

# Tipsaw Lake Recreation Area



Site #	May be Reserved	Spur Length
Jackpine Loop		
1	E - No	50
2	E - No	55
3	E - No	43
4	E - No	56
5	Host	52
6	E - No	55
7	Host	51
8	E - No	52
9	E - No	53
10	E - No	50
11 & 12	No	W/I
15-D	E - Yes	49
16-D	E - Yes	53
17	E - Yes	55
18 & 19	E - Yes	50
20	E - Yes	53
21	E - Yes	57
22	E - Yes	48
23-D	E - Yes	56
Dogwood Loop		
24-D & 25-D	E - Yes	36
26 & 27	No	20-W/I
28	Yes	43
29-D	Yes	42
30	No	43
31-D	No	46
32	No	53
33	No	46
34	No	47
35 & 36	No	50
37	No	52
Goldenrod Loop		
10	Yes	50
11	Yes	49
12	Yes	44
13-D	Yes	36
14-D	Yes	45
Primrose Loop		
15-17	Yes	49
18	Yes	48
19	Yes	47
20	Yes	50
Catbrier Loop		
1	E - Yes	44
2	E - No	53
3	E - Yes	35
4	E - No	102
5	E - Yes	50
6	E - No	55
7	E - Yes	65
8	E - No	54
9	E - Yes	72
10	E - No	49
11	Host	70

### Campsite Legend

- W/I—walk-in site
- D—double site
- E—electric site
- Host—campground contacts

### Safety

- GPS Coordinates: 38° 7' 51.62"N, 86° 38' 27.952"W
- In case of emergency call 911
- Nearest hospital: Tell City, Ind.
- Perry County Central Dispatch: 812-547-7068
- Indiana Conservation Officer Dispatch: 812-837-9536

**Firewood Restrictions:** Possessing, storing, or transporting any part of a tree EXCEPT as described below (36 CFR 261, 58(t): It is kiln-dried scrap lumber with no bark (processed lumber). It is from your home or other Indiana location and has all bark removed. It has an Indiana DNR compliance stamp. Downed dead wood which is collected and used within the developed recreational area that the campsite is located, or collected and used within the immediate vicinity of a dispersed campsite on the Hoosier National Forest. Downed dead wood obtained on the Hoosier National Forest within the same defined county, or from the Hoosier National Forest from those counties directly adjoining, and which is obtained by the holder of a valid firewood permit.

Reservations may be made up to nine months in advance for the mid-May through early October period. Visit [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov) for availability and reservations.



Scan here to see a geo-referenced map.

**Tipsaw Lake Recreation Area** is located six miles south of Interstate 64, off of Indiana 37. It offers opportunities for both overnight and day use, with three camping loops, two group camping areas, a picnic area with two shelters available for reservation, a beach with modern bathhouse, Tipsaw Lake, which offers paddling, fishing, and boating (electric motors only) opportunities, and a 5.9 mile trail around the lake for hiking and biking. A boat launch with large parking area is provided. This area is operated by a concessionaire under a special use permit issued by the Forest Service from early April through late October.

**Camping:** There are three camping loops, Dogwood, Jackpine, and Catbrier, which provide a total of 48 campsites, including seven double sites. Regular sites can accommodate two vehicles and up to eight people, with an additional fee for more than one vehicle. Double sites can accommodate four vehicles and up to 16 people, with an additional fee for more than two vehicles. Within Dogwood and Jackpine camping loops there is a mix of electric and non-electric sites as well as walk-in sites. There is centralized water, toilet/shower buildings with flush toilets and hot showers, and vault toilets. Catbrier Loop provides full RV hookups with 50 amp electrical service. Goldenrod Group Site offers space for 35 persons, has a single vault toilet and has one 30 amp electric pedestal. Primrose Group Site offers space for up to 30 persons and has a double vault toilet. A dump station is located across the highway from the entrance to Tipsaw Lake Recreation Area. Campsites MUST be occupied the first night and may not be left unattended more than 24 hours. The campground is open early April through late October.

