



Big Creek State Park
5K
 Polk County, Iowa



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41.790681, -93.731529

8794 NW 125th Ave; Polk City, IA 50226

- From the Welcome Center start point
Lat: 41.790681, LNG: -93.731529
- 5k Route A if turn around at the Accessible Fishing Pier and stay on the multiuse trail.
- 5.4k Route B if take the grass path return.

5K WALK DIRECTIONS

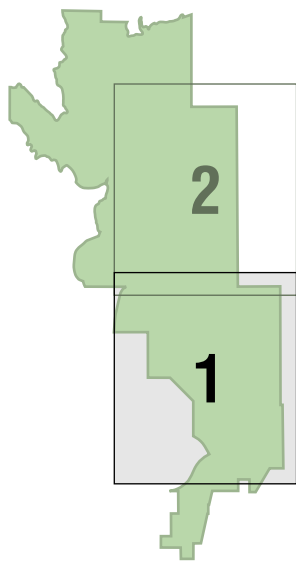
1. Cross the street.
2. Turn right on the Neal Smith Trail and go down the hill.
3. Follow the multiuse trail to the Accessible Fishing Pier.

Route A. 5k: turn around and retrace your steps back to the start point.

Route B. 5.4k: continue with step 4.

4. Continue on the trail to the 2nd parking lot on your right.
5. Exit the 2nd parking lot by the closest entrance.
6. Continue up the main road until you see the mown path across the road.
7. Cross the road and take the mown trail away from the road.
8. When you reach the T intersection at the fence, turn right.
9. Follow the mown path (mostly along the fence) until you come out at the 4-way stop by the dam.
10. Cross the roads to get onto the multiuse trail.
11. Continue up the hill.
12. Arrive at the Welcome Center.

Map Section



Legend

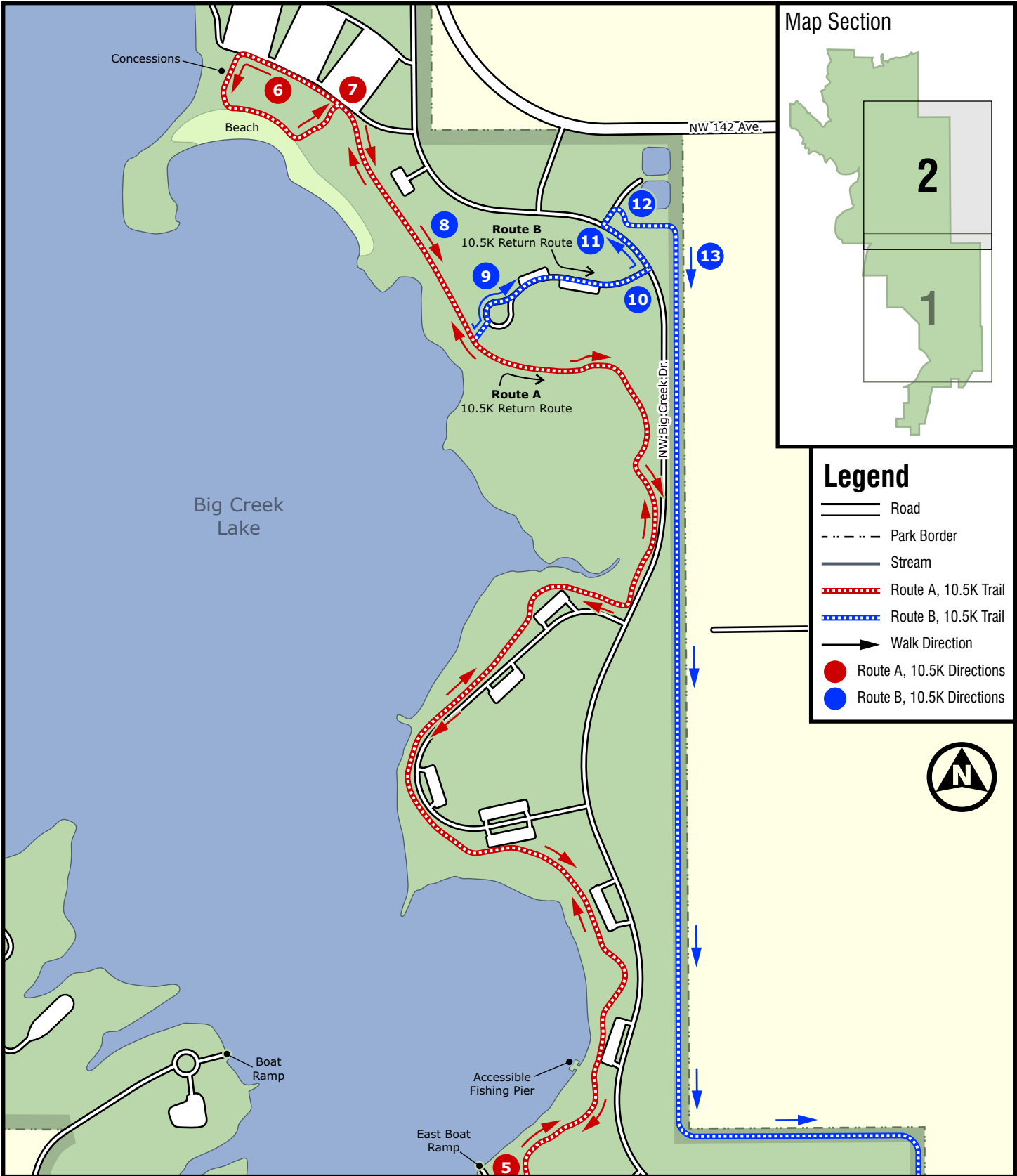
- Road
- - - - Park Border
- Stream
- ⋯ Route A, 10.5K Trail
- ⋯ Route B, 10.5K Trail
- Walk Direction
- Route A, 10.5K Directions
- Route B, 10.5K Directions



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Polk County, Iowa | TRAIL MAP 1





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10.5K WALK DIRECTIONS

1. Cross the street.
2. Turn right on the Neal Smith Trail and go down the hill. Follow the multiuse trail to the east boat ramp.
3. Once you reach the east boat ramp organic shelter, walk down the boat ramp road following the one-way sign.
4. Make the loop.
5. Get back on the trail and continue north.
6. When you reach the concessionaire building turn left.
7. Follow the sidewalk along the beach and make a small circle back to the Neal Smith Trail.

Route A. Continue back the way you came on the Neal Smith Trail to the start point.

Route B. Continue with step 8.

8. Head south, retracing your steps, for ¼ mile.
9. Look on the left side for a grass trail that leads you to Beverly Dinghy Shelter
10. Follow the path into the driveway and then go out to the main road (Big Creek Drive).
11. Look for a white gravel driveway across and to the left and walk toward it.
12. Once on the driveway, turn right at the gate and follow the fence line.
13. Follow the fence line back to the Neal Smith Trail at the end of the dam.
14. Cross the roads carefully.
15. Complete your loop as you cross the dam back to the Overlook Shelter.