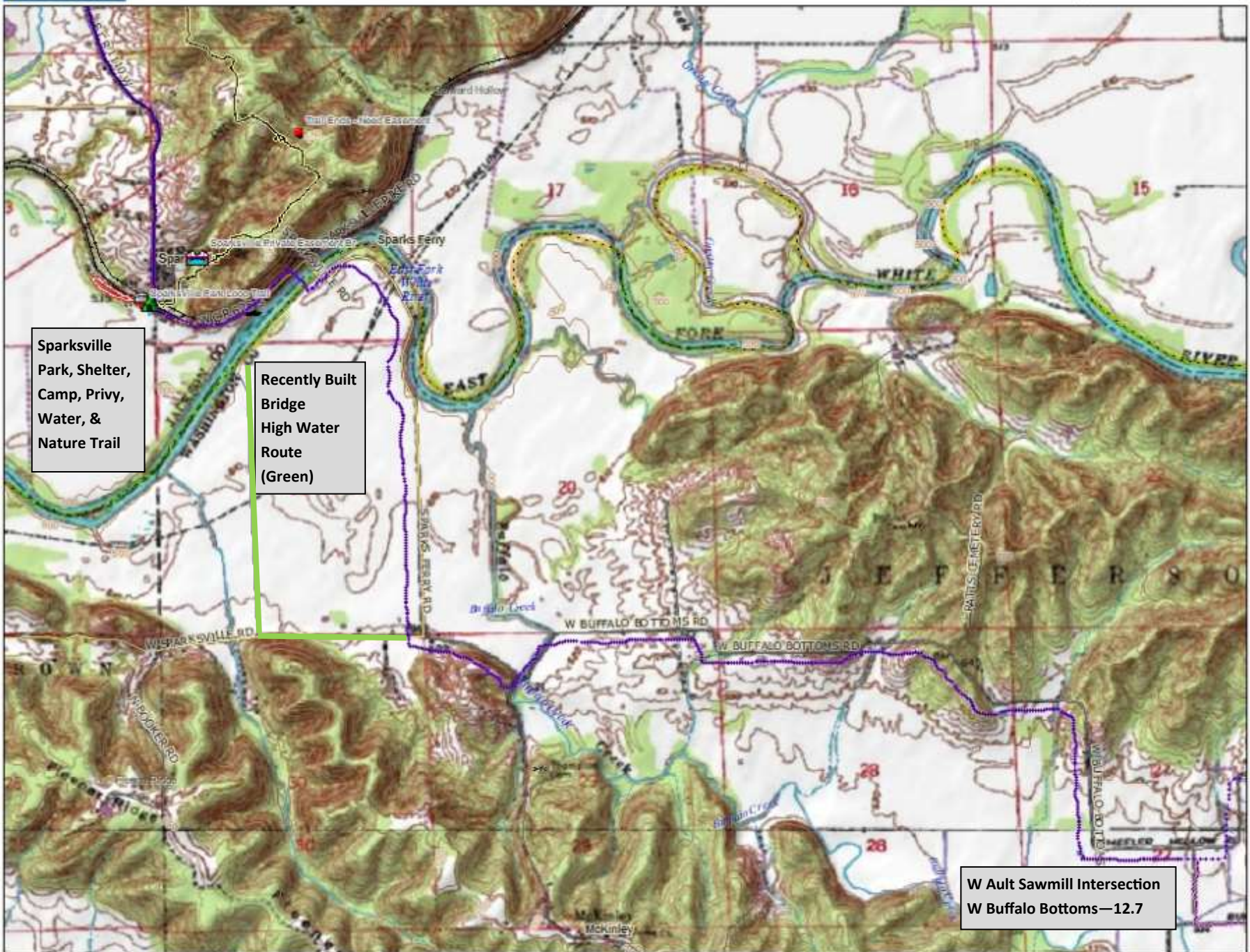
West Goat Hollow 6.3



KTP—10—W Ault Saw Mill Intersection With W Buffalo Bottoms —57.7-64.2

(18.5) - Follow West Buffalo Bottoms road West and pass Ratts Road at (59.2). Continue on to the intersection with North McKinley Road (to the South) at (60.8). Continue on to the intersection with Sparksferry Road at (61.9). Turn North and follow Sparksferry Road to the now closed to vehicular traffic bridge over the White River at (63.5). Walk across the bridge and then turn West (left) on Sparksville Pike Road. Pass the new car bridge at (63.8). (In case high water blocks your approach to the old bridge, you can use the new road and bridge as a high water route. During floods there can be water over the approach road to the new bridge.) Just before reaching Sparksville Park there is a church, Rivervale Chapel with an outdoor pump that is a water source. The entrance to the Park is on the South side of the railroad tracks at (64.2). There is a shelter, privy, nature trail, and plenty of camping area. Sparksville Park was developed to provide a camping spot for hikers. Once developed it was donated to the Jackson County Parks Department. Faculty and students of Medora High School have “adopted” the area and made improvements such as installing a pontoon bridge in a wet area of the Nature Trail Loop (Red Trail) and building a bridge across the creek on the way north of town. Currently the route North is a road walk unless you obtain permission to walk across private land on one easement yet to be obtained of the future route (yellow trail).





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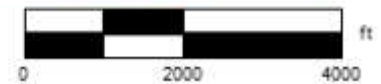
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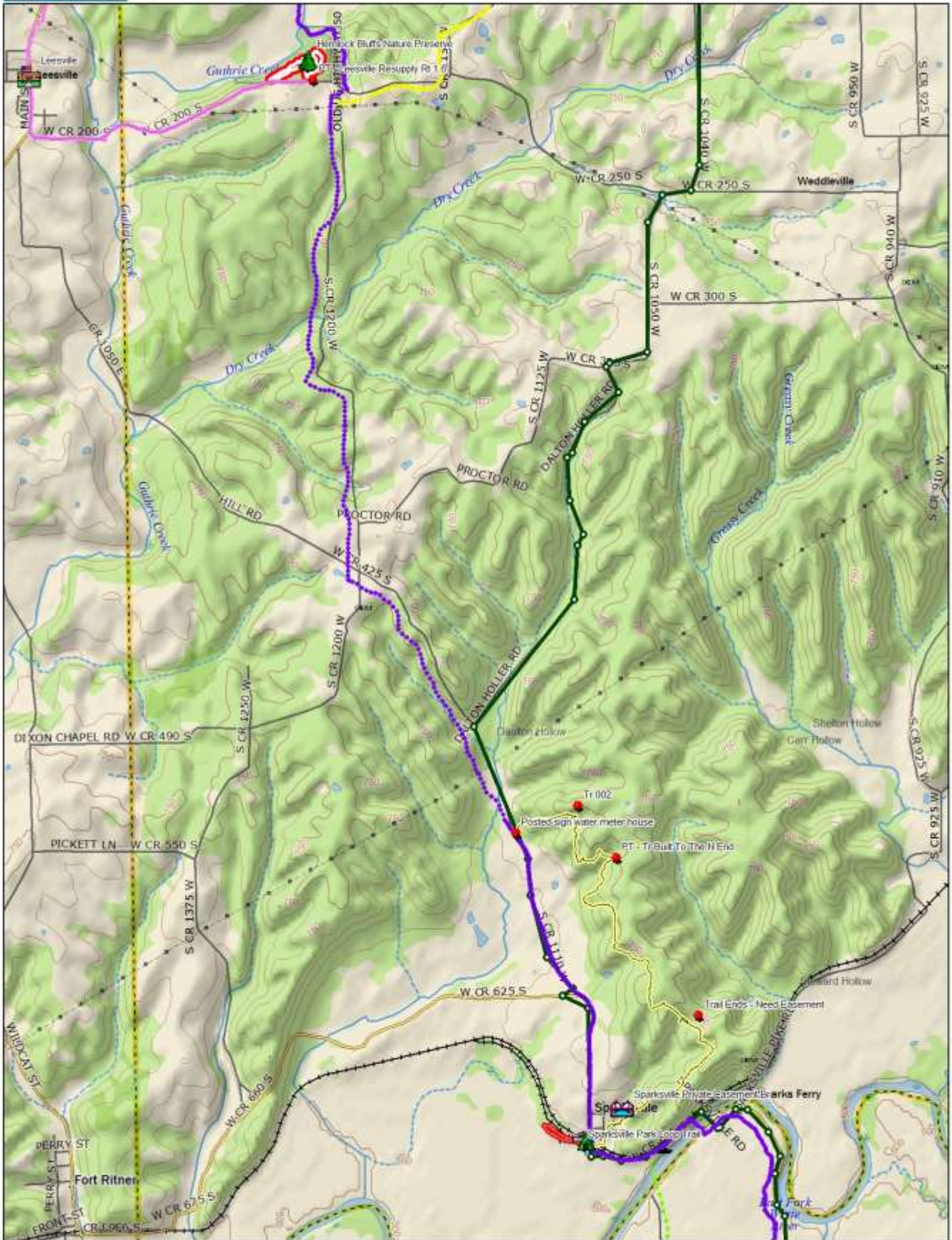


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KT—P - 11 - Sparksville Park to Hemlock Cliffs Nature Preserve (DNR) - 64.2-69.7

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Recommended KT—Violet

Official KT—Black

Alt KT & Future Private Trail—Yellow



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Leesville Alt—Purple

Camp Sites—Green Tents

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KTP - 11 - Sparksville Park to Hemlock Cliffs Nature Preserve (DNR) - 64.2-69.7

Before leaving Sparksville on your road walk North, note the trail in yellow. This is a private easement trail that needs one more legal easement to complete. To take this route now would require permission of the owners of the unacquired easement. To reach it go East on 1st Street and turn North on the unnamed street (where 1st Street ends) bending around an abandoned house. Continue North to about half way between 2nd & 3rd Street. Then turn right onto the Howard Easement. There is a gate installed here.

The route to Hemlock Cliffs Nature Preserve presents you with a number of options. The former official trail route is in black. However, it does not take you to Hemlock Cliff NP, nor near the resupply town at Leesville. In addition it crosses Guthrie Creek which has no bridge at a point where there is a good 2+ foot deep pool of water with no option but to wade across. Therefore, there is the new official yellow route taking you west on to Hemlock Cliff NP. There you can follow the recommended violet route crosses Guthrie creek on a bridge. This also allows you a great view of the preserve from the valley below. You can look up and see the side of the cliff largely covered in Hemlocks. Another option is to stay on the violet route all of the way from Sparksville to Hemlock Cliffs NP. Then you have the option of taking an alternate yellow route to connect with the former black official route. There is also the option of taking the resupply purple route to Leesville where you will find a gasoline quick market with all of the usual fixins plus a better than usual supply of small groceries. There's also a pool table for your enjoyment. In the town is a park with a pavilion and a community center. We are hoping to make arrangements for hikers to camp here. All of these alternates join back together on the North side of highway 50.

(64.2) - Recommended New Official Violet Route — From Sparksville Park head North on CR 1100 West to take the violet route to Hemlock Cliff NP. In (0.7) Pass WCR 625 S on the Left at (64.9). At (65.7) pass on the right where the future trail descends down to intersect with the road. Somewhere soon 1100 become 1150. At (66.3) pass Dalton Holler Road on the right. Here CR 1150 W becomes CR 425 S. (Here, you have the option of taking the official black route North by turning right onto Dalton Holler Road) For the violet route to Hemlock Cliff NP continue North on CR 425 S. Reach an intersection with SCR 1200 W & Hill Road at (67.2) Head North on SCR 1200 W. At (67.5) pass Proctor Road (also named SCR 1180 W). Descend to cross Dry Creek at (68.5). Continue with an ascent to the North. At (69.7) you reach an intersection of W 200S (to the Left) and W 250 S (to the Right). The entrance to Hemlock Cliffs Nature Preserve is 100 feet to the Left. It is owned by the DNR. It is well worth pausing here to enjoy the 0.8 mile long trail. Camping is not permitted in the preserve. There is room for several cars to park here.



Hemlock Bluffs Trail & Parking Lot



Bridge built on a creek in the private easements at Sparksville. It was built by the 2017 Seniors in Pat Bahan's Civic Class at Medora Community School.

