

WELCOME

TO THE

“POKAGON STATE PARK”

5K/10K YEAR-ROUND EVENT

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Information for the

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Potawatomi Inn at Pokagon State Park, 6 Lane 100 A Lake James, Angola, IN 46703

Event location: 41.70394, -85.02228

Event Details:

Pokagon State Park is located near Angola, Indiana, just off I-69. The start point is the Potawatomi Inn where parking and restrooms are available. The trails wander a wide variety of forests, wetland boardwalks, and lakeside paths, over hilly and flat terrain created from glaciers. The walk is rated 2C. Walk daily, dawn to dusk, and carry drinking water.

There is a \$7 gate fee for Indiana licensed vehicles, \$9 gate fee for vehicles which do not have Indiana plates, and a \$2 fee for each passenger in a commercial vehicle (bus).

Driving Directions:

From I-69 N take exit 354. At the traffic light, turn left, the left again at the next light, going under the interstate. The park entrance is straight ahead. From I-69 South take exit 354 and turn right to the park entrance. From the Indiana Toll Road (I80/90) take exit 144, then I-69 South. Travel 2 miles to exit 354 and turn right to park entrance.

“A” Award

Each Department of Natural Resources (DNR) property in this series has a special 2 1/4-inch die cast medal with a DNR property bar attached and to which additional DNR property bars may be added to form a chain.

Header + Bar \$13.00

Bar \$5.00

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POKAGON STATE PARK

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Directions for Pokagon State Park 5K Walk

1. Leaving the entrance of **Potawatomi Inn at Pokagon State Park**, bear right following the sidewalk past the flagpole, going down the steps to the parking lot, and continuing straight, going down more steps, to the farthest parking area.
2. Turn left and carefully cross the entrance road looking for the bench and the "Bicycle Trail" sign.
3. Follow the dirt trail for a short distance to the paved bike trail.
4. Turn left on bike trail, passing the saddle barn.
5. Continue on the bike trail, **(1K)** at a small clearing on the left with an elevated man hole cover.
6. At the "T" intersection turn right and follow the trail under the overpass.
7. Continue on the bike trail, crossing the park office road, and continue towards the campground.
8. Just before the campground gatehouse turn left going up a few steps and carefully cross the road.
9. Go straight, passing the campground store on your right, continuing past the "Campground Visitor and Extra Vehicle Parking" sign.
10. At the parking area, turn left then immediately right towards the "CCC Shelter".
11. At the next parking area turn left, away from the basketball goals, and continue to the gravel road leading to the CCC shelter. **(2K)**

CHECKPOINT #1: What are the years this shelter was built? _____

12. Continue on the gravel path, staying to the right when the path splits, keeping Lake James on your right.
13. When you come to the large parking lot go left, all the way through the lot, towards the yield sign at the road where you will turn right and go under the overpass.
14. Shortly, leaving the road, turn right onto Trail 1, keeping to the right when trail angles off to the left.
15. When you come to a meadow with a pavilion angle to the left towards the restroom facility. Trail 1 continues to the right of the restrooms.

