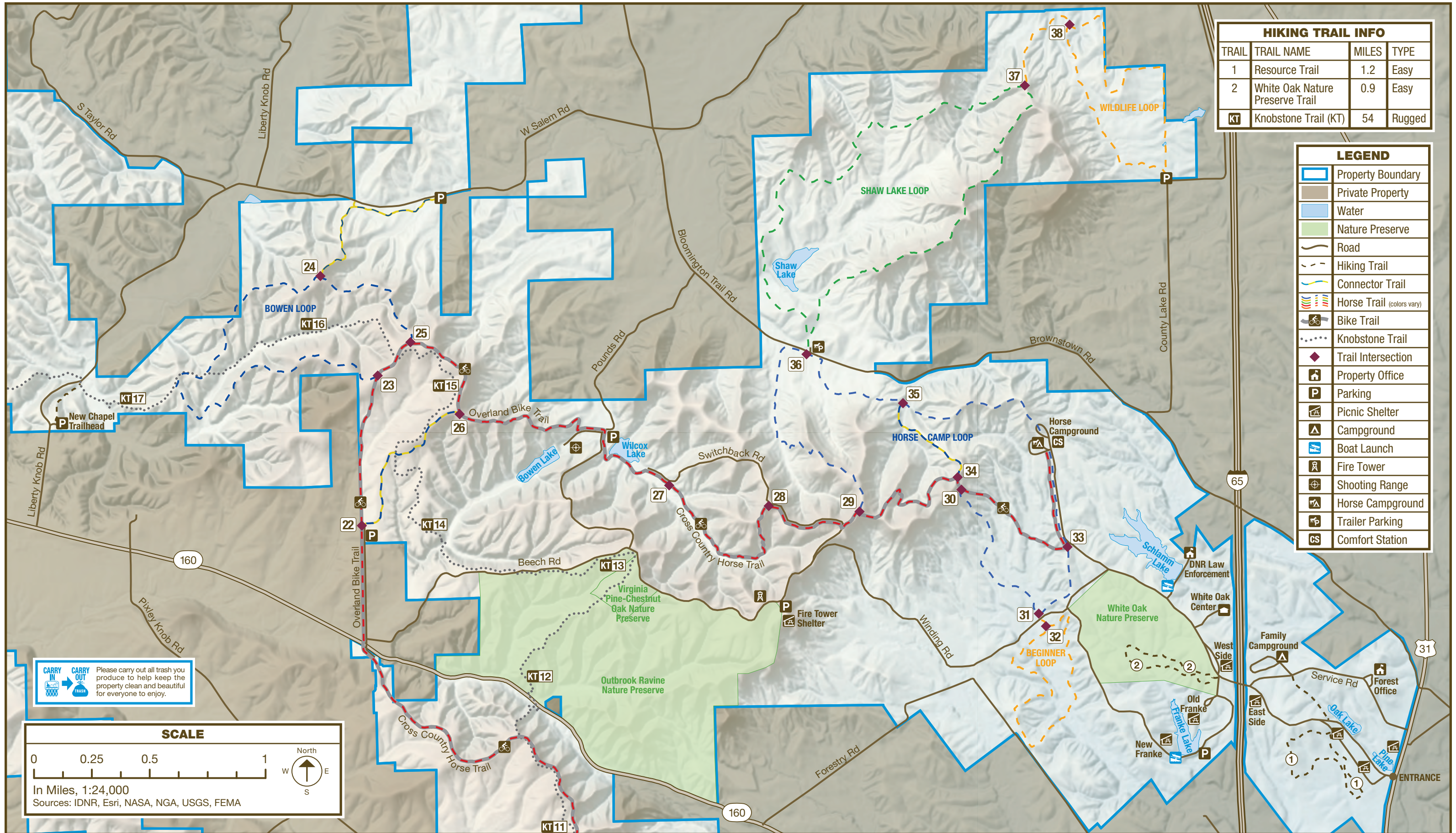


CLARK STATE FOREST - NORTH

2 Service Road | Henryville, IN 47126 | 812-294-4306
 25,600 Acres | Established 1903



HIKING TRAIL INFO			
TRAIL	TRAIL NAME	MILES	TYPE
1	Resource Trail	1.2	Easy
2	White Oak Nature Preserve Trail	0.9	Easy
KT	Knobstone Trail (KT)	54	Rugged

LEGEND	
	Property Boundary
	Private Property
	Water
	Nature Preserve
	Road
	Hiking Trail
	Connector Trail
	Horse Trail (colors vary)
	Bike Trail
	Knobstone Trail
	Trail Intersection
	Property Office
	Parking
	Picnic Shelter
	Campground
	Boat Launch
	Fire Tower
	Shooting Range
	Horse Campground
	Trailer Parking
	Comfort Station

CARRY IN CARRY OUT
 Please carry out all trash you produce to help keep the property clean and beautiful for everyone to enjoy.

