



Fort Custer Recreation Area
Adopt-A-Trail Program 2018

Trail Section Information

The following trail sections are broken down, and given a brief description. We have used section names instead of marker numbers, as the sections for this program do not fit neatly into the numbering system.

Contact the Adopt-A-Trail Coordinator if there are any questions regarding your assigned section to clarify anything or meet with them at the Fort to ride your section.

Section #1 (Red – The Trenches)

Starts at the Trailhead and runs the entire length of the Trenches. It comes to an end at the four-way crossing of Reese road and the entrance to Rocks and Roots.

Section # 2 (Red Loop – Rocks and Roots)

Begins at the entrance to Rocks and Roots and ends where the section spills out into the meadow just before the Camel Humps.

Section #3 (Red Loop - Gravel Pit)

Covers the exit from the Camel Humps until the top of the climb away from the creek. The old currently unused creek crossing is a good indicator of where that climb begins.

Section #4 (Red Loop – Cardiac Reroute)

Begins after the climb away from the creek and where you enter a meadow just before the Cardiac reroute. It ends at the four way crossing just before the Big Meadow section.

Section #5 (Red Loop – Big Meadow)

Starts at the four way crossing after Cardiac and ends at the next four way crossing. Note: it crosses the Yellow Loop twice.



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Section #6 (Red Loop – Frog Holler)

Begins at the four way crossing after Big Meadow and ends at the entrance to Grannies Garden.

Section #7 (Red Loop – Grannies Garden)

Covers Grannies Garden all the way until the DOA climb out.

Section #8 (Red Loop – Sleepy Holler)

Starts where the singletrack begins after the two track climb of DOA and finishes where the trail becomes the two track of the Deliverance section.

Section #9 (Red Loop – No Fear Chute)

Begins at the bike/horse trail crossing and finishes at the intersection of Reese Road and No Fear Chute. This is a high speed area so please use caution when working here and keep an eye out for other cyclists.

Section #10 (Red Loop – Amusement Park - Front)

Starts where the Amusement Park begins and covers the area up until the climb away from the lake which is about 150 yards after the granite (Demon Drop) slab drop in.

Section #11 (Red Loop – Amusement Park – Back)

Starts at the climb away from the lake and finishes at the six way (Green, Red, Yellow) intersection that dumps you onto two track that leads to Crazy Beaver.

Section #12 (Red Loop – Crazy Beaver)

Starts at the entrance to Crazy Beaver and finishes at the fallen tree skinny obstacle.



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Section #13 (Green Loop – The Homestead)

Begins where the singletrack starts on the Green and ends at the six way crossing (Red, Green, Yellow) that dumps you out onto Reese Road.

Section #14 (Green Loop – Switchback Hill)

Begins where Reese Road turns into singletrack and ends at the top of the hill just before the log gullies.

Section #15 (Green Loop – Gullies to Water)

Starts at the log gully and finishes up at the second water crossing. Use caution if you have to do any clean up work in the gullies. This is a section where riders can't see what is below them and don't have much time to react should they see a worker.

Section # 16 (Green Loop – Crossing to Boat Launch)

Starts at the second water crossing and finishes at the boat launch.

Section #17 (Green Loop – Boat Launch to Dickman)

Starts at the boat launch and runs all the way until the Dickman (marker 11) Road section.

Section #18 (Green Loop – Dickman to the Pines)

Starts at the Dickman Road section and runs all the way until the end of the singletrack/road crossing.