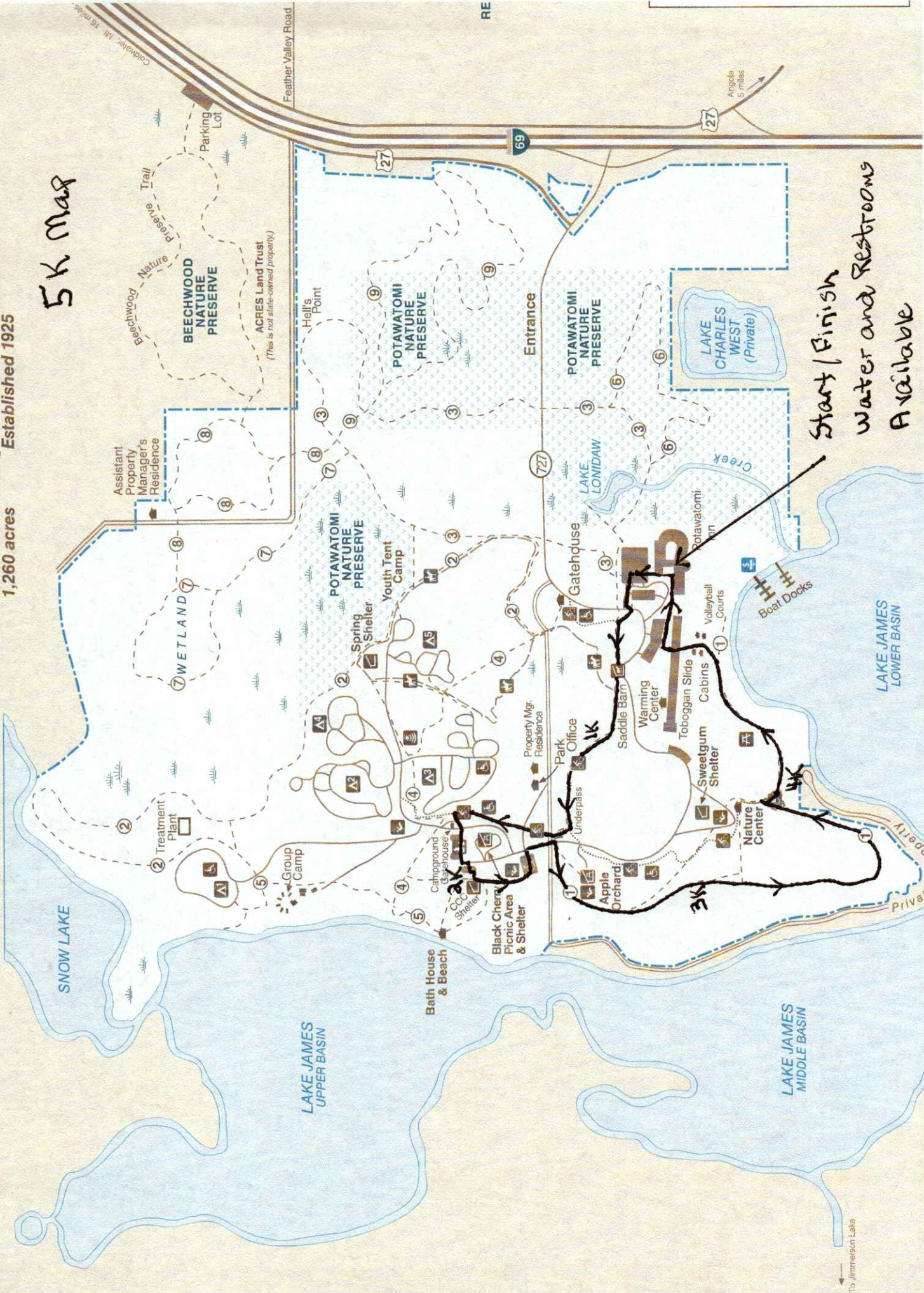
16. **(3K)** at the next park information sign. Go past the first Nature Center sign and stay to the right.
17. Stay to the right at the next "Y" intersection continuing on Trail 1.
18. Turn left on the paved asphalt path that goes to the Nature Center. **(4K)**
19. After visiting the Nature Center, return on the same path, veering left where it splits, and turn left at the "T", you are now on Trail 1 again.
20. Turn left towards the cabins and, after crossing the bridge over the toboggan run, immediately turn right going towards the Potawatomi Inn. **(5K)**

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY: CALL 9-1-1
Questions or Concerns: Call Tom at 260-409-1659

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1,260 acres Established 1925

5K Map



Start/Finish
Water and Restrooms
Available

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Directions for Pokagon State Park 10K Walk

1. Leaving the entrance of **Potawatomi Inn at Pokagon State Park**, bear right following the sidewalk past the flagpole, going down the steps to the parking lot, and continuing straight, going down more steps, to the farthest parking area.
2. Turn right and walk towards the brown building and enter Trail 3 to the left of the building.
3. When the trail splits, <Trail 3>, go right towards the Potawatomi Nature Preserve. When the trail splits again, <Lake Lonidaw, Trail 3>, turn right on Trail 3, walking across the boardwalk.
4. Continue on Trail 3 and carefully cross the entrance road. **(1K)** when you come to the first sign pointing to Hell's Point.
5. Continue on Trail 3 until reaching Hell's Point. **(2K)**

CHECKPOINT #1: How many feet above sea level is Hell's Point? _____

6. Continue on the trail, going down the wooden steps. Turn right on Trail 8, (Trail 9 marker is across the path).
7. Cross another paved road and turn right when you come to the split Trail 8 sign.
8. **(3K)** when you come to the Beechwood Nature Preserve (do not take), stay to the left and continue on Trail 8.
9. Follow "To Trail 7" sign, going straight ahead to Trail 7.
10. Cross paved road to the opening alongside of the iron gate and continue straight on trail.
11. Turn left at the "T" where a sign will be pointing to the direction you just came from saying "To Trail 8" A park information sign is there also.
12. Turn left at "To Trail 3" sign. **(4K)**
13. Turn right at the "T" (bench straight ahead, also a sign designating direction to Bluebird Hill)
14. Follow Trail 3 sign again (not Spring Shelter at this point)
15. **(5K)** when you come to the sign pointing to Trail 2, Trail 3, and the Inn, make a hard right, V style. There is a park information sign there also. Path is a bridal path now (watch your step).
16. Stay to the far right at the next Trail 2 sign.
17. After passing the Spring Shelter and going around the bend, do not follow the Trail 2, Snow Lake signs, but turn left onto unmarked path. A park information sign is in this area also.
18. Cross paved road to unmarked trail (also a bridal path, watch your step).

