### **POINTS OF INTEREST (POI)**

#### **# POINT OF INTEREST NAME & DESCRIPTION**

#### 1 Rock Garden

A specialty vehicle crawl area. The rock garden is designed with four stages, from easy to extreme. Most 4WDs and ORVs can traverse stages 1 and 2. Stages 3 and 4 require experienced drivers and modified vehicles.

#### 2 Overlook Hill

One of the most beautiful vistas at Interlake. Easily accessed by any vehicle or ORV, this hilltop is one of the highest in the area. You can see all of Interlake from here.

#### 3 Hole in Rock

A short walk from the trail, this is a remnant from the mining era. Boulders like this are the result of drilling and blasting during coal extraction.

### 4 Skinny Pedal Hill

A 4WD fun spot. This narrow, steep hill challenges some of the best. Use caution to stay upright and on your wheels.

### 5 Marion Parking

A focal point from the past. Marion Parking was a mineequipment parking area. Heavy equipment, such as Big Kate (a dragline manufactured specifically for Interlake and still used today), was staged here before moving into the production line.

#### 6 Football Field

This basin is a fun mud-and-climb area for all levels of drivers. Although the mud changes as nearby mining affects the hydrology of the area, the hill climbs remain. This is a great location for teaching young drivers how to shift on a hill, in a safe location, and near easy trails.

### 7 Waterfall

Close to single track trails and a short walk from the dual track. Interlake's waterfall varies with the seasons and beaver activity. This impressive falls cascades from Perched Lake to the pit below. When it is in full stream, the sights and sounds rival those of many other falls in the state.

#### 8 Trail 4 Overlook

A serene stop along the trail. The view from this overlook is one of the finest, including the highwalls left from the mining operations and most of Interlake to the north and east.

#### 9 Observation Deck (ADA Accessible)

Located on the Observation hiking trail, near the main road and Trail 1. The deck overlooks a large wetland area that is an integral part of the biological water purification system established in 2008 to eliminate acidic drainage into the South Fork Patoka River. Migratory birds, beaver and other wildlife frequent the wetlands throughout the year. This is a great location for interpretive classes and school groups.

### **HIKING TRAILS**

| TRAIL & DESCRIPTION                            | DISTANCE   |
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| Overlook Trail                                 | 1.29 miles |
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Meanders through a transition woods and along a scenic lake. Includes several picnic stops along the route. (enter from the office parking lot)