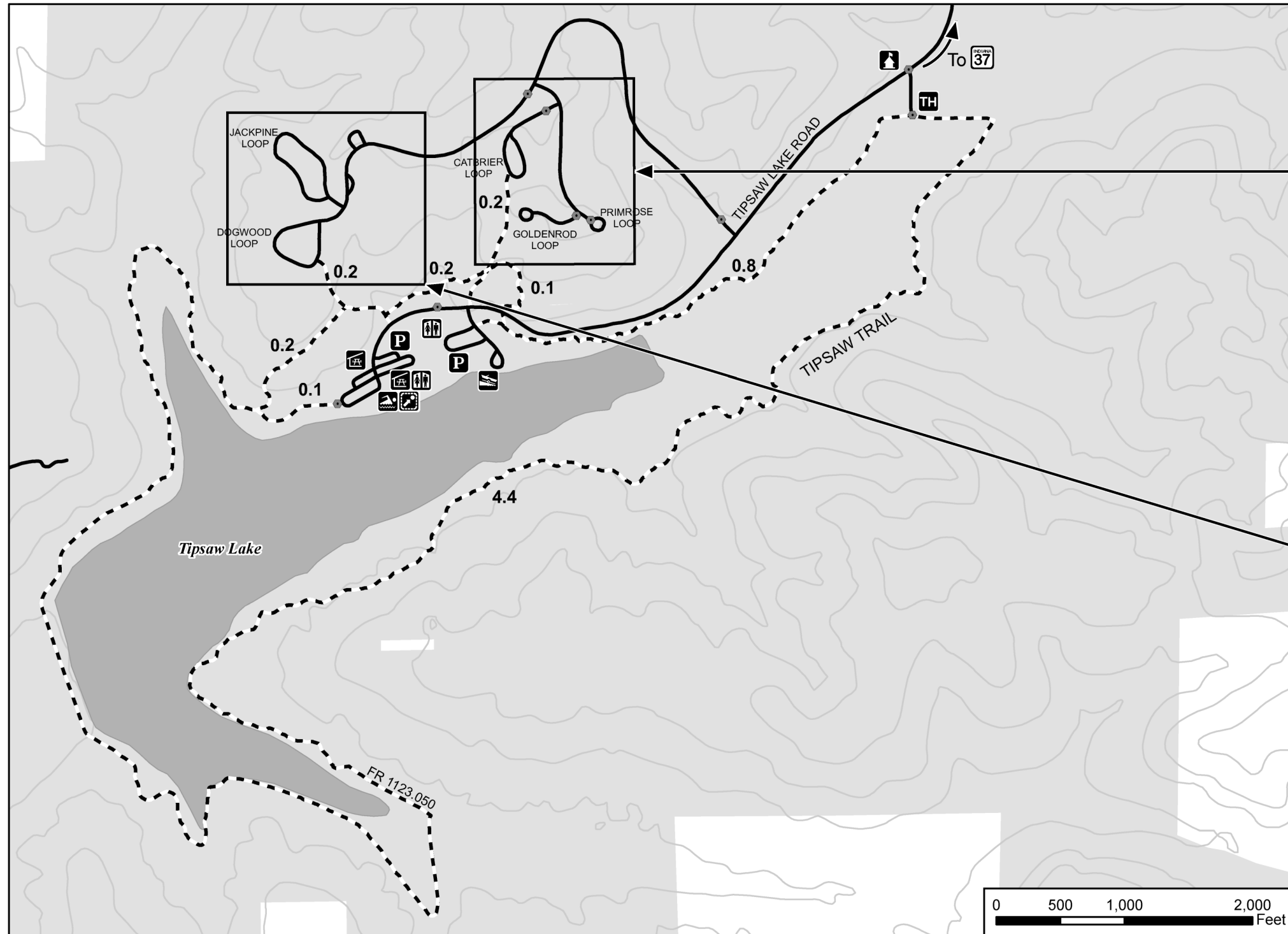
### Campsite and Shelter House Reservations

Call 1-877-444-6777; TDD 1-877-833-6777 or visit [www.recreation.gov](http://www.recreation.gov). There is an additional fee for reservations. Some sites are first come, first served and cannot be reserved. America the Beautiful Senior and Access Pass discounts may be available for pass holders. Pass discounts do not apply to amenities such as electricity. To contact the campground staff directly call 812-843-4890.