KTP - 12 - Hemlock Bluffs Nature Preserve to HHC Camp & Private Easement 69.7-77.4

(69.7) - From Hemlock Nature Preserve go East about 100 feet past SCR 1200 W and turn left North onto Old Highway 50 . Descend and eventually curve to the left and then quickly to the right as your reach the bottom of the bluffs. As you past the over the creek on a bridge at (70.2) you get good views of the Hemlocks that cover much of the bluffs. This is one of the largest collection of Native Hemlocks in the state. As you wind your way North the road becomes SCR 1250 W. At (72.2) you reach West Baseline Road where the Leesville alternate rejoins the recommended route. Turn right East. At (72.6) turn left North onto NCR 1225 W. This road crosses Highway 50 at (73.3). Continue North to WCR 100 N at (73.6). Turn right East on WCR 100 N. At (74.4) turn left North onto SCR 1150 W. Make a right turn East at (75.1). Then a turn left North at (75.3). By the time you make a turn East at (30.5) the road is designated as WCR 200 N. At (75.8) turn left North onto NCR 100 W. At (76.9) turn right East onto WCR 325 N. At (77.4) you will reach the HHC Private Easement & legal camping area.

(24.7) - KTP—12Alt—Leesville Resupply (Purple Trail)—Unfortunately, the former Leesville resupply route is no longer available. The B&D Market closed at the beginning of 2020.



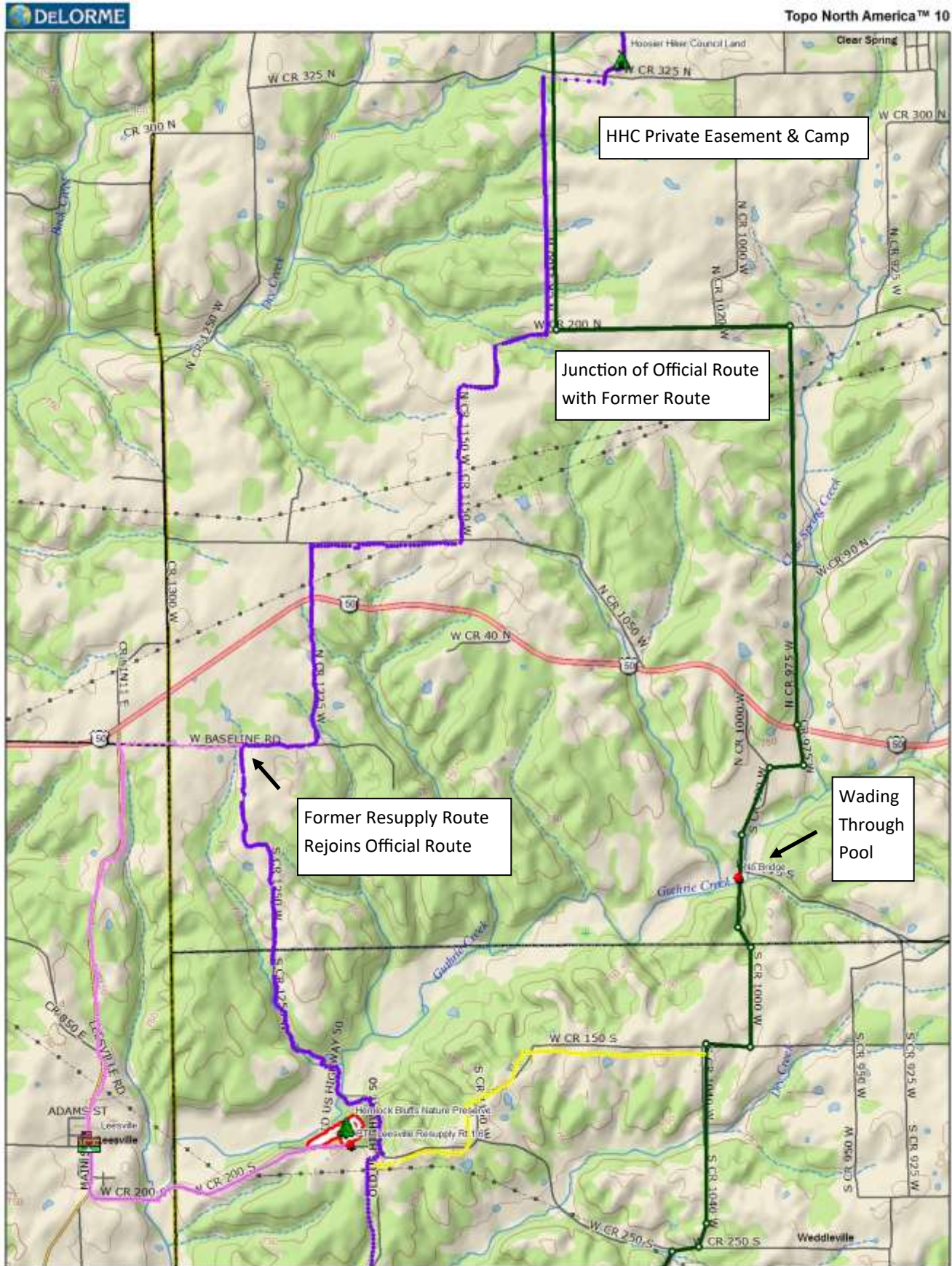
Medora Covered Bridge

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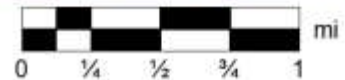
KT—P - 12 - Hemlock Cliff Nature Preserve to HHC Camp & Private Easement - 69.7-77.4—Recommended New Official Route



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Data Zoom 12-3

Recommended KT—Violet
 Official KT—Black
 Alt KT & Future Private Trail—Yellow

Leesville Alt—Purple
 Camp Sites—Green Tents
 Ponds—Light Blue Circles (Treat All Water)

KTP - 13—HHC Camp & Private Easement to Hoosier National Forest—77.4-82.9

(77.4) -Look for PT signs On W CR 321 N at (77.4) you will find a carsonite sign marking the beginning of the private easement. Turn left going North as you descend on a mowed former road then quickly gain height and bear right (East) as you reach the former trailer site which is now a mowed parking area. At one time there was a trailer here with full electrical and water hook ups. Follow the carsonite post sign to the East. Head past it and just before reaching the property line you enter a grove of pines. This is the best place to camp with protection from both the wind and the Sun. Here you turn North and cross the fence on a stile at (75.6). You have now left the area designated for camping. Follow the property line North. Descend and cross a first creek at (75.8) and then a second creek at (78). Reach W CR 400 N at (78.3). Turn left West briefly and cross the road at (78.4). Curve to the Northwest and reach the dam of a pond at (78.7). Continue onward emerging from the woods at (78.8). Head North at 350°

Cross the field and reenter the woods at (78.9). Cross a creek at (79). Step onto NCR 1100 W and turn right North. Following the road the road you reach the outflow from a spring box on the other side of the road. The outflow flows through a culvert near the trail at (79.1). You soon reach a left turn of the road at (79.2). Here you have a choice. You can continue on the trail by dropping off the road to the right. Or, you can head left West on the road for about a hundred feet to the 3 story Frank Fischer Barn. You may camp here. Also, the Norman Resupply route heads West from here. The trail continues on from the corner of the road dropping steeply to a crossing of a creek (fed by the spring). Ascend quickly, soon crossing a gully on a small bridge, and continue to contour along the ridge going NNW till you reach you reach a sharp turn at (79.8). Then you head ESE and finally descend into the ATV area at (80.1). You will need to pay close attention as the trail makes many twists and turns as it crosses and re-crosses the ATV trails many times in this area. On the way through you follow and then cross a creek. Finally you emerge into the parking lot of the ATV area on NCR 1000 W at (81.1). Head North from here. At (81.8) the road becomes designated as NCR 980 W. At (82.1) you turn left West for a few feet as you cross Highway 58 and continue North on NCR 980 W. At (82.9) you will turn left West to enter the Hoosier National Forest on the Trail Head for trails 16 &17.

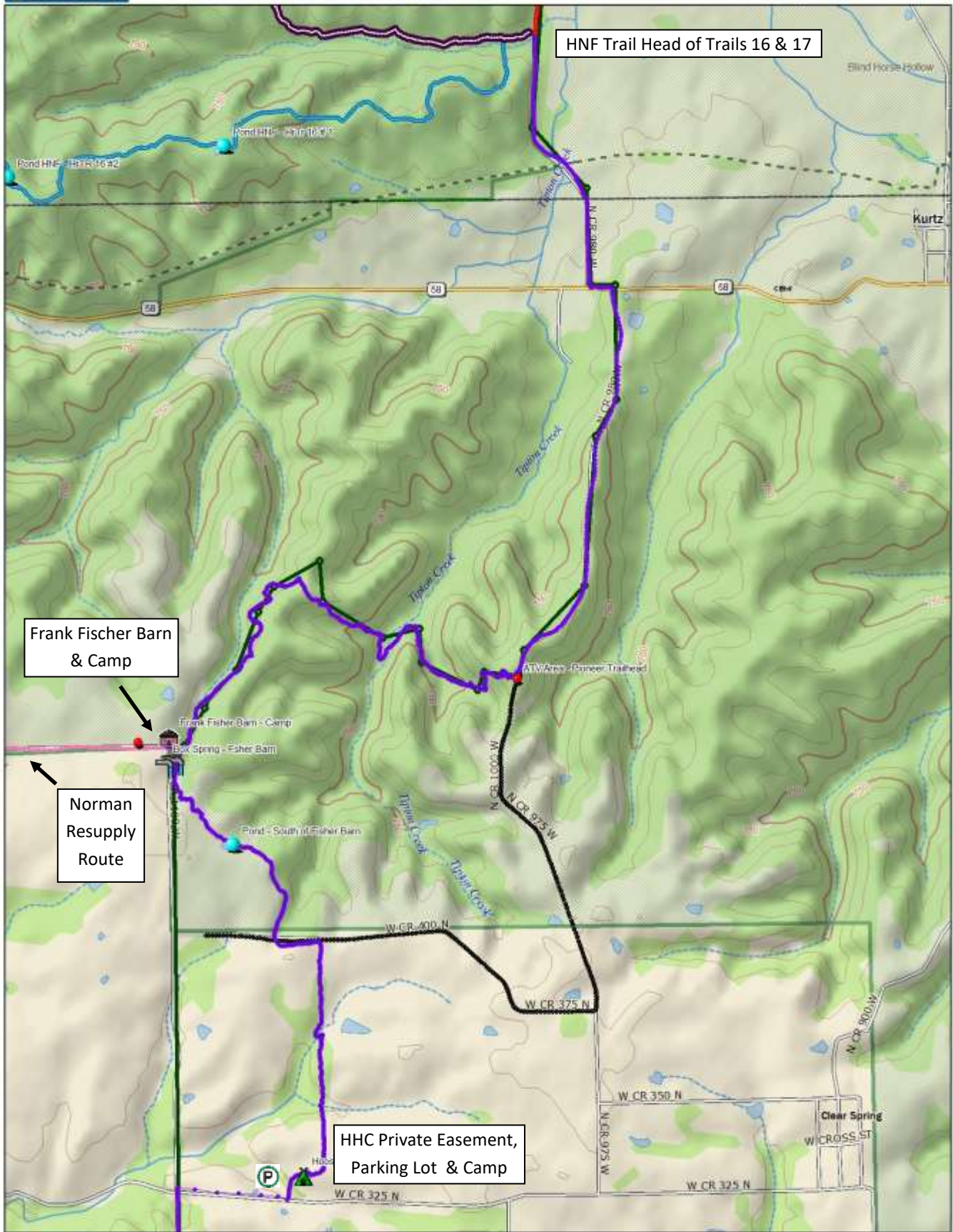
Norman Resupply—Refer to KTP—13Alt—Norman Resupply Route takes you to the town of Norman which has a post office. Unfortunately the former restaurant in town is now closed.



KT—P - 13—HHC Camp & Private Easement to Hoosier National Forest—77.4-82.9



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Data Zoom 13-2

Recommended KT—Violet
Former KT—Black
HNF Multi-Use Trails—Blue

Norman Alt— Purple
Camp Sites—Green Tents
Ponds—Light Blue Circles (Treat All Water)

KTP - 13Alt—Norman Resupply—Frank Fischer Barn to HNF Polk Patch Road & Tr 13—79.2-86.6



(79.2) - Head West on W CR 450 N. At (1.0) you will pass the entrance to the Norman Conservation Club Campground. It is possible to camp here for a fee. At (1.3) turn right North on N CR 1250 W. At (2.1) turn left West at W CR 525 N for about 0.1 of a mile. Then turn right North once again onto N CR 1250 W. At (2.3) turn left West on Highway 58. At (2.5) you reach the Norman Post Office.

