

Lowell Lake State Park

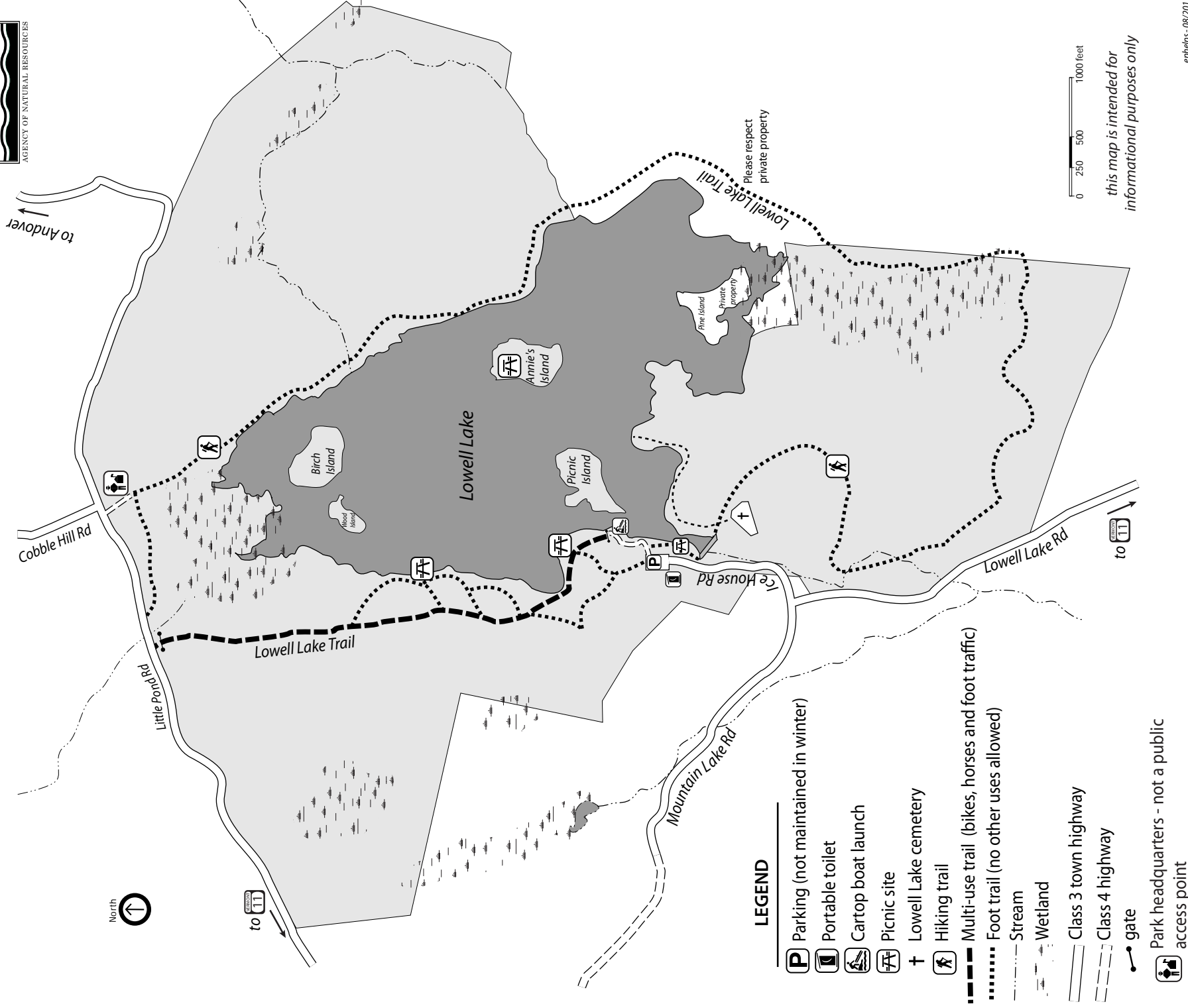
Londonderry, Vermont



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LEGEND

- Parking (not maintained in winter)
- Portable toilet
- Cartop boat launch
- Picnic site
- Lowell Lake cemetery
- Hiking trail
- Multi-use trail (bikes, horses and foot traffic)
- Foot trail (no other uses allowed)
- Stream
- Wetland
- Class 3 town highway
- Class 4 highway
- gate
- Park headquarters - not a public access point

Lowell Lake State Park

Lowell Lake State Park was established in 1977 when the State of Vermont purchased 207 acres from the estate of Arline Weiss Gardner on the southern and eastern shores of Lowell Lake. This area included the dam, cemetery and a car-top boat launch. In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, this portion of the property featured the seasonal Lowell Lake Resort hotel.

