

The NCT crosses private land between Peters Driveway and Hwy 169. Stay on the trail, no campfires or camping.

13. Peters Driveway. After hiking 7.8 miles from the Copper Falls Pavillion you reach Peters Driveway. This is a private driveway, no trespassing. Hike diagonally to the right on the road to reach the trail again. This section of trail goes across private land using an easement next to the lot line. After 1/4 mile, you reach a gully with a trail bridge. This bridge was built using steel pads for its foundation, which is the first of its kind in the Heritage Chapter area. After the trail bridge, the trail crosses an old forest road then starts going uphill. The trail has two switchbacks going up the hill. Also, there are a few short boardwalks on this section of trail. Once you hike the second switchback you are on top of the hill, then it is just a short hike to Stricker Road.

14. Stricker Road. There is a great view looking south at Stricker Road. Parking is allowed on Stricker Road and people have left their car there overnight without any problems, but now there is a dedicated parking lot at Hwy 169. Hiking east of the road, the trail goes downhill for 1/4 mile along a fence line, then turns 90 degrees and travels 1/4 mile to the north. It again turns 90 degrees and heads east to a spot where there is a good view of a farm. The trail takes a right and curves around a farm field before heading on an old forest road. The trail goes on and off that road several times to avoid wet spots and eventually reaches a short boardwalk, then a long boardwalk right before Hwy 169

15. Hwy 169. At Hwy 169 the trail comes out north of the Tyler Forks River Bridge. There is a parking lot on the east side of the Highway. The Suggested Roadwalk to the next section of trail goes south on Hwy 169 to County Line Road. Turn left and hike about a mile to a spot where County Line Road takes a 90 degree turn to the south. At this point, cross a creek and start hiking on a forest road going to the northeast. Then connect with the NCT at Porcupine Hill. The Heritage Chapter is currently working on this section. To help out contact the Heritage Chapter at htg@northcountrytrail.org

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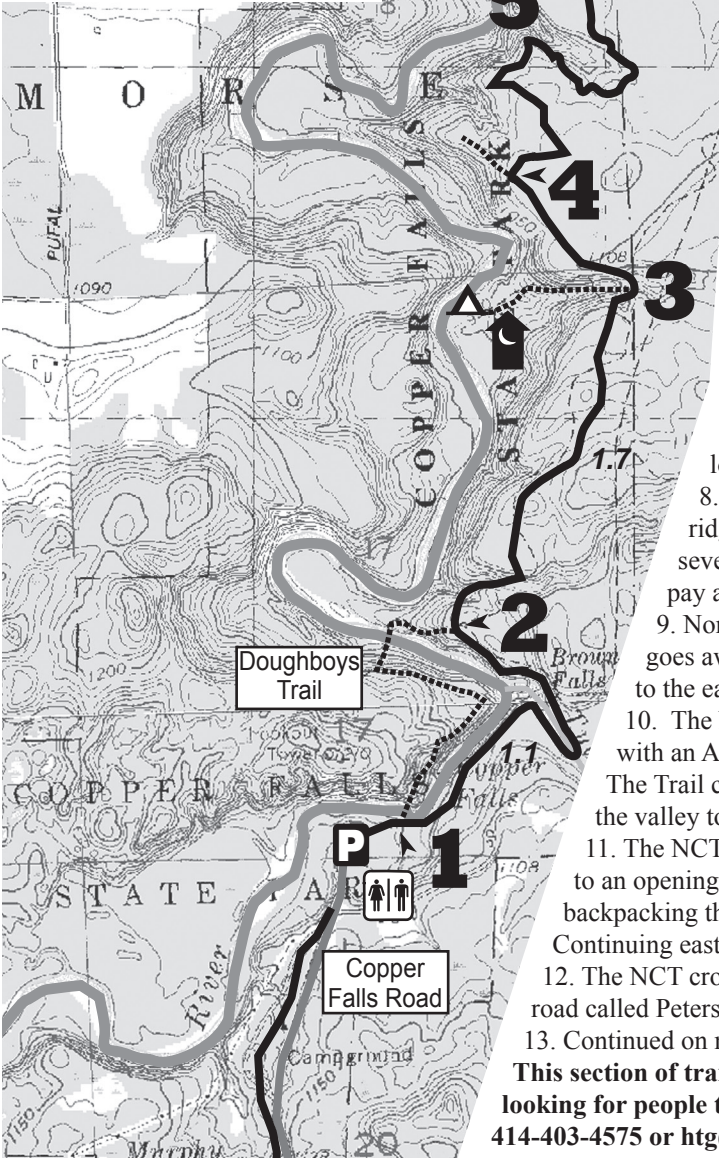
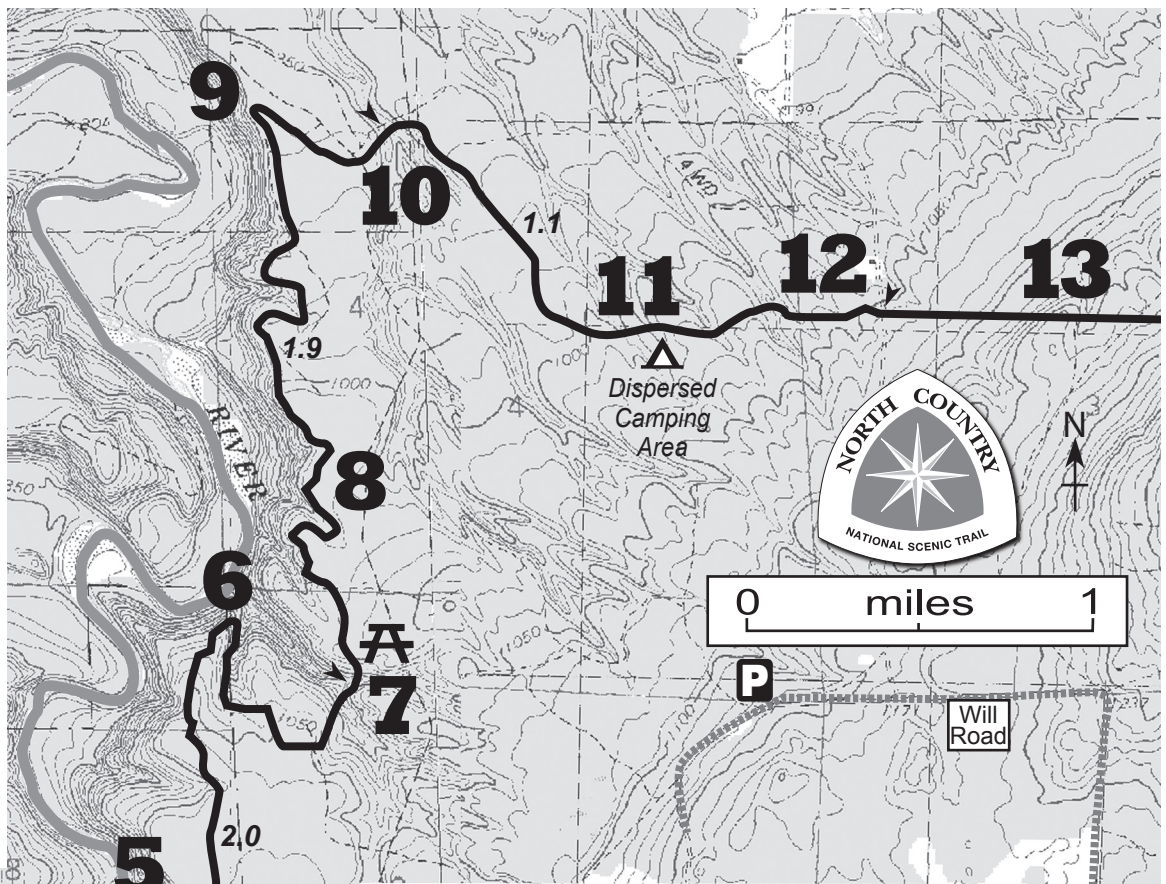


