

JOE 2019 Information Packet for A Day at Promised Land State Park

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| Day: Sunday | Start Time: 8:30 am | End Time: 4:00 pm |
| Co-Leader: Daniel Gotlib | Co-Leader: Paul Silver | Limit: 12 people |
| Transportation: Three Personal Cars | Driver: Terry Auspitz / Amy Kravitz / Elliott Gross | Radios: 4 / First Aid Kits: 1 |
| Fees: Boat Rentals on Site | Travel Distance: 28 Mile one way | Travel Time: 30 Min one way |

A Day at Promised Land State Park

- Choose a morning activity:
 - Rent a boat to tour [Promised Land Lake](#) (422 acres lake). Types of boats include rowboats, canoes, one and two-person kayaks and paddleboats.
 - Enjoy a swim and relax at a large beach area with concession stand nearby for refreshments.
 - Bike the 6.5-mile paved road around Promised Land Lake, Lower Lake Road and in the park's six campgrounds (must provide own bike transportation).
- Choose an afternoon activity:
 - Hike to Little Falls.
 - Learn about Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) at the Masker Museum at Promised Land State Park. This museum is one of the largest museums in the Commonwealth and features interactive stories, displays, and artifacts that tell the story of the (CCC) in Promised Land. Then hike at Conservation Island (1.4 Mile Flat Hike)
 - Bike the 6.5-mile paved road around Promised Land Lake, Lower Lake Road and in the park's six campgrounds (must provide own bike and transportation).
- Bring swimming gear if you plan to swim or paddle, closed-toe water shoes for paddling, hiking shoes, hat, water, and food.
- Bring sun lotion and drinking water.
- Boat Rental: \$20/hr., \$30/2 hr., 4-8 hrs. \$50 (paid directly to the vendor on site) Prices from previous years info and may differ
- Distance from camp 30 Min (9:30am ~ 4:00pm)

Overall Plan:

1. Drive directly to the park office to get park maps and talk to the rangers (you will pass through most of the park including the lake area). Pick up the park newsletter to get info of any programs running that day and get trail conditions. The Rangers will be a good source to get a feel of the area. There are bathrooms at the office and the lake.
2. Once done with the Park office visit, go back north to the lake to be at the boat concession as early as possible. This will best guarantee boats will be available. The group all goes boating at the same time with each person paying for their boat (or ½ a boat for a tandem).
3. Lunch: Food can be purchased at the beach and a few sandwich shops in the town in the middle of the park via vehicle or pack your lunch at breakfast before leaving camp.
4. Swimming, Hiking, Museum, and other options are listed below.

Logistics

- 8:30 am Depart Cedar Lake Camp
- 8:30 am – 9:00 am Travel from Camp to Park Office
- 9:00 am – 9:30 am Talk with Park Ranger/Bathroom
- 9:30 am – 9:45 am Travel to Lake Front Area
- 9:45 am – 10:15 am Arrange Boat Rental/depart for biking
- 10:15: am – 12:30 pm Paddle Boats on the lake
- 12:30 pm – 1:00 pm Lunch
- 1:00 pm – 3:00 Hike to Little Falls/Museum Tour and Hike Conservation Island/Biking
- 3:00 pm -3:30 pm Regroup to get ready for a return to camp at the lakefront parking lot

- 3:30 pm -4:00 pm Travel back to camp

Discuss activity options at the Meet Your Leader meeting:

Swimming: Two sand beaches are open daily from late-May to mid-September, 8 a.m. to sunset. The main beach is in the Day Use Picnic Area. The Pickerel Point Beach is at the end of Pickerel Point. Swim at your own risk. Please read and follow posted rules for swimming. There are no lifeguards. Explore [swimming](#) for more information.

Refreshment Stand: Located in the Day Use Picnic Area, near the main beach, the stand offers food and beverages. It is open each season from Memorial Day through Labor Day. The Concession is open from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. daily. 570-676-0311

Boat Rental: Located off of PA 390, south of the Day Use Area, the boat concession offers rentals by the hour, day, overnight, or week. Types of boats include rowboats, canoes, one and two-person kayaks and paddleboats. The Boat Concession operates daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Monday through Friday, and 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. Saturday, Sunday, and holidays. Rowboat/ Canoe Rental Rates: \$20/hr., \$30/2 hr., 4-8 hrs. \$50 (arrange among the group to share rental costs.)

