

ADVENTURE TRAIL

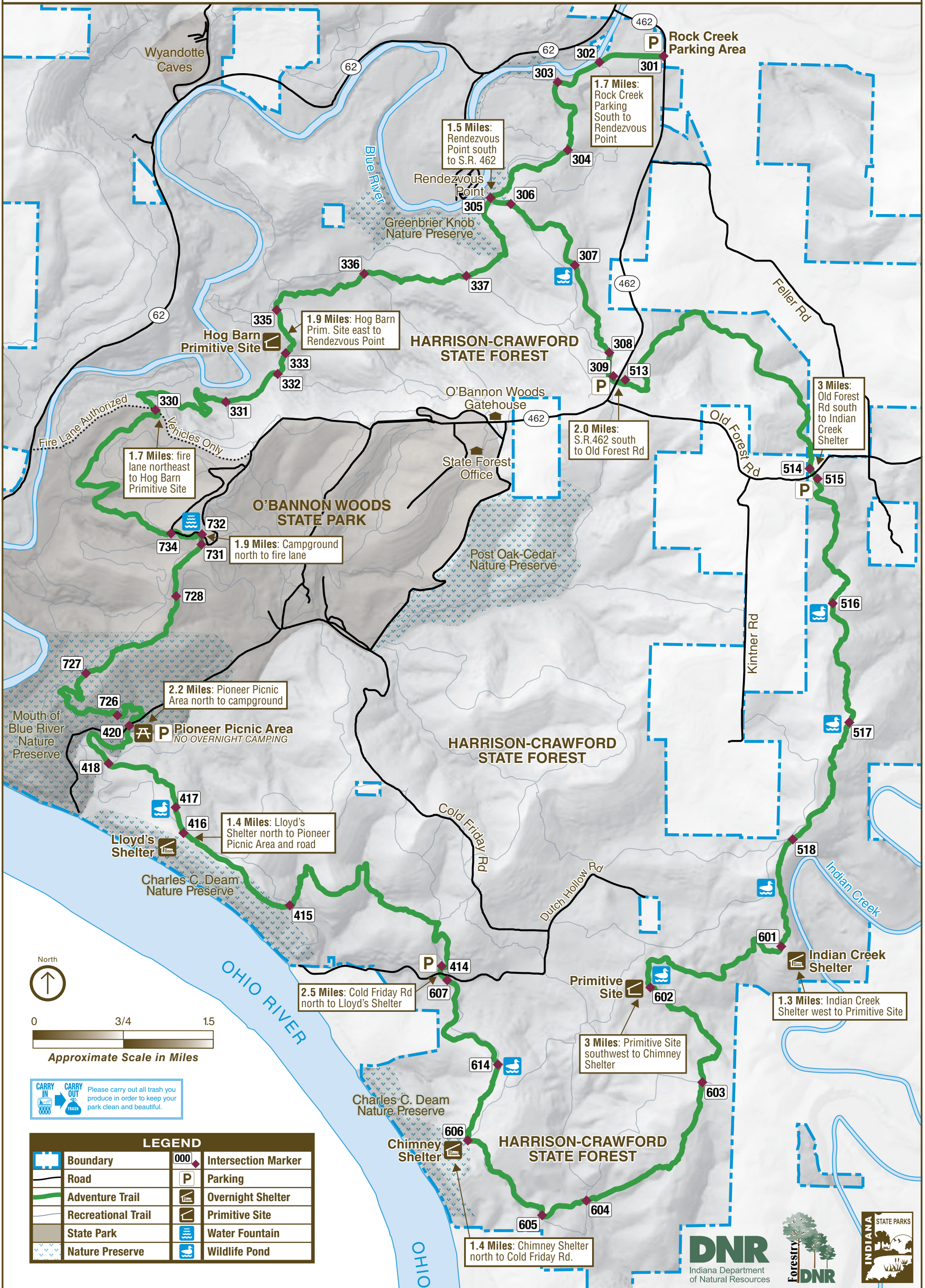
HARRISON-CRAWFORD STATE FOREST
& O'BANNON WOODS STATE PARK

Overnight shelters are first come, first serve.
Overnight camping is permitted along the AT.

State Forest Office: 812-738-7694

State Park Office: 812-738-8232

State Forest Office Hours: Mon-Fri, 8:00-4:30
Closed weekends and holidays



0 3/4 1.5

Approximate Scale in Miles



LEGEND			
	Boundary		Intersection Marker
	Road		Parking
	Adventure Trail		Overnight Shelter
	Recreational Trail		Primitive Site
	State Park		Water Fountain
	Nature Preserve		Wildlife Pond



ADVENTURE TRAIL



The Adventure Trail takes visitors who wish to hike, bike, or backpack on a 25.5 mile journey through Harrison-Crawford State Forest and O'Bannon Woods State Park. Three shelters and two primitive sites are available for those wishing to overnight along the Adventure Trail. The trail offers stunning views from the bluffs above Indian Creek, Blue River, and the Ohio River. In addition, the Adventure Trail winds visitors through the karst landscape of the region including past some of the area's many sinkholes, springs, and caves.

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THE LEWIS LANGDON HOMESITE

Lewis Langdon traveled from his birthplace in Connecticut with his wife Louisa and their family to southern Indiana where he settled near Potato Run Hollow and built his homestead (pictured below) in the 1830s. Today the chimney is still standing at the Pioneer Picnic Area. Potato Run Hollow was home to a thriving community in the 1800s and early 1900s. Residents could attend Potato Run Church, which was built in the 1850s and still holds weekly services. Families could send their children to School House No. 5, often called Potato Run School. There was also a leather tannery and a sawmill operated by the Odle Family in Potato Run Hollow. It is even rumored Mr. Hannel had a moonshine still in operation.



