

# WEST RIM TRAIL

CANYON SECTION OF PINE CREEK TRAIL

FLOAT TRIP ACCESS AREAS

Northern Section

TIOGA AND LYCOMING COUNTIES

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## WEST RIM TRAIL

The West Rim Trail is a 30-mile-long hiking trail located adjacent to the western rim of Pennsylvania's Grand Canyon. The trail's northern terminus is on State Forest land approximately one mile south of U.S. Route 6 on the Colton Road near the village of Ansonia. The southern terminus is on Pennsylvania Route 414 two miles south of Blackwell.

Care should be taken in building campfires. All fires should be extinguished before breaking camp. Campfires are Prohibited from March 1 through May 25 and from October 1 through December 1 without authorization from the District Forester and are not permitted during periods of HIGH FIRE DANGER.

Only primitive camping is permitted. Backpack campers do not need a camping permit if they camp no more than one night at any site. Camping is **NOT** permitted at either terminus, the Bradley Wales State Forest Picnic Area or within 100 yards of buildings.

The water from springs and streams should not be used for drinking purposes. If possible obtain your supply from a source known to be safe. If in doubt about the quality of your drinking water, always boil or chemically treat it.

Please do not bury any trash. Pack it in, Pack it out.

Thank you and have a nice hike.

Information on purchasing a detailed trail guide for the West Rim Trail is available from:

Pine Creek Press  
R.D.#4, Box 130B  
Wellsboro, PA 16901

## PINE CREEK RAIL TRAIL

The Grand Canyon section of the Pine Creek Trail extends approximately 18 miles between Darling Run access area and the village of Blackwell. Part of a 62-mile Rail-Trail conversion project, this is the first section opened for use. Bicycling, hiking and cross-country skiing are the primary uses of this trail. A second lane is available for equestrian use on nearly nine miles between Ansonia and Tiadaghton. Horses access the trail just north of Route 6. Motorized recreational vehicle use is not permitted. Permits are required for all camping within the Pine Creek Gorge.

For additional information, contact the Forest District Office:

District Forester  
Tioga State Forest  
One Nessmuk Lane  
Wellsboro, PA 16901  
Telephone: (570) 724-2868

## THE "GORGE" RECOGNITION

A twelve-mile section of the Pine Creek Gorge received national acclaim in 1964 when it was designated a National Natural Landmark by the National Park Service.

## ACCESS

Canoeing facilities along Pine Creek have been developed by the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' Bureau of Forestry.

**BIG MEADOW ACCESS AT ANSONIA** - Located eight miles west of Wellsboro at the village of Ansonia. The access road and facility's sign are on the south side of Route 6 opposite the Ansonia Church. The parking lot and launching are along Marsh Creek just upstream from its confluence with Pine Creek.

**TIADAGHTON CAMPING AREA** - Located nine miles south of Ansonia on the east side of Pine Creek. The area is restricted to primitive camping only. Sanitary facilities, water and fireplaces are provided. Overnight parking is prohibited.

**BLACKWELL ACCESS AREA** - Located along Route 414 just south of Pine Creek bridge at Blackwell. Parking and sanitation facilities are provided.

**RATTLESNAKE ROCK ACCESS AREA** - Located along Route 414 two miles south of Blackwell at the southern terminus of the West Rim Trail. The access area includes a large parking lot, water and sanitary facilities.

## LEGEND

- TIOGA STATE FOREST LANDS
- NATURAL AREA
- STATE PARK LAND
- WEST RIM HIKING TRAIL (Orange Blazes)
- CONNECTOR TRAILS ( Blue Blazes )
- PINE CREEK TRAIL
- STATE ROAD
- HARD SURFACE ROAD
- IMPROVED DIRT ROAD
- DRIVABLE TRAIL
- PARKING
- VISTA
- CONTOURS ARE ON 50 FT. INTERVALS

## SCALE

