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# INVENTORY OF EXISTING AND PROPOSED TRAILS

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## AN OVERVIEW OF EXISTING AND PROPOSED TRAILS IN SCOTT COUNTY

- Canoe Trail: Clinch River** Exists (VA Website)  
County: Scott Co. See Water Trails for more details.  
Website: “The Clinch River flows through some scenic gorges and has sweeping mountain views. Some sections contain Class I to III rapids. The river offers canoeing, kayaking and fishing for smallmouth and muskies. The Nature Conservancy has designated the river as one of the “Last Great Places” in America because it is home to protected species of mussels. The Clinch River is great for fishing. Fees do apply for obtaining a fishing license that is required for fishing”.  
<http://www.scottcountyva.org/pdf/Scott%20Co.%20Clinch%20River%20Trips.pdf>
- Canoe Trail: Clinch River - St. Paul to Dungannon** Exists (Web)  
Counties: Scott /Russell <http://www.riverfacts.com/maps/13441.html>  
Canoe Trail from St. Paul to Dungannon. AW Class: I, easy. Length: 18 miles. Put-in Location Coordinates: Latitude: 36.9015 Longitude: -82.3081 Takeout Location Coordinates: Latitude: 36.8246 Longitude: -82.46331
- Canoe Trail: Little Stony River-Ramey Fork** Exists (Web)  
Counties: Scott/Wise <http://www.riverfacts.com/rivers/13498.html>  
Class V+ - 3.5 miles long (Ramey Fork to Hanging Rock)
- Canoe Trail: Guest River** Exists (Web)  
Counties: Scott/Wise <http://www.riverfacts.com/rivers/13466.html>  
Class IV-V - 8 miles long (Rt. 72 to Clinch River)
- Canoe Trail: Little Stony Creek** Exists (Web)  
County: Scott <http://www.riverfacts.com/rivers/13497.html>  
Class V+ - 3 miles long (Little Stony Falls to Hanging Rock)
- Canoe Trail: Big Moccasin Creek** Exists (Web)  
County: Scott <http://www.riverfacts.com/rivers/13412.html>  
The Snowflake to Antioch Church section of Big Moccasin Creek in Scott County is 6 miles long. This section is classified as class I-III(IV).
- Canoe Trail: Big Stony-Mountain Fork** Exists (Web)  
County: Scott <http://www.riverfacts.com/rivers/13417.html>  
Class V+ - 4 miles long (Mountain Fork to Chimney Rock Fork)
- Canoe Trail: Big Stony Creek** Exists (Web)  
County: Scott <http://www.riverfacts.com/rivers/13415.html>  
Class III - 4 miles long (Chimney Rock Fork to Route 653 Bridge)

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**Canoe Trail:**                 **Big Stony – Devil’s Fork**                                 Exists (Web)  
County:                         Scott  
<http://www.riverfacts.com/rivers/13416.html>  
Class III+(IV) - 1.5 miles long (Straight Fork Confluence to Big Stony Takeout)

**Canoeing/Camping Opportunity:** **Hunters Ford Island on the Clinch**                 Exists (VA Website)  
County:                         Scott  
<http://www.virginia.org/site/description.asp?attrID=20389>  
Website: “Located just outside of the Jefferson National Forest next to the bridge on Rt.65 near Dungannon. Unlike any other campground in Virginia, the island is nestled in the waters of the Clinch River. 10 tent sites and 2 cabins; cabins \$20/night, tents \$6/night, pop-ups \$8/night, large group rate to rent \$75/night. Paddleboats and canoes provided, volleyball, horseshoes, fishing, and picnic tables. Shower house is conveniently located on the island. No electricity on the island.”

**Hiking Trail:**                 **Back Valley Loop Trail**                                 Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                         Scott  
26 .7 mile trail in the Jefferson National Forest. Managed by the U.S. Forest Service

**Hiking Trail:**                 **Bear Rock Trail**   Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                         Scott  
.5 mile hiking nonmotorized trail in the Jefferson National Forest. Managed by the U.S. Forest Service

**Hiking Trail:**                 **Carter Cabin Trail**   Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                         Scott  
.9 mile hiking nonmotorized trail in Natural Tunnel State Park. Managed by Virginia State Parks

**Hiking Trail:**                 **High Knob Lake Shore Trail**                                 Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                         Scott  
1.3 mile hiking trail in the Jefferson National Forest. Managed by the U.S. Forest Service.

**Hiking Trail:**                 **Keith Park Trail**  
County:                         Scott  
A nonmotorized trail in Natural Tunnel State Park. (Length unknown). Managed by Virginia State Parks

**Hiking Trail:**                 **Lover’s Leap Trail**   Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                         Scott  
.4 mile hiking nonmotorized trail in Natural Tunnel State Park. Managed by Virginia State Parks

**Hiking Trail:**                 **Osbourne Ridge Loop Trail**                                 Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                         Scott  
10.75 mile trail (nondesignated type) in the Jefferson National Forest. Managed by the U.S. Forest Service

**Hiking Trail:**                 **Spring Hollow Trail**   Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                         Scott  
.5 mile hiking nonmotorized trail in Natural Tunnel State Park. Managed by Virginia State Parks.