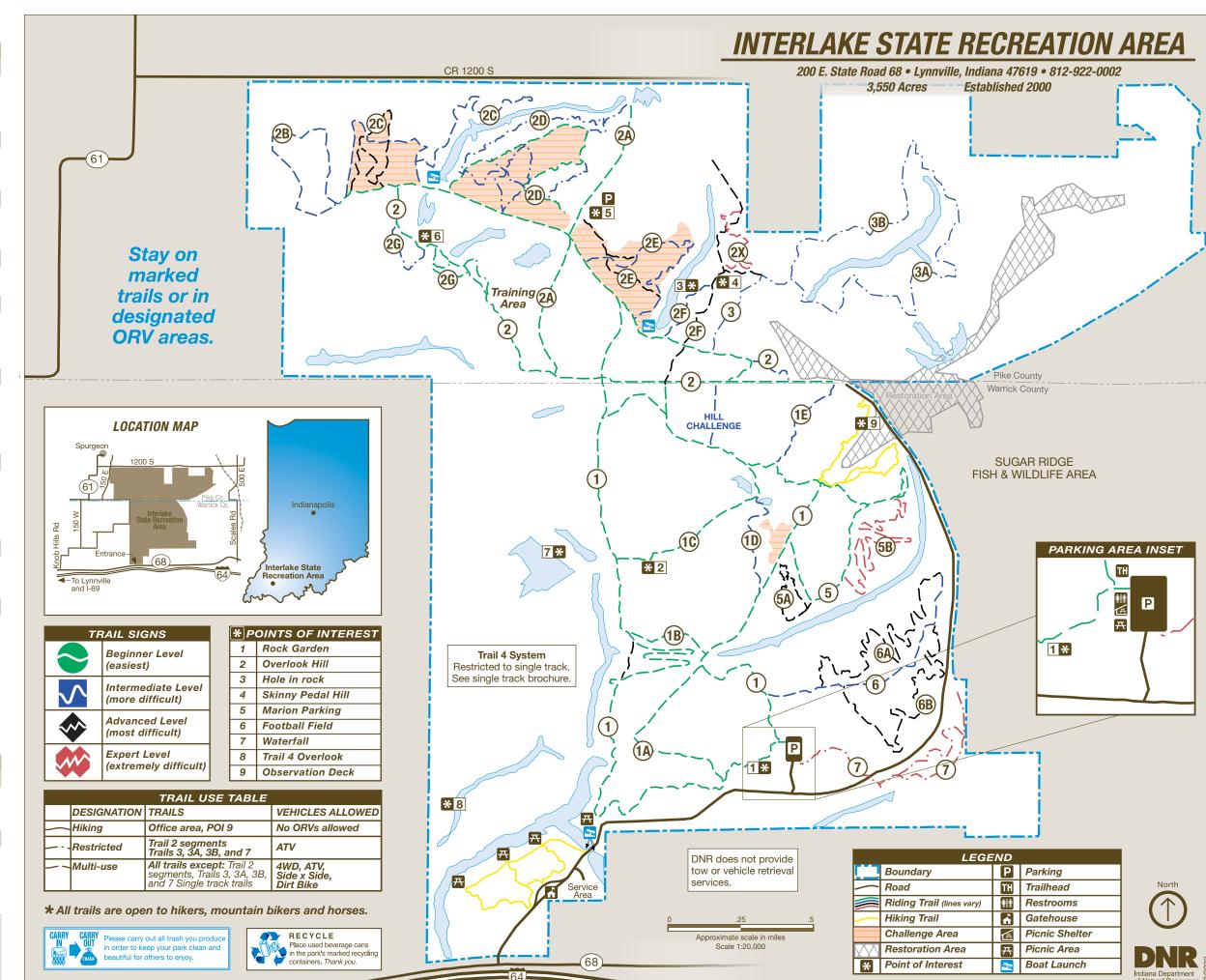
### **Observation Trail** 1.07 miles

Has an ADA overlook for visitors to watch wildlife in the reclaimed headwaters of the South Fork Patoka. It extends into former coal spoils for a refreshing woodland hike. (enter off the main road near POI 9)

### RIDE SMART, RIDE SAFE

Free ORV safety course with optional certification

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### **TRAIL & DESCRIPTION**

### **DISTANCE**

4.82 miles

Main access trail from the parking lot to the entire trail system. A continuous loop with hills, scenic views, and easy bypasses in more difficult areas. Designed for all vehicles and skill levels.

A relatively easy bypass to Trail 1 ravines and hills. The northeast section is a former haul road. Some mud. Easy access to Trail 4 for dirt bikes and horses.

This short connector is the ultimate bypass to the roughest hills on Trail 1.

1C

This connector sports one of the highest points at Interlake. It is narrow through high grassy areas, can be blocked off due to high water, and has one of the state's most scenic vistas, POI 2.

2.62 miles

The northern loop of easy trails. This trail varies from rocky to road-like to mud. It skirts more difficult areas, leads to northern challenge areas, and features POI 6, the Football Field. Some side loops are restricted to ORVs of 50 inches or less in width.

2A .5 miles

Easy connector for all vehicles to the northern sections of Interlake. Flat, grassy area, some ruts and mud.

1.15 miles

Designed for the stock/street vehicle and group, family or novice driver who wants to be close to the more-extreme action. Meanders safely through mature pine forest and rolling hills while surrounded by more difficult trails and challenge areas.

1.18 miles

One of the most popular trails at Interlake. This BF Goodrich awardwinning trail is perfect for stock/street vehicles to wind through historic mining spoils and mature woods. Access more-difficult trails 5A and 5B from 5.

NOTE: Mileage does not include minor or connector trails that do not appear on the map.

### **OFF-ROAD VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS**

All ORVs must be registered with the state or street legal (licensed). All ORVs must have a valid registration, Indiana permit or be legally licensed for street use. Please review ORV registration as defined by Indiana

# **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

# **GENERAL**

- All vehicles must be registered or licensed (i.e., street legal) according to Indiana law.
- Everyone who enters Interlake OSRA must pay at the gatehouse.
- No alcoholic beverages are allowed on the property. All vehicles are subject to search.
- · All ORVs must have functioning spark arrestors and The operator of any vehicle, other than an ORV,
- traveling off road or on property trails, must be at least 16 years old and possess a valid driver's license.

