

GUNPOWDER GUIDE

*EXPLORE AND DISCOVER GUNPOWDER FALLS AND
NORTH POINT STATE PARKS*



2013

Welcome

Established in 1959 to protect Gunpowder River and the Big and Little Gunpowder valleys, Gunpowder Falls State Park is now Maryland's largest state park. Comprised of over 18,000 acres in Harford and Baltimore Counties, Gunpowder's narrow corridors host a varied topography ranging from tidal wetlands to steep and rugged slopes. Gunpowder features more than 120 miles of trails, protected State Wildlands, historic sites, fishing and canoeing/kayaking streams, a swimming beach, and a marina.

The park is divided into six areas: Hereford, Sweet Air, Central, Hammerman, Dundee Creek and the Torrey C. Brown Rail Trail. The park also operates North Point and Hart-Miller Island State Parks.

PARK HEADQUARTERS

Gunpowder Falls State Park's headquarters is located in the restored gristmill at Jerusalem Mill Historic Village. The office is open weekdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday (closed weekends and state holidays). Call 410-592-2897 if you have any questions.

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Hereford Area

DISCOVER ONE OF MARYLAND'S FINEST TROUT STREAMS

Located in northern Baltimore County, the Hereford Area's 3,620 acres feature a scenic wilderness setting preserved under State Wildlands Status for nature appreciation and outdoor adventures. Anglers can enjoy a nationally renowned special trout management area located downstream from Prettyboy Reservoir and hikers and horseback riders can explore more than 20 miles of wooded trails. The Big Gunpowder Falls also attracts canoeing, kayaking and tubing enthusiasts throughout the year.

Learn more about the Hereford Area by visiting:

www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/central/gunpowderhereford.asp

HOURS

Sunrise to sunset

Please be respectful to others and take your trash with you. Alcohol is not permitted.

TRAILS

Hikers and horseback riders are welcome on the Hereford Area's 20-miles of trails. This is a state designated Wildlands Area. **Bicycles are strictly prohibited. Be sure to purchase a park map by either visiting park headquarters, or at the DNR online store (www.shopdnr.com).** Please stay on designated trails. The trails in this area are steep, rocky and potentially slippery. Please take precautions by planning ahead and wearing appropriate footwear.

FISHING

A nationally renowned blue-ribbon trout stream, the Big Gunpowder Falls is managed by Maryland DNR from Prettyboy

Dam to Blue Mount Road as a special trout management area for catch and release with artificial lures only. [A Maryland Non-Tidal Fishing License and a trout stamp is required for anyone 16 years-of-age or older.](#)

RIVER RECREATION

The Big Gunpowder River in this section offers opportunities for both novice and advanced paddlers. The difficulty ranges from Class I to Class III. The more difficult section lies between Falls Road and York Road. The section downriver from York Road is considered easier. The river flows into private property downriver of Big Falls Road. Please respect the rights of private property owners. Personal flotation devices are required for all persons canoeing or kayaking on the river. Helmets are required for canoeists and kayakers using



Photo by James Stimpert

the river between Prettyboy Dam and York Road. Water temperature ranges from 45 to 50 degrees year-round.

DIRECTIONS TO THE HEREFORD AREA - From I-83 N, take exit 27 and turn right on Mt. Carmel Road. At traffic light, turn left onto York Road. Pass Hereford High School and turn left onto Bunker Hill Road. Continue on Bunker Hill Road to parking lot, located above the river.

...What's a Wildlands Area?

Wildlands are state designated areas that retain their wilderness character. They have unique ecological, geological or scenic resources, and may provide a home for rare plant and animal species. Gunpowder is home to two Wildland Areas, and North Point has one too!



Mill Pond Cottage

TIRED OF HIGH GAS PRICES, TRAFFIC JAMS, AND AIRPORT DELAYS? SIMPLIFY!

Choose the Mill Pond Cottage for your next getaway, and leave your troubles behind. Located in the scenic Hereford Area of Gunpowder Falls State Park, the Cottage offers true peace and quiet in a private, streamside retreat.

The Mill Pond Cottage sleeps eight people, has a full kitchen, central air-conditioning and heat, wood-burning fireplace, screened-in porch and much more! Anglers will love the two-minute walk to one of the best trout fishing areas in the country. A mere thirty-minute drive from Baltimore can make you feel like you're a thousand miles away—without the travel hassles.

We'd love to help you plan your visit. Call 410-592-2897 for information, or request a full-color brochure.

Check us out on the web at: www.dnr.maryland.gov/publiclands/millpond.asp.

Sweet Air Area

AN IDEAL SPOT FOR HORSEBACK RIDING AND MOUNTAIN BIKING

With 1,250 acres, the Sweet Air Area is one of Gunpowder's largest exclaves. Straddling the Little Gunpowder Falls, which makes up the border between Harford and Baltimore Counties, this area includes 18-miles of trails.

Learn more about the Sweet Air Area by visiting: www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/central/gunpowdersweetair.asp

HOURS

Sunrise to sunset.

Please be respectful to others and take your trash with you. Alcohol is not permitted.



Photo by Matthew Chism

TRAILS

Hikers and pets on leashes are welcome on all of Sweet Air's 18 miles of trails. Mountain bikers and horseback riders are also welcome, except on the Cody Jean and Red Dot Trails. **Be sure to purchase a park map by either visiting park headquarters, or at the DNR online store (www.shopdnr.com).** **NOTICE: Map is currently out of print. Most major trailheads in Sweet Air feature area maps.**

FISHING

The Little Gunpowder Falls contains many species of fish, including small mouth bass and bluegill. Anglers 16 years-of-age and older must possess a Maryland Non-Tidal Fishing License.

DIRECTIONS TO THE SWEET AIR AREA - From I-95, take exit 74 for Route 152 west (Mountain Road). Follow Route 152 for ten miles. Make a left onto Baldwin Mill Road (Route 165 South). Take first right onto Greene Road, right onto Moores Road, and left onto Dalton Bevard Road. (2840 Dalton Bevard Road, Baldwin, MD 21013)

Torrey C. Brown Trail

EXPLORE ONE OF AMERICA'S FIRST RAILS-TO-TRAILS

Named for the third Secretary of the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, the Torrey C. Brown (TCB) Rail Trail follows 20 miles of the former the Northern Central Railway (NCR) in northern Baltimore County.