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**Hiking Trail:**            **Kane Gap Trail**                            In the works    (289)  
County:                    Scott                            <http://danielboonetrail.com/map.php>  
Kane Gap in Scott County is part of the Daniel Boone Heritage Trail. This section of the trail is being developed by the Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail Corridor Alliance. It was noted on the above website that this is the only section of the trail that has not been paved over.

**Hiking Trails:**            **Little Stony National Recreation Trail**            Exists (VA Web)  
County:                    Scott    [http://www.fs.fed.us/r8/gwj/clinch/recreation/hiking/little\\_stony\\_nrt.shtml](http://www.fs.fed.us/r8/gwj/clinch/recreation/hiking/little_stony_nrt.shtml)  
Scenic Views of deep gorges 400 and 1700 ft deep. There are 2 waterfalls 30 and 40 feet high. Near the lower trailhead is a large rock outcrop of the Hunters Valley fault for which the Hanging Rock Picnic Area was named. The vegetation consists of cove hardwoods and hemlock. Mountain laurel and Rhododendron are very abundant along the trail. The sheer size of the canyon and roaring sound of rushing water gives the hiker an exciting experience.

**Directions:** From the upper trailhead parking lot, start by following the Little Stony Creek downstream. Trail ends at the Hanging Rock Picnic Area where one will find 16 picnic areas with grills for cooking. There is also a group picnic area with shelter. Vault toilets and drinking water are available. Length: 3.0 miles Open year-round. Picnic area open mid March-October 31. Rated as easy--short sections are rough and rocky. The grade of trail is 4-5% average. Much of the trail is wide and barrier free.

**Hiking/Biking Trail:**            **Bark Camp Lake Loop Trail**                            Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                    Scott  
3.5 mile hike/bike nonmotorized trail in the Jefferson National Forest. Managed by U.S. Forest Service

**Hiking/Biking Trail:**            **Center Trail**    Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                    Scott  
.2 mile hike/bike nonmotorized trail in Natural Tunnel State Park. Managed by Virginia State Parks

**Hiking/Biking Trail:**            **Gorge Ridge Trail**    Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                    Scott  
.31 mile hike/bike nonmotorized trail in Natural Tunnel State Park. Managed by Virginia State Parks

**Hiking/Biking Trail:**            **Kitchen Rock Trail**    Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                    Scott  
.6 mile hike/bike nonmotorized trail in the Jefferson National Forest. Managed by U.S. Forest Service

**Hiking/Biking Trail:**            **Purchase Ridge Trail**    Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                    Scott  
2.2 mile hike/bike nonmotorized trail in Natural Tunnel State Park. Managed by Virginia State Parks

**Hiking/Biking Trail:**            **Tunnel Trail**    Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                    Scott  
.7 mile hike/bike nonmotorized trail in Natural Tunnel State Park. Managed by Virginia State Parks

**Hiking/Biking Trail:**            **Tunnel Hill Trail**    Exists (SAGA 06)  
County:                    Scott  
.30 mile hike/bike nonmotorized trail in Natural Tunnel State Park. Managed by Virginia State Parks

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## **Hiking/Walking Trails: Natural Tunnel State Park**

County: Scott

There are seven walking trails at Natural Tunnel State Park, the longest one being 1.1 miles long. These trails lead to the unique features of the park: the tunnel floor, Lover's Leap, Tunnel Hill and Gorge Ridge. A 500-foot boardwalk and observation deck provide accessibility to guests with disabilities. They may also take a chairlift to the mouth of the tunnel via chairlift when it's operational. Most trails are open to mountain bikes with bike rentals available at the campground host campsite.

## **Hiking/Walking Trail: Scott County Park Trail**                      Exists (Web)

County: Scott County

<http://www.scottcountyva.com/park/index.htm>

1.5 mile nature trail at Scott County Park and Golf Course. Slide show of trail on website. Contact: Mark Wolfe, Park Manager at (276) 452-2442.

## **Horse Trails Potential**                      Proposed by Scott County Trail Riders

*See Volume 3: Scott County Site Visit and Recommendations for more details on trails*