19. Turn right at Campgrounds sign "Trail 4>, Trail 4^".
20. **(6K)** at the next Trail 4 sign.
21. At a small clearing, go right and continue uphill, passing the amphitheater on your right. Just past the amphitheater, continue left at the Trail 4 sign.
22. Cross paved road continuing on the trail and shortly (at the bike path) turn right to the road. Turn left and follow the road, soon going past a playground on your right.
23. Go past "Group Camp" sign (multiple signs) and turn right, leaving the road, onto Trail 4 ascending some railroad tie steps.
24. Turn left at the next Trail 4 sign.
25. Turn right on the gravel path and go by the CCC Shelter. **(7K)**

CHECKPOINT #2: What are the years this shelter was built? _____

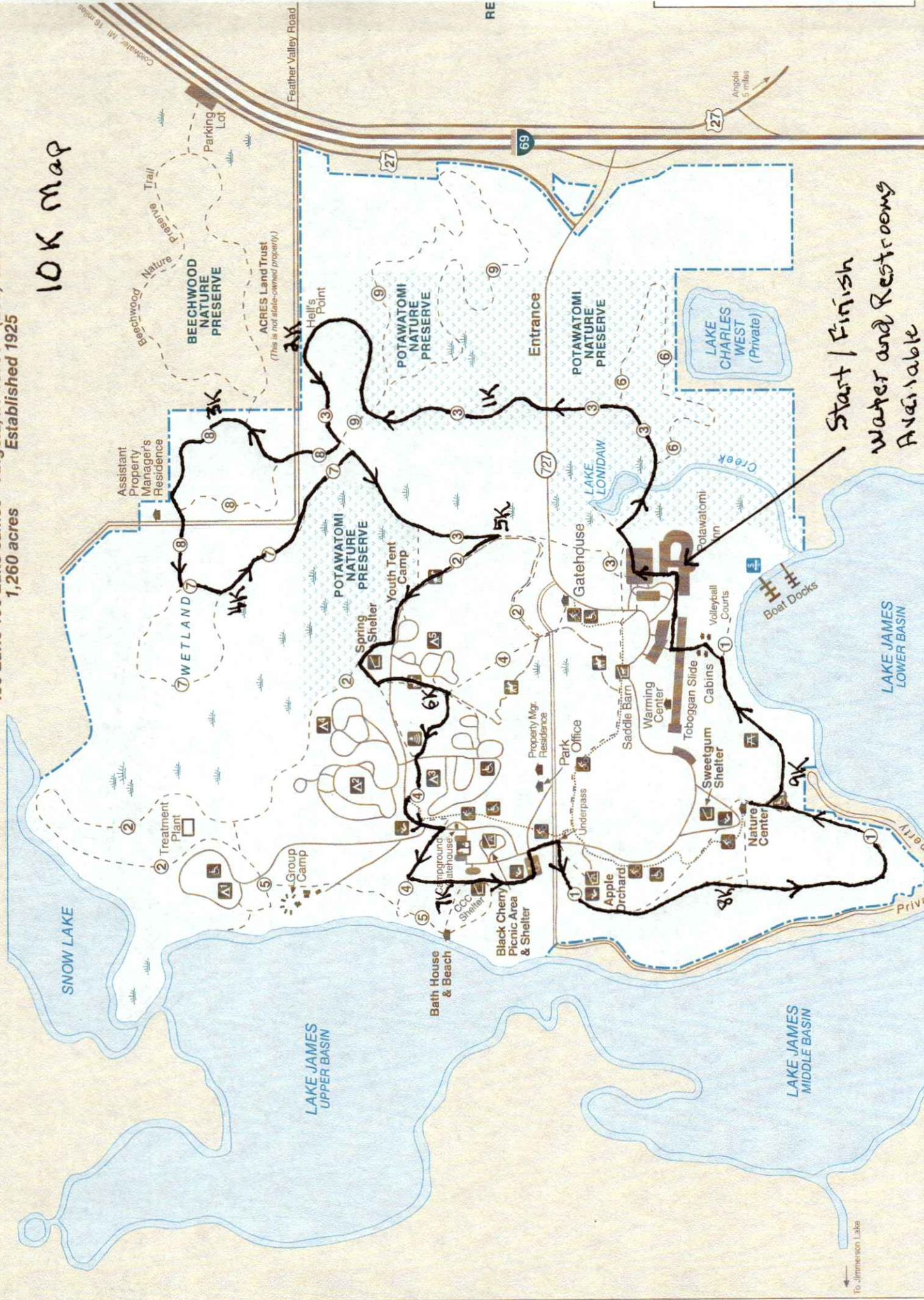
26. Continue on the gravel path, staying to the right when the path splits, keeping Lake James on your right.
27. When you come to the large parking lot go left, all the way through the lot, towards the yield sign at the road where you will turn right and go under the overpass.
28. Shortly, leaving the road, turn right onto Trail 1, keeping to the right when trail angles off to the left.
29. When you come to a meadow with a pavilion angle to the left towards the restroom facility. Trail 1 continues to the right of the restrooms.
30. **(8K)** at the next park information sign. Go past the first Nature Center sign and stay to the right.
31. Stay to the right at the next "Y" intersection continuing on Trail 1.
32. Turn left on the asphalt paved path that goes to the Nature Center. **(9K)**
33. After visiting the Nature Center, return on the same path, veering left where it splits, and turn left at the "T", you are now on Trail 1 again.
34. Turn left towards the cabins and, after crossing the bridge over the toboggan run, immediately turn right going towards the Potawatomi Inn. **(10K)**

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