Learn more about the TCB Trail by visiting:
www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/central/tcb.asp

HOURS

Sunrise to sunset.

USING THE TCB TRAIL

The Torrey C. Brown Trail (formerly the Northern Central Railroad Trail) extends from Ashland, Maryland north to the Maryland-Pennsylvania line, and passes through the historic communities of Ashland, Phoenix, Monkton, White Hall, Bentley Springs and Freeland. Hikers, joggers, bicyclists, horseback riders and pets on leashes are welcome. Trail users are welcome to continue their journey north into Pennsylvania on the York County Heritage Trail. Visitors wishing to leave a vehicle in parking areas overnight for out of state travel, should contact the park a minimum of two weeks in advance to obtain approval.

MONKTON STATION

The 1898 station serves as a museum, gift shop and Ranger Station. It's a great place to learn about the history of the Northern Central Railway. The Station is open Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day, Wednesday-Sunday, 9am - 4pm, and May and September, Weekends, 9am - 4pm.

DIRECTIONS TO MONKTON STATION - From I-83, take exit 27 and go east on Mt. Carmel Road (Route 137). Turn right on York Road and make a quick left onto Monkton Road. Follow until it crosses the TCB (NCR) Trail. Monkton Station will be on your left. Limited parking. (1820 Monkton Road, Monkton, MD 21111)



While visiting the TCB Trail, please note the following:

- Follow the rules of the road. Bikers yield to pedestrians and horseback riders. All users should stay on the right of the trail, and avoid traveling side-by-side.
- All pets must be leashed.
- Trail mile markers (miles 1-19) are painted in the colors of the state flag.
- Children under 16 are required to wear a helmet when riding a bike. Helmet use is strongly recommended for all bikers.
- Maryland State Parks are trash free. Pack out what you pack in.
- Visitors are encouraged to bring a map. **Be sure to purchase a park map by either visiting park headquarters, Monkton Station or at the DNR online store (www.shopdnr.com).**
- **The trail has become popular with a wide variety of users. Please be respectful to others and take your trash with you.**
- **Alcohol is prohibited.**

Gunpowder's Central Area

EXPLORE THE BIG AND LITTLE GUNPOWDER FALLS

Bordering both the Big and Little Gunpowder Falls to their confluence at the Days Cove, the Central Area features many miles of trails and opportunities to fish. The Central Area includes the historic Jerusalem Mill and village (see page 11), which also serves as Gunpowder Falls State Park headquarters.

Learn more about the Central Area by visiting: www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/central/gunpowdercentral.asp

HOURS

Sunrise to sunset.

Please be respectful to others and take your trash with you.

Alcohol is not permitted.

TRAILS

Hikers, [pets on leashes](#), and horseback riders are welcome on all of the Central Area's trails. Mountain bikers are welcome on many trails, but **bicycles are prohibited in the Sweathouse Branch Wildlands Area** on the Big Gunpowder between Harford Road and Belair Road (U.S. 1). The Sweathouse Branch Wildlands Area features several loop trails through hardwood forest along the banks of the Big Gunpowder. Birders and wildflower enthusiasts will enjoy these trails.

DIRECTIONS TO THE CENTRAL AREA (BELAIR ROAD) – From the Baltimore Beltway (I-695), take U. S. 1 (Belair Road) north seven miles until you cross over the Big Gunpowder Falls. The parking lot will be on your right immediately following the bridge across the falls.



FISHING

The Big and Little Gunpowders are both stocked with trout in put-and-take fishing areas. Anglers 16 years-of-age and older must possess a Maryland Non-Tidal Fishing License.

RIVER RECREATION

The Big Gunpowder River in this section offers opportunities for both novice and advanced paddlers. Access to the Big Gunpowder is available at Belair Road and Jones Road (see page 8). The more difficult section of the river lies between Belair Road and Jones Road. The section downriver from Jones Road is considered easier, providing canoeists and kayakers the opportunity to paddle into the coastal plain beyond the confluence of the Big and Little Gunpowders. Personal flotation devices are required for all persons canoeing, kayaking and tubing on the river. Helmets are required for kayakers using the river between Belair Road and Jones Road.