- **Jasper to Kane Gap:** 5 hours on Forest Service road and logging trail on Powell Mountain where Daniel Boone led settlers. Reasonable path.
- **Lovelady Gap to Big Stone Gap** and back on gravel Forest Service Road Route 641. Approximately 18 mile round trip. Limited parking.
- **Mabe to Sawmill, Flannery Ridge and Pick Breeches Ridge.** Approximately 11 hours. Limited parking. Good Fall Color ride.
- **Stanleytown to Maple Gap, Flannery Ridge** and back. Several options and distances. Good parking. Primitive camping.
- **Devils Fork up Straight Fork Ridge and Devils Fork Loop Trail.** Carle and back down Route 619. 8 hour trip. Or up and back in 5 hours. Limited parking.
- **Devils Fork up Route 619 to 704** and back. Time and distance at your discretion. Limited parking. Park and ride from Fort Blackmore Elementary School.
- **Devils Fork up 619 to 704 to Big Flat Top.** Up and back, approximately 25 miles. Limited parking.
- **Hagan Hall/Branham Road to Mahogany Hollow.** Up and back. Nice leisurely ride. Approximately 5 hours. Gravel and Forest Service gated roads. Reasonable parking.
- **Hagan Hall/Branham Road to Bark Camp Lake.** Up and back on gravel. 5 hour trip. Reasonable parking.

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- **Hagan Hall/Branham Road to Little Stony Falls.**

Up and back. Approximately 8 hours. Gravel Road. Reasonable parking.

A recent grant provided funding for approximately 2.5 miles of new trails where trails had not previously existed and 5 miles of major trail reconstruction, including placement of new culverts and new trail tread. Restrooms are being constructed at the High Knob and Little Stony Falls. A portion of the funds was also used to make improvements at the Scott County Horse Park.

*See Trail Heads. Also see Recreational Facilities: Scott County Horse Park for more on this.*

**Multi-use Trail:**            **Chief Benges Scout Trail**            Exists (SAGA 06)

County:                        Scott

15.70 multi-use nonmotorized trail in the Jefferson National Forest. Managed by the U.S. Forest Service

**Multi-use Trail:**            **Devils Fork Loop Trail**            Exists (SAGA 06)

County:                        Scott

7.2 multi-use nonmotorized trail in the Jefferson National Forest. Managed by the U.S. Forest Service

**Multi-use Trail:**            **Straight Fork Ridge Trail**            Exists (SAGA 06)

County:                        Scott

1.8 mile multi-use nonmotorized trail in the Jefferson National Forest. Managed by U.S. Forest Service

**State/National Park:**            **Natural Tunnel State Park**            Exists (176, 220)

Counties:                      Scott

<http://www.virginia.org/site/description.asp?AttrID=15177>

[http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state\\_parks/nat.shtml](http://www.dcr.virginia.gov/state_parks/nat.shtml)

**Description:** More than 850 feet long and as high as a 10-story building, Natural Tunnel was naturally carved through a limestone ridge over thousands of years. William Jennings Bryan called it the “Eighth Wonder of the World.” Other scenic features include a wide chasm between steep stone walls surrounded by several pinnacles, or chimneys.

**Facilities include:** A campground, picnic areas, amphitheater, visitor center and gift shop, historical blockhouse, swimming pool and chair lift to the tunnel floor.

**Activities include:** Swimming, camping, picnicking, hiking, interpretive programs. The park also offers cave tours and canoe trips on the Clinch River, as well as the Cove Ridge Center, which offers environmental education, conference facilities and overnight dorm accommodations.      **History:** The state acquired the tunnel and 100 surrounding acres in 1967 from the Natural Tunnel Chasm and Caverns Corp. to establish Natural Tunnel State Park. Another 8,501 acres were later acquired, and the park opened in 1971.

**Public Fishing Lakes:**            **Bark Camp Lake**            Exists (231)

Counties:                      Scott/Wise

**Rails to Trail:**                        **Mendota Trail**                        Proposed

County:                        Scott/Washington

The Mendota Trail could connect the City of Bristol along the Old Southern Railroad to Carters Fold in Scott County.

*Status: At this time, this initiative appears to be stalled indefinitely.*

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**Scenic Water Trails:**            **North Holston River**                            Exists 120/155/289  
Counties:                                Begins in Scott although the majority is in Smyth County.  
**Description:** The North Fork of the Holston River at the confluence with Big Bruley Creek to Tennessee state line in Scott County has the potential for being designated a Scenic River.  
Potential to develop canoe trail:  

- Shortage of public access sites limits the duration and types of trips that can be offered.
- Facilities for canoe-in camping and public rest stops are also needed at appropriate distances along each river.
- Holston River also needs additional public boat launching and bank fishing opportunities.

**Statewide trunkline trails:**   **Beaches to Bluegrass**                            In the works (288)  
Counties:                                Scott/Lee  
Beaches to Bluegrass, a major trunkline trail system that traverses the southern part of Virginia from the Cumberland Gap to the Chesapeake Bay using existing trails where possible including portions of the Wilderness Road Trail and Daniel Boone . Components of the Southern Appalachian Greenway Alliance’s plans will become components of this vision.