SCALE

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In Miles, 1:24,000
 Sources: IDNR, Esri, NASA, NGA, USGS, FEMA

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WELCOME TO CLARK STATE FOREST



OUR STORY

Clark State Forest, established in 1903, is Indiana's oldest state forest. The original purchase included 2,000 acres and now comprises 25,600 acres in Clark, Scott, and Washington counties. Clark State Forest blends a unique combination of forest management and recreational activities. Guests can camp, picnic, hike, bike and ride horses on 70 miles of trails.



HIKING TRAILS

Hikers are advised to wear hunter orange or other bright clothing while using the trails, especially during hunting season. Check with the office or property website for announcements or advisories.

TRAIL & DESCRIPTION	DISTANCE	DIFFICULTY
1. Resource Trail	1.2 mi.	Easy

This self-guided interpretive loop features 14 stops. The trailhead can be accessed from the Oak Lake Shelter.

2. White Oak Nature Preserve Trail	0.9 mi.	Easy
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This trail loops through the nature preserve. The trailhead can be accessed off the south side of Winding Road, west of I-65, and parking is available at West Shelter.

3. Knobstone Trail	54 mi.	Rugged
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See below.



KT KNOBSTONE TRAIL

The Knobstone Trail (KT), Indiana's longest footpath, is a 54-mile backcountry-hiking trail. The KT traverses extreme relief lands distinguished by narrow, relatively flat-topped ridges passing through Clark State Forest (32 mi.), Elk Creek Public Fishing Area (4 mi.), and Jackson-Washington State Forest (18 mi.). The trail extends from Deam Lake, just north of State Road 60 in Clark County, to Delaney Park, just east of S.R. 135 in Washington County. The initial 32-mile segment of the trail was opened in 1980.

PET RESPONSIBILITY: Dogs should be on a leash in all areas and during all activities.



ACTIVITIES & FACILITIES

BACKCOUNTRY CAMPING: Available along the Knobstone Trail, this area is restricted to minimal-impact camping/hiking to preserve its natural state. Camping groups are restricted to either family units or groups not exceeding six persons. No campsite may be established within a quarter mile of access points into the area. Camping is restricted to a three-night maximum. The area may close during periods of high fire danger. Guests must carry out all trash they carry in.

BOATING: Schlamm Lake and Franke Lake offer concrete boat ramps. A current DNR Lake Permit is required for all private boats and can be purchased at the property office. Trolling motors are allowed; gasoline engines are not. No swimming in any of the lakes.

CAMPFIRES: Small campfires are allowed while backcountry camping. Use only small dead and downed wood. Do not break or cut tree limbs or trees, even dead ones. Campfires may be banned during dry conditions. Make sure campfires are allowed during your trip.

CAMPING: Two first-come, first-served primitive campgrounds and a horse campground are available. Each camp site has a picnic table and fire pit and each horse camp site has a hitching post. A dump station is available in the horse campground for all camping guests. There are pit toilets throughout. Water is available year-round. All camping guests are required to self-register and pay at the property office.

COMFORT STATION: The comfort station for both campgrounds is in the equestrian campground. This facility is available to paid campers only. It is a modern restroom facility offering showers, toilets, urinals, sinks, and changing tables for young children. Also included is a separate small bathroom that offers the same amenities for winter use, when the main facility is closed for the winter.

FISHING: There are seven fishing lakes: Bowen (7 acres), Franke (12 acres), Oak (2.5 acres), Pine (2 acres), Schlamm (18 acres), Shaw (13 acres), and Wilcox (5 acres). A valid Indiana fishing license is required. Fishing licenses may be purchased at on.IN.gov/INHuntFish.

HORSE RIDING: 70 miles of horse trails with posts marked with colored symbols. Horse riders must carry a daily or annual horse tag. Both can be purchased at the property office.



HORSE TRAIL DESCRIPTIONS

Riding horses on state property requires a daily or annual horse tag-available at the property office.