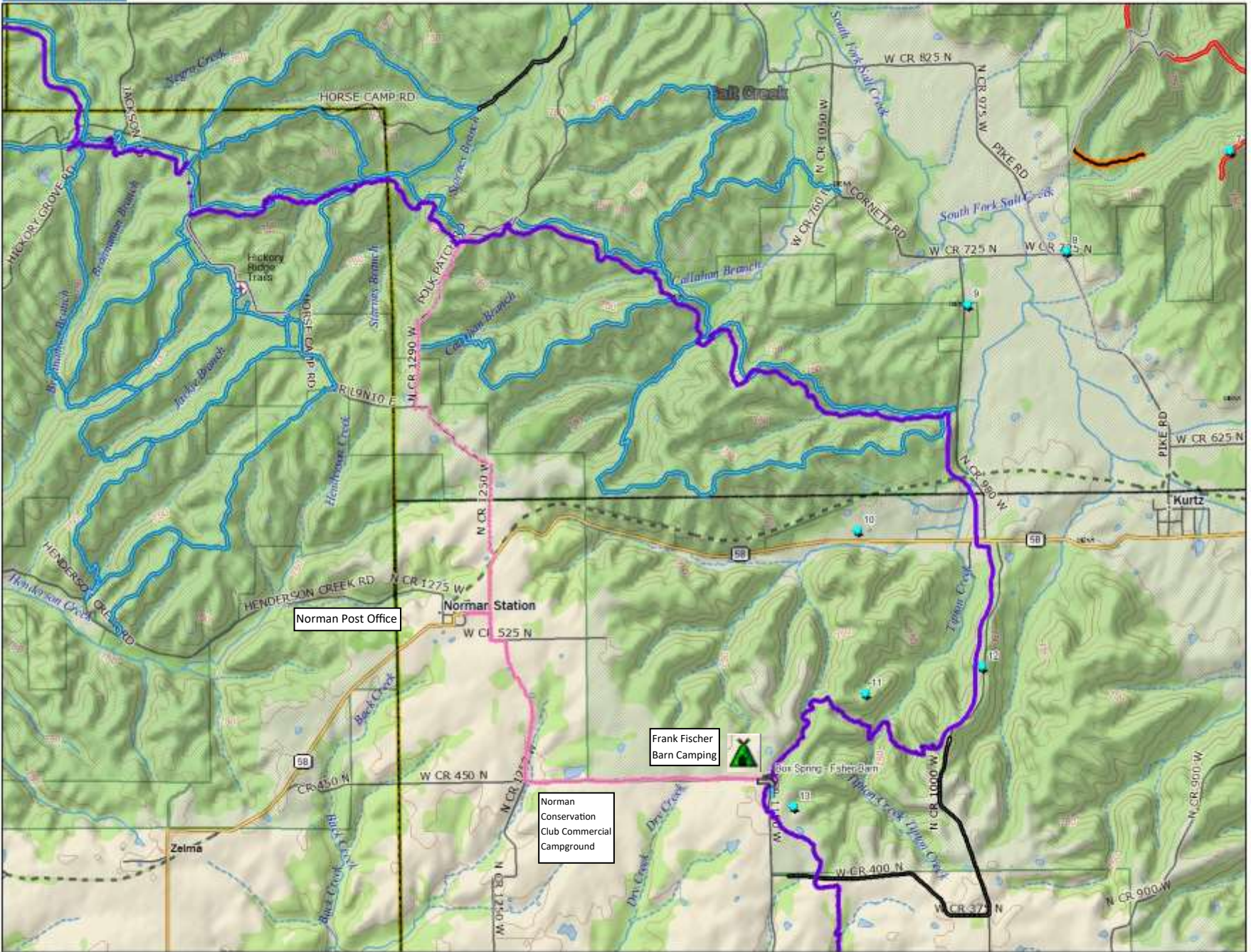
Once you've picked up your resupply package at the Post Office. You have an option of returning to the Frank Fischer Barn area and continuing on the "designated trail". We encourage you to utilize this option in order to complete all sections of the trail.

In the interest of safety we do not advise hiking Highway 58 back to the intersection of the trail at mile (82.1) of the "designated trail".

There is also the option of "blue blazing" by following county roads north to mile (86.6) of the trail. Directions are provided below for this option. However you will miss 7.4 miles of the "designated trail".

Backtracking to (2.3) turn left North on Highway 58. As highway 58 begins to curve Northeast at (2.9) continue straight North onto N CR 1250 W. The road eventually slants to the Northwest West and makes a clear turn West just before the intersection of W CR 650 N (4.0). Here you turn right North on N CR 1290 W which eventually is renamed as Polk Patch road before it intersects with HNF multi-use Trail 13 at (5.0). Here you will rejoining the official route at (86.6). The Norman resupply route is 5 miles versus 7.5 for the regular route.



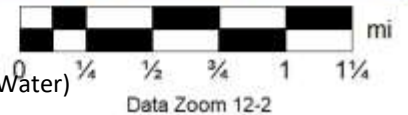


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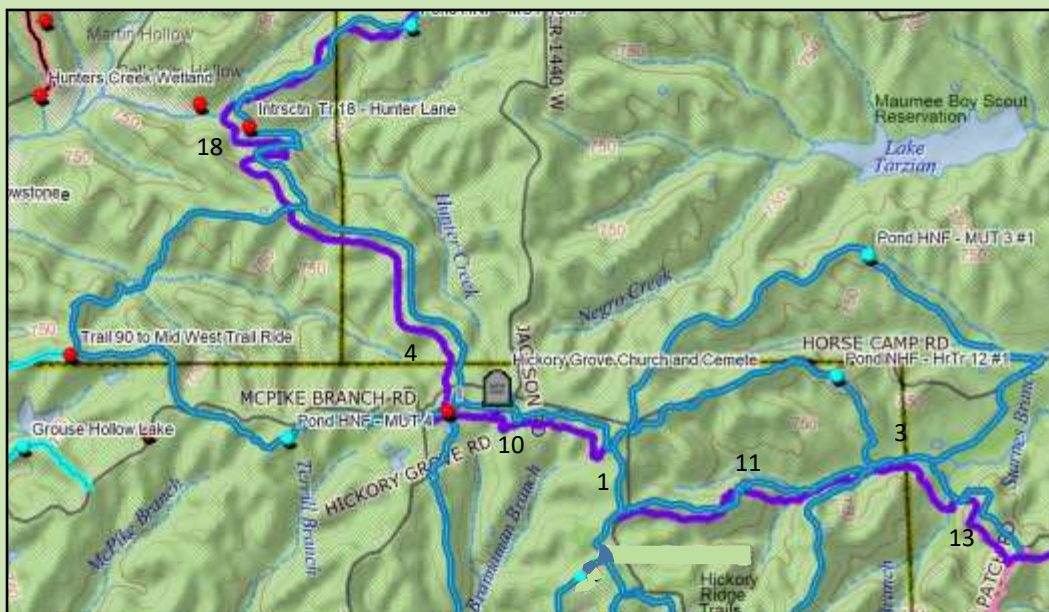
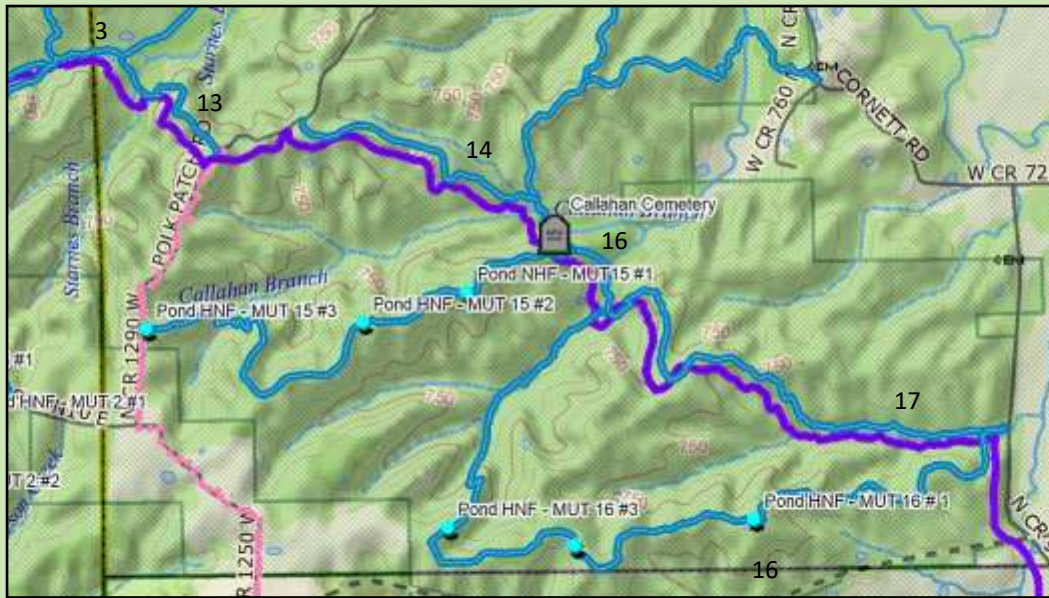
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Norman Alt— Purple
 Camp Sites—Green Tents
 Ponds—Light Blue Circles (Treat All Water)



KTP - HNF—14—HNF TrHd of 16 & 17 to Nebo Ridge Southern Terminus—82.9-98.2



You will be hiking through the Hoosier National Forest for the next 28.3 miles before entering Yellowwood State Forest for the last 0.4 of a mile. You will be hiking on multi-use trails utilized by bikers, hikers, and equestrians. Hikers should yield to the lower side of the trail to horses.

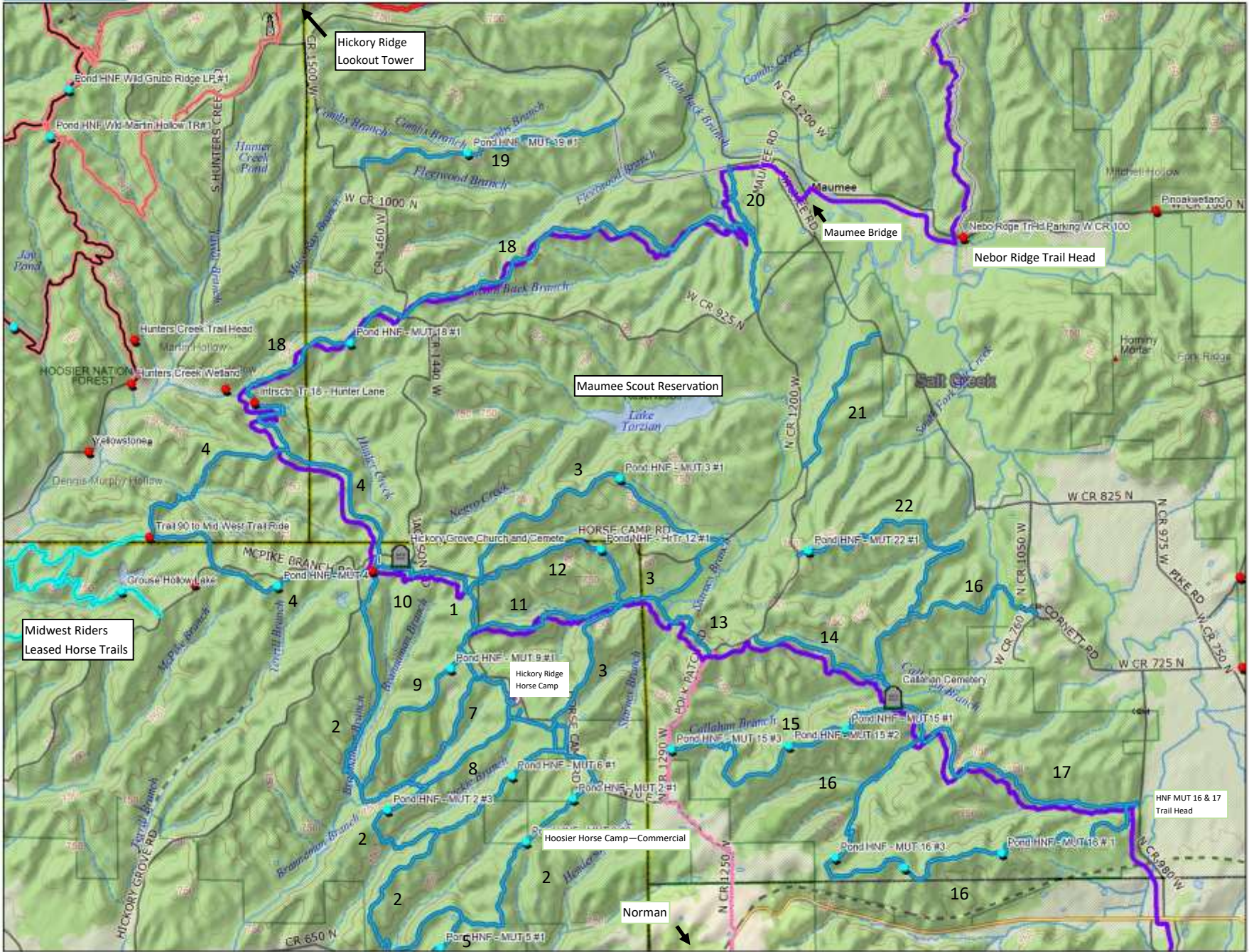
The trail weaves its way through a vast network of trail in this area. It is important to pay close attention to your location at all times. This is especially true at all intersections where you are most likely to take a wrong turn.