**Thematic Trail:**            **Crooked Road**                            Exists (290)  
Counties:                                Scott/Lee/WiseDickenson  
<http://www.thecrookedroad.org/>  
250 mile Virginia’s Heritage Music Trail. Map: <http://www.virginia.org/images/CRmap2big.gif>  
It was the route for the Bike across Virginia event in 2008 - <http://www.bikevirginia.org/2008/>

**Thematic Trail:**            **Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail**                            Exists (88)  
Counties:                                Scott/Lee  
<http://danielboonetrail.com/map.php>  
Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail follows Routes 23 and 58 to connect Scott and Lee counties to the states of Tennessee near Bristol and Kentucky at the Cumberland Gap, portions of which overlap the Wilderness Road Trail. A few notable sites along the route include: Duffield, side trip to Blockhouse, Natural Bridge, Stock Creek, Speer’s Ferry, Gate City Courthouse, Moccasin Gap and Anderson Blockhouse.  
Potential: This route can become part of the Beaches to Bluegrass as improvements are made to enhance user safety.  
**Recommendation:** Historically significant sites along the route should be identified with interpretive signage and informational material.

**Thematic Trail:**            **Virginia Karst Trail**                            Potential (290)  
County:                                    Scott  
The trail will focus on above ground features and tourist caves throughout the state’s valley and ridge physiographic province. This thematic trail, once created, should aid in promoting resource management goals and best practices that help landowners protect sensitive karst resources such as caves, springs and sinkholes.  
*Supporters: Virginia Region of the National Speleological Society and the Virginia Cave Board*

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## Trailheads:

- Three new trail heads are being developed, each with its own parking lot - one near High Knob, one near the existing Little Stoney Falls parking area, and one above this facility near Hagan Hall within Jefferson National Forest.
- Two additional trail heads have been planned, one at Hanging Rock and one in Hunters Valley (both close to the park) which will connect to the Chef Bengé Trail on High Knob and should be nearing completion soon.

[http://www.boucher.house.gov/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=1352&Itemid=](http://www.boucher.house.gov/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1352&Itemid=)

**Virginia Birding & Wildlife Trail: Daniel Boone Loop VBWT**                      Exists

Counties:                      Scott/Lee

<http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/vbwt/loop.asp?trail=2&loop=MDB>

**Virginia Birding & Wildlife Trail: Appalachian Wonders Loop VBWT**                      Exists

Counties:                      Scott/Wise

<http://www.dgif.virginia.gov/vbwt/loop.asp?trail=2&loop=MAW>

**Walking Trail:                      Duffield Recreation Complex Walking Trail**                      Exists (SAGA 06)

County:                      Scott

.25 mile walking trail at Duffield Recreation Complex. Managed by the Town of Duffield

**Walking Trail:                      Weber City Recr. Complex Walking Trail**                      Exists (SAGA 06)

County:                      Scott

.30 mile walking nonmotorized trail in the Weber City Recreation Complex. Managed by Weber City

**Water Trails:                      Clinch River**                      Exists    (120/155/289)

Counties:                      Scott/Russell

Two sections through Russell County have been designated a scenic river (Confluence with Little River to Route 645 - Nash Ford Bridge and at the confluence with Guest River), another section through Russell has desirable components to be designated (Nash Ford to Route 58) and the portion through Scott has potential components but requires further study (Confluence with Guest River to VA-TN line).

**Natural Tunnel State Park's** Staff members conduct interpretive trips on the Clinch River in Scott County. Access is fairly good where the TVA and Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF) collaborated in the development of a series of access sites.

Potential for being designated a Scenic River and establishing a Blueway trail on the Clinch River,

- The shortage of public access sites limits the duration and types of trips that can be offered.
- There is also a need to improve public access to stocked trout streams in the region.
- Inadequate parking and access trails create congestion, resource degradation and unsafe conditions during popular fishing days.
- Facilities for canoe-in camping and public rest stops are also needed at appropriate distances along each river.

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## Recommendation by DCR:

- State and local officials should work with river user groups to develop a canoe trail for the Clinch and Powell Rivers.
  - And develop a management plan that addresses law enforcement, education, camping, sanitation, access management and maintenance.
  - Clinch River also needs additional public boat launching and bank fishing opportunities.
- See Pinnacle Natural Area Preserve for more on this.

## OTHER NOTED INFORMATION OR ATTRACTIONS

**Archaeological Survey** Exists (132)  
Portions are fair to good.

**Architectural Survey** Exists (132)  
Portions excellent to fair

**Attractions:** **A.P. Carter Museum** (290) Community of Hilton  
**County:** Scott  
<http://www.virginia.org/site/description.asp?attrID=10670>

**Attractions:** **Carter Family Fold** (290)  
**County:** Scott - Community of Hiltons

**Attractions:** **Natural Tunnel State Park**  
**County:** Scott

**Biodiversity Ranking** Exists (247)  
Noted as outstanding, very high, high, and moderate to general interest dependent upon the area in discussion.