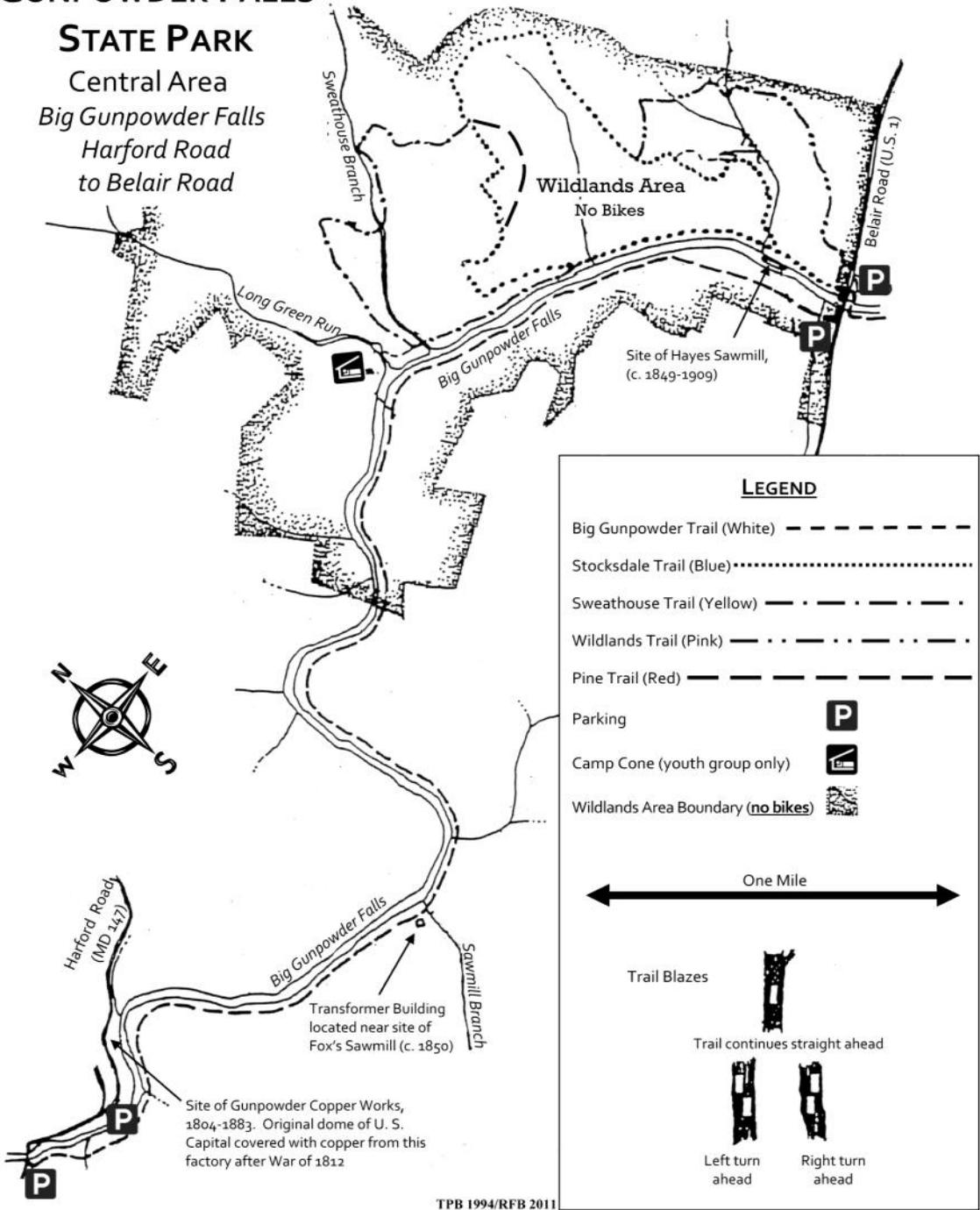
MAPS

Gunpowder Falls State Park is Maryland's largest state parks. Presently, some sections of the park have been thoroughly surveyed and detailed maps are available for purchase either at Park Headquarters, or on the DNR Online Store (www.shopdnr.com). The following maps are of the Central Area.

GUNPOWDER FALLS

STATE PARK

Central Area
 Big Gunpowder Falls
 Harford Road
 to Belair Road



LEGEND

- Big Gunpowder Trail (White) - - - - -
- Stocksdale Trail (Blue) ·········
- Sweathouse Trail (Yellow) - · - · - ·
- Wildlands Trail (Pink) - · · · · ·
- Pine Trail (Red) - - - - -
- Parking **P**
- Camp Cone (youth group only)
- Wildlands Area Boundary (no bikes)

One Mile

- Trail Blazes
- Trail continues straight ahead
 - Left turn ahead
 - Right turn ahead

Site of Gunpowder Copper Works, 1804-1883. Original dome of U. S. Capital covered with copper from this factory after War of 1812

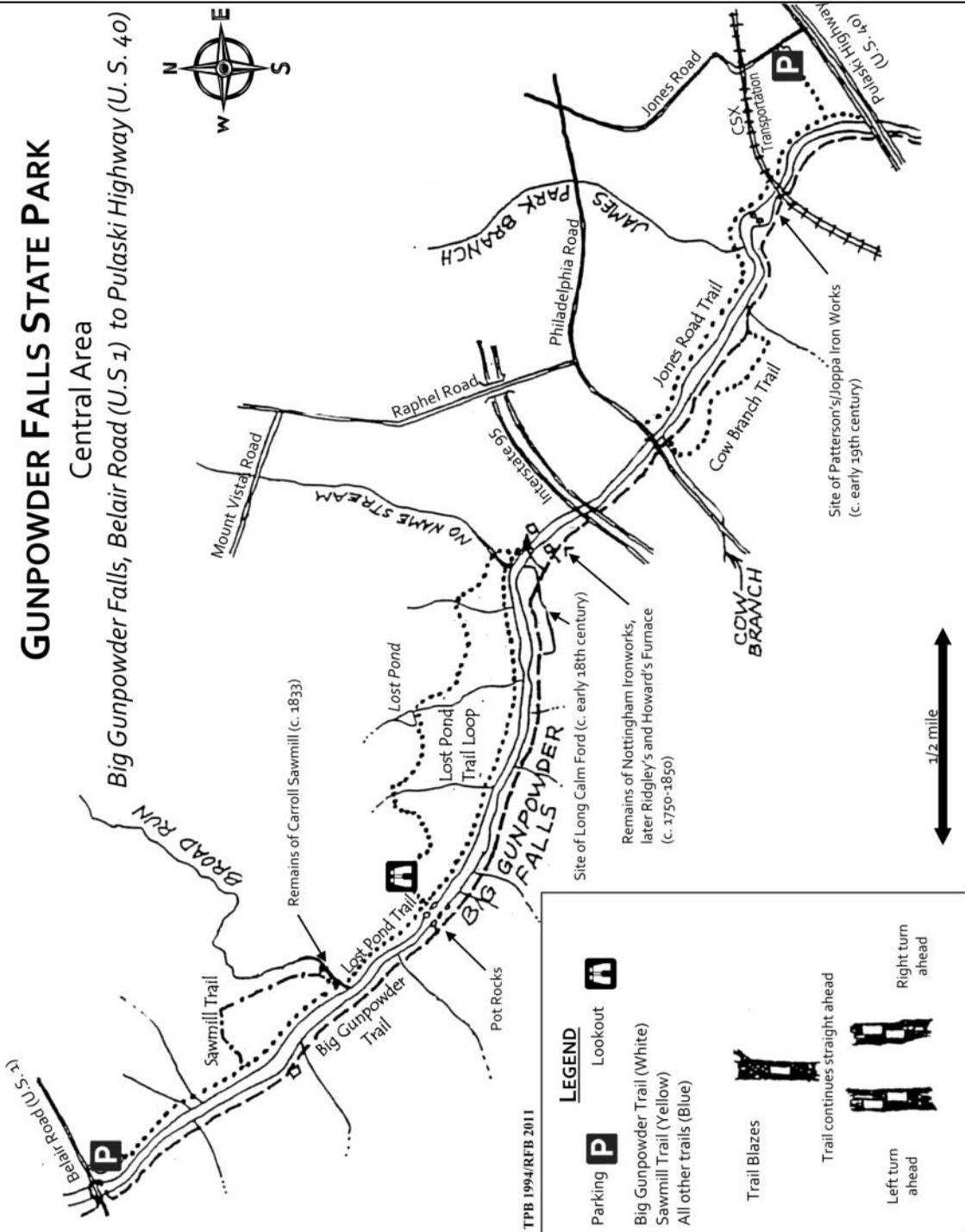
Transformer Building located near site of Fox's Sawmill (c. 1850)

