

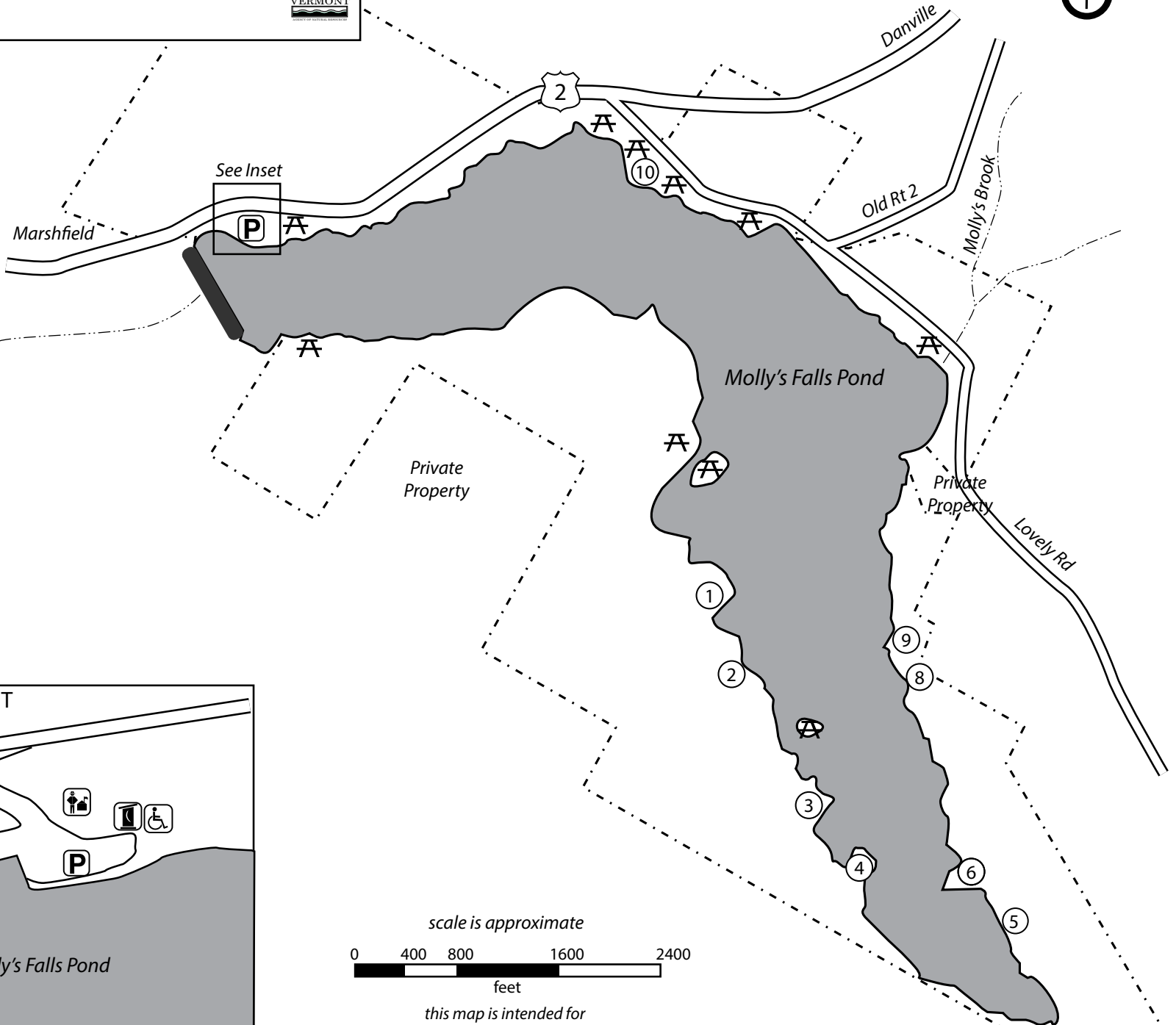
# Molly's Falls Pond State Park

## Cabot, Vermont

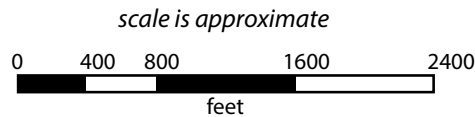
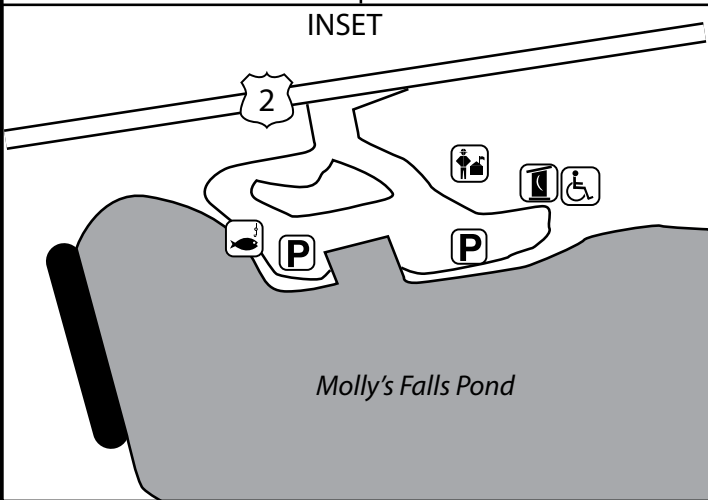


### LEGEND

-  Park office
-  Parking
-  Boat launch
-  Portable toilet
-  Accessible facility
-  Campsite - includes platform and privy
-  Picnic site
-  Park boundary
-  Stream



### INSET



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## Molly's Falls Pond State Park

Welcome to Molly's Falls Pond State Park. The 1,064-acre park in the town of Cabot surrounds a 411-acre artificial reservoir. It is an undeveloped park, making it excellent for swimming, boating, fishing and remote camping accessible by boat.

Molly's Falls Pond and Molly's Brook (Mali Bowk, and the falls, Mali Pan-jah-lok (Molly's Waterfall) are named for Molly, who along with husband Captain Joe, were local indigenous residents of Micmac descent in the mid-to-late 18th century. Joe was a scout for American revolutionary forces. Molly was well known for her herbal remedies, hunting and foraging in the area.

Molly's Falls Pond Dam was constructed in the 1920's when Green Mountain Power Company dammed Molly's Brook to provide water for a power station to serve the village of Marshfield. This impoundment flooded low lying farmland and the settlement of Petersville that included a sawmill, school and several homes. The dam was completed in the fall of 1927. The powerplant, downstream on Molly's Brook, was the only one operating in the days following the devastating flood of November 3-4, 1927.

