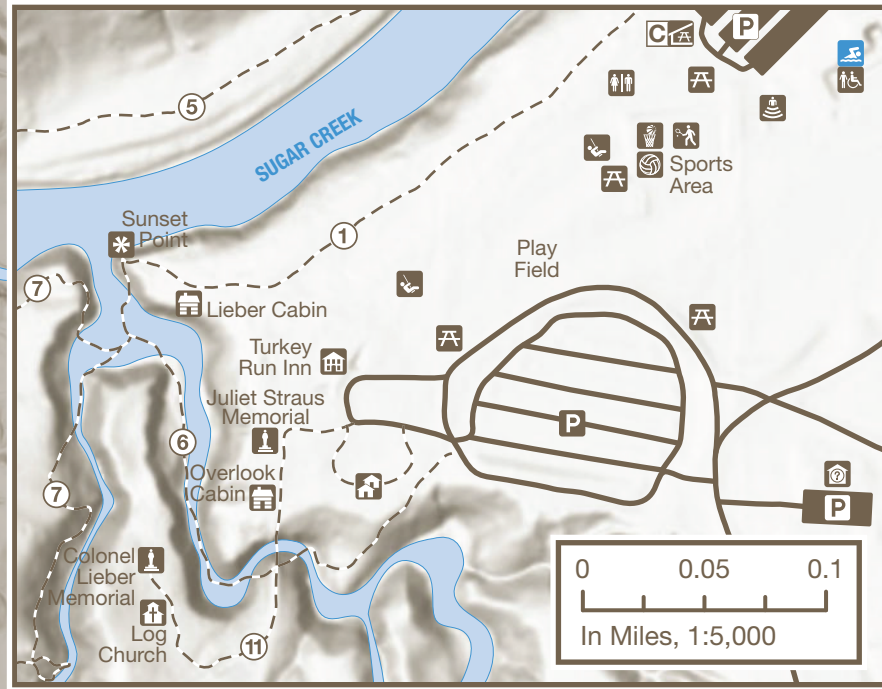


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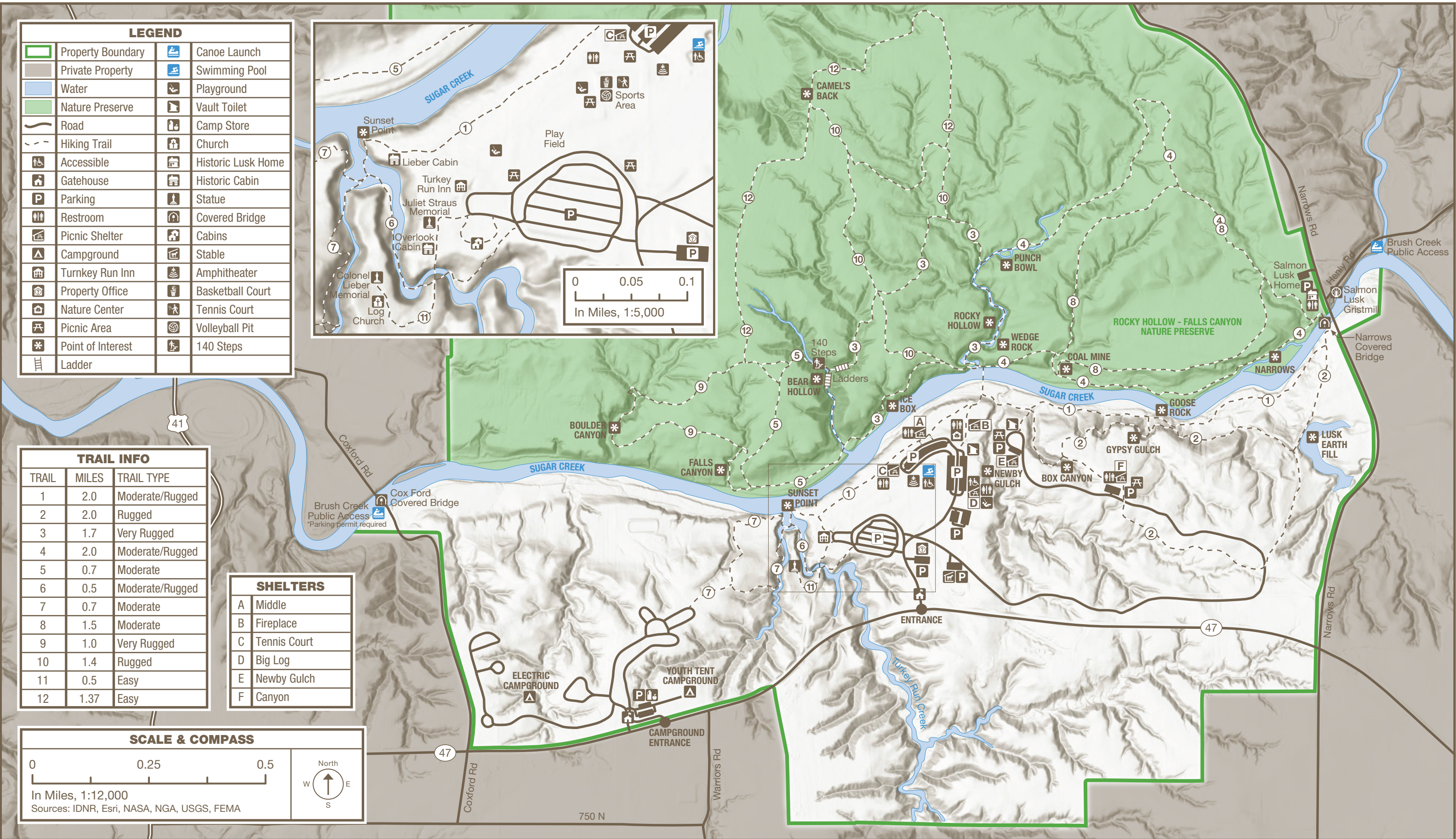
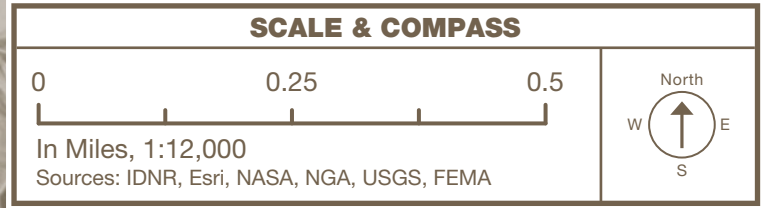
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2,382 Acres | Established 1916