Site of Hayes Sawmill, (c. 1849-1909)

GUNPOWDER FALLS STATE PARK

Central Area

Big Gunpowder Falls, Belair Road (U.S. 1) to Pulaski Highway (U.S. 40)



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LEGEND

- Parking P**
- Lookout**
- Big Gunpowder Trail (White)**
- Sawmill Trail (Yellow)**
- All other trails (Blue)**

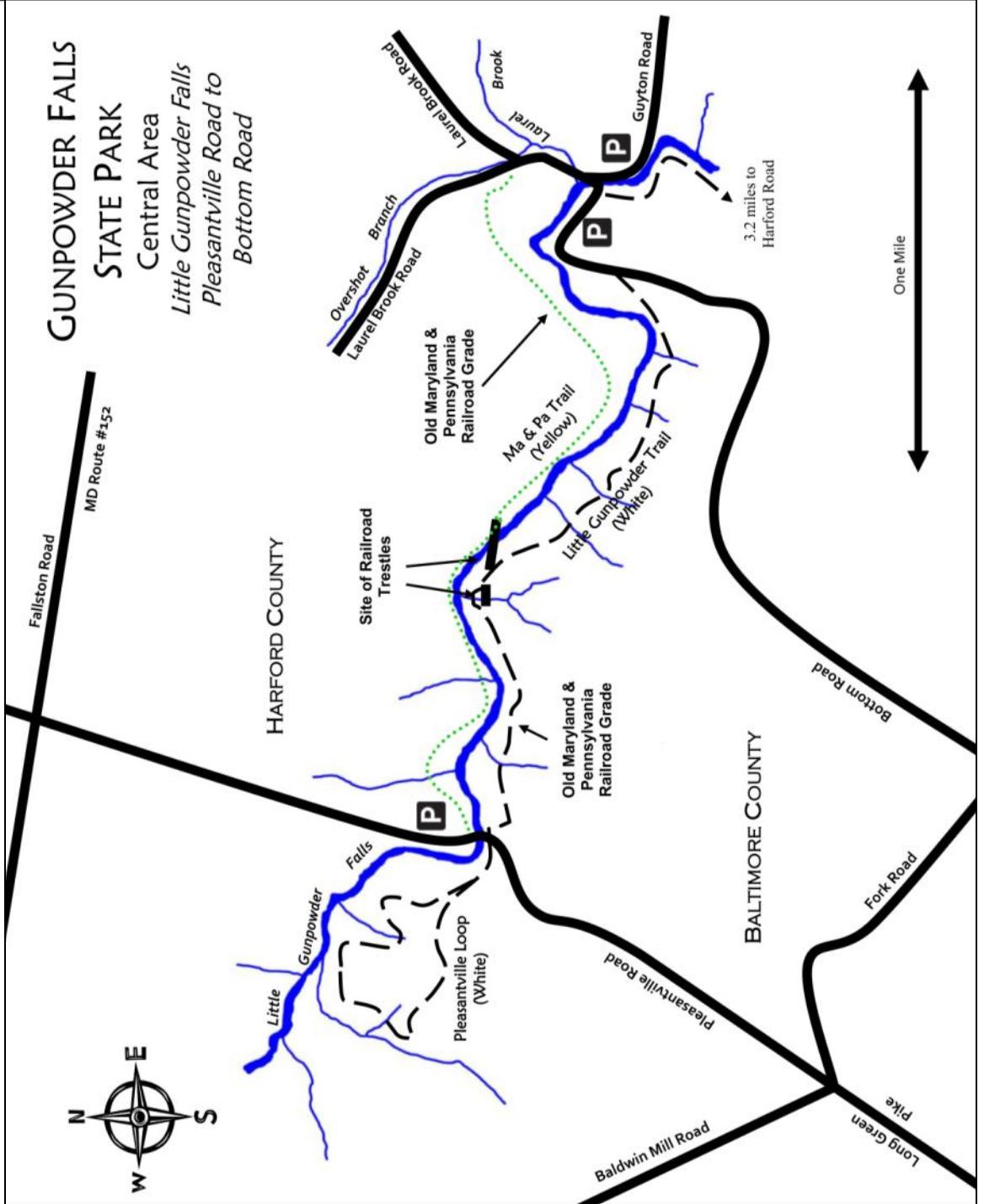
Trail Blazes

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- Left turn ahead
- Right turn ahead



GUNPOWDER FALLS STATE PARK

Central Area
Little Gunpowder Falls
Pleasantville Road to
Bottom Road



GUNPOWDER FALLS STATE PARK

Central Area
 Little Gunpowder Falls
 Harford Road to Jerusalem Mill

LEGEND

Parking **P**
 Little Gunpowder Trail (White)
 All other trails (Blue)

1/2 mile

TPB 1999/RFB 2011



GUNPOWDER FALLS STATE PARK

Central Area
 Little Gunpowder Falls
 Jerusalem Mill to Kingsville County Park

HARFORD COUNTY

JERUSALEM MILL HISTORIC VILLAGE **P**

Horse Trail
 Jericho Covered Bridge

Private Property
 Please Stay on Trail

BALTIMORE COUNTY



LEGEND

Parking **P**
 Little Gunpowder Trail (White)
 Sherwood Trail (Blue)
 Horse Trail (Yellow)

1/2 mile

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Jerusalem Mill Historic Village

TAKE A JOURNEY INTO THE PAST AND LEARN ABOUT LIFE IN THE 18TH & 19TH CENTURIES



Once the center of a thriving 18th- and 19th-century Quaker settlement, the Jerusalem gristmill operated continuously for nearly two centuries. Located on the banks of the Little Gunpowder Falls in Harford County, both the mill and village are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Jerusalem Mill was acquired by the state as part of Gunpowder Falls State Park in 1961 and now serves as the park headquarters and visitor center. The village's buildings and grounds host a variety of regular and special living history events.

