

MORRISON

HIKING TRAIL

WELCOME to the Morrison Trail. This 10.8 mile (17 kilometer) loop trail offers a pleasant 2-3 day backpacking experience or a shorter day hike. This trail leads to Morrison Campground, a primitive area with boat/hiking access campsites, which have picnic tables, fire rings, and vault toilets. A fee is required to camp here.

Forest Service lands management emphasize the semi-primitive, non-motorized recreation setting and provide vegetation management that favor wildlife species, such as turkey and bear. In the southern half of the trail area, vegetation management activity will only occur for one decade every 40 years. A portion of the trail on the north section will parallel an oak regeneration area, which is fenced to exclude deer and improve the oak seedling growth.

FINDING THE TRAIL – The trailhead parking lot is located off SR 59, 16 miles east of Warren, PA and 17 miles from Bradford, PA. This trail is located on the Longhouse National Scenic Byway, a 29 mile loop with abundant outdoor recreation sites and scenic vistas around the Allegheny Reservoir. The trail can be found on the Cornplanter Bridge quadrangle map.

HIKING THE AREA – The trail is marked with gray diamond markers. Slopes along the reservoir and along the small streams are steep. Large boulders can be found on the steeper hillsides. Most of the area is heavily forested in second growth timber; primarily oak and hickory. Hemlock is found in small groves along the streams, and some magnificent old white pines can be found in scattered locations. Mid to late June provides a perfect opportunity to view mountain laurel, the Pennsylvania State flower. Opportunities to view wildlife — deer, squirrel, grouse, and turkey are also good.

REGULATIONS – This trail is for hiking. Motorized vehicles, ATV's, and snowmobiles are not allowed on the trail. Forest trails policy prohibits the use of saddle, pack, or draft animals on hiking or cross-country ski trails.

Dispersed camping is permitted along the trail. Campfires are permitted in a fire ring only. **CAMPING ALONG THE SHORE IS PERMITTED AT MORRISON CAMPGROUND. ALL OTHER CAMPS MUST BE SET UP 1,500 FEET FROM THE TREE LINE OF THE RESERVOIR.**

SAFETY – The skill level of this hiking trail is MORE DIFFICULT and you should be in good health to enjoy it. We encourage you to hike with at least one other

person and to leave your itinerary with friends so they'll know where to look if you don't return on time or need assistance.

This trail is open for winter hiking. Remember to dress in layers appropriate for the weather conditions. Be aware that this trail is used heavily in the late fall and spring by hunters. It is a good idea to wear bright fluorescent colored clothing if hiking during these time periods.

EMERGENCY – Call 911. The nearest hospital is in Warren, 16 miles west. Be aware that cell phone service is limited to nonexistent throughout the Forest—please plan accordingly.

VOLUNTEERS— These trails are maintained by volunteers and the U.S. Forest Service. If you, a friend, or your club are interested in volunteering to help maintain this trail or any other trail in the Forest, please contact the Bradford Ranger District.

FOR MORE INFORMATION about this and other trail opportunities, contact:

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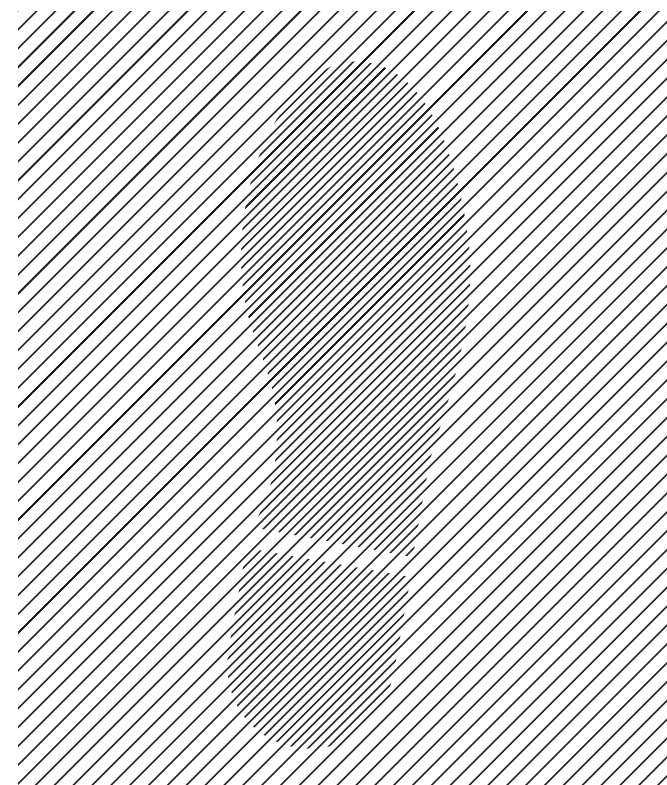
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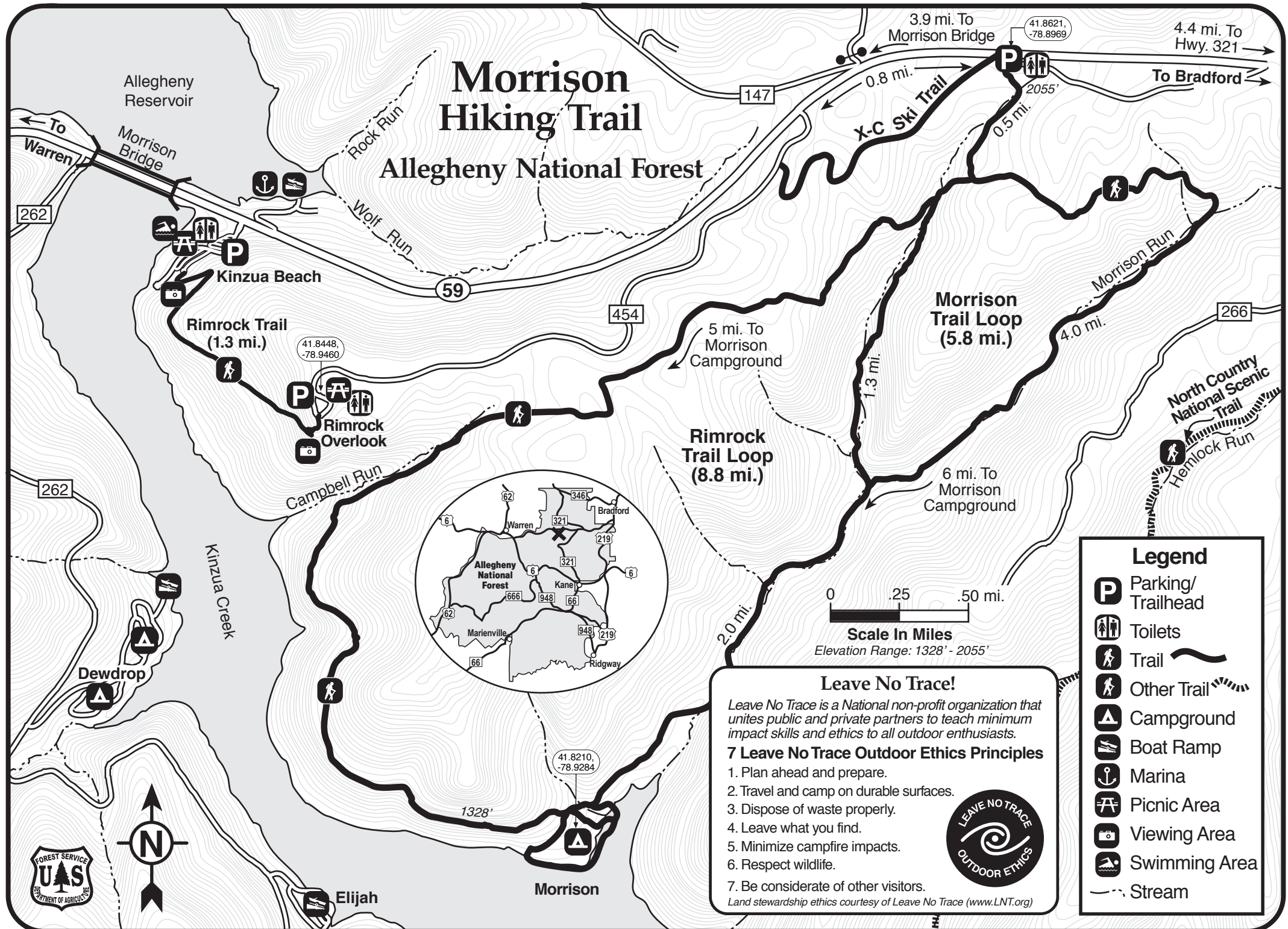
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- Parking/Trailhead
- Toilets
- Trail
- Other Trail
- Campground
- Boat Ramp
- Marina
- Picnic Area
- Viewing Area
- Swimming Area
- Stream

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7 Leave No Trace Outdoor Ethics Principles

1. Plan ahead and prepare.
2. Travel and camp on durable surfaces.
3. Dispose of waste properly.
4. Leave what you find.
5. Minimize campfire impacts.
6. Respect wildlife.
7. Be considerate of other visitors.

Land stewardship ethics courtesy of Leave No Trace (www.LNT.org)

