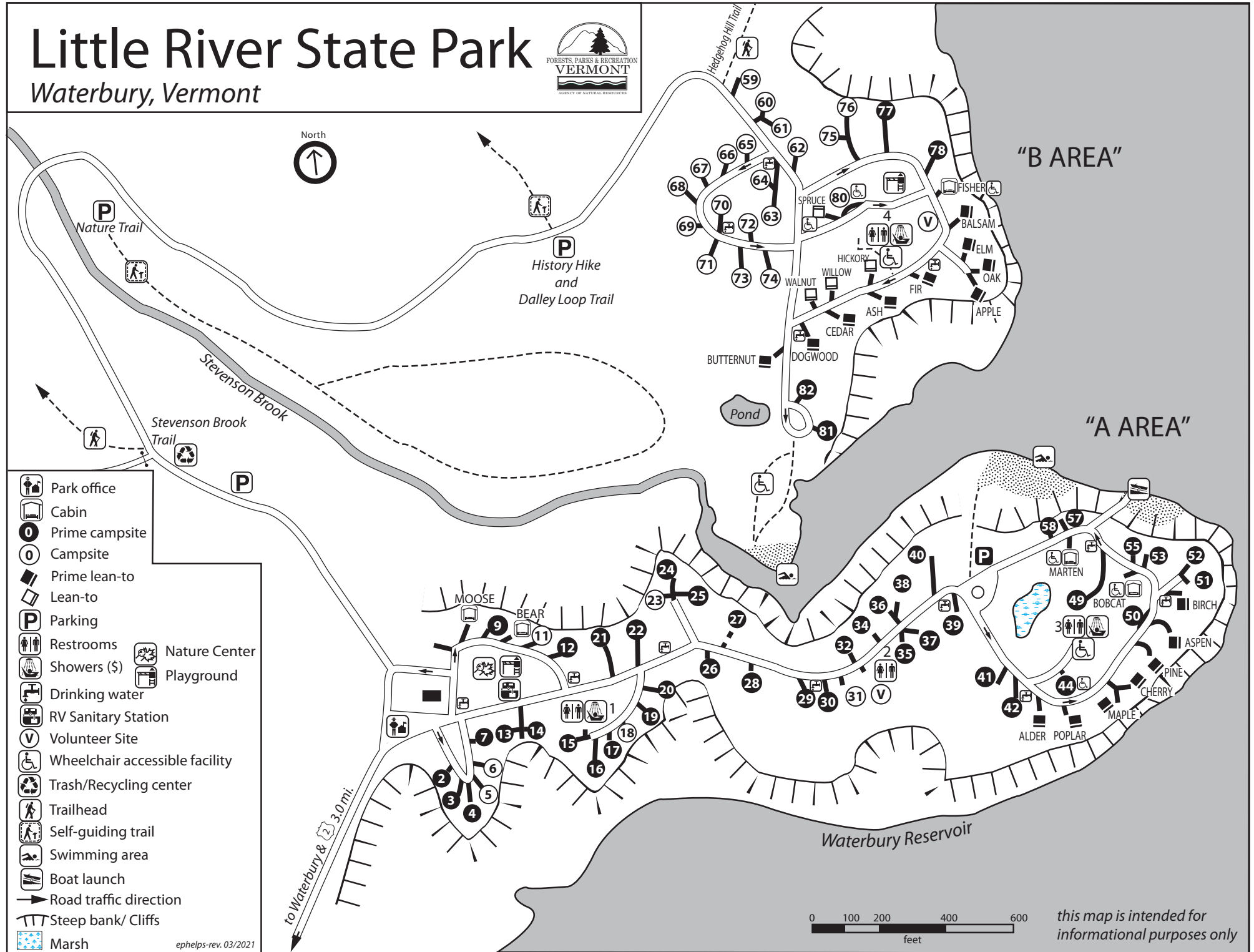


Little River State Park

Waterbury, Vermont



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Welcome to Little River State Park. In the early 1800s, pioneers cleared fields, rocks, and stumps in Ricker Basin and Cotton Brook. A settlement of 50 or so families once lived in this area. The hard demands of the land and weather forced younger generations to abandon the farms. Today, old cemeteries, sawmill remains, old town roads, bridges and many cellar holes can still be seen as evidence of a past community.

On November 3-4, 1927, torrential rains caused massive flooding, property destruction and loss of life throughout Vermont. A second flood in 1934 inundated Waterbury; this spurred the construction of Waterbury Dam. Between 1935 and 1938 the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC), in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, constructed Waterbury Reservoir.

The CCC camp here was a fully operating, thriving community with more than 80 buildings, and housing 2,000 men at its peak. Now, half a century later, only a few solitary chimneys and concrete foundations remain.

Today, Little River State Park is one of the most popular parks in central Vermont. Waterbury Reservoir is particularly favored for boating with a portion of the reservoir devoted to quieter uses. Angling for bass and trout is as popular here as water-skiing.

Enjoy swimming beaches, play areas, boat rentals and a launch, and miles of hiking and mountain bike trails in the adjacent Mt. Mansfield State Forest. Self-guided history and nature trails are located close to the camping area.

Park Amenities

- 70 Campsites
- 20 Lean-to shelters
- 5 Cabins
- 27 Remote Campsites (boat required)
- Full restroom facilities with (fee) showers
- Firewood & Ice available

- Interpretive Programs and trails
- Two playgrounds
- Campers' boat launch
- Campers' beaches
- Boat rentals
- Hiking and multi-use trails

Recreating & Sightseeing in the Area

Stowe

- Mt. Mansfield State Forest, hiking
- C.C. Putnam State Forest, hiking
- Moss Glen Falls Natural Area, scenic waterfall

Duxbury

- Camel's Hump State Park, hiking

Elmore

- Elmore State Park, hiking & swimming

Waterbury

- Waterbury Center State Park, swimming and boat rentals

Barre

- Granite quarries and museum
- Vermont Historical Society Museum

Montpelier

- State Capital
- Vermont Historical Society Museum

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