Learn more about Jerusalem Mill by visiting:
www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/jerusalemhistory.asp



Photo by Joshua Eller

HOURS

Grounds and Trails: Sunrise to sunset.

Please be respectful to others and take your trash with you.

Alcohol is not permitted.

THINGS TO SEE AND DO

- Visitor Center and Museum: view artifacts and exhibits of the mill and village; Saturdays and Sundays, 1-4 p.m.
- Blacksmith Shop: demonstrations of traditional iron working techniques are offered; Saturdays and Sundays, 1-4 p.m.
- Gun Shop: observe 18th and 19 century village life: Gardening, gun-smithing, hearth cooking, etc; Sundays, 1-4 p.m.
- Carpentry Shop: watch woodworkers create a variety of useful and decorative artifacts; Sundays from 1-4 p.m.
- McCourtney's General Store and Gift Shop: view artifacts and displays from the 1830s to the 1940s; shop for eclectic treasures; first weekend and most Sundays, 1-4 p.m.

Special Events: The Friends of Jerusalem Mill hold special events throughout the year. These events include summer concerts, a Civil War reenactment, and colonial crafts fair. To learn more, visit the Friends' website: www.jerusalemmill.org, or get a copy of the *Gunpowder Currents* newsletter.

DIRECTIONS TO JERUSALEM MILL - From I-95, take exit 74 for Route 152 west (Mountain Road). Follow Route 152 toward Fallston and turn left onto Jerusalem Road. Jerusalem Mill will be on your left after 1.1 miles. Parking is in the lot on the right, just before the mill. (2813 Jerusalem Road, Kingsville, MD 21087)

Hammerman Area

A PLACE FOR YOUR FAMILY TO PICNIC AND SWIM

As Gunpowder's featured day-use park, Hammerman includes a swimming beach, food concessions, four picnic pavilions, picnicking, playgrounds, canoe/kayak and sailboat rentals, fishing, short hiking trails and two short water trails.

Learn more about the Hammerman Area by visiting: www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/central/gunpowderhammerman.asp

HOURS

April-October: 8 a.m. to sunset.

November-March: 10 a.m. to sunset.

Please be respectful to others and take your trash with you.

Alcohol is not permitted (except by permit).

SERVICE CHARGES

- Service Charges are subject to change. Call 410-592-2897 to confirm.
- **Weekends and Holidays, Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day:** There is a \$5 per person service charge (\$7 per-person for non-Maryland residents) for entrance into the Hammerman Area.
- **Weekdays, Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day:** There is a \$3 per person service charge (\$5 per-person for non-Maryland residents) for entrance into the Hammerman Area.
- **Off-season (after Labor to the Friday before Memorial Day weekend):** A \$3 per-vehicle (\$5 for non-Maryland residents) honor system is in effect.
- Children in car seats are free.
- Senior citizens aged 62 and older are eligible for a \$10 lifetime Golden Age Pass.
- Patrons who leave the park are required to pay again to re-enter.

NOTICE: PLAN YOUR VISIT!

The Hammerman Area is known to fill to capacity on summer weekends and especially holidays. All visitors will be turned away if the park fills to capacity. Patrons are encouraged to arrive early.

The beach parking lot also fills to capacity often. Alternative parking is usually available at the Dogwood parking lot, but be prepared to walk.

BEACH

The Hammerman Area offers 1,500 feet of beach and swimming area on the banks of the Gunpowder River. Lifeguards are on duty at the swimming area from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Thursday through Sunday, Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Swimming is permitted at your own risk when lifeguards are not on duty. *Lifeguard hours are subject to change. Call 410-592-2897 to confirm.

PICNICKING

Picnic tables and grills are available free-of-charge on a first come-first serve basis. Please keep all fire in the grills provided, and be sure to extinguish all fires before departing.

Pavilions: Hammerman's four pavilions can be rented between May 1 through October 30. These may be reserved in advance by calling 1-888-432-CAMP(2267), or by visiting our reservations.dnr.state.md.us. There is a \$200



Photo by Retzer Cariaga

reservation fee (plus an optional \$35 alcohol permit fee) for each pavilion. All pavilion users are required to pay the park entrance service charge. Ticket books can be purchased in advance by calling 410-592-2897. *Rental fees are subject to change.*

FISHING

Fishing is **not** permitted from the Hammerman Beach. Fishing is permitted north of the beach, and near the canoe ramp. Anglers 16 years-of-age and older must possess a Maryland Bay Sport Fishing License.

CONCESSIONS

Hungry or thirsty and don't want to leave? The Riverside Grille offers a variety of food and drinks at a reasonable rate. Open during the summer. Call 410-592-2897 for hours.

BOAT RENTALS

Ultimate Watersports rents kayaks, wind surfboards and stand-up paddleboards at the beach. Please call 410-335-5352 for more information, or visit their website at www.ultimatewatersports.com.

BOAT LAUNCH

The Hammerman Area has a small boat launch, however the water is **extremely shallow** and is only appropriate for unpowered boats such as canoes, kayaks, and row boats.

HIKING

The Muskrat Trail is a short hikers only trail that winds through the marsh. The trail features an observation deck and a canoe/kayak launch.