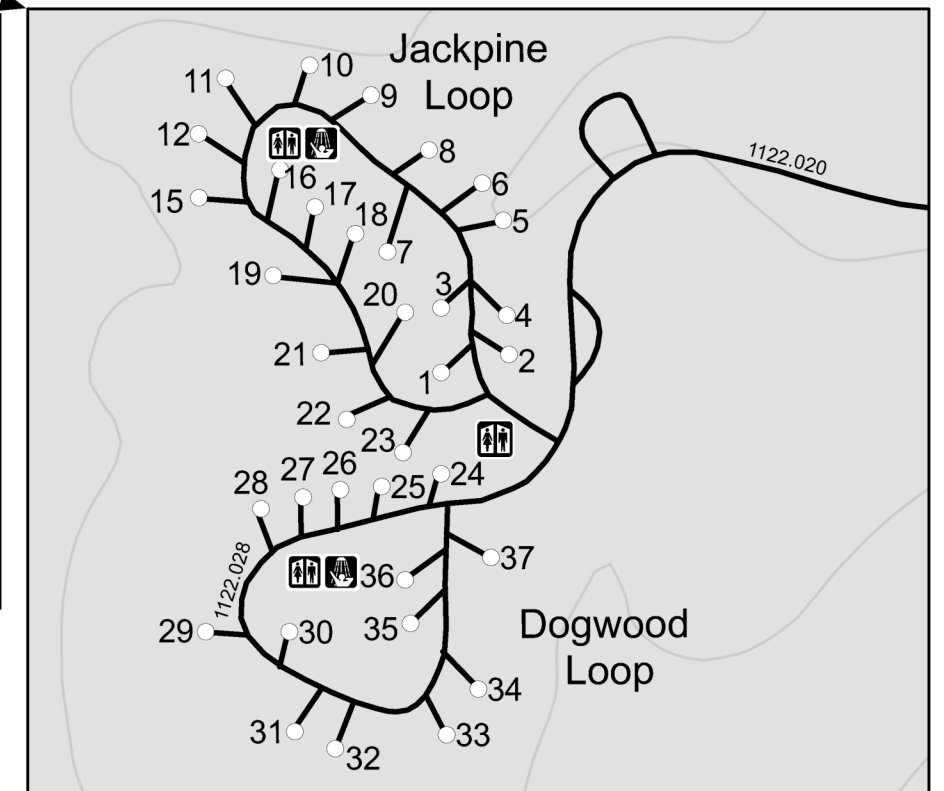
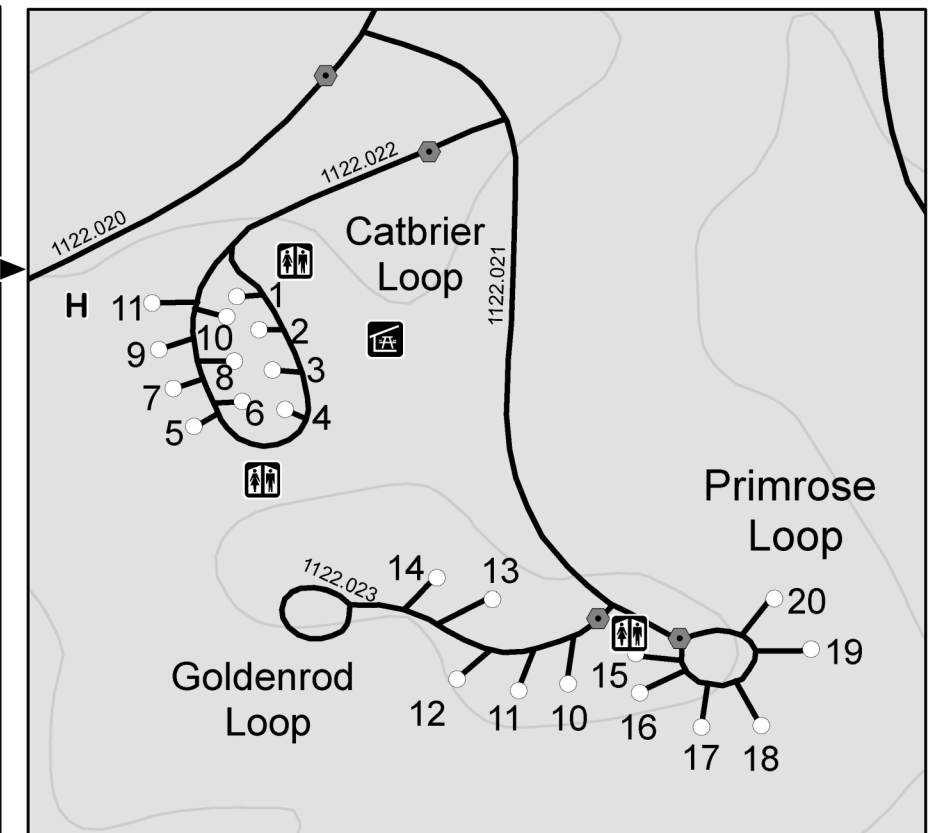
**Day Use:** There are many day use opportunities available here including: picnicking, boating, fishing, paddling, biking, and hiking. Picnic tables are provided at the beach and boat launch. The boat launch provides ample parking and a seasonal courtesy dock. Vault toilets are provided through-out the picnic area and at the boat launch. The picnic area also provides two shelter-houses (one has electricity and both are available for reservation), horseshoe pits and large grass area for games. The beach area offers a playground and modern bathhouse and is open Memorial Day through Labor Day and sometimes later. No pets or glass are allowed at the beach. The recreation area also serves as the trailhead for the Tipsaw Trail which is 5.9 miles in length and encircles Tipsaw Lake, offering both hiking and mountain biking opportunities. Mountain bikers (age 17 and older) are required to have a permit and stay on designated trails. Permits are available at forest offices, local vendors (see website), and online. Forest trails are closed to all motorized vehicles and e-bikes.

A day use fee per vehicle is required between early April and late October, unless an overnight fee has been paid. Annual passes are available from the concessionaire. The boat launch and trails are open year round. America the Beautiful Senior and Access Pass discounts may be available for pass holders.

# TIPSAW LAKE RECREATION AREA



## Campgrounds



## LEGEND

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|-------------|----------------|-----------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|
| BOAT LAUNCH | PICNIC SHELTER | TOILET    | HOST CAMPSITE | ROAD          | FOREST SERVICE LAND |
| GATEHOUSE   | PLAYGROUND     | TRAILHEAD | SHOWER/TOILET | 50 FT CONTOUR |                     |
| PARKING     | SWIMMING AREA  | GATE      | TRAIL         | LAKE          |                     |

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