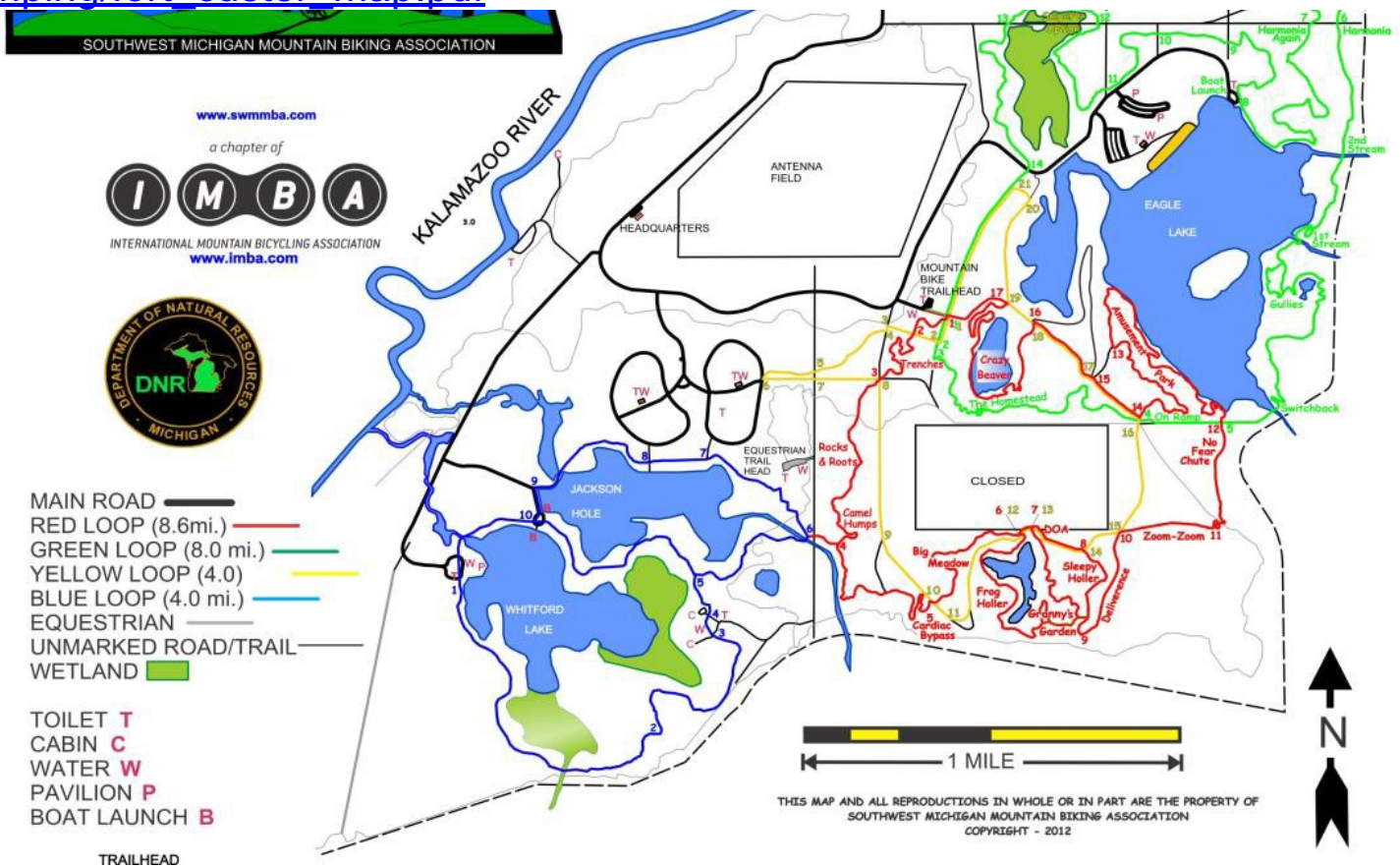


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Trail Map

This is a current map of Fort Custer as well as a link to an expandable map at the DNR website.

http://www.michigandnr.com/publications/pdfs/RecreationCamping/fort_custer_map.pdf





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Contact Information

In case of an emergency call 911 immediately.

The FCRA DNR office monitors the Kalamazoo County central dispatch. However a second phone call should be made to the DNR office to let the park staff know what is going on.

If an emergency does occur the DNR office and the emergency response team will need a detailed and accurate location (“I’m between markers 7 & 8 on the Green Loop”) so they can reach you as fast as possible.

Emergency, 911

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