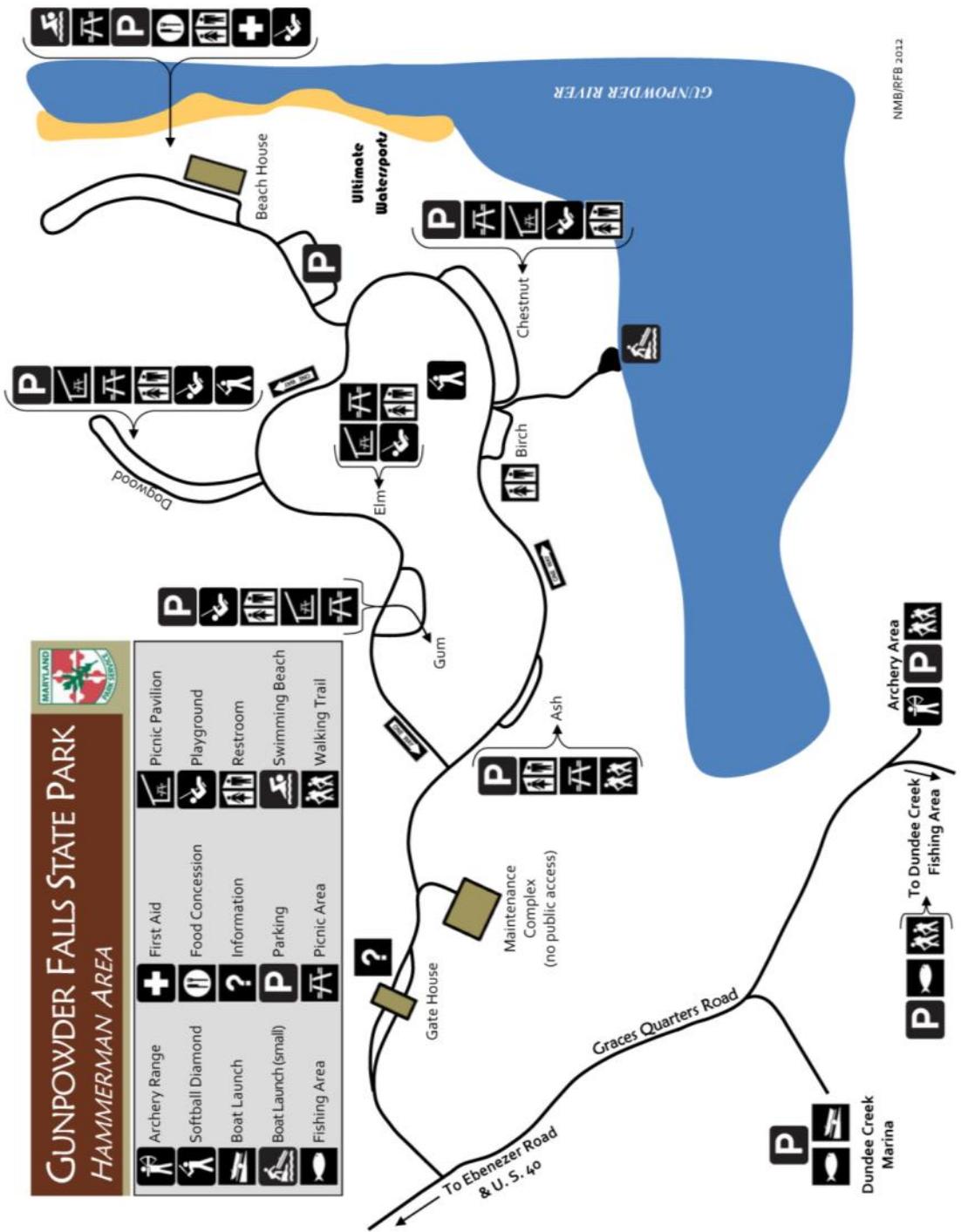
PETS

Pets on leashes are welcome, except on the sandy portion of Hammerman Beach, Beach house/concession stand, restrooms, and playgrounds.

DIRECTIONS TO THE HAMMERMAN AREA - From I-95 take exit 67A for Route 43 east. Follow 43 to Route 40 east. Turn right onto Ebenezer Road and follow it for 4.5 miles. The park entrance will be on your left. (7200 Graces Quarters Road, Chase, MD 21027)

GUNPOWDER FALLS STATE PARK HAMMERMAN AREA

	Archery Range		First Aid		Picnic Pavilion
	Softball Diamond		Food Concession		Playground
	Boat Launch		Information		Restroom
	Boat Launch (small)		Parking		Swimming Beach
	Fishing Area		Picnic Area		Walking Trail



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Dundee Creek Marina and Fishing Area

EXPLORE THE GUNPOWDER BY BOAT

Located on Dundee Creek near the mouth of the Gunpowder River, the marina offers a number of amenities to the slip holders and the boating public, including gas sales, sewage pump out, boat accessories, bait, fishing tackle, ice, packaged foods, gifts, and boat rentals.

Learn more about the Marina by visiting:
www.dnr.state.md.us/publiclands/central/gunpowderdundee.asp



Photo by Gordon Cox

RAMP HOURS

- March 1 - Memorial Day, November: 6am - Sunset
- Memorial Day - October: 5am - one hour after sunset.

**Please be respectful to others and take your trash with you.
Alcohol is not permitted.**

BOAT LAUNCH

The launch fee is \$10 for Maryland residents (\$12 for non-Maryland residents) at the marina.

Slip Leasing: Slips are available on a first-come/first-serve basis. Please call 410-335-9390 for more information.

MARINA STORE

The Dundee Creek Marina Store sells gasoline, fishing and boating accessories, as well drinks and snacks. The store's hours are:

- April and October: Weekends, 6 am - 2 pm.
- May and September: 6 am - 2 pm, closed Wednesdays.
- Memorial Day – Labor Day: 6:00 am – 7:00 pm, closed Wednesdays.

Store hours are subject to change due to weather. Please call 410-335-9390.