From the Multi Use Trailhead (MUT) on N CR 980 W for MUT 16 & 17 at (82.9), go West for about 0.1 miles to where MUT 16 turns left South. Continue straight ahead on MUT 17. At (84.8) MUT 17 ends at an intersection where we rejoin MUT 16. At (85.1) you will pass Callahan Cemetery near the intersection with MUT 15. At (85.3) MUT 16 branches off to the right North. Continue to the Northwest on MUT 14 to (86.25) at the intersection of Polk Patch Road. Walk Southwest on Polk Patch Road to (86.6) where the Norman resupply alternative route rejoins the trail. About 1 mile ahead on the alt resupply route is the commercial Hoosier Horse Camp.

Cross Polk Patch Road and continue to the Northwest on MUT 13 to the intersection with MUT 3 at (87.2). Head Southwest on MUT 3 to an intersection of MUTS 3, 11 & 12 at (87.4). Head West on MUT 11 to the intersection with Horse Camp Road at (88.6). About 0.5 mile South of here is the HNF Hickory Ridge Horse Camp. Cross the road to the intersection with MUT 1 and turn right North on MUT 1. Go North to the intersection of MUTS 1, 3, 10, & 12 at (88.9) near the intersection of Hickory Grove and Horse Camp Roads. From here head West on MUT 10 to the historical Hickory Grove Church and Cemetery at (89.6). There is a parking lot and pit toilets here. Continue West to the intersection of MUT 2 and MU Loop Trail 4 at (89.9). Turn right North on MUT 4. AT (91.1) MU Loop Trail 4 intersects with MUT 18. Turn right North on MUT 18.

(In case of an emergency at (91.8) there is a legal right of way by heading west on former county road Hunter Creek Lane taking you out to Hunter's Creek Road. Within the HNF it appears as an abandoned logging road. It crosses a creek and soon reaches private land where the owner has put up no trespassing signs despite that there is a legal right of way. From Hunter's Creek Road, Hunter's Creek Lane appears to end in the yard of the private land owner. Please use this only in the case of an emergency.)





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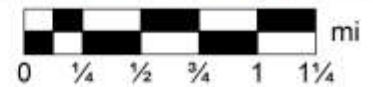
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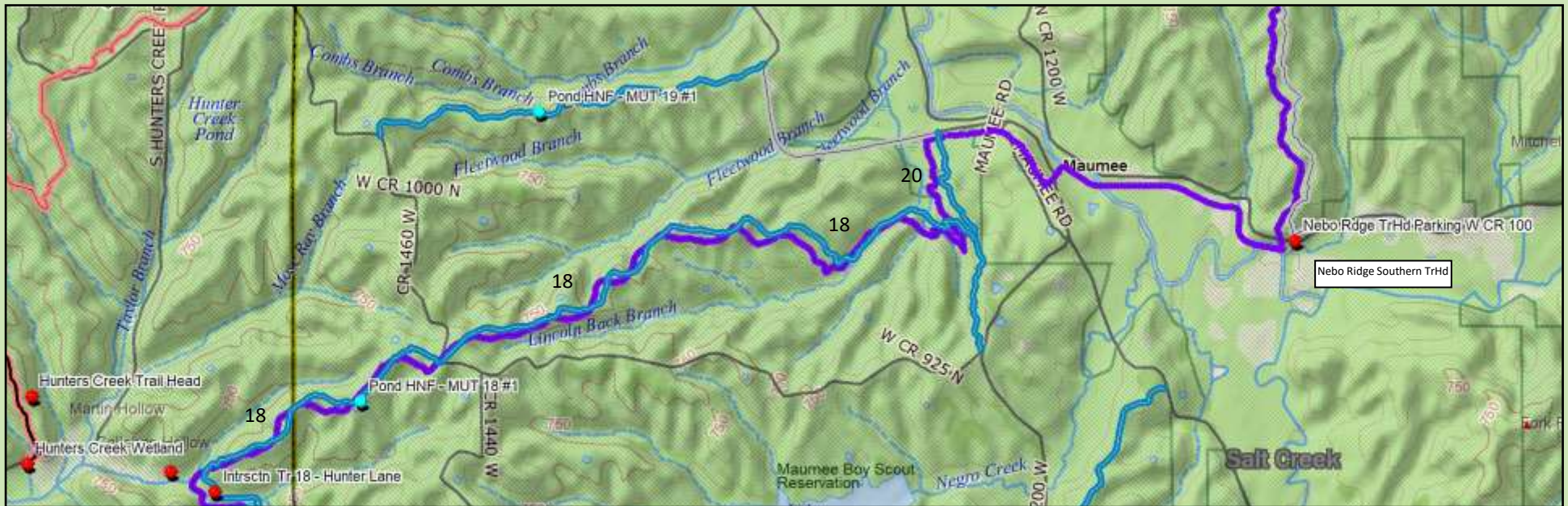
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 Trails—Blue

Norman Alt— Purple
 Camp Sites—Green Tents
 Ponds—Light Blue Circles (Treat



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KTP - HNF—14—HNF TrHd of 16 & 17 to Nebo Ridge Southern Terminus—82.9-98.2



Continuing Northward on MUT 18 you soon head North-east to the intersection with N CR1460 W at (93.15) where the road makes a 90° turn. Cross the road and continue East to the end of MUT 18 at an intersection with MUT 20 at (95.9). Turn left North on MUT 20 and arrive at Tower Ridge Road at (96.5). Turn right East on Tower Ridge Road. At (96.7) pass an intersection with a dead end gravel road going to the North. At (96.8) pass Maumee road heading South. Continuing East, Tower Ridge Road becomes N CR 1190 W as it swing to South. At (97) turn North East to cross the Maumee Bridge at (97.2). Continue E on W CR 100 N till you reach the MUT Nebo Ridge Southern Terminus at (98.2).

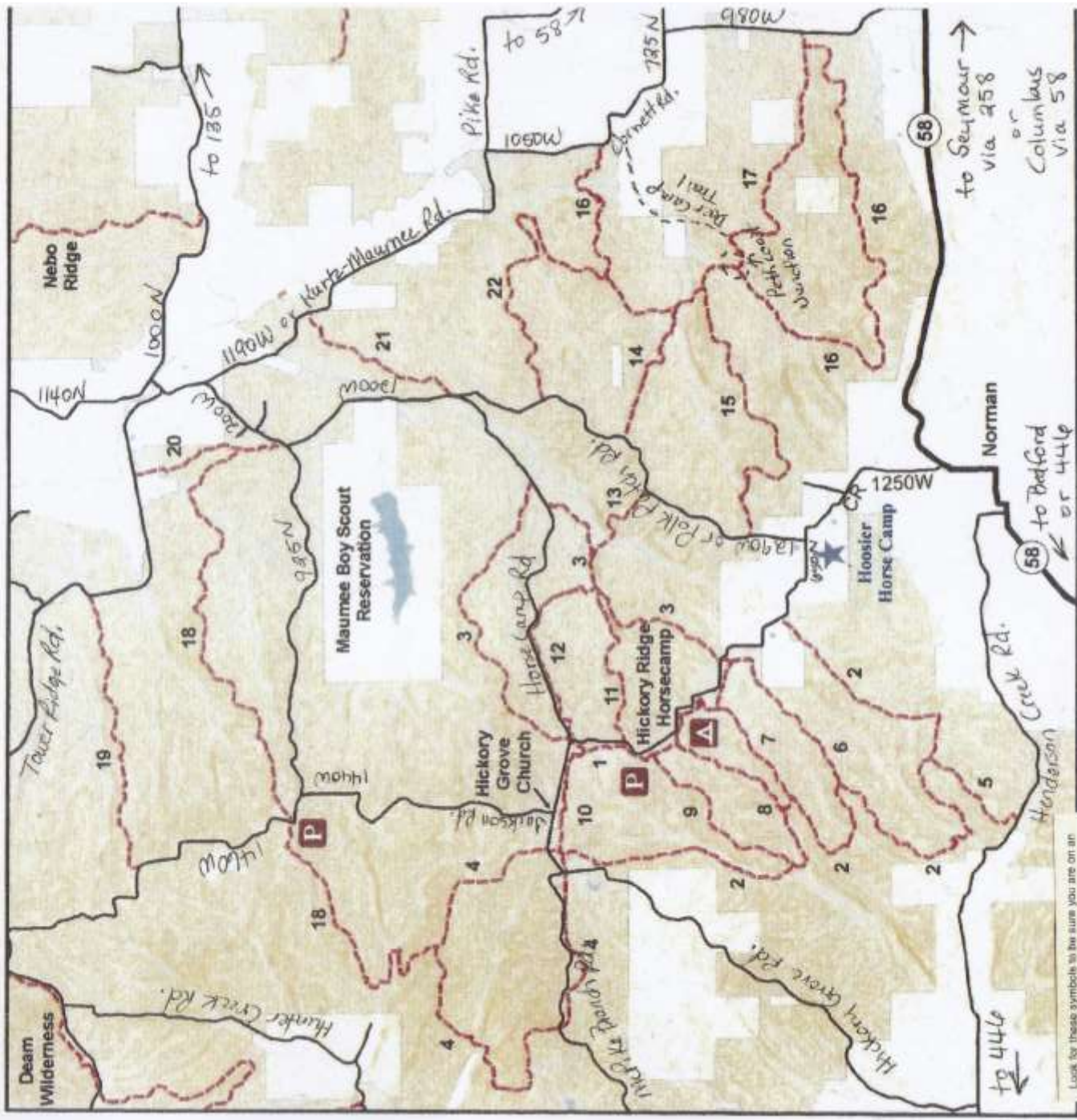


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2	5.7	8	1.2	14	1.0	20	1.1
3	3.8	9	1.4	15	2.2	21	1.1
4	4.4	10	1.0	16	6.4	22	2.0
5	0.8	11	1.1	17	2.0		
6	1.2	12	1.5	18	5.2		

Legend

- Trail
- Road
- Stream
- 10' Contour Line
- Water
- Forest Service
- Trail Number
- Parking
- Camping