LEGEND			
	Property Boundary		Canoe Launch
	Private Property		Swimming Pool
	Water		Playground
	Nature Preserve		Vault Toilet
	Road		Camp Store
	Hiking Trail		Church
	Accessible		Historic Lusk Home
	Gatehouse		Historic Cabin
	Parking		Statue
	Restroom		Covered Bridge
	Picnic Shelter		Cabins
	Campground		Stable
	Turnkey Run Inn		Amphitheater
	Property Office		Basketball Court
	Nature Center		Tennis Court
	Picnic Area		Volleyball Pit
	Point of Interest		140 Steps
	Ladder		



TRAIL INFO		
TRAIL	MILES	TRAIL TYPE
1	2.0	Moderate/Rugged
2	2.0	Rugged
3	1.7	Very Rugged
4	2.0	Moderate/Rugged
5	0.7	Moderate
6	0.5	Moderate/Rugged
7	0.7	Moderate
8	1.5	Moderate
9	1.0	Very Rugged
10	1.4	Rugged
11	0.5	Easy
12	1.37	Easy

SHELTERS	
A	Middle
B	Fireplace
C	Tennis Court
D	Big Log
E	Newby Gulch
F	Canyon





THE PARK STORY

Water, ice, and human perseverance have made Turkey Run the park it is today.

Roughly 300 million years ago a huge sandy delta formed at a mouth of one of the many rivers flowing through Indiana, and it slowly cemented into sandstone bedrock.

During the ice age, glacial meltwater rushed over the landscape to form steep ravines, canyons, and the path of Sugar Creek.

For more than 12,000 years, the canyon walls have insulated the moderate temperature and moisture levels of Rocky Hollow Canyon, allowing vegetation more common much farther north to thrive as the surrounding landscape changed.

People have lived in this region for roughly 10,000 years. The Myaamia (Miami) and other tribes who first inhabited the area were forcibly removed in the late 1800s, and the surrounding area was rapidly settled.

Around 1823, Salmon and Mary Lusk established a mill on Sugar Creek. Their original log cabin home was replaced with a house that still stands. The Narrows Covered Bridge was built in 1882 to improve access to their mill.

When Salmon died in 1869, his son John continued to preserve the forest as his father had. When John died in 1916, the property came up for auction. Indiana was looking to open its first state park in time for its centennial celebration and tried to buy Turkey Run, but a timber company won the bid, and McCormick's Creek became Indiana's first state park. Later that year, Turkey Run became Indiana's second state park after being bought from the timber company.