# **ORV OPERATION**

- The operator of an ORV who is under age 16 must be directly supervised at all times by a parent or legal guardian who possesses a valid driver's license.
- DOT-approved helmets must be worn by everyone riding at Interlake SRA, with one exception. Adults 18 years old and older in vehicles or ORVs equipped with overhead protection and seatbelts. Seatbelts must be worn at all times by everyone when operating vehicles.
- Youth under 18 years of age must wear DOT-approved helmets in all ORV, including side x sides and UTVs.
- Passengers are not allowed on ATVs or OHMs, except on vehicles designed by the manufacturer for two-up riding.

# ORV TRAILS & DESIGNATED USE/CHALLENGE AREAS

- Most trails are marked by designated use (e.g., ATV, OHM, full-size ORV). ORVs are not permitted on trails that are not designated for their use. Any ORV operator traversing a trail that is not designated for that use may be ejected from the property.
- Trails may have ORV size limitations. Any ORV operator traversing a trail in a vehicle larger than the designated size for that trail may be ejected from the property. If a trail does not have a use or size designation/limitation, it is open to all vehicle types.
- Areas of Interlake may be closed due to ongoing development. Trespassing on closed areas is illegal.

# **TERMS TO KNOW** (for legal definitions see IC 14-8-2)

ATV - All-terrain Vehicle

**DOT** - Department of Transportation

**OHM** - Off-highway Motorcycle

ORV - Off-road Vehicle, includes ATV, OHM, RORV and UTV; not street legal (licensed) vehicles RORV - Recreational Off-road vehicle

**UTV** - Utility Task Vehicle, Utility-terrain Vehicle

**Vehicle** - any mode of transportation other than an ORV; for legal definition see 312 IAC 8-1.5-22

Overhead Protection - roll bars or fully enclosed

metal cab

## MORE DIFFICULT/INTERMEDIATE TRAILS off-road tires and winches suggested

**TRAIL & DESCRIPTION DISTANCE** .21 miles

Steep-hill challenge connector to Trail 2.

.4 miles

On the verge of Most Difficult, this trail has off camber, rocks, mud, hillside and fantastic views, all rolled into one.

.37 miles Fun. tight trail. Connects main trail/road to Trail 1. Easy, through

close woods. Rocks and mud.

.92 miles

Varies from flat meadow to narrow ridgeline to rocky hills. Mud and steep hills in some sections. Scenic views from wooded hilltops. 1.52 miles 2C

Perimeter trail for the most-northwest Challenge Area of Interlake. Winds through mature pine woods and has mud, ruts, rocks and hills. The northeast line is an out-and-back that gets into difficult terrain. Not recommended for stock vehicles and novice drivers.

2.08 miles

One of the most difficult sections of intermediate trails. Roller coaster hill areas, mud, ruts, roots, and rocks. Weaves through and around the north-central Challenge Area. Has several easy outs to Trail 2.

.89 miles

Technical trail with deep mud and steep hills. Narrow in places as it traverses one of Interlake's prime challenge areas. A mature woods setting with beautiful lake views.

.28 miles A short, challenging segment leading to two points of interest,

Hole in Rock & Skinny Pedal Hill. Short, steep hills.

2G .47 miles

Short connectors within the Trail 2 system. May have mud, rocks, hills, and off camber. Includes a restricted segment near POI 6.

Restricted to ORVs less than 50 inches wide. Access to Trail 3 loop (3A and 3B). Mud, ruts, challenging terrain. If you are uncomfortable on this section, do not attempt 3A or 3B.

3A & 3B Loop 2.47 miles

Restricted to ORVs less than 50 inches wide. Technical and challenging, through woods, low areas, some mud, narrow crossings, hills, and interesting obstacles.

8.84 miles

Restricted to single track. Can be challenging, especially in the wooded acres. See the Single Track brochure for more information. .9 miles

This relatively easy, picturesque trail follows remnants of a narrow mining haul road through old spoils and woods. Some mud. Leads to most difficult sections of the Trail 6 system.

# FOR MORE INFORMATION



Write: Interlake State Recreation Area 200 E. State Road 68 Lynnville, IN 47619

Call: 812-922-0002

Online: on.IN.gov/Interlake

# **HOURS OF OPERATION**

Open dawn to dusk.