ABOUT HARRISON-CRAWFORD STATE FOREST

Harrison-Crawford State Forest was established in 1932 when the Indiana Department of Conservation (now the Department of Natural Resources) began buying parcels of land including forests, homes, and farms to create a State Forest. At Harrison-Crawford State Forest, things began in 1932 with a purchase of approximately 3,600 acres in the first year. The State Forest grew as the state purchased additional acreage and now encompasses 24,000 acres in Harrison, Crawford, and Orange counties. The forest is managed through a multiple-use approach. This management technique includes timber, wildlife, karst, watershed, and recreation management. You may occasionally observe permanent wildlife openings which are created to diversify and enhance habitat. Through multiple-use the State Forest is able to conserve and protect Indiana's natural resources.

OVERNIGHT SHELTERS & PRIMITIVE SITES

Shelters and primitive sites are available on a first-come first-serve basis.

Indian Creek Shelter

Indian Creek Shelter has a wooden floor and three walls. This shelter is most easily accessed on the AT by traveling 3 miles south from Old Forest Road. From where it sits on the bluff, Indian Creek Shelter offers a spectacular view over Indian Creek more than 200 feet below it.



Lloyd's Shelter

Lloyd's Shelter is totally enclosed with a wooden floor, windows, and a door. This shelter is most easily accessed by traveling 1.4 miles southeast from the Pioneer Picnic Area at O'Bannon Woods State Park. From Lloyd's Shelter, visitors can see well over a mile across the Ohio River to Kentucky.



Hog Barn Primitive Site

The Hog Barn Primitive Site is largely enclosed with a concrete floor. This site located ~0.1 miles from the AT offers a unique overnighing experience for visitors. Before the hog barn was putting a roof over the heads of visitors, it spent many years putting a roof over the heads of pigs. Pork has long been a staple in American homes. In 1880, the nation was eating more ham and pork than it was beef. The hog barn and adjacent land was acquired by the State from Robert and Natt Davis in March 1977.



Primitive Site

The Primitive Site has a dirt floor, three wood walls, and a tin roof. It is most easily accessed by traveling from Old Forest Road to Indian Creek Shelter and then continuing 1.3 miles to the west. The Primitive Site was one of several built in 1976-1977 when the Adventure Trail was first developed.



Chimney Shelter

The Chimney Shelter has a wooden floor and three walls. It is most easily accessible from Cold Friday Road by traveling ~1.4 miles south to the shelter. The Chimney Shelter is located on "French Hill" in the same location the Deschamps built their home more than 150 years ago.



THE DESCHAMPS HOMESITE ON FRENCH HILL

The Deschamps homesite (pictured below) was built sometime after 1855 and was owned by the Deschamps family into the early 1900s. John B. Deschamps (center) is pictured in front of the homestead with four of his children (from left to right) Francis Willard, John Jr., Sadie, and Arthur Perry. Over 100 years later, the homestead's chimney is still standing at what is now the Chimney Shelter. The information and photograph here were provided in part by Cheryl Proctor and Anne Cabaniss in her book "History of Old Scott Township and the Harrison Crawford State Forest."



For info regarding potential closures please call the State Forest office at 812-738-7694.

POTENTIAL CLOSURES

Because Harrison-Crawford State Forest is a multiple-use property the AT could be temporarily rerouted due to trail improvement or forest management activities. As a result this map and the trail may differ. Generally, temporary closures are posted at the location and reroutes are flagged with pink and black striped flagging. The trail will be returned to its original location when activities are completed. For information regarding potential closures please call the State Forest office at (812) 738-7694.

FOR MORE INFORMATION



Write: Harrison-Crawford State Forest
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 Corydon, IN 47112
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 7234 Old Forest Rd SW
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Please carry out all trash you produce in order to keep your park clean and beautiful for others to enjoy!

WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

The Adventure Trail (AT) route is marked at intervals with green and white blazes on trees, 4x4 posts, or Carsonite posts. Hiking the entire 25-mile trail generally takes 2 1/2 to 3 days. This trail should be attempted only by those in good physical condition with the necessary knowledge and equipment. Due to the karst landscape of the area, water is frequently scarce even after rains. Plan to carry water or pick locations along the trail where water can be obtained and stored while hiking. Water is available at the O'Bannon Woods State Park campground. Visitors should expect cell phone coverage to be spotty across the properties especially in the valleys and low areas.

ROADWAY ACCESS

Water can be cached at the following locations where the AT crosses a road. Please use only the water you provide, label your water with you name and the date(s) you'll be visiting. When you finish your trip please pick up your trash left at road crossings.

Access Locations:

- SR-462 north of Feller Rd (Rock Creek Parking Area)
- SR-462 just north of the intersection of SR-462 and Old Forest Rd
- Old Forest Rd halfway between Kintner Rd and Feller Rd
- Cold Friday Rd roughly 4.5 miles south of Old Forest Rd
- Main State Park Rd at the Pioneer Picnic Area

Please let wild animals remain wild. Feeding deer is prohibited. Feeding of wild animals can result in harm to both animals and people. Animals who depend on handouts become a nuisance to visitors and a danger to themselves. Please lock up all food and coolers inside cars or campers. Roll up car windows tightly.

HELP PREVENT WILDFIRES

- Build fires only in designated areas.
- Be sure to properly dispose of all smoking materials.
- Report any violation of fire regulations to park officials at once.
- Leave only footprints. Take only memories.

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