Look for these symbols to be sure you are on an official trail

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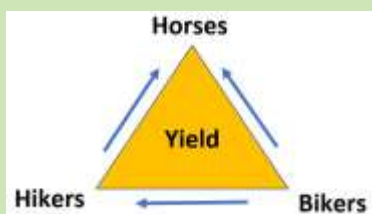
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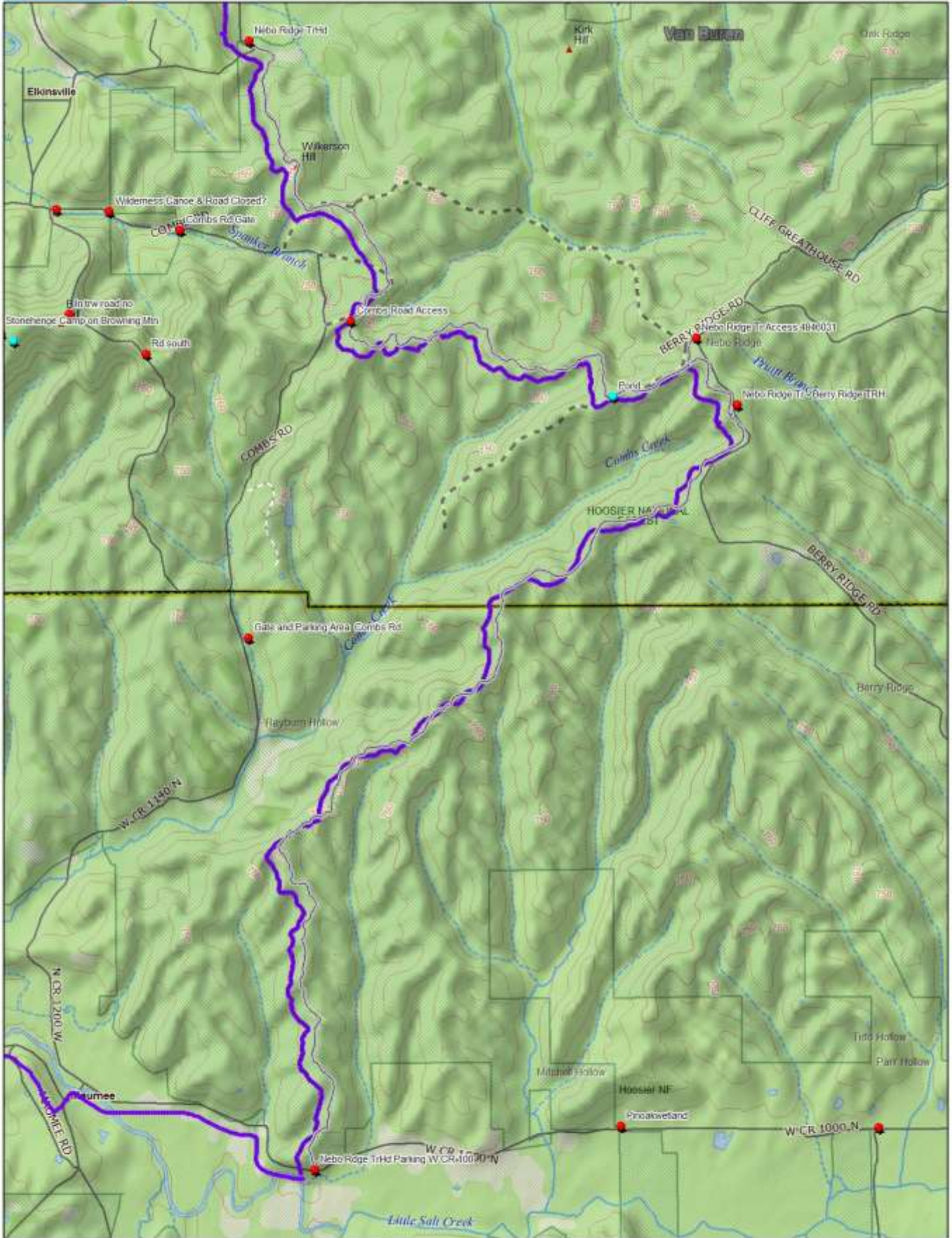
- Blue - Hiking, Mountain Biking, and Horse Riding
- Yellow - Hiking and Mountain Biking Only



KTP - HNF—15—Nebo Ridge Southern Terminus to the Northern Terminus— 98.2-106.2

From (98.2) head north on Nebo Ridge Trail till you reach the Berry Ridge Trail Head at (102.6). Continue on North to (57.9) where NF road 4846031 also leads in a short distance to access to Berry Ridge Road. At (104.7) you reach an intersection with Comb's Road which is closed to vehicles. Continue North to the Northern Trail Head at (106.2).



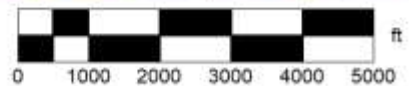


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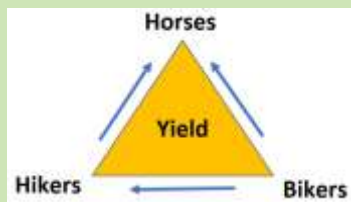
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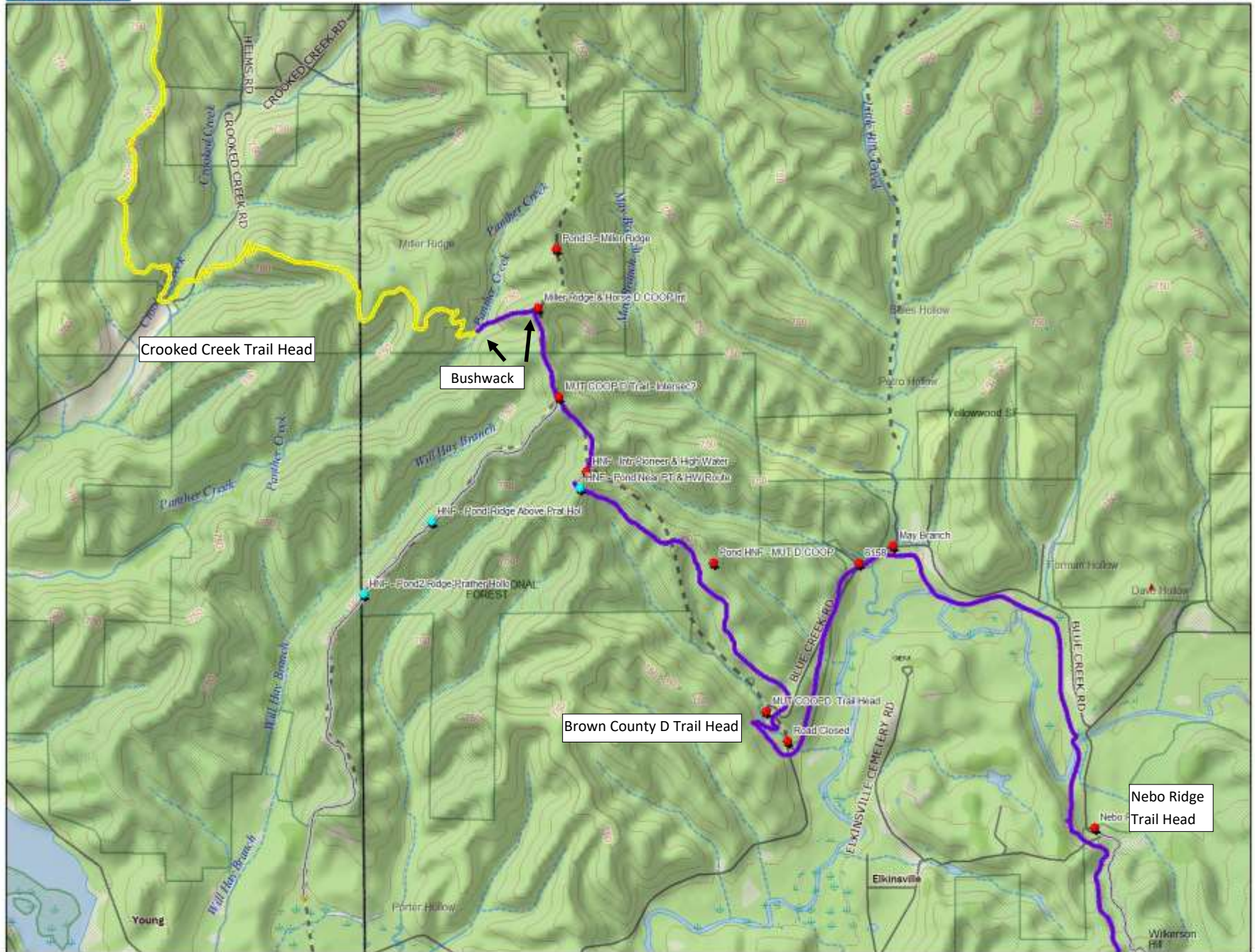
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Ponds—Light Blue Circles (Treat All Water)

KTP - HNF—16—Nebo Ridge Northern Terminus to the Tecumseh Trail to Crooked Creek—106.2-111.3

(TT Trailhead –2.1 Miles Further At 113.4)

From the parking lot (106.2) of the Northern Trail Head of the Nebo Ridge Trail turn right heading North on West Elkinsville Road till you reach an intersection of Blue Creek Road at (106.7). Head north on Blue Creek Road follow a horse shoe path as first you go North, curving West, and then heading South till you reach the Southern Trail Head of the Coop D MUT at (109). Head North on Coop D MUT to (111.3). Here there is a logging road that is to be converted into a connecting trail to the Southern Terminus of the Tecumseh Trail. Proceed West down this trail to the Southern Terminus of the Tecumseh Trail at (111.6) . From here follow the Tecumseh Trail to its TrHd on Crooked Creek Road at (113.4—Tecumseh 1.8)





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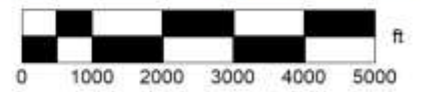
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Tecumseh Trail—Yellow



Camp Sites—Green Tents

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KT - TT - 17 - Southern Terminus to Belmont Hwy 46 - 111.3 - 118.4



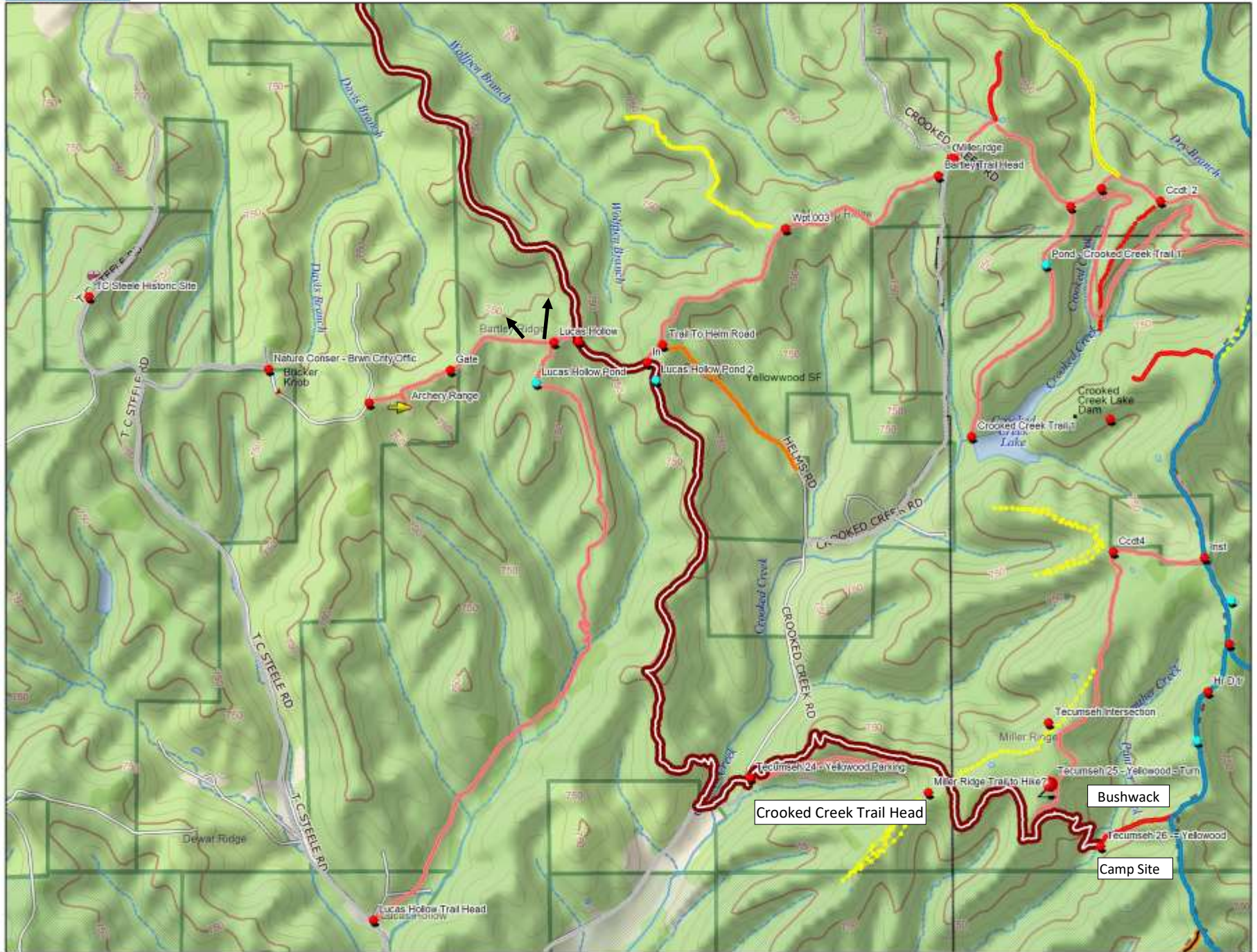
This section starts at the boundary of the Hoosier National Forest and Yellowwood State Forest (111.3). There is a gate here that clearly defines the boundary. About 50 yards North of the boundary you will find an opening with a former logging road making a sharp turn to the Southwest. From here there is a 0.3 "bushwack" down the logging road to the Southern Terminus of the Tecumseh Trail. In the future a hiking trail for pedestrians only will be built through this "bushwack". There will be a gate of some sort to deter its usage by bikers and equestrians. For now follow the road past several big blow downs as you descend steeply. At the bottom it is best to enter the woods on the south and parallel the opening that is overgrown with briars. You will come to a comfortable shaded camp site with a fire ring and easy access to water in Panther Creek. A short distance on the West side of the creek you will find the wooden sign marking the original southern terminus of the TT (111.6). Across the clearing from the sign you find a bench dedicated to Suzanne Mittenthal the founder of the KHTA. From here you will follow the well designed and marked TT to its Northern Terminus in the Morgan Monroe State Forest. Be prepared for pleasant sights and sounds as you make your way North.