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1. Copper Falls State Park Pavilion and Concession Stand. The Pavilion offers a Fireplace, picnic tables, rest rooms and the Concession Stand offers food and gifts. From the Pavillion, the NCT uses the Doughboys Loop Trail on the east side of the Bad River and goes by Copper Falls. It crosses a bridge over the Tyler Forks River, goes by the Cascades and Brownstone Falls

2. The NCT departs the Doughboys Trail and heads north over hilly terrain.

3. The NCT junctions with the Backpacking Campsite Spur Trail. That trail descends gradually to the Campsite on the Bad River. This is a fee campsite that can be reserved.



4. After the Backpacking Campsite Trail Junction, the NCT goes up a hill. Then the newer section of the NCT takes a right off of the older section of trail.

5 & 6 Overlooks of the Bad River. Sometimes the vegetation grows in and needs to be cleared.

7. Heritage Creek Ravine. The NCT goes steeply down into the ravine. There is a creek at the bottom with an A-Frame Trail Bridge. The ravine is a beautiful area, so it is worth hiking out to the ravine just to take a look and to see the overlooks along the way. It is a 4.8 mile one way hike from the Pavillion to the Ravine. The trail goes steeply up the other side of the Ravine. You are rewarded at the top with a Rest Area which has a trail logbook and picnic table.

8. The trail winds around several drainages on top of the ridge. The Trail goes on and off old logging roads several times. When walking on the old logging roads, pay attention for where the trail turns off the road.

9. Northern Point Overlook. At a nice overlook the NCT goes away from the ridge next to the Bad River. It turns to the east and eventually takes a left on a forest road.

10. The NCT uses the old forest road to reach a creek with an A Frame bridge. After the creek the NCT takes a right off the old forest road. The Trail crosses the pipeline then travels on a small ridge with beaver ponds down in the valley to the south of the trail.

11. The NCT reaches the Dispersed Camping Area Trail. Take a right and go 200 feet to an opening in the woods where backpackers are allowed to camp for one night while backpacking through the area. This is not a fee campsite and is first come, first served. Continuing east on the NCT, the Trail crosses two drainages using Trail bridges.

12. The NCT crosses a creek, then a 400 foot boardwalk before the trail ends at a private road called Peters Driveway. There is No Trespassing on the Road.

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This section of trail is maintained by Volunteers. The Heritage Chapter is always looking for people to help out. Contact Chapter President Kevin Steffins at 414-403-4575 or htg@northcountrytrail.org