**Conservation Lands: Federal** Exists  
**Counties:** Scott/Lee/Wise/Dickenson

**Full time parks & recreation directors** (267)  
**Counties:** Scott/City of Norton/Lee/Tazewell

**National Forest:** **George Washington & Jefferson National Park** Exists (212)  
**Counties:** Scott/Lee/Wise/Dickenson



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**Recreational Facilities:**      **Scott County Horse Park**                      Exists  
County:                                      Scott

<http://www.schorse.org/>

The Scott County Horse Park was started 4 ½ years ago and currently has two structures on site with plans for stalls and permanent restroom facilities with showers currently “in the works” through a \$600,000 grant provided in 2005. A portion of the funds was also used to develop two new trails and trailheads.  
*See Horse Trails for more on this.*

**Recreational Planning Regions:**      **Lenowisco - Region 1**                      (286)  
Counties:                                      Scott/City of Norton/Lee/Wise

The following **Tennessee Nature Conservancy Preserves** are all located in Scott County: (297)

- Kerney Island TNC Preserve
- Grays Island TNC Preserve
- TNC Easement
- Pendleton Island TNC Preserve



# SCOTT COUNTY-Existing Trails

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Trail Name	Length in Miles	Miles On Road	Miles Off Road	Miles of Native Surface	Miles of Paved Surface	Miles of Aggregate Surface	Miles of Hiking	Miles of Biking	Miles of Equestrian	Miles of Motorized
Daniel Boone National Historic Trail	42.15	42.15	0	0	42.15	0	42.15	42.15	42.15	42.15
Devil's Fork	6.94	0	6.94	6.94	0	0	6.94	6.94	6.94	0
Straight Fork Ridge	1.88	0	1.88	1.88	0	0	1.88	1.88	1.88	0
Bark Camp Lake	4.44	0	4.44	0	0	4.44	4.44	4.44	2.22	0
Chief Benge Scout	9.86	0	9.86	9.86	0	0	9.86	9.86	9.86	0
Little Stony NRT	3.05	0	3.05	3.05	0	0	3.05	3.05	0	0
Fincastle/Cumberland Gap Turnpike	40.85	40.85	0	0	40.85	0	40.85	40.85	0	40.85
Birding and Wildlife Trail	25.68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total existing trails</b>	<b>134.85</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>26.17</b>	<b>21.73</b>	<b>83</b>	<b>4.44</b>	<b>109.17</b>	<b>109.2</b>	<b>63.05</b>	<b>83</b>

**Legend**

**Existing Trails**

- Bark Camp Lake
- Chief Benge Scout
- Daniel Boone National Historic Trail
- Devil's Fork
- Little Stony NRT
- Fincastle Cumberland Gap Turnpike
- Birding & Wildlife Trail Sites

**Birding and Wildlife Trail Loops**

- Appalachian Wonders Loop
- Daniel Boone Loop

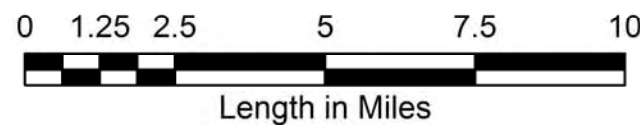
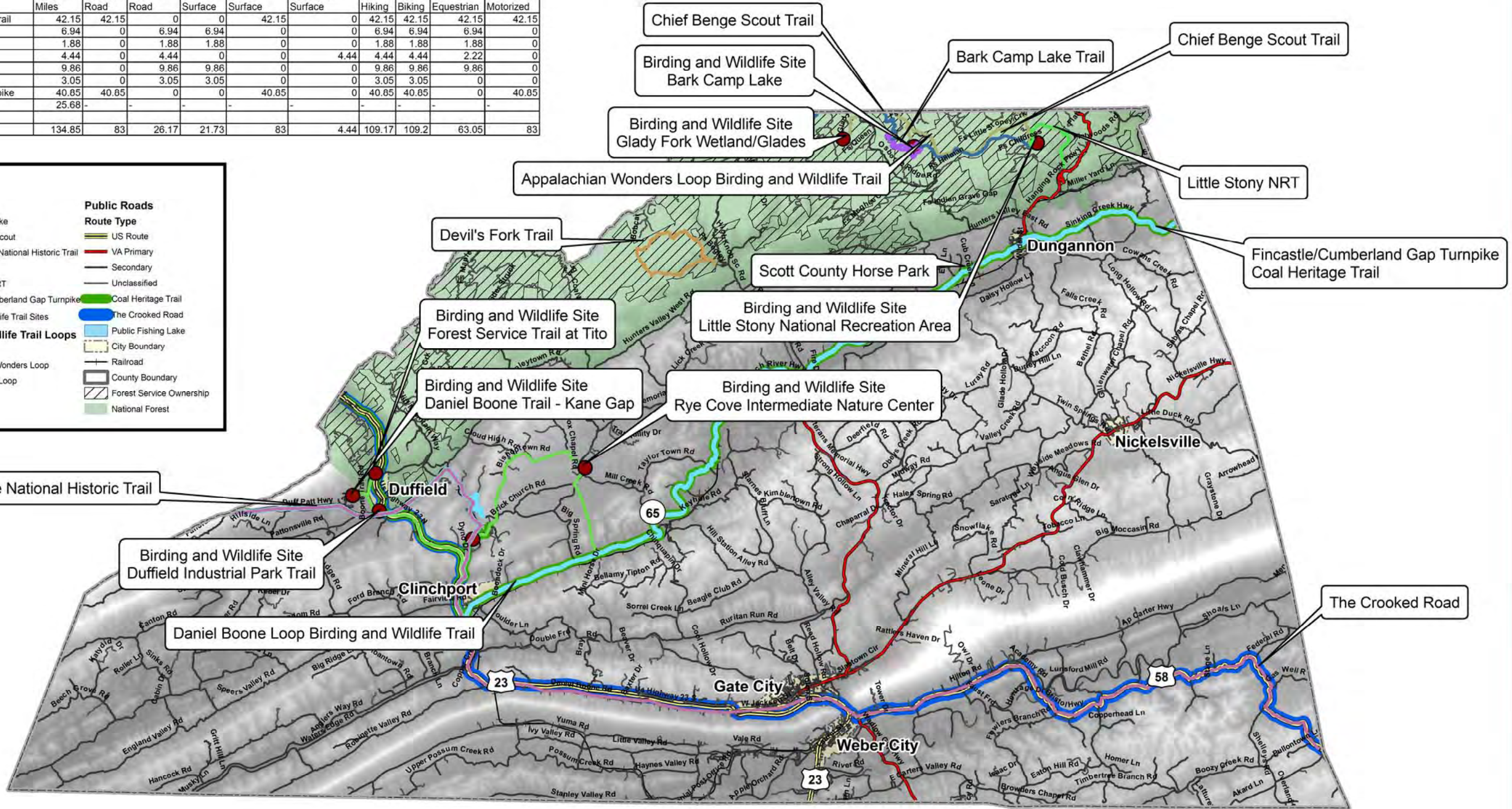
**Public Roads**