- 1 Boat Rental Road, Greentown, PA 18426 (41.316846, -75.209138)

The Masker Museum: The Masker Museum at Promised Land State Park is one of the largest Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) museums in the commonwealth, and features: Interactive stories, Displays, and Artifacts that tell the story of the CCC in Promised Land. The museum is located off of Pickerel Point Road by the amphitheater and Pickerel Point Campground. Admission to the museum is free.

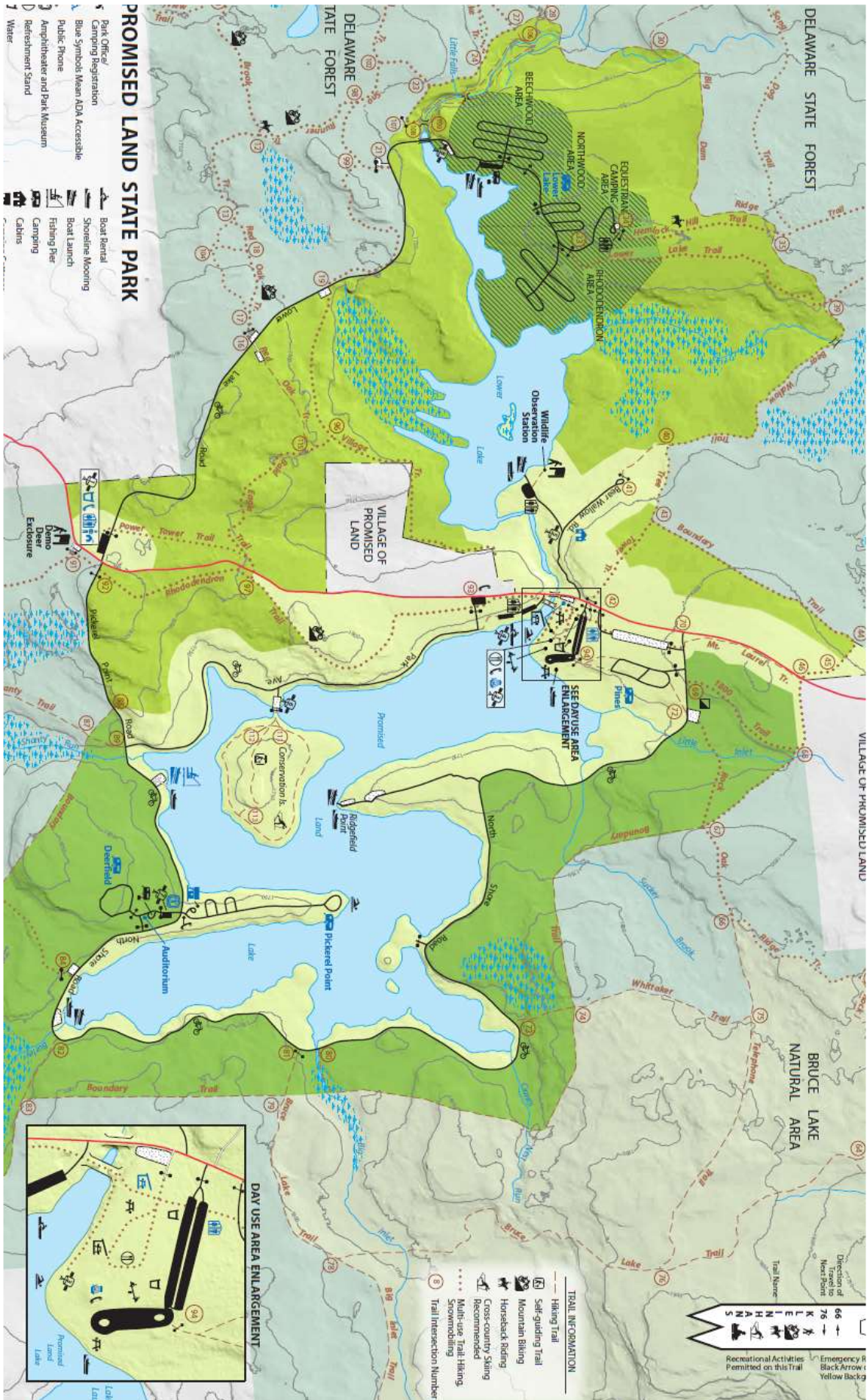
- A section of the Masker Museum has natural history displays, including Mounted animals, Interactive displays of natural features found in the area, Children's books, Field guides, and Bird observation area
- The museum also has a native plant garden and bird feeding stations.
- The museum is located off of Pickerel Point Road by the amphitheater and Pickerel Point Campground. Admission to the museum is free. This activity or structure is ADA accessible.
- Corner of Museum Rd and Deerfield Rd, Greentown, PA (41.301515, -75.194657)