Switchback as you climb through a former logging area to the top of the ridge to the West. At the top you will come to an intersection with the Miller Ridge Trail heading North (112). Wind along the top of the ridge for about 0.6 of a mile before descending to the Crooked Creek Trail Head (113.4).

Briefly walk South on Crooked Creek Road for 0.2 of a mile (113.6). Then cross the road and reenter trail on a sharp right turn headed North on the far side of Crooked Creek. Shortly you will begin a switchback to the ridge top that you will follow North to an intersection with Bartley Ridge Trail (115.1). Continuing on the ridge you come to the intersection (115.7) of Lucas Hollow Trail which coincides briefly with Bartley Ridge Trail. Bartley Ridge Trail and heads West to a Nature Conservancy facility, an archery range, and the TC Steel Memorial on TC Steel Road. Continue on the ridge until you begin a descent and reach Steven Road (117). Follow Stevens Road and then Lower Schooner Road going West and then turn right on TC Steel Road if left. You quickly cross Jackson Creek and reach Hight 46 at Belmont (118.4).

Resupplies - At Belmont there is the Hickory Shade Motel on the North side of Highway 46. You can also access Nashville (7.2 miles) or Bloomington (7.5 miles). Also, from the start of this section Brown County State Park Campground and Store is accessible (4.77 miles) by way of BC-D , and 10 O'Clock East Trail to Taylor Ridge Campground. Check the Town Guide For Details.)





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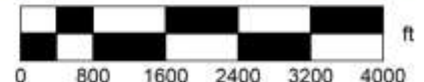
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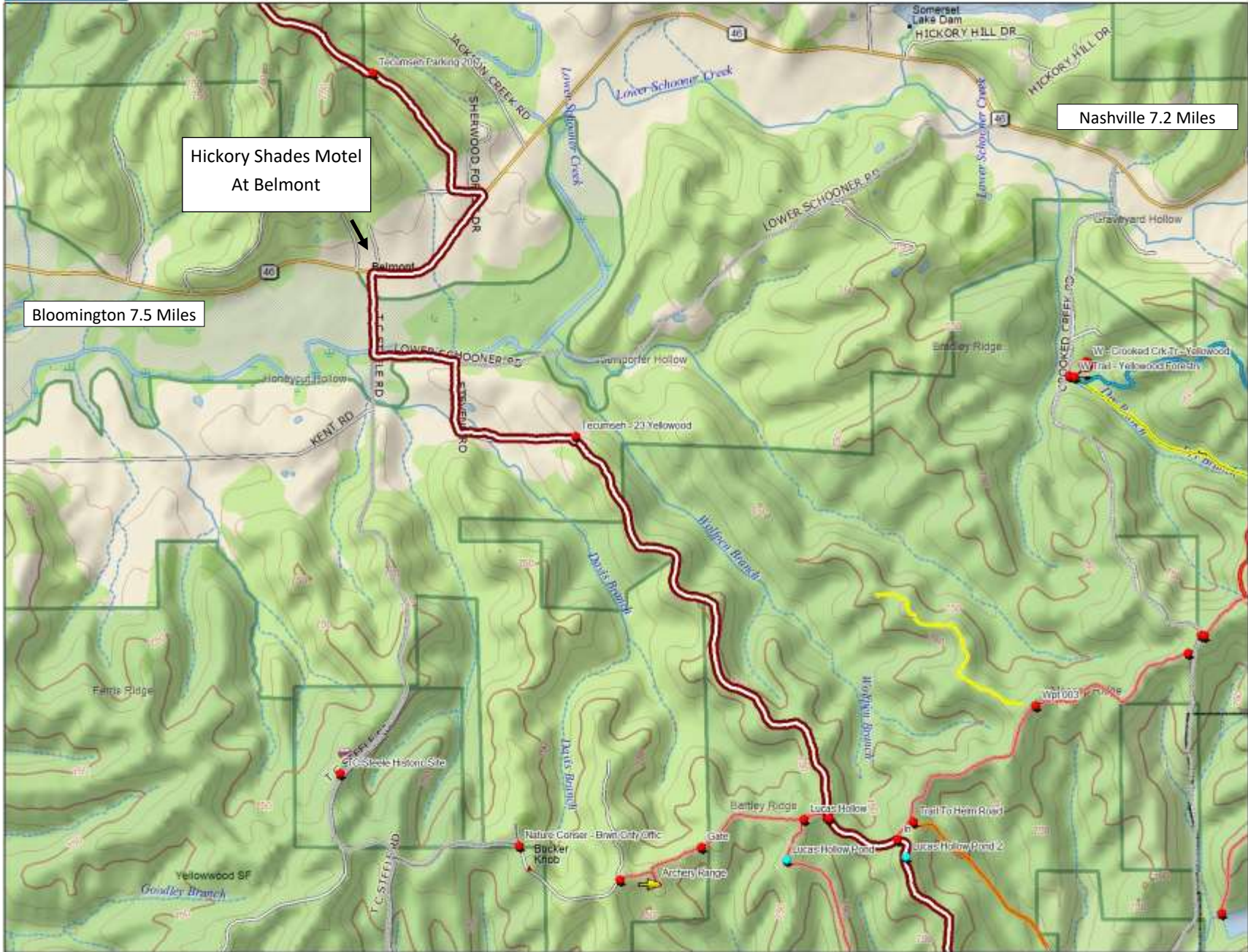


Camp Sites—Green Tents

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Hickory Shades Motel
At Belmont

Bloomington 7.5 Miles

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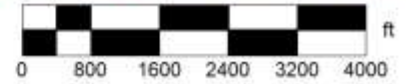
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KT - TT - 18 - Belmont Hwy 46 to Helmsburg Hwy 45 - 118.4 - 135.2



Highway 46 North - From the West intersection of the TT with Highway 46 turn right (East) and carefully follow the highway for 0.4 miles to (118.8) Scarce O Fat Ridge Road (Might also be known as Tulip Tree Road). Turn left West, pass Sherwood Forest Drive on the right, and then turn North in 0.1 (118.9). Continue on Scarce O Fat Ridge Road for 0.5 to a parking lot (119.4). Continue Northwest for 1.8 miles to the intersection with Yellowwood SF Trail - SF (121.2). Turn Right (East) on the SF Trail and eventually descend to a creek. Follow it for a while then climb steeply to the intersection of Trail SF & High King Hill Trail at the peak of High King Hill 1.6 (122.8). Descend on High King Trail to the dam of Yellowwood Lake 0.3 (123.1).

Yellowwood Lake Area - You will pass the Northeast end of Trail SF shortly before encountering Trail Z and Yellowwood Lake Trail Loop. Going East on Yellowwood Lake Trail will lead you to the campground at Yellowwood Lake in about 0.5 miles. Boat rentals are available at the camp dock. If you continue on the East side of the lake you will in another 1.5 miles past the camp reach the TT at Northern end of Yellowwood Lake(125.1). Continue on the Tecumseh Trail by following the West shore of Yellowwood Lake on the Yellowwood Lake Trail. In 1.8 (124.9) reach the intersections of Trail JC Loop (handicap accessible). In 0.2 (125.1) your reach Yellowwood Lake Road (1.5 miles South to the campground). Cross the Road and reach YZ Trail in 0.9 (126).



Yellowwood Lake To Highway 45 - For a while the TT parallels close to Trail Y which you can see to the East from time to time. In 0.1 (126.1) pass a wildlife pond. In 3.4 (129.5) reach a parking lot on Dubois Ridge Road. Head North on Dubois Ridge Road to the intersection with Lanan Ridge Road 0.4 (129.9). Quickly pass a pond as you head West on Lanan Ridge Road for 0.3 (130.2). Leave the road walk as you head north on hiking trail. In 1.2 (131.4) pass a wildlife pond. In 0.5 (131.9) reach Salmeron Road. Follow Salmeron Road for 0.4 (132.3) reach the Intersection of Salmeron, Plum Creek, & Indian Hill Roads (Dollsburly Junction - The Needmore Store is 1.2 miles W on Plum Creek Road.) Return to Trail for 1.6 and reach Indiana Hill's Charlies Shelter (133.9). From here there is a reroute eliminating most of the Indiana Hill Road Walk. The IndianHill access trail remains with TrHd Parking 0.5 miles to the West. Continue on the trail 1.1 miles to the (11) Bean Blossom Creek-Indian Hill Rd TrHd Parking at (135). 0.2 miles on Indian Hill Road will bring you to Hwy 45 at 135.2).