Trails close 30 minutes before dusk.

# **ENTRANCE FEES** \*Fees are subject to change

Daily Motorized (ORV): \$15 per vehicle that will use the motorized trails, which includes gate entry. (For example, a truck hauling four ATVs will be charged \$60.)

# **Annual Motorized Trail-Use Permits available**

Daily Non-motorized: Indiana State Park gate entrance and specialty fees apply for all non-motorized property use. Annual (state park) passes are accepted. Bridle tags are required, one per horse.

# SPECIAL NOTE

Interlake OSRA is a direct result of off-road vehicle registration fees and federal Recreational Trails Program grant awards at work.





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2E

### MOST DIFFICULT/ADVANCED TRAILS aggressive tires, winches, off-road experience and buddies suggested

**DISTANCE** 

.85 miles

Lots of hills, mud and rocks. Slippery when wet, and it's always wet somewhere on this trail. Easy access to more challenging areas.

.52 miles

Tight turns, hills and mud. Easy access to more challenging areas, or a tough connector for Trail 2E.

1.09 miles Skill-testing trail with hills, deep mud, rocks, tight turns and a lot

of places where navigating around obstacles is a must. Gets into some of the steepest terrain, with large boulders for modified vehicles to crawl. POI 4, Skinny Pedal Hill, is accessed from 2F.

One-way trail. Multi-use rating but stock vehicles, ATVs, and dirt bikes are not recommended. This trail was designed with technical features for modified full-size vehicles. Tight turns from steep hills with quick breaking tops and on-hill boulder climbs. Off-camber is the norm. One easy out.

6A & 6B Loop

2.69 miles

Technical trail with hairpin turns, rock climbs, hills, and slick spots. Meant to test skills in a forest setting on 1930s mined land.



**5B** 

#### **EXTREMELY DIFFICULT/EXPERT TRAILS** modified vehicles, aggressive tires, winches, off-road trail

experience, and buddles highly suggested; ATVs not recommended unless trail is of restricted width, 50 inches or less

**TRAIL & DESCRIPTION** 

DISTANCE

2X .51 miles May be the most difficult trail at Interlake. Large boulders in narrow ravines full of sharp hills entering and exiting. Often slippery, with short visibility range.

1.37 miles

One-way trail designed for specialty full-size vehicles. Weaves in, between, and over old mine-spoil hills. Boulders, roots, narrow passes, off-camber climbs, and slick spots are frequent. 1.41 miles

The 50-inches-wide-or-less restriction applies. Easy entrance

from the main parking lot. Relatively easy for most of the distance, but has narrow, benched hillsides and rocks to challenge drivers. **CHALLENGE AREAS** 

These areas are found throughout Interlake, mostly in the northern one-third of the property. These areas have little trail marking and quickly shift from somewhat easy to extremely difficult. Conditions change with each passing season. You may encounter deep, mudfilled holes, long steep hills with little room to maneuver at top and bottom, boulders, roots, trees, narrow trail beside deep water. and muck. Very little grooming or maintenance is completed on these trails, leaving drivers to compete against nature at its finest.

# **DNR** Indiana Department of Natural Resources

**OUTDOOR STATE** RECREATION AREA **ORV MOTORIZED TRAILS** 

> Interlake Outdoor State Recreation Area, Indiana's largest off-road vehicle property, is a 3,500-acre destination focused on trails. Located in Pike and Warrick counties near Lynnville, it boasts nearly 100 miles of trails open to ORVs, horses, mountain bikes and hikers. Several lakes are available for boating and fishing, and former coal mine land provides excellent opportunities for hunting and mushrooming.

> The terrain ranges from flat, to rolling, to steep hills, with some mud bogs. Many trails are rocky, providing a technical challenge. Fullsize vehicles such as 4x4 trucks and SUVs are welcome, as are ATVs, side x sides and dirt bikes. The specialty-vehicle rock garden and Trail 5B are popular for modified ORVs.

> Visitors have easy access to Interlake with a paved entrance off State Road 68. It has ample room for big rigs and trucks with trailers or boats to enter, maneuver and exit.

> Because Interlake is still in the developmental stage, amenities are minimal. Visitors should bring water or other non-alcoholic beverages to stay hydrated, and food or snacks to fuel a full day of outdoor fun.

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