**Route Type**

- US Route
- VA Primary
- Secondary
- Unclassified
- Coal Heritage Trail
- The Crooked Road
- Public Fishing Lake

**Other Features**

- City Boundary
- Railroad
- County Boundary
- Forest Service Ownership
- National Forest





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Trail Name	Length in Miles	Miles On Road	Miles Off Road	Miles of Native Surface	Miles of Paved Surface	Miles of Aggregate Surface	Miles of Hiking	Miles of Biking	Miles of Equestrian	Miles of Motorized
Powell Mountain Equestrian	4.86	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Devils Fork-619-704 (proposed)	35.13	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Proposed 704 to Flat Gap	1.36	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
High Knob Multi-Use Trail	29.23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hagan Hall to Little Stony Equestrian Tra	11.81	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hagan Hall Equestrian	6.07	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maple Gap Equestrian	15.37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Flannery Ridge Equestrian	12.82	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total proposed trails</b>	<b>116.65</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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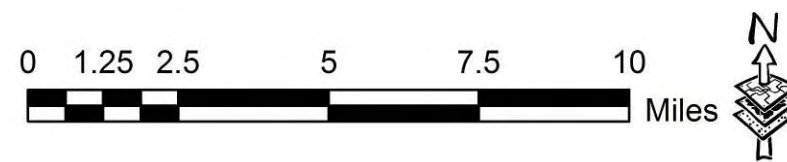
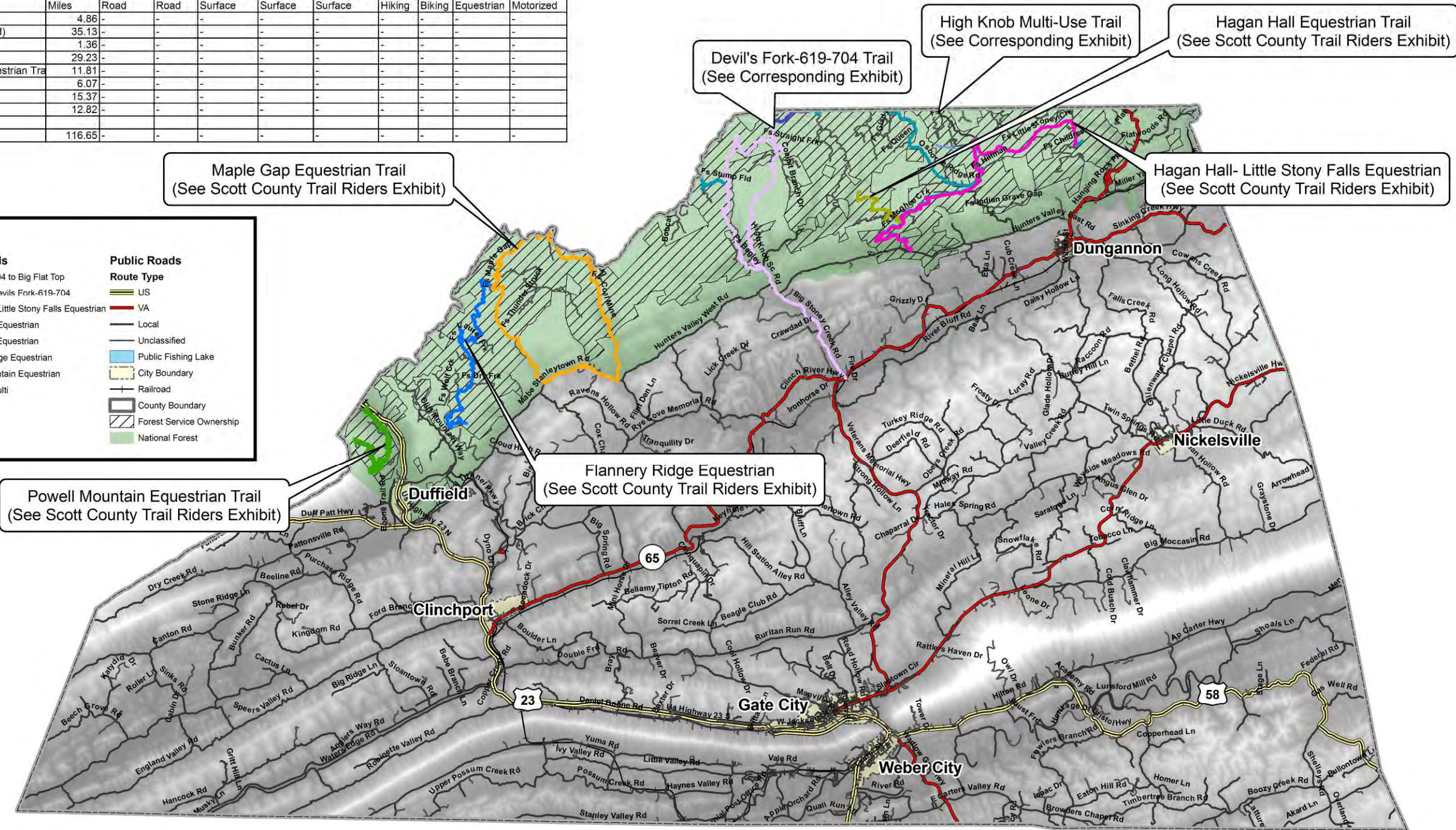
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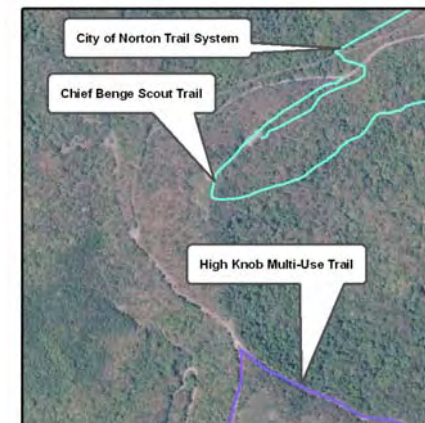
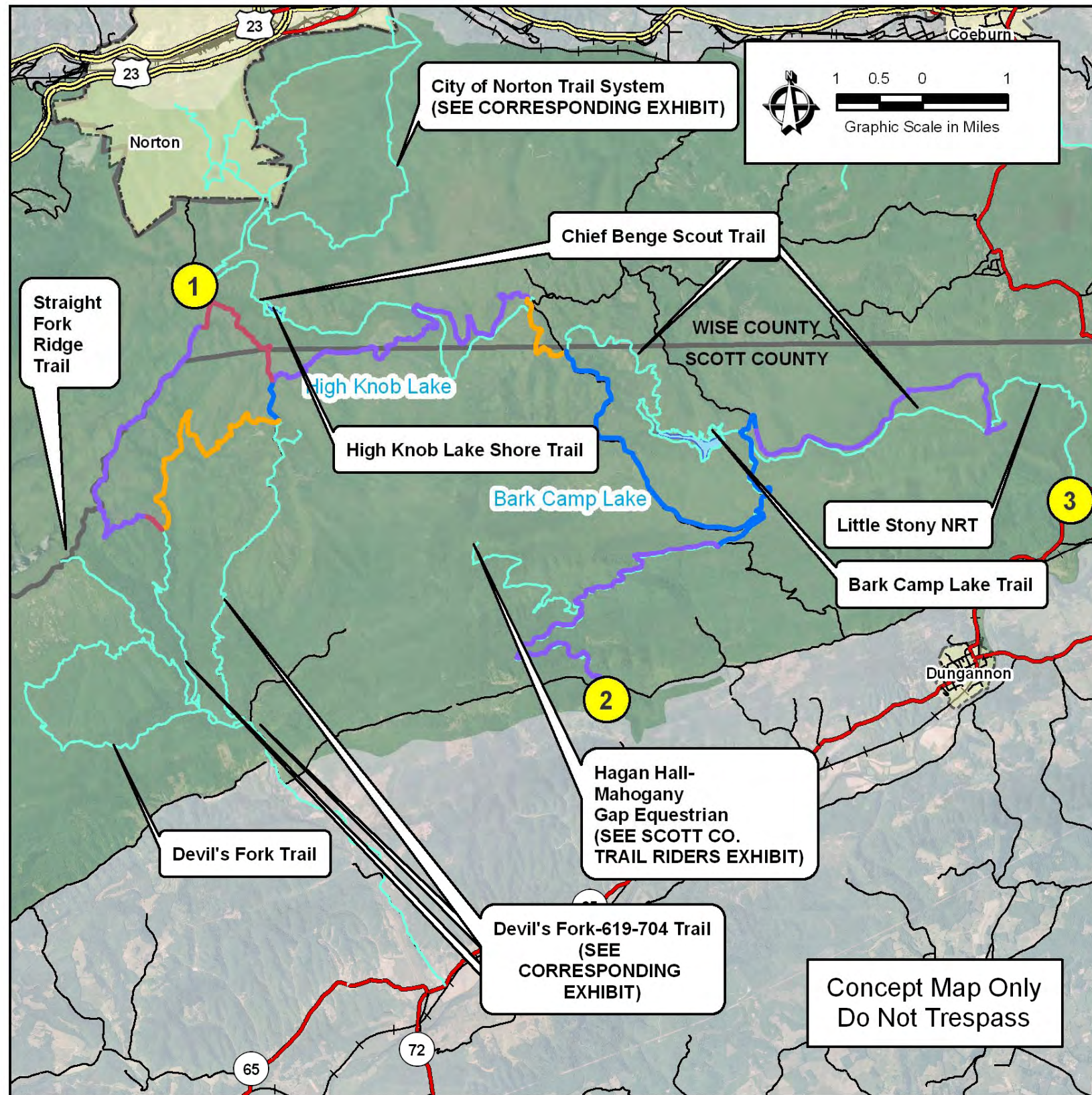
- Proposed/704 to Big Flat Top
- Proposed/Devils Fork-619-704
- Hagan Hall Little Stony Falls Equestrian
- Hagan Hall Equestrian
- Maple Gap Equestrian
- Flannery Ridge Equestrian
- Powell Mountain Equestrian
- HighKnobMulti