Hiking: Hike the small waterfalls along Little Falls Trail or walk a loop around Conservation Island. A self-guided trail guide to Conservation Island can be obtained at the park office.

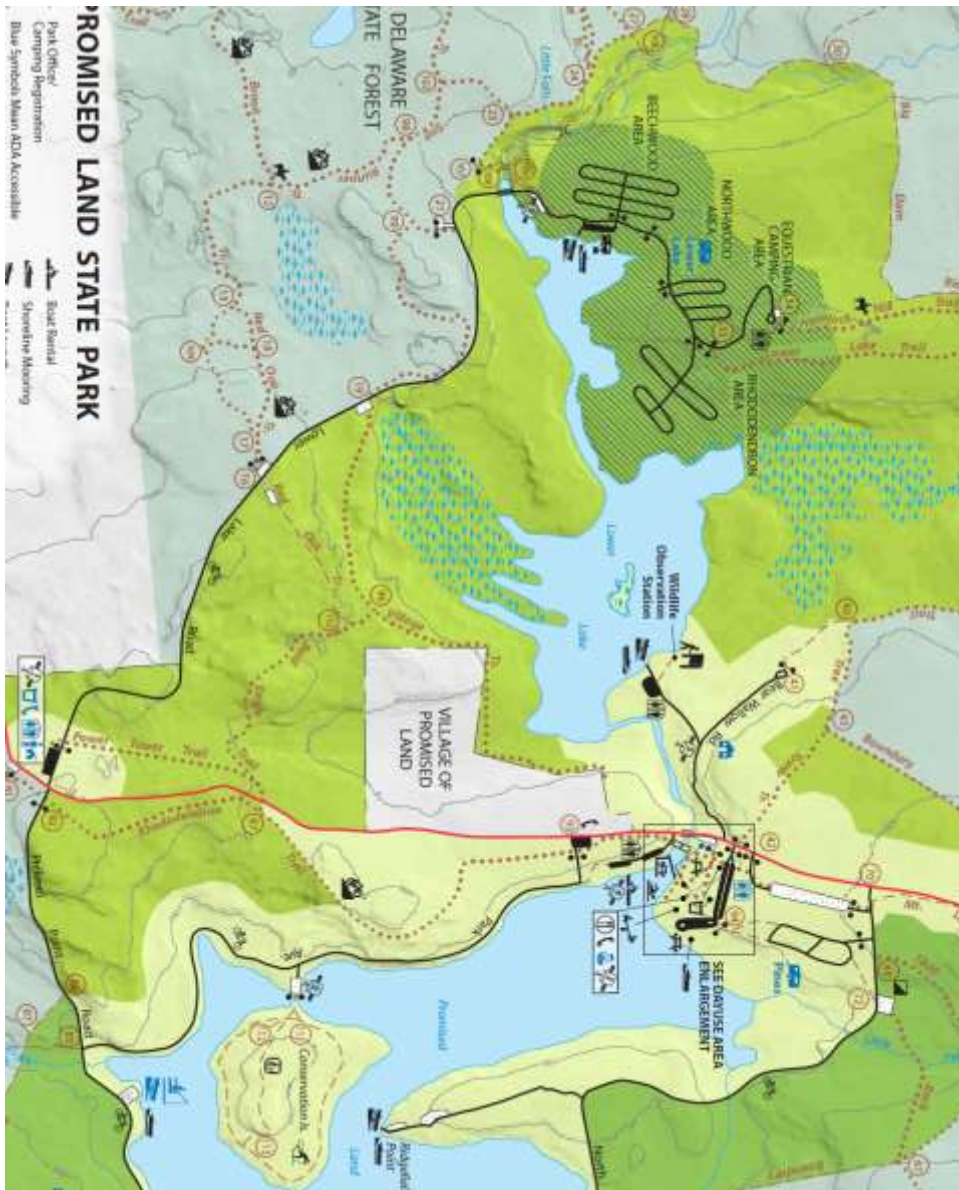
Trail Signing System: Designated recreational trails are all marked with vertical blue blazes. At each trail intersection, a sign designates the trail name, intersection number, trail uses, emergency route, distances, directions, and other pertinent information. Permitted trail usage is designated by international symbols. Any other markings are NOT relevant to this trail system. Additional trail information and descriptions are available at the park office.

