

PRIMITIVE CAMPING FACT SHEET

Dorand State Forest

Many areas of state land are available for primitive or "no trace" camping and are open, free of charge, to the public. Primitive camping is done without the presence of developed facilities. The challenge for campers is to leave the area where they camp with no evidence of their visit.

Dorand State Forest contains 518 acres located in the Towns of Grafton and Rockingham, Vermont. Access is provided off the Cambridgeport Road, a gravel town road that intersects the Upper Bartonsville Road and Route 103 near the Rockingham barracks of the Vermont State Police. The barracks are located on Route 103 approximately 3 miles south of the Village of Chester. Forest identification signs are located along the Cambridgeport Road. State forest boundaries are marked with orange paint.

Primitive camping is allowed year round within the area designated on the western portion of the forest (see map). A visitor parking lot is located within the forest on a gravel state forest road that leaves the Cambridgeport Road and heads west toward the beaver pond area. During the summer and fall, campers can leave their car at this parking lot and hike into the primitive camping area. Parking lots and access roads are not plowed during the winter.

Several intermittent brooks and a beaver pond area are located on the property, but water may be difficult to find during dry summer conditions. All water should be treated before use.

Primitive camping is allowed only within designated areas of state land. Within these designated areas, camping must be at least 100 feet from any stream or body of water, 200 feet from any trail or property line, and 1,000 feet from any traveled road. Camping is limited to three consecutive days in any location. Groups of 11 or more individuals must obtain a permit from the district office.

Only dead and down trees or branches may be used for firewood. Remove all evidence of campfires before leaving the site. Human waste should be buried at least 100 feet away from any stream or body of water.

Forest management activities should occur periodically on Dorand State Forest. Contact the District Office to check out scheduled timber sale activity.

Please carry out all that you carry in!

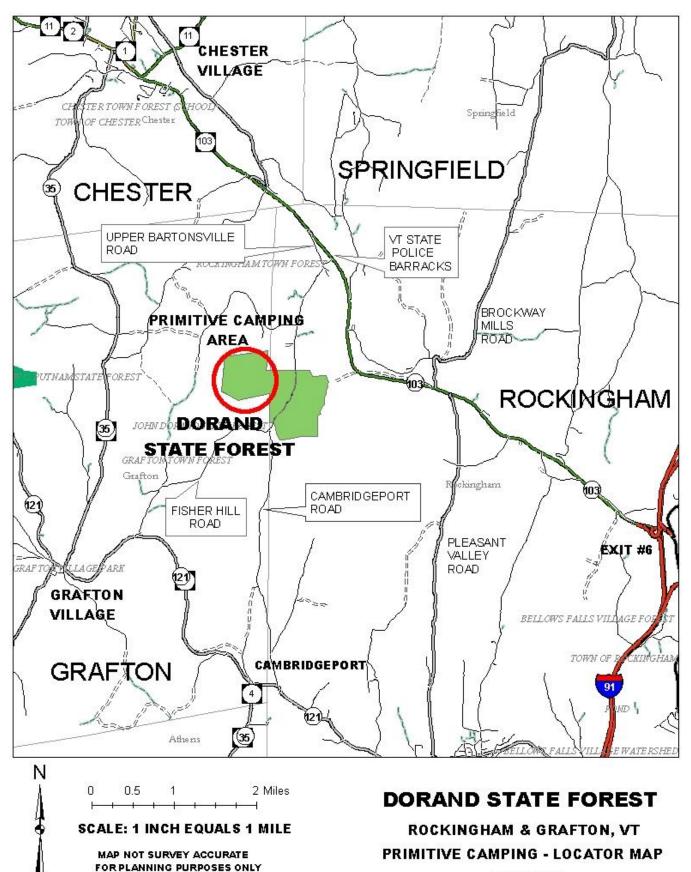
For more information, contact the district office:



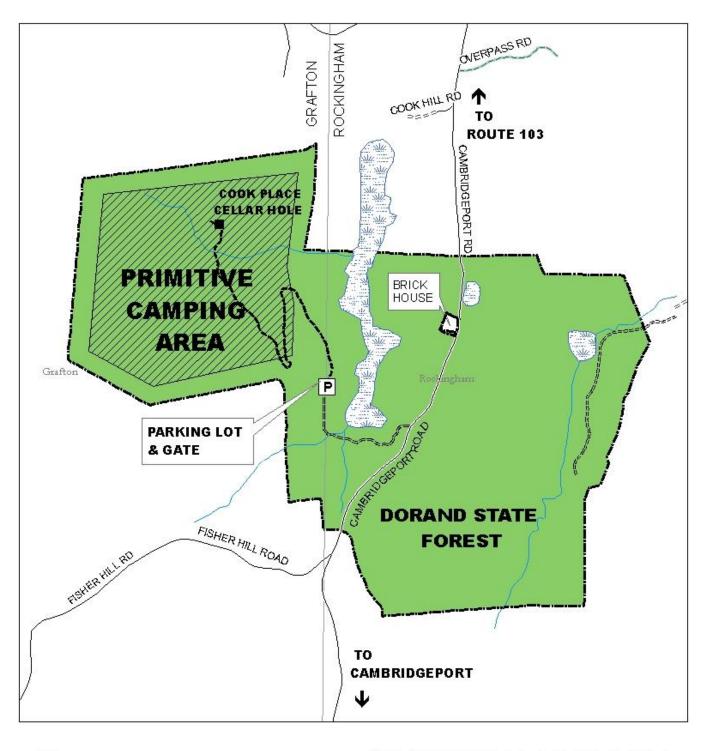
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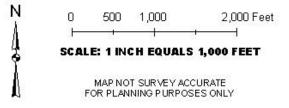
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PRIMITIVE CAMPING AREA MAP

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