**Public Roads**

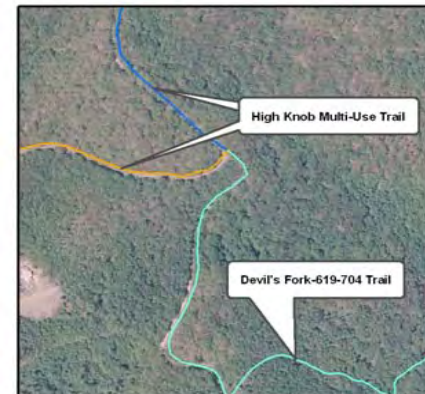
**Route Type**

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- VA
- Local
- Unclassified
- Public Fishing Lake
- City Boundary
- Railroad
- County Boundary
- Forest Service Ownership
- National Forest

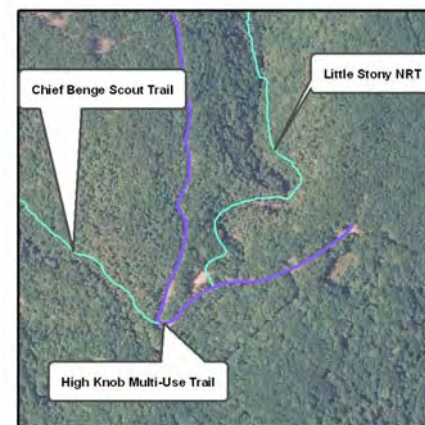




1) Possible Connection Between City of Norton Trail System and High Knob Multi-use Trail.



2) Possible Trail Connectivity from Multi-Use Trail.



3) Trailhead Area and Possible connection to Little Stony NRT

**DESCRIPTION:**

The proposed High Knob Multi-Use Trail is a 36 mile long trail that can serve as a possible connector from The City of Norton into the northern most area of Russell County into the Devil's Fork and Straight Fork Ridge Trails as well as the Proposed Devil's Fork-619-704 Loop.

The proposed High Knob Multi-Use Trail has the potential to be an attractive expansion to the City of Norton Trail System, allowing a connection from the City of Norton to other trail opportunities that reside elsewhere in the surrounding areas. Along with the existing trail system belonging to the City of Norton, the addition of the High Knob Multi-Use Trail would generate economic stimulation within the City as it becomes the trailhead location, thus informally designating the city as the gateway to the trails that lie in the southern adjoining counties.

**CURRENT CONDITIONS AND DEVELOPMENT NEEDS**

The 36 mile trail is proposed to follow some existing road beds, but also will