

CUNNINGHAM FALLS STATE PARK HUNTING INFORMATION

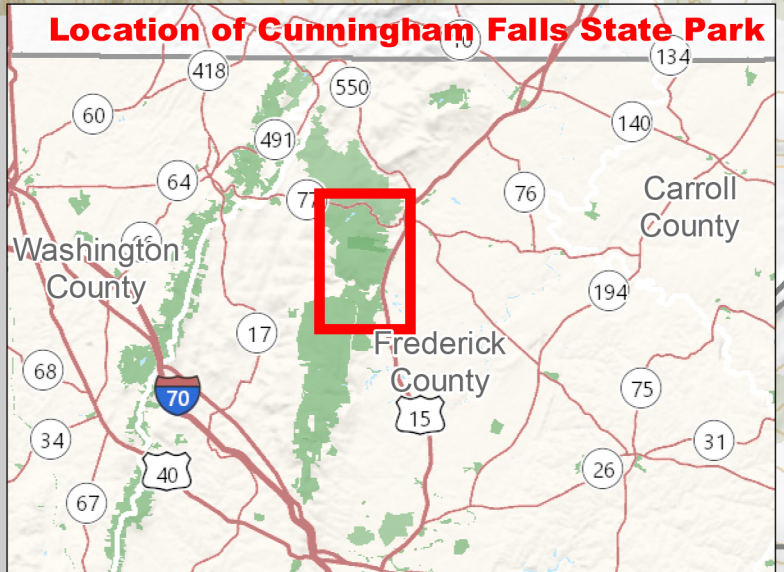
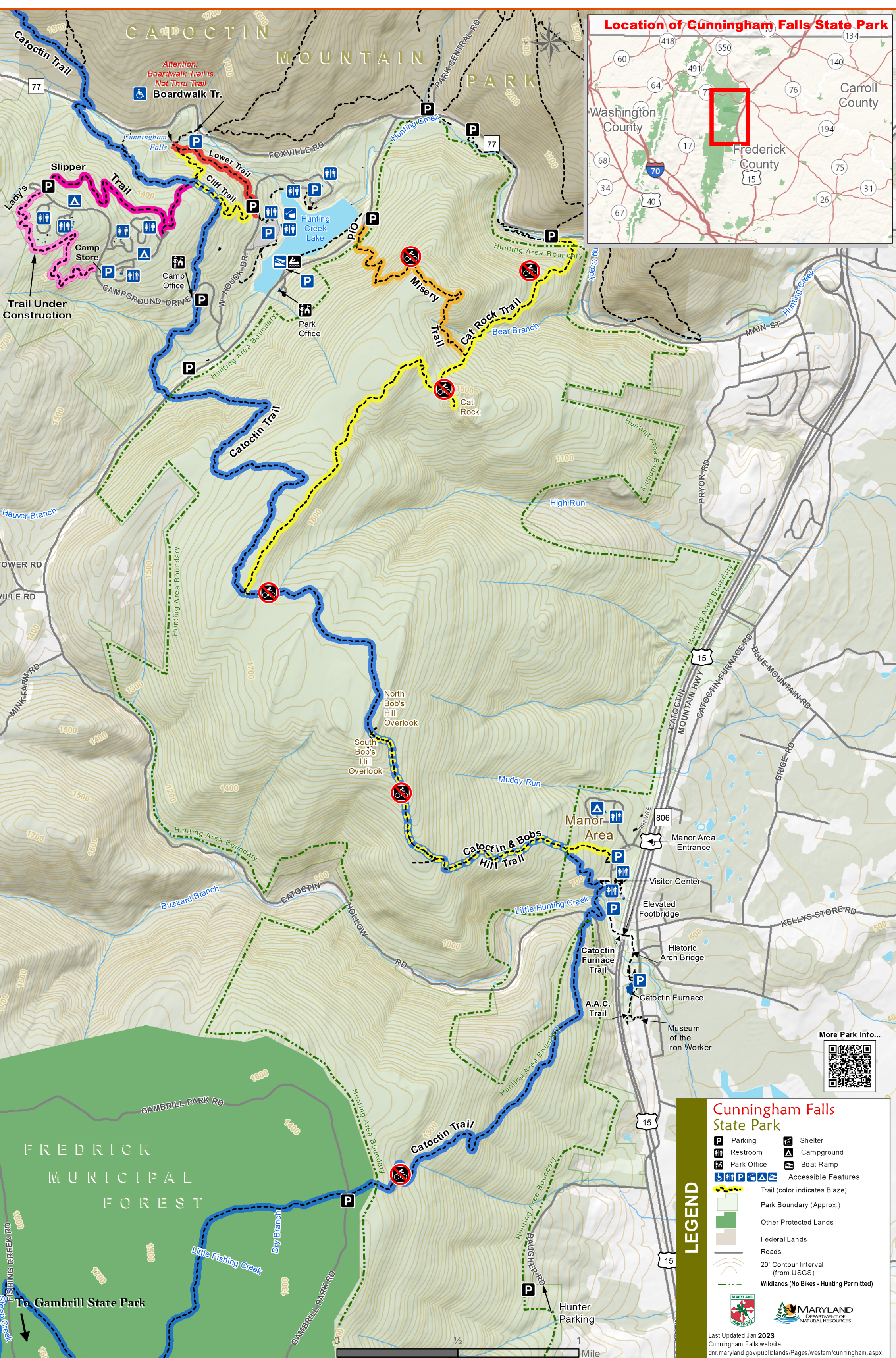
Hunting on undeveloped portions of public lands is one of the many activities offered by the Maryland Park Service. Consult the Guide to Hunting and Trapping in Maryland for more information.