TRAIL & DESCRIPTION	DISTANCE	COLOR	DIFFICULTY
Beginner Loop	2 mi.	Orange	Easy

This wider trail is ideal for beginners.

Bowen Loop	3.1 mi.	Blue	Moderate
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Several scenic vistas. Travels through upland forests containing chestnut oak and pine trees.

Cross Country Trail	17.7 mi.	Red	Easy/Very Rug.
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Various types of scenery, terrain, and wildlife provides adventurous day-long rides.

Horse Camp Loop	4.9 mi.	Blue	Rugged
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Good scenery, crosses a creek, passes several vistas, switches back and cuts around knobs.

Shaw Lake Loop	4.2 mi.	Green	Very Rug.
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Scenic trail, high vistas with two steep areas.

Wildlife Loop	2.3 mi.	Orange	Easy
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Wide trails with wildlife openings and ponds.

Connector Trails	varies	Blue/Yellow	
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Connects riders to other trails.



CAMPFIRES & SAFETY

- Check if campfires are allowed during your trip. Dry conditions may cause temporary burn bans.
- Use only small dead and downed wood. Do not break or cut tree limbs or trees, even dead ones. Dead trees provide habitat for many wildlife.
- Do not stockpile wood. While once considered friendly, today it can reduce the spirit of solitude and independence that people seek when backcountry camping.
- Any campfire in a backcountry area should be in a pit 12 inches or less in diameter. A 3-foot diameter area should be cleared around the fire.
- DNR recommends cooking with a portable backpacking stove instead of a fire. A portable stove will cook your meal more efficiently. and reduces marring the camp area.
- Leave No Trace-Before leaving a campfire, mix ashes with the soil to be sure it is extinguished, fill the pit, and cover the cleared area with the humus layer that was originally removed.



HUNTING: White-tailed deer, squirrel and raccoon are commonly hunted. A valid hunting license is required. Designated trails are available for disabled hunter access. All hunters must have the necessary permits and license. Hunting and trapping regulations can be found in the DNR Hunting and Trapping Guide or at on.IN.gov/huntingguide.



MOUNTAIN BIKING: An Off-Road Cycling Permit is required on mountain bike trails on state property. Permits can be purchased at the property office during operating hours. Bikers share this trail with horseback riders and hikers. Mountain bikers and hikers should yield right-of-way to horseback riders.



PICNICKING: Multiple public use picnic areas. Areas are first-come, first-served and are equipped with tables and grills.



PICNIC SHELTERS: Equipped with tables and grills. Available for public use but may be reserved for day use at camp.IN.gov or 1-866-622-6746.



SHOOTING RANGE: Outdoor firearms range features two 25-yard lines and one 50-yard line. Only paper targets are allowed and you must bring your own. Properly dispose of used targets. All range guests older than 18 must have a \$5 day pass or a \$25 annual permit-available at the property office. Guests under 18 must be accompanied by an adult. All range guests must sign in and out on the sheet posted outside of the property office.

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HORSEBACK RULES & ETIQUETTE

- A DNR Horse Tag is required for each horse.
- One horse trailer is permitted per campsite.
- Horses must be tied to hitching rails in the Horse Campground. Tying to trees or spigot lines, or setting up corrals or electric fences is prohibited.
- Owners of unruly and disruptive animals that pose a safety hazard may be asked to remove such animals from the property without refund.
- Horseback riding is prohibited on all forest roads/roadsides unless it is a horse trail. Roads in the Horse Campground are an exception.
- Wagons and buggies are prohibited from using forest roads and trails.
- Horses are prohibited in the family campground, picnic areas, and forest office/service area.
- Please be courteous to other horseback riders and hikers while using the forest trails.
- Leave no litter on the horse trails.
- Clean your campsite of all manure, hay, and bedding before leaving. Manure bins are located throughout the campground.
- Horses are prohibited on the Knobstone Trail and all other hiking-only trails.



MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL

TRAIL & DESCRIPTION	DISTANCE	COLOR
Overland	20 mi.	Gray

Uses parts of several horse trails, the Lake Vista Trail, and the Deam Lake Loop. Offers opportunities to make loops or travel between campgrounds. The trail winds through upland forests, travels along bottomlands and creeks, and offers views of the tornado aftermath. Numerous spectacular views into ravines and valleys, including a vista of Deam Lake from a high ridge, can be seen.

PLEASE STAY ON MARKED TRAILS.



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