Biking: Riders share the road on the 6.5-mile paved road around Promised Land Lake, Lower Lake Road and in the park's six campgrounds. Mosaic requires all bikers to wear a helmet while riding a bike. Please ride single file on all park roads. All Pennsylvania Vehicle Code Statutes apply when riding on state park roads. Please avoid riding PA 390 when possible; use Rhodendron Trail instead. There is no place to rent a bike. You must bring your own bike in your own vehicle.

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Areas of interest:



1. Day use area has a very nice beach.
2. There are boat rentals by the hour just nearby the day-use area. It is along the road just before going into the beach parking lot.
3. At the other end of the lower lake just before the Beachwood Campgrounds is a pull off. There is a nice short hike to Little Falls.
 - a. Take the road south until you see signs for park office.
 - b. Stop in the park office to get a map of little falls.
 - c. Continue down Lower Lake road until you come to bridge over the dam.
 - d. There will be a small parking area on the right.
4. Conservation Island is a nice to walk to check out.
5. Ridgefield Point has some summer houses, interesting to drive around the lake and check them out.

Conservation Island



DIRECTIONS: GPS Coordinates: 41.306599, -75.204756

HIKE DISTANCE: 1.4 miles

HIKE SUMMARY:

[0.00] From parking cross bridge

[0.10] Turn right at the kiosk; keep right at trail intersection a few steps ahead

[0.30] Wide woods road becomes a more narrow footpath

[0.55] Turn right on blue-blazed trail when it crosses over

[0.85] Trail makes a sharp left turn (unmarked) where straight dead ends in rhododendron thicket; in a few steps turn right as blue trail joins woods road coming in from left

[1.05] Keep right on blue when woods road leaves to the left

[1.30] Turn right when blue joins woods road

[1.35] Keep right when trail forks to the left at intersection post 111; turn right at the kiosk to bridge

[1.40] Back at the parking lot



<http://gonehikin.blogspot.com/2012/06/promised-land-state-park-conservation.html>

Little Falls Hike

https://youtu.be/4U-dkDI_12Y

<https://youtu.be/OYn3nSRvu3c>

https://youtu.be/xVpWEL92L_g?t=68

DIRECTIONS: GPS Coordinates: 41.314442, -75.234646

Little Falls by itself is a short 1.4 miles hike. You can extend this hike out the other trails. See map insert below.

Miles: 1.0 or more. Level, but rocky with many exposed roots.