We hope that the following information will answer your questions about hunting at Cunningham Falls State Park. If you have any further questions please contact the park office.

THE UNDEVELOPED AREAS OF THE PARK THAT ARE OPEN FOR HUNTING ARE MULTI-USE AREAS. PLEASE BE AWARE OF OTHER PARK USERS SUCH AS; HIKERS AND HORSE BACK RIDERS, ESPECIALLY ON THE TRAILS. BE SURE OF YOUR TARGET AND WHAT IS BEYOND IT.

- Hunting is permitted in undeveloped or wildland areas of the park in accordance with statewide hunting regulations. Approximately 3500 acres of parkland is open for hunting. A reservation only deer hunting area is available for hunters with a Hunt from the Vehicle Permit. For more information on the reservation only hunting please contact the main office at 301-271-7574.
- Hunting in state parks is closed from the end of spring turkey season until September 1 each year.
- Whitetail deer, wild turkey, squirrel, grouse, woodcock, rabbit, crows, raccoon, foxes and woodcock are commonly found and may be hunted at Cunningham Falls during the seasons outlined in the Guide to Hunting and Trapping in Maryland. The park has no waterfowl hunting available.
- Raccoon and fox may be hunted at night with special permission from the park manager. All requests must be submitted in writing to the address below and you will be contacted with further details. Please allow up to two weeks for your request to be processed.
- Weapons permitted for hunting include: rifles, shotguns, handguns, muzzle loading—rifles, handguns, shotguns, bows and crossbows. Consult your Guide to Hunting and Trapping in Maryland for specific seasons, times and restrictions on each weapon.
- Firearms, bows and crossbows may be carried across closed sections of the state park by licensed hunters during regular seasons in order to get to sections open to hunting. Firearms must be unloaded and cased or uncased and carried with breech open or broken. Bows and crossbows must be un-cocked and not have an arrow nocked.
- Hunters are permitted to access the hunting areas 1 hour before sunrise until 1 hour after sunset. Legal hunting hours apply for actual hunting, 30 minutes before and after sunrise/sunset.
- Most hunting boundaries are posted with triangular red and white “Managed Hunting Area” signs. Areas closed to hunting are posted with black and white “No Hunting” signs. Park boundaries are marked with horizontal yellow paint bands and signs.
- Parking is permitted in designated lots or established pull offs only. Parking is permitted in areas on Catoctin Hollow Road, MD Route 77, Pryor Road, Upper Baugher Road and the Manor Area.
- Camping is only permitted in designated areas. Consult the camping brochure for season information.
- A safety zone of at least 150 yards is to be maintained between state park hunting areas, occupied buildings, residences, developed portions or park boundaries adjacent to private residences.
- The public lands code for Cunningham Falls State Park is 281. Consult your Guide to Hunting and Trapping in Maryland for tagging and checking instructions.
- Target practice, baiting, dog training, Sunday hunting and trapping are not permitted in Cunningham Falls State Park.
- Respect the rights of private landowners adjacent to the public hunting area and only cross private property with permission. In Frederick County written permission is required from the landowner.
- Hunters must possess a valid Maryland Hunting license and any specialized stamp required on their person at all times. No special park or public lands permit is required.
- Use of a tree stand is limited to those of a temporary nature and must be removed at the end of each day. Screw in tree stands are permitted but they must be removed daily also. Ground blinds that alter nature in anyway are not permitted.

VIOLATIONS OF STATE HUNTING LAWS OR PARK REGULATIONS WILL NOT BE TOLERATED AND SHOULD BE REPORTED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO NATURAL RESOURCES POLICE AT 410-260-8888.



Cunningham Falls State Park

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| Parking | Shelter |
| Restroom | Campground |
| Park Office | Boat Ramp |
| Accessible Features | |
| Trail (color indicates Blaze) | |
| Park Boundary (Approx.) | |
| Other Protected Lands | |
| Federal Lands | |
| Roads | |
| 20' Contour Interval (from USGS) | |
| Wildlands (No Bikes - Hunting Permitted) | |

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Cunningham Falls website:
dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/Pages/western/cunningham.aspx