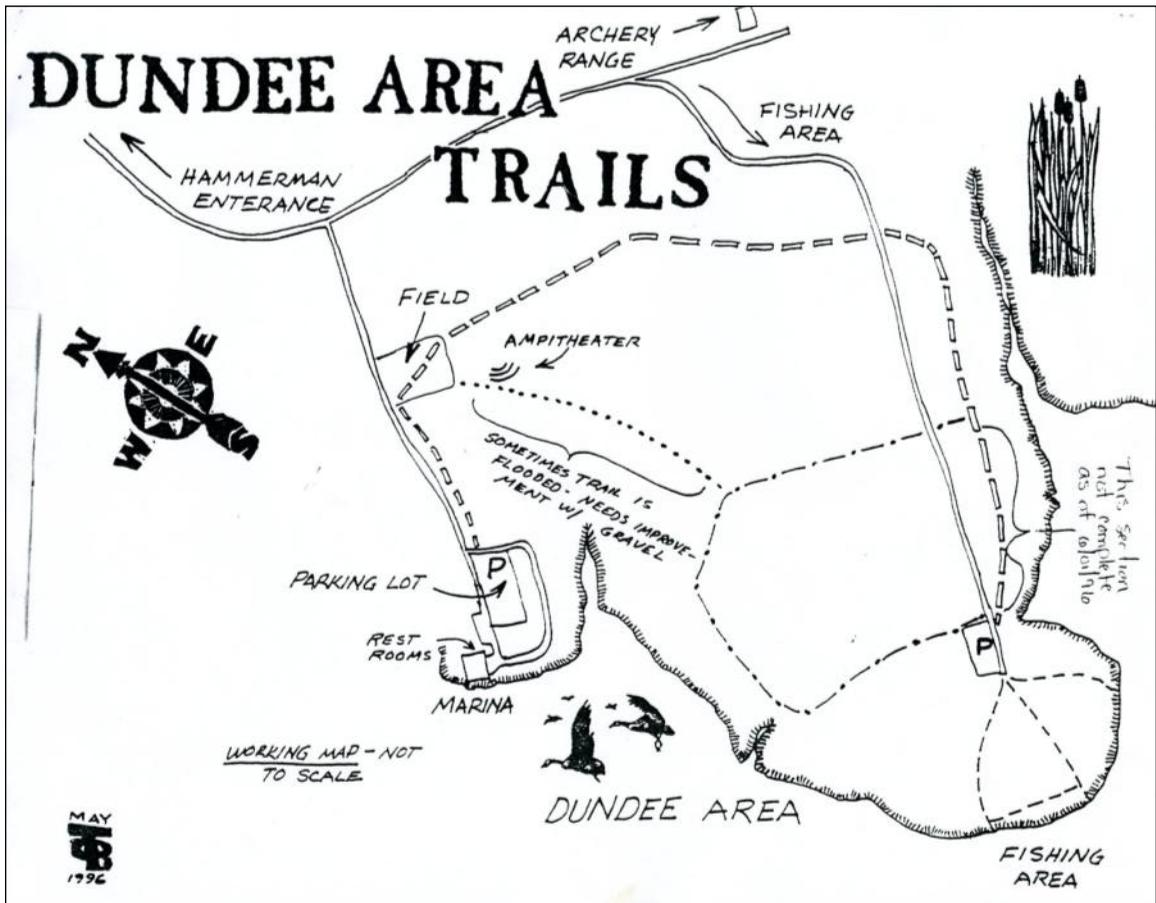
BOAT RENTALS

The Marina Store rents powerboats, paddleboats, and canoes on an hourly basis. All patrons born after July 1, 1972 seeking to rent a powerboat must possess a boater's license.

Ultimate Watersports rents kayaks, wind surfboards and stand-up paddleboards at the beach. Please call 410-335-5352 for more information, or visit their website at www.ultimatewatersports.com.

FISHING AREA

The fishing area is located at the end of Graces Quarters Road. Anglers 16 years-of-age and older must possess a Maryland Bay Sport Fishing License. The fishing area is open year-round, but it is closed to vehicular traffic from December through March.



Camping at Gunpowder

YOUTH GROUP CAMPING

Overnight camping is available at Camp Wood and Camp Cone for organized **youth groups**. Reservations required. Call 410-592-2897 for youth group camping.

HART-MILLER ISLAND CAMPING

Primitive campsites at Hart-Miller Island, accessible by private boat only, May 1 - Sept. 30. First come, first served. Service charge: \$6/site/night. Limit of 6 people per site.



Photo by Eileen McVey

North Point State Park

DISCOVER HISTORY AND EXPLORE THE
BLACK MARSH WILDLANDS



A unique 1320-acre park, North Point includes more than six miles of shoreline along the Chesapeake Bay, Back River and Shallow Creek. North Point also boasts several wetlands including a large bayside marsh.

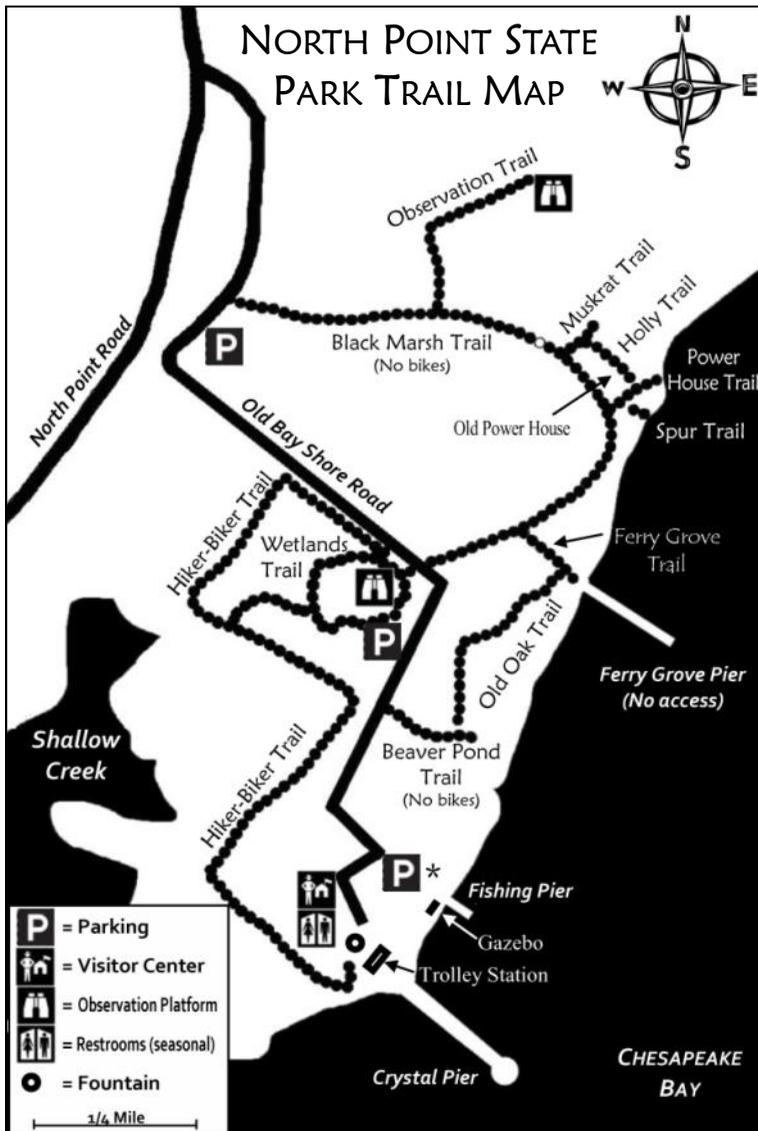
North Point has been continuously farmed for almost 350 years. During the War of 1812, local militia skirmished with British troops seeking to invade Baltimore. The British route to Baltimore passed through the present-day park and is part of the Star-Spangled Banner Trail.