Lot: N41.31442° W75.23489° – on Lower Lake Road

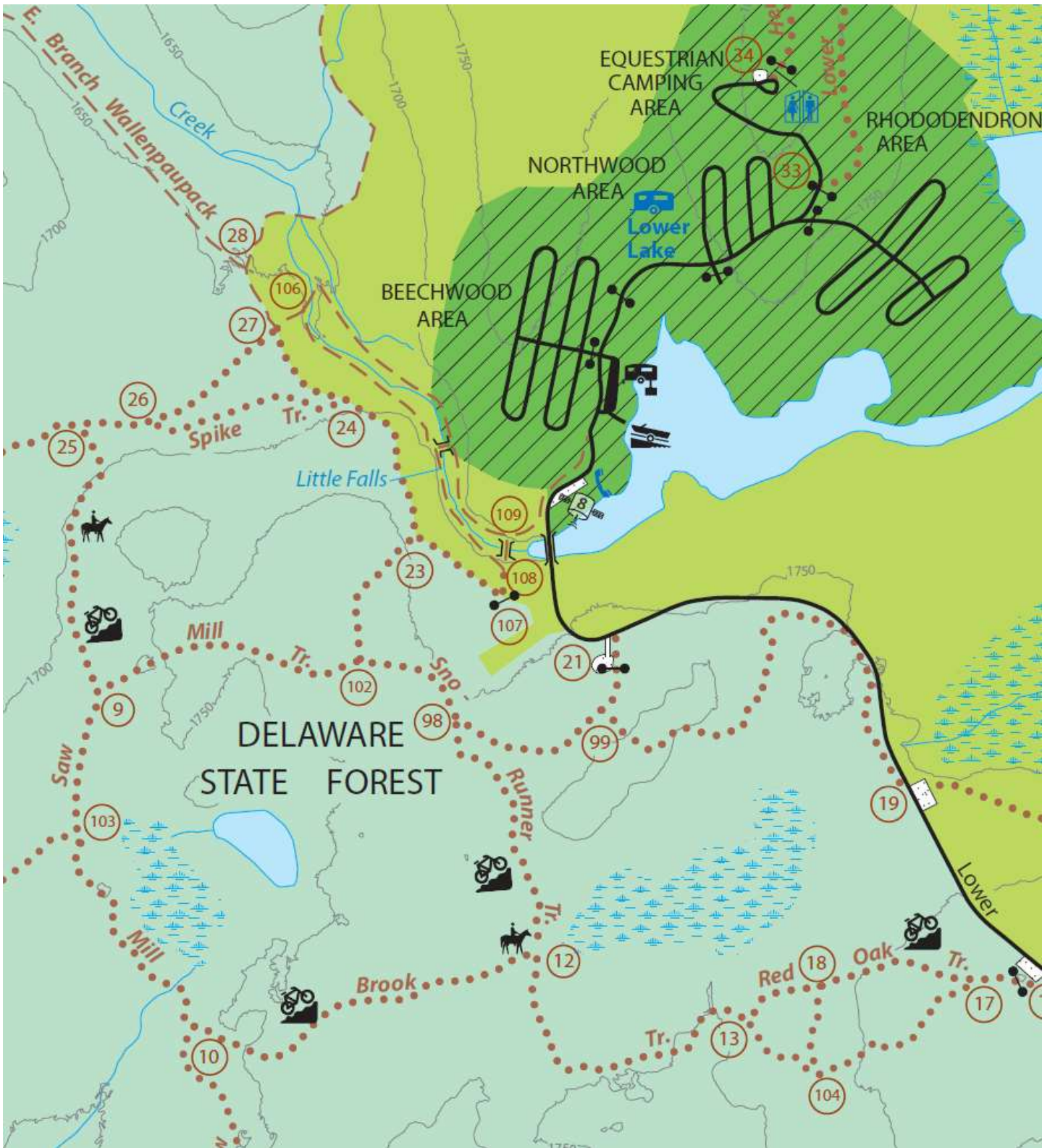
Continue on the road that the park office is on. The lot is on the right side, just past a dam. The trail starts across from the parking lot. Follow it as it turns to the left, you'll see the dam you just drove over. After crossing the bridge, turn right to follow the trail along the water. There are many cascades as the water washes over the rocky stream. Cross another bridge at the half-way point and follow the trail back along the stream. Or continue further on.

Note: In this park, all trails are marked with BLUE blazes with numbered posts at intersections that correspond to the park map.