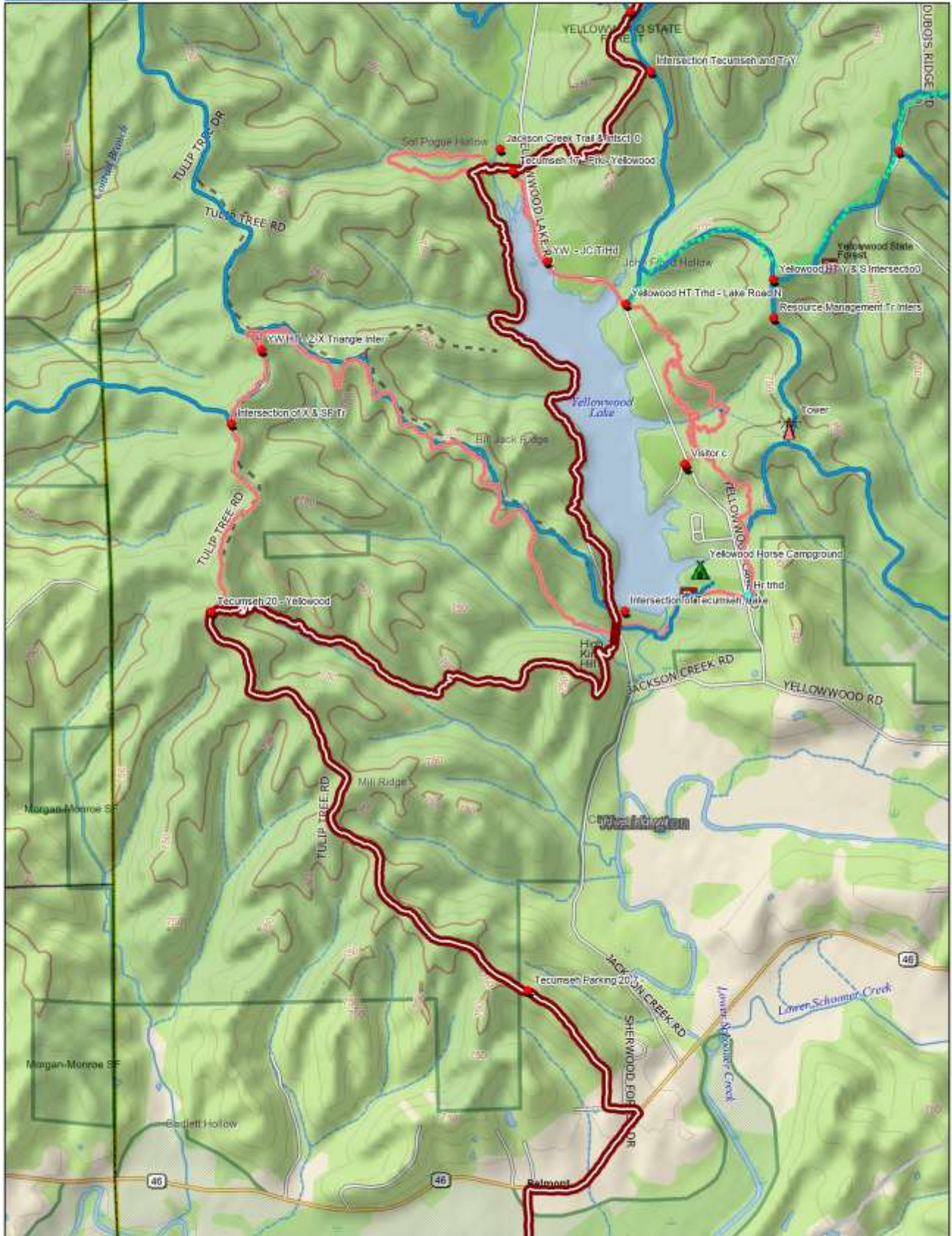


Helmsburg is 1.33 miles east with its small store and Post Office. And 3.8 miles East to Hwy 135 is Beanblossom with a Dollar General, Wild Hair salon, and Bill Monroe "Bluegrass" music park, campground and museum. In the other direction from the trail 2 miles to the West is the Needmore Grocery.

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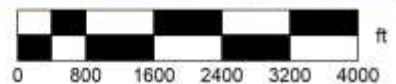
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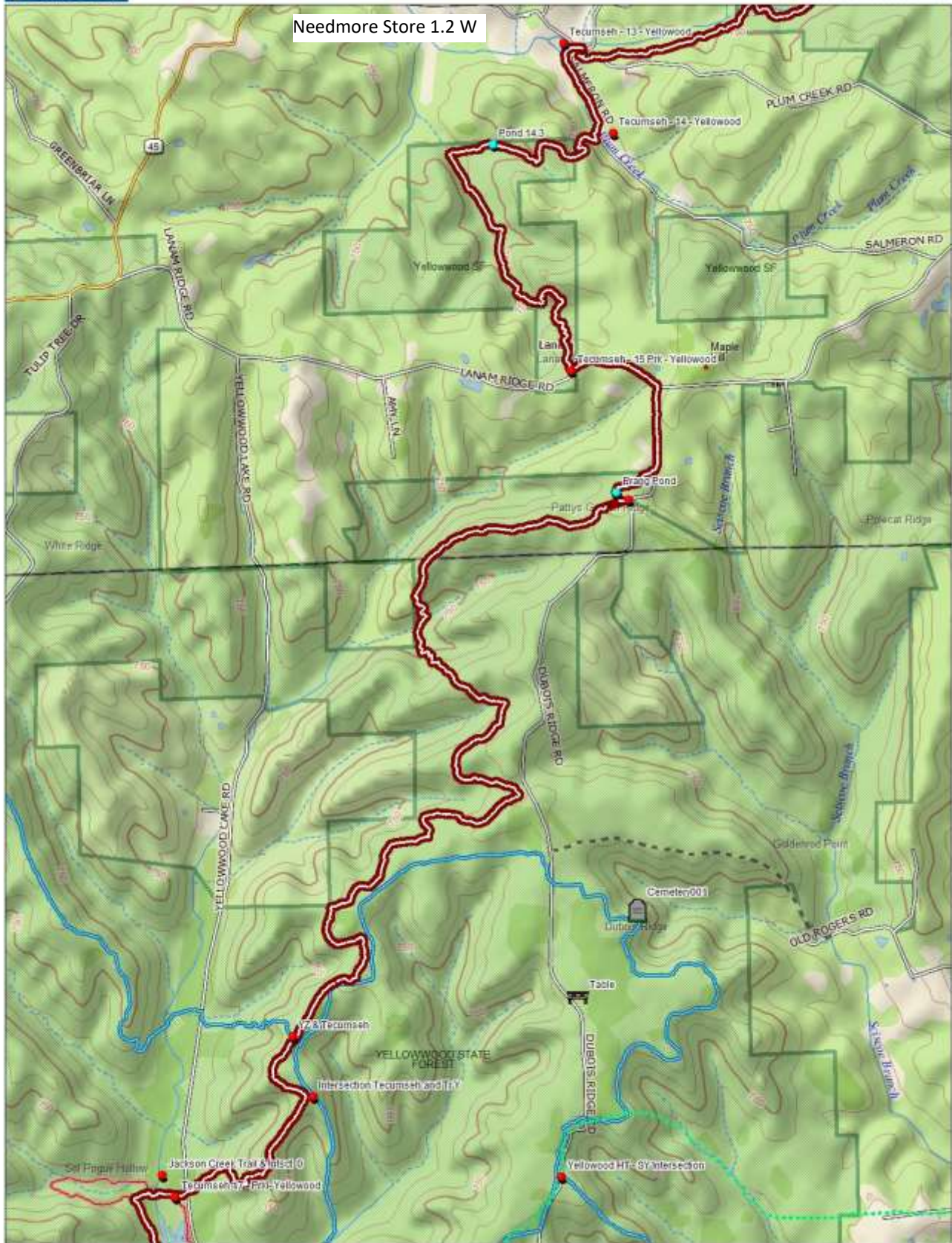


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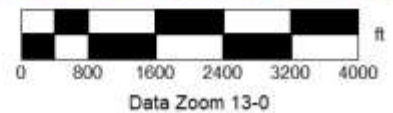
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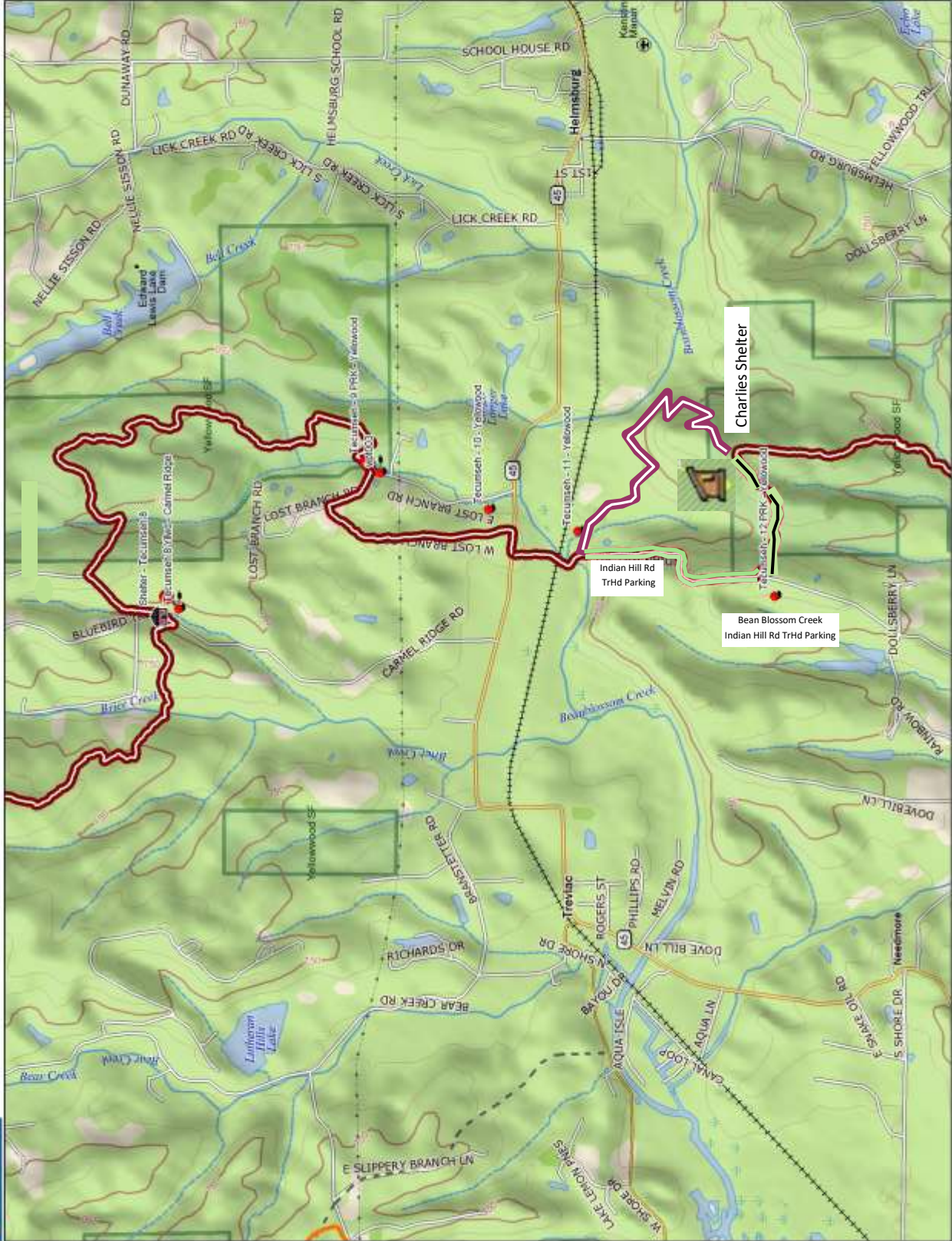
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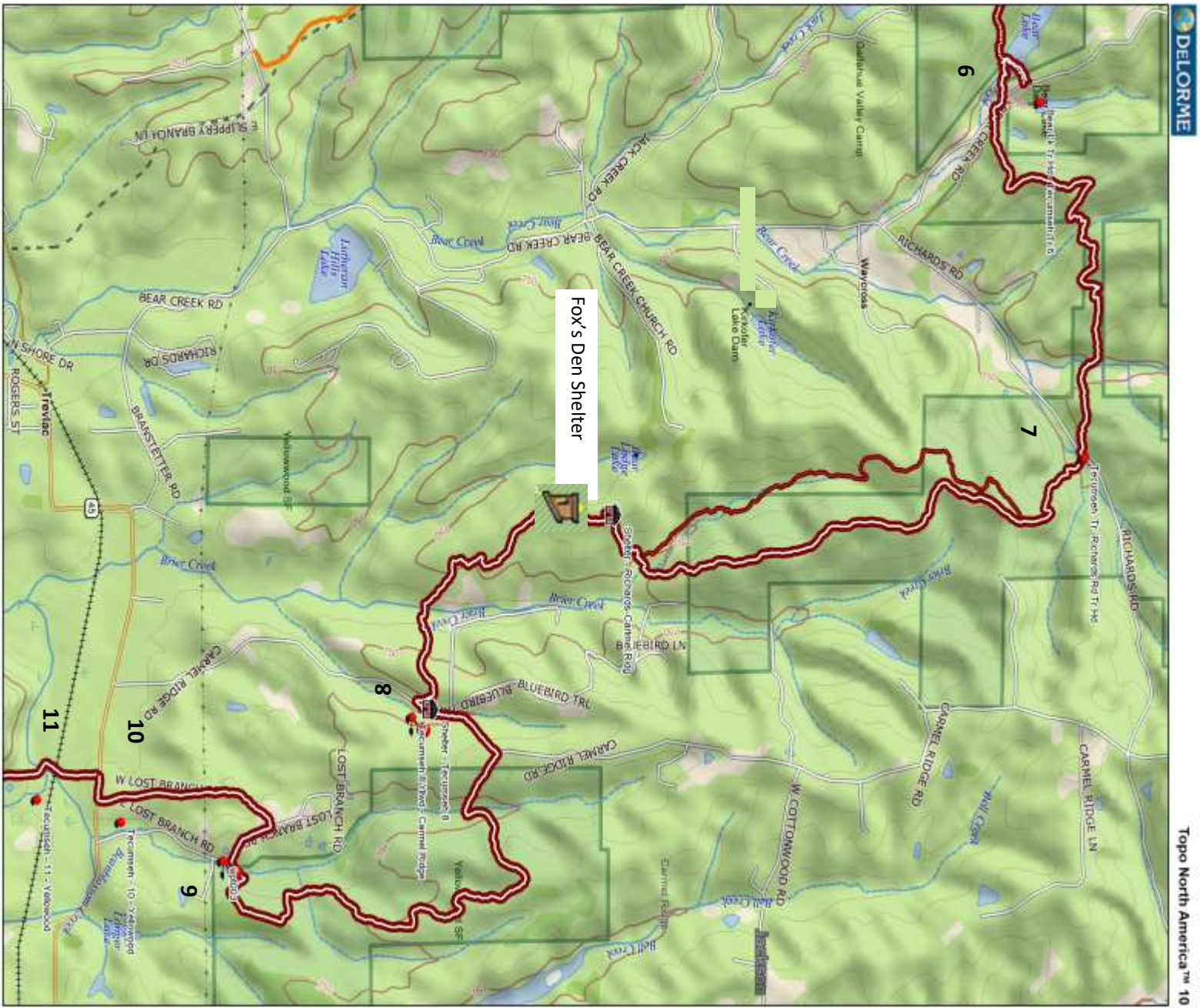
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KTP - TT - 19 - Helmsburg Hwy 45 to TT Northern Terminus - 135.2-154