In 2012, the Vermont Land Trust purchased 1,064 acres of land surrounding the reservoir from Green Mountain Power. The Department of Forests, Parks & Recreation acquired the property with funding from the federal Forest Legacy Program in 2016. Green Mountain Power retained 23 acres that includes a hydroelectric dam, buildings for the hydropower facility and spillways on the reservoir.

The dam structures consist of a 1,100-ft-long, 48-ft-high earthen embankment with a 260-ft-long concrete chute-type spillway structure at the left abutment; a concrete control structure that serves as an emergency spillway; and an intake structure with a 6-ft diameter penstock. The the reservoir is managed for flood control, hydroelectric power generation and recreation.

### Park Amenities

- 9 remote campsites
- 10 day use picnic sites
- Boat Launch for trailered boats
- Accessible fishing platforms

### Recreation in Groton State Forest

- The Nature Center- exhibits and programs
- Boulder Beach State Park
- Developed camping
- Hiking and multi-use trails

### Recreating & Sightseeing in the Area

#### **Barre**

- Granite Museums
- Rock of Ages quarry tours
- Vermont Historical Society Museum and Library

#### **Montpelier**

- State Capitol
- Historic walking tours

#### **St. Johnsbury**

- Maple Grove Museum
- Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium
- St. Johnsbury Athenaeum

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### **Operating Season:**

**Memorial Day Weekend - Labor Day**

Remote Camping

Picnicking

Swimming

Fishing

Boating

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