HIKE SUMMARY:

- [0.00] Walk to the end of parking closest to bridge, crossroad and take the trail to the intersection; turn left at "Little Falls Trail" sign
- [0.10] Turn right on the blue-blazed trail before bridge
- [0.50] Little Falls; keep straight at the bridge (the trail is supposed to continue on another half mile before crossing over the creek)
- [0.70] Trail appears to fizzle out in a swamp; retrace
- [0.95] Turn right and cross over the bridge; turn left other side of the bridge
- [1.30] Turn left and cross the bridge; keep straight after the bridge
- [1.40] Turn right at "Little Falls Trail" sign and crossroad back to the parking lot



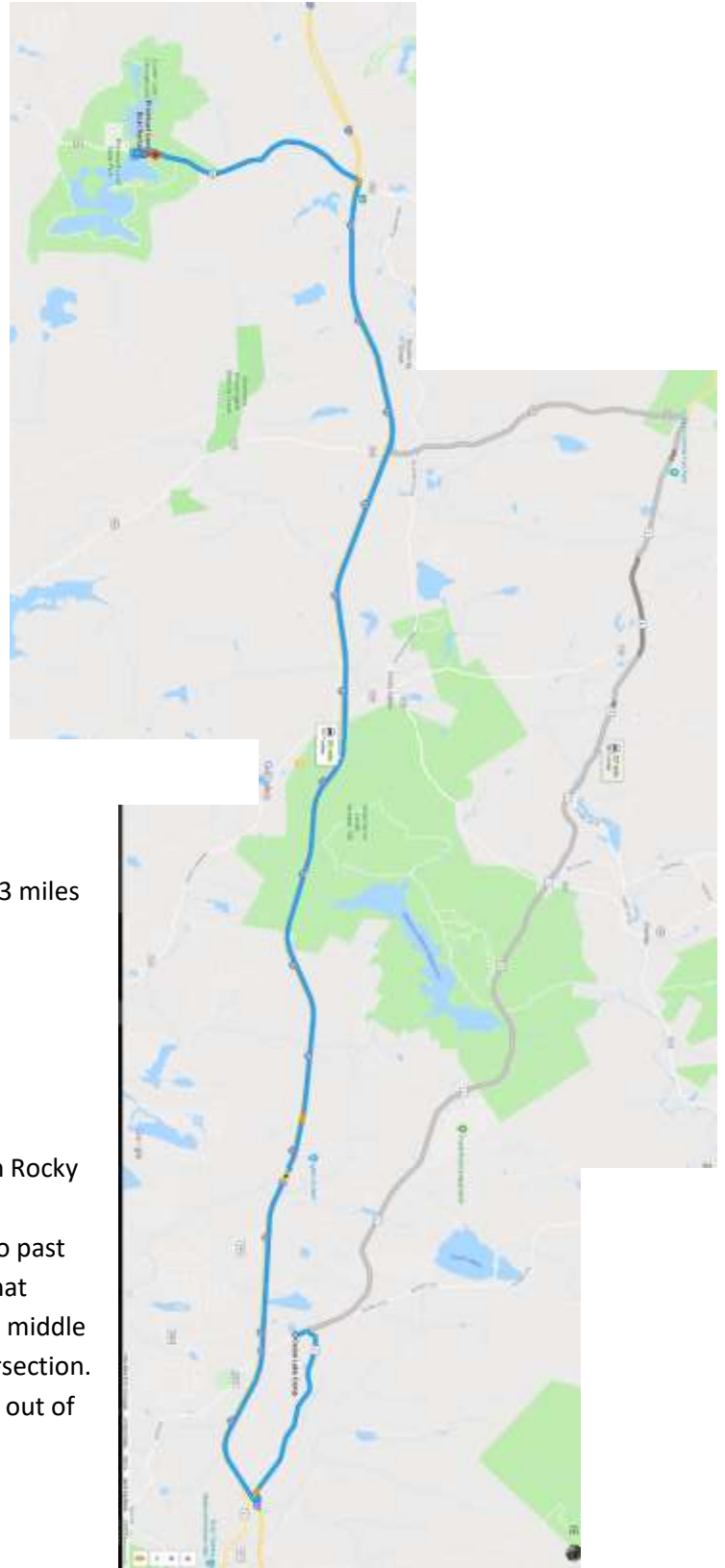


Driving Directions from Cedar Lake Camp to the Park Office at Promised Land State Park

Promised Land State Park Office is at 100 Lower Lake Road (41.299628, -75.213794) near the intersection of Rt. 390.