Head East on Hwy 45 for 0.1 mile to West Lost Branch Road (135.3) - (10), turn North, and continue for 0.6 to the intersection of East Lost Branch Road (135.9). Head Southeast for 0.2 and return to trail at Trailhead Parking (136.1) - (9). Climb up and down a bit on the trail for 1.9 miles to Carmel Ridge Road (138). Begin a Road Walk for 0.3 mile to reach the intersection of Blue Ridge Road at (138.3)- (8). Continue on Carmel Ridge Road for 0.1 miles and reach trail to the West at (138.4). Continue West and then North for 1.2 miles and reach Fox's Den Shelter at (139.6). From here continue North for 0.2 miles to reach the South End of the Carmel Ridge Alternate at (139.8). The TT follows an old forest road. The Alt is on new trail dropping into a valley on private lands for much of its distance. Continue North on a ridge of the Tecumseh Trail (not the Alt) for another 1.4 miles and reach the North end of the Alt at (141.2). From here descent 0.4 mile to reach the crossing of Richard's Road with Trailhead Parking at ((141.6)- (7). Climb a bit and then descend for 1.8 miles crossing Bear Creek Road shortly before reaching Bear Creek Lake, with a side trail to the Trailhead parking at (143.4) - (6). Head West from Bear Lake for 1.5 miles and reach Possum Trot Road at (144.9). Possum Trot is a dirt log road that becomes graveled. Continue

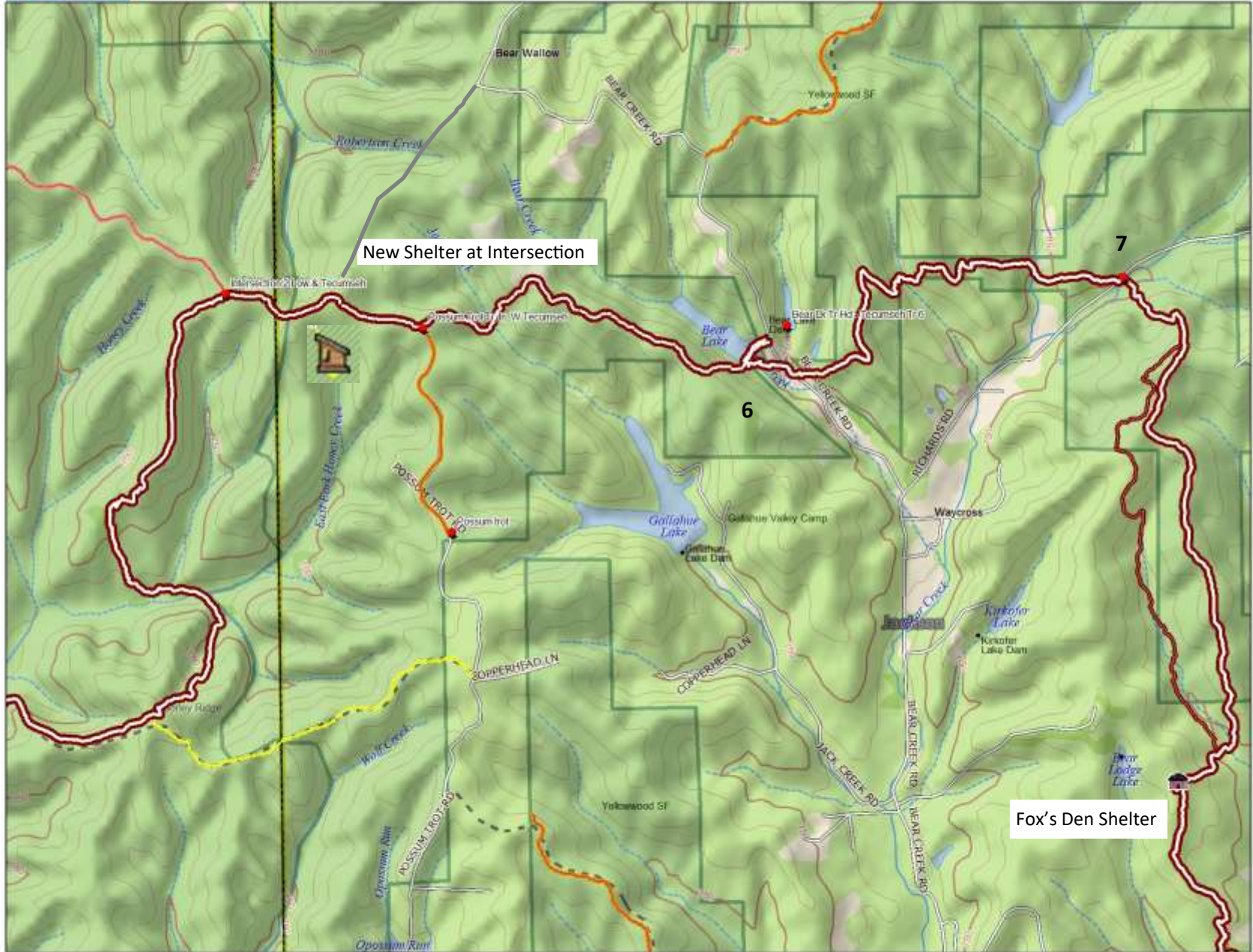
on for 0.3 and reach the new TT Shelter at the intersection with the log road out to Bear Creek Road. Continue West for 0.4 miles on trail to the East Intersection of Low Gap Trail at (145.6). Back country camping is permitted between here and shortly before Low Gap Road. Head South and the West for 2.7 miles to reach Back Country Parking on Low Gap Road at (148.3) - (5). Head Northwest for 1.6 miles to reach the East intersection with Rock Shelter Trail at (149.9). Then Head South for most of 0.8 before turning sharply North, and then sharply South, and then reaching Rock Shelter in Low Gap at (150.7) - (4). Head shortly South, then shortly West, and then head North for a total of 1.6 miles to reach the Landram Trailhead Parking at (152.3) - (3) where the West intersection of Rock Shelter Trail. Head North for 0.5 miles to reach the Draper Cabin Trail heading Southeast at (152.8). Continue North for 0.9 miles to reach the Orcutt Road Trailhead Parking at (153.7) - (2). Head West-northwest for 0.3 miles to reach the Northern Terminus Trailhead Parking of the Tecumseh Trail at the Morgan-Monroe SF office at (154) - (1).





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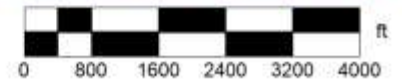




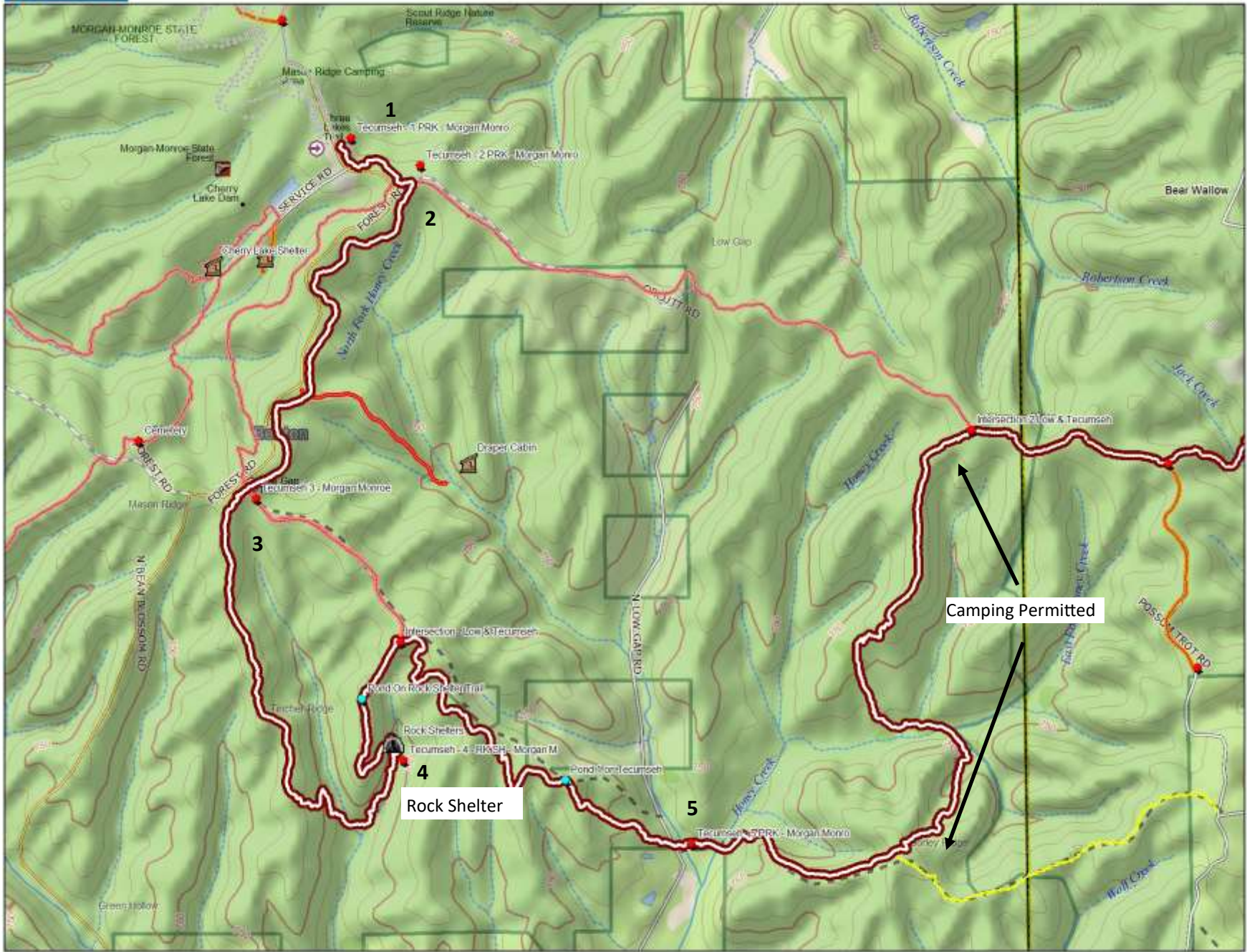
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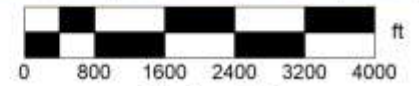
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