Turkey Run offers miles of hiking trails, an interpretive center, and cultural sites such as the Lusk Home. Whether you visit for the day or for a longer stay at the campgrounds or inn, Turkey Run State Park has something for you.



RULES & REGULATIONS

- Please obey all property rules & regulations.

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ACTIVITIES & FACILITIES

- Look for these icons on the map.

CAMPING: Modern restrooms and electricity available. No individual water or sewer hookups. Occupancy limited to 14 consecutive nights. Most sites will accommodate trailers. Make reservations at camp.IN.gov.

FISHING: Bass, bluegills, etc. State fishing license required.

HIKING: With miles of easy to very rugged trails, hiking is one of the most popular activities at Turkey Run.

TURKEY RUN INN: Rooms and Cabins available. Inn Restaurant open to all guests; single meals, Sunday dinners, banquets. Reserve at Indianalnns.com

INTERPRETIVE NATURALIST SERVICE: Available all year. Special hikes, planetarium shows, park patch programs, live animal talks, workshops, campfire programs and history talks. For scheduled activities, check bulletin boards or inquire at Nature Center, park office, or Inn. Call in advance to schedule special group programs. For program info, call 765-597-2654 or visit interpretiveservices.IN.gov.

LIEBER CABIN: Richard Lieber's story and the Indiana State Park system's creation.

LUSK HOME: Built in 1841 by the first European settlers to own this land. The restored house is open for tours seasonally. A period garden, created by volunteers, is also on the grounds.

NATURE CENTER: Open all year. Hands-on activities, live animals, bird viewing, library, planetarium, trail information, naturalist.

PICNIC AREA: Tables, grills, restrooms, playfields, playground, and sports courts. Make reservations at camp.IN.gov.

SADDLE BARN: Guided horseback rides. Fee. Call to reserve (765) 597-2280.

SWIMMING: Olympic-size pool with wading pool and pool house. Open around Memorial Day to early August. Facility may close due to lifeguard availability or weather conditions. Call property office for information.



CREEK SWIMMING is PROHIBITED

Sugar Creek is extremely hazardous. Take no chances. Do not wade or swim..



HIKING TRAILS

- For safety, please stay on marked trails.
- Bicycles prohibited on hiking trails.
- * **Trails may be impassable during high water.**
All trails use ravine streambeds. Some sections become slick and trail tread uneven. These areas may be considered closed during such times.

TRAIL & DESCRIPTION	DISTANCE	DIFFICULTY
*Trail 1 The big-tree trail includes sycamores, several huge black walnut trees and a covered bridge.	2.0 mi.	Mod./Rugged
Trail 2 Experience riparian and upland forested areas. Walk through a fen on your way to the Lusk Earth fill and along cliff edges.	2.0 mi.	Rugged
*Trail 3 The ladders trail includes unusual hiking between the steep walls of both Rocky and Bear hollows. <i>Be careful: The ladders can be hazardous. Hikers with medical conditions, disabilities, children or pets may consider using alternate trails.</i>	1.7 mi.	Very Rugged
*Trail 4 Follows a fine little valley to the Lusk home, past the coal mine.	2.0 mi.	Mod./Rugged
Trail 5 Fine trees; 140 steps (down is from the west.)	0.7 mi.	Moderate
*Trail 6 Short hike through Turkey Hollow. Trail meanders across a stream on stepping stones.	0.5 mi.	Mod./Rugged
Trail 7 Virgin woods, hemlock trees.	0.7 mi.	Moderate
*Trail 8 Peaceful trail that follows a small creek.	1.5 mi.	Moderate
Trail 9 The best trail to see virgin woods is also the most rugged. Be careful.	1.0 mi.	Very Rugged
Trail 10 Leads to "Camel's Back;" Winter scenic view. Many unusual formations due to erosion.	1.4 mi.	Rugged
Trail 11 A short hike high above Turkey Run Hollow to the Lieber Memorial and Log Church.	0.5 mi.	Easy
Trail 12 Bypasses the "Ladders" of Trail 3. Traverses flat land through successive to old growth forest.	1.37 mi.	Easy

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TRUE TALES

- **GEOLOGICAL FEATURE:** The Punchbowl formed when a boulder, caught in a swirling backwash of glacial meltwater, scoured out a pothole.
- **CULTURAL FEATURE:** During the mid-1930s the Civilian Conservation Corps was located at the park. The CCC's works included shelterhouses, the saddle barn, and many sandstone trail structures.
- **FLORA FEATURE:** Nearly half of Indiana's bryophyte species (i.e., mosses and liverworts) have been identified in Rocky Hollow Canyon. Bryophytes are among the most ancient land plants.



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