30MIN 27.7MI

1. Start out going northwest on Sawkill Rd toward Bridge Rd.
 - a. Then 0.21 miles 0.21 total miles
2. Take the 1st right onto Bridge Rd.
 - a. If you reach Grand Army of the Republic Hwy you've gone about 0.2 miles too far
 - b. Then 0.16 miles 0.37 total miles
3. Turn right onto Grand Army of the Republic Hwy/US-6 E. Continue to follow US-6 E.
 - a. Then 2.54 miles 2.90 total miles
4. Merge onto I-84 W via the ramp on the left.
 - a. Then 19.78 miles 22.69 total miles
5. Take the PA-390 exit, EXIT 26, toward Tafton/Promised Land State Park.
 - a. Then 0.29 miles 22.98 total miles
6. Turn left onto Fairview Lake Rd/PA-390.
 - a. If you reach I-84 W, you've gone about 0.3 miles too far
 - b. Then 1.61 miles 24.59 total miles
7. Keep right at the fork to go on PA-390.
 - a. Then 3.07 miles 27.66 total miles
8. Turn right onto Lower Lake Rd.
 - a. Lower Lake Rd is 0.6 miles past Cedar Ln
 - b. If you are on Promised Land Rd and reach Rocky Rd, you've gone about 0.2 miles too far
 - c. You will enter the park from the north. Go past the lakefront area and the small village that follows. Once past the small village in the middle of the park, watch for the next main intersection.
 - d. You have gone too far if you find yourself out of the park a second time (permanently).
 - e. Then 0.01 miles 27.68 total miles
9. The office will be on your left. Large parking lot.



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Nearest Hospital with Wayne Memorial Hospital @ 601 Park Street, Honesdale, PA 18431

<http://www.wmh.org/wayne-memorial-hospital/emergency-department/>

Main: 570-253-8100 / Room: 570-253-8100 /

Emergency Department: 570-253-8141

40MIN 22.6MI

1. Start out going west on N Shore Rd toward Ridgefield Point Rd.
 - a. Then 0.99 miles 0.99 total miles
2. Turn right onto Fairview Lake Rd/PA-390.
 - a. Then 1.29 miles 2.28 total miles
3. Keep left at the fork to go on PA-390.
 - a. Then 6.76 miles 9.04 total miles
4. Turn slight right onto Lake Wallenpaupack Rd/PA-507. Continue to follow PA-507.
 - a. PA-507 is 0.1 miles past Entrance Rd
 - b. Then 1.49 miles 10.53 total miles
5. Turn left onto Route 6/US-6 W.
 - a. Then 1.36 miles 11.89 total miles
6. Turn left onto Purdytown Turnpike/PA-590.
 - a. Purdytown Turnpike is 0.1 miles past Critter Way
 - b. If you are on Welwood Ave and reach Roosevelt Dr, you've gone about 0.1 miles too far
 - c. Then 0.87 miles 12.75 total miles
7. Turn right onto Owego Turnpike.
 - a. Owego Turnpike is just past Degroat Rd
 - b. If you reach Holland Rd you've gone a little too far
 - c. Then 5.51 miles 18.27 total miles
8. Turn right onto Intervale Rd/SR8003.
 - a. Intervale Rd is 0.2 miles past Maplevue Dr
 - b. If you reach Whitetail Pl, you've gone about 0.4 miles too far
 - c. Then 0.13 miles 18.40 total miles
9. Turn left onto Lake Ariel Hwy/PA-191. Continue to follow PA-191.
 - a. Then 3.44 miles 21.84 total miles
10. Turn left onto Church St/US-6 W/PA-191.
 - a. Then 0.63 miles 22.46 total miles
11. Turn left onto Park St/US-6 W/PA-191. Continue to follow Park St/US-6 W.
 - a. Then 0.16 miles 22.62 total miles
12. Wayne Memorial Hospital, 601 Park St, Honesdale, PA, 601 PARK ST is on the right.
 - a. Your destination is just past West St
 - b. If you reach Maple Ave, you've gone about 0.4 miles too far

