

LICK HOLLOW AREA AND WHITETAIL TRAIL

Forbes State Forest contains many miles of maintained trails, designed for a variety of recreational pursuits such as hiking, cross-country skiing, snowmobiling, equestrian use, and mountain biking.

Lick Hollow State Forest Picnic Area—This beautiful picnic area is located off Route 40, along Lick Run. It is open from Memorial Day to Labor Day, between sunrise and sunset. This area features picnic tables, charcoal grills, and restrooms. The Lick Hollow Nature Trail and Pine Knob Trail are accessed from the picnic area.

Lick Hollow Nature Trail—3/4 mile long trail is a leisurely walk through the picnic area. The trail is self-guided, with 20 interpretive stops, and interpretive pamphlets can be found at the picnic area. You will learn about a few tree species native to this area, how riparian areas are important to wildlife, about insects and disease, and other topics.

Pine Knob Trail—Just 2 miles long, and stretches from the picnic area to the Pine Knob overlook. The trail parallels Lick Run for parts of its length, but it is a rugged trail for the most part. The elevation of this trail changes about 700 vertical feet from its lowest point of 1,440 feet above sea level at the picnic area, to approximately 2,130 feet at the Pine Knob Overlook. Be prepared for a 4 hour roundtrip. Pack plenty of liquids during the summer and warm clothes in the winter.

Whitetail Trail—Spans approximately 9.5 miles from Pine Knob Trail to Quebec Run Wild Area. You will pass through rugged and beautiful scenery, as you traverse the Chestnut Ridge. Best access at the Lick Hollow picnic area via Pine Knob Trail, Quebec Run Wild Area north gate, or midway at SGL 138 parking area along Skyline Drive. Make a challenging 11.5 miles traverse by starting at Lick Hollow using Pine Knob Trail, and end at Quebec Run.

Pine Knob Overlook—This wonderful view overlooks the area from Uniontown south to Smithfield.

Access from Pine Knob Road up to the overlook has been closed to motor vehicles due to

TRAIL BLAZES

Blue—shared-use trails that are maintained with a wider corridor and flatter tread for cross-country skiing. Open to non-motorized use.

Red—shared-use trails, usually with a narrower corridor and rockier tread. Open to non-motorized.

Yellow—trails open to **foot traffic ONLY** such as hiking, backpacking, cross-country skiing, and snowshoeing.

Motorized vehicles are not permitted on the trails.

Follow all Leave No Trace principles for camping and shared use of trails, visit <https://lnt.org/>

CAMPING INFORMATION

Camping in the Forbes State Forest is restricted to backpack-type camping, except for several designated motorized sites. Camping out of vehicles or campers is not permitted. Permits for camping are required only if campers stay at a designated motorized site. All campers are encouraged to obtain a permit in case you are overdue or if someone needs to reach you. Campers must:

- Camp at least 100 feet from any stream or open water source;
- Camp at least 200 feet from and out of sight of roads and parking areas;
- Camp at least 25 feet from and out of sight of any trails;
- Keep field privies at least 200 feet from any water source;
- Pack out all trash;
- Not have campfires when wildfire danger is high.

FORBES STATE FOREST

Pennsylvania contains about 17 million acres of forestland. Of this total, over two million acres are in the state forest system, which is publicly owned and managed by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, Bureau of Forestry. The Forbes State Forest comprises over 60,000 acres located in Westmoreland, Somerset, and Fayette Counties.

State Forests provide clean water, recreation, habitat for plants and animals, places to enjoy the tranquility of nature, and product some of the most valuable hardwood timber on earth.



For more information



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In the event of an emergency, contact a state forest employee or dial 911.

If you become lost: stop, stay calm, stay put, & dial 911. The further you walk the longer it will take to find you.