With assistance from the Vermont Land Trust, the "White Property" was acquired in 1996. This area included a former summer camp with a rustic lodge and numerous lakeside cabins, two islands and a maintenance area that is now the park headquarters. A 1.6 acre donation was added in 2006. The park property encloses the majority of the lakeshore, including some significant wetland habitat, making the park a total of 345 acres in size.

A steering committee made of community members, the Vermont Land Trust, and staff from the Department of Forests, Parks and Recreation developed a Long-Range Management Plan for Lowell Lake State Park in 1999. The plan calls for re-starting overnight use with rehabilitation of the cabins and lodge. Dispersed day use presently includes hiking, fishing, picnicking and non-motorized boat use. Eventual improvements will be conducted to maintain the quiet character of the park and sustain visitation within levels that do not compromise visitors' experiences. Active management of the site will allow most of the park to remain in its natural state.

The public entrance and seasonal parking area is located at the end of Ice House Road at the southern end of the pond by the dam. There is space for 20 vehicles, a few boat trailers. A portable toilet is available during the summer months.

Lowell Lake Trail

The 3.5-mile long Lowell Lake Trail is one of the main features of the park. It circles Lowell Lake using a foot path and portions of snowmobile trail, multi-use path on the western side of the park and part of a town road. Trail highlights include a Revolutionary War-era cemetery, stands of large white pine trees and scenic views of the lake and wetlands. The trail is located on relatively flat terrain and the hike is easy, with some wet sections. The trail is marked with blue paint blazes.

The multi-use section extends from the public parking area north to Little Pond Road on the western side of the park between two metal gates. Bicycles, horses and foot traffic area allowed on this section; the remainder of the Lowell Lake Trail is open to foot traffic only.

Lowell Lake State Park Rules

- No overnight camping allowed.
- No fires allowed on the property.
- Park only in the designated parking area.
- Refrain from feeding wild animals.
- Keep pets on leashes no longer than ten feet. Clean up after pets.
- No storing boats or vehicles overnight .
- Pack out all trash.
- No internal-combustion powered motor-boats allowed. Watercraft limited to human-powered craft and electric trolling motors.
- Bicycles and horses are allowed only on the multi-use section of trail. All other trails are for foot travel only.
- NO ATVs are allowed on state lands.

How to Get There

Take Lowell Lake Road off Rte. 11 about three miles east of Londonderry. Travel about 0.5 mile and turn right at a T intersection. Park entrance is just up the road.

For more information on Lowell Lake State Park, call us at (802) 824-4035, or contact the Springfield Office at (802) 289-0603.

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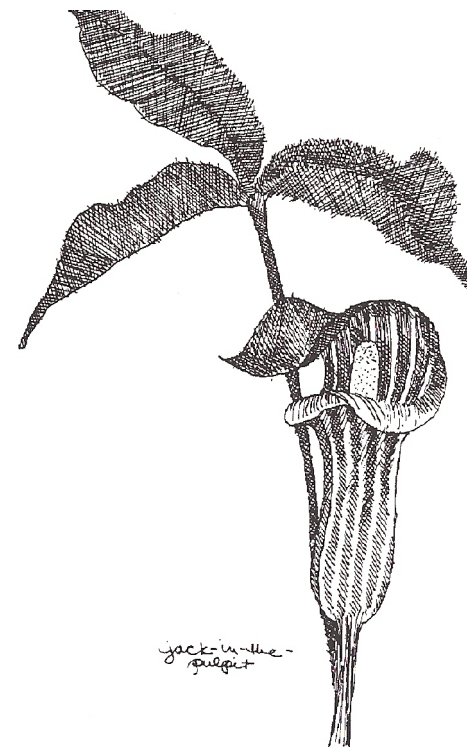
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Open Year-Round
Parking available during non-snow months

Hiking
Paddling
Fishing
Picnicking