From 1906 to 1947, North Point was the site of the Bay Shore Amusement Park. For three decades, Bay Shore bustled with activity as people sought recreation and relaxation. The park included a dance hall, bowling alley, restaurant and the 1000-ft. "Crystal" pier, as well as rides and roller coasters. Many people reached Bay Shore by trolley from Baltimore.

Bay Shore Park was demolished in the 1948. The Department of Natural Resources acquired the property in 1987 to protect the Black Marsh Wildlands and provides limited access to the Bay.

THINGS TO SEE AND DO

- **Chesapeake Bay:** North Point provides public access to the Bay.
- **Fishing:** North Point has good fishing opportunities. Anglers ages 16 and older are required to possess a Maryland Tidal Fishing License.
- **Black Marsh Wildlands:** Over half of the park (667 acres) has received legislative protection as State Wildlands. Bicycles are prohibited in the Wildlands.
- **Bird Watching:** Waterfowl, songbirds and many raptors make their home at North Point.
- **Old Bayshore Park Ruins:** Visitors can explore the remains of the turn-of-the-20th-century amusement park. Sites of interest include the 1,000-ft. Bayshore Pier, Trolley Station and Fountain.
- **Takos Visitor Center:** Park information, first aid and restrooms are found here. The exhibits will be undergoing a major renovation in 2013 for the War of 1812 Bicentennial.
- **Hiking and Biking:** Well-marked trails allow access to observe local birds and wildlife including: muskrats, beavers, foxes, otters, osprey, great blue herons and bald eagles.
- **Environmental and History Programs:** A wide variety of programs for school groups and families are offered throughout the year. See the Gunpowder Currents Newsletter for more information.
- **Picnicking:** Picnic tables offer a spectacular view of the Chesapeake Bay. The Trolley Station is available to rent for large group picnics. Trolley Station is available May through September. Call 1-888-432-2267 to reserve. A small bay-front gazebo is also available year-round. Call 410-477-0757 to reserve.



HOURS

8 a.m. to sunset.

Please be respectful to others and take your trash with you. Alcohol is not permitted.

PETS

Pets are welcome throughout the park in *Fall, Winter and Spring.*

Pets must be leashed.

Pets are **PROHIBITED** in Parking Lot B (*), Fishing Area, Water Access, Visitor Center, Trolley Station and Picnic Areas from *Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day.*

BIKES

Bikes are only permitted on Bay Shore Road, Hiker-Biker Trail, and Wetlands Trail. Bikes are **PROHIBITED** on **ALL** other North Point Trails.

WILDLIFE

Please do not disturb any wildlife— animals or plants. This is a fragile habitat.

DIRECTIONS TO NORTH POINT STATE PARK - From I-695 south take exit 42. Make a left onto North Point Road. Follow North Point Road through Edgemere. The entrance to the park will be on your left after 2 miles. From I-695 north take exit 43. Make a left onto Bethlehem Blvd. Go straight on North Point Road through Edgemere. The entrance to the park will be on your left after 2 miles. (8400 North Point Road, Edgemere, MD 21219)

Leave No Trace Ethics

Help keep Gunpowder and North Point beautiful by following LNT ethics:

Know Before You Go

- Be prepared! Remember food and water. Dress appropriately for the weather.
- Use a map. Maps are available at park headquarters.
- Remember to bring a leash for your pet and plastic bags to pick up your pet's waste.



Stick to the Trail

- Walk and ride on designated trails to protect trailside plants.
- Do not step on flowers or small trees. Once damaged, they may not grow back.
- Respect private property by staying on designated trails.

Take Your Trash With You

- Pack it in, Pack it out.
- Use a plastic bag to pack out your pet's poop.
- Keep water clean. Do not put soap, food, or human or pet waste in lakes or streams.

Leave It As You Find It

- Leave plants, rocks and historical items as you find them so others can enjoy them.
- Treat living plants with respect. Carving, hacking or peeling plants may kill them.

Keep Wildlife Wild

- Observe wildlife from a distance and never approach, feed or follow them.
- Human food is unhealthy for all wildlife and feeding them starts bad habits.
- Protect wildlife and your food by securely storing your meals and trash.

Share the Trail and Manage Your Pet

- Be considerate when passing others.
- Keep your pet under control to protect it, other visitors and wildlife.
- Listen to nature. Avoid making loud noises or yelling. You will see more wildlife.
- Be sure the fun you have outdoors does not bother anyone else.

Volunteer Opportunities at Gunpowder and North Point

With over 18,000 acres and 100 miles of trails, Gunpowder and North Point State Parks can use your help. Call the contact number listed or park headquarters at 410-592-2897. Individuals and groups are encouraged to participate.

Park Friends and Volunteers

Our friends groups are always looking for new membership. Please visit their websites or contact park headquarters for more information.

Friends of Jerusalem Mill:

www.jerusalemill.org
410-877-3560.

NCR Hereford Volunteer Association:

410-592-2897.

North Point State Park Volunteers:

www.northpointstatepark.net
410-477-0757.

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GUNPOWDER FALLS STATE PARK

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-  Gunpowder Falls State Park
-  Torrey C. Brown Rail Trail
-  Major Road/Highway