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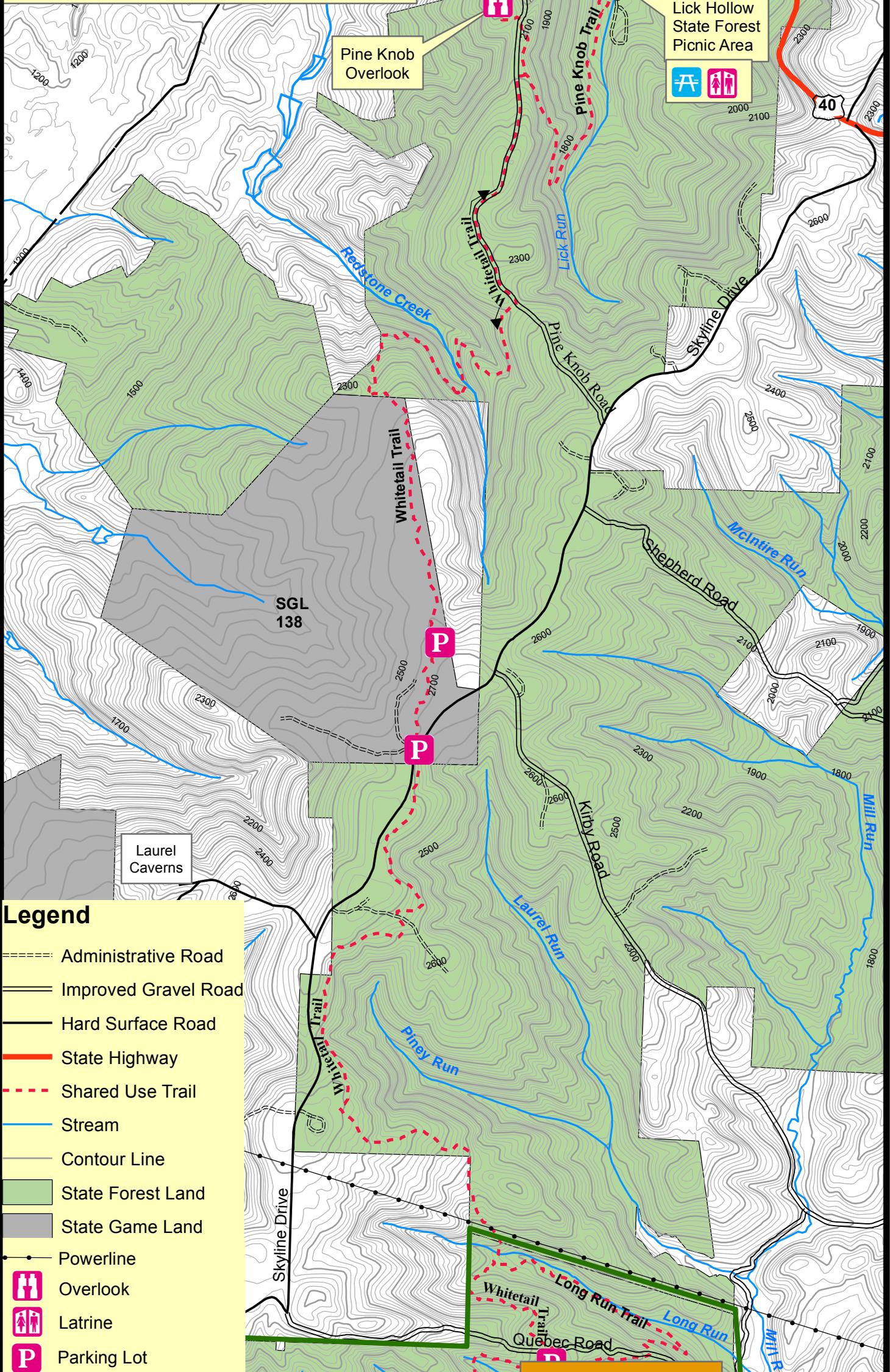
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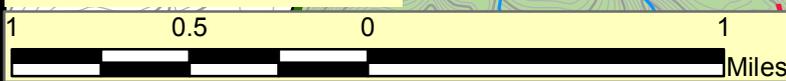


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Legend

- Administrative Road
- Improved Gravel Road
- Hard Surface Road
- State Highway
- Shared Use Trail
- Stream
- Contour Line
- State Forest Land
- State Game Land
- Powerline
- Overlook
- Latrine
- Parking Lot



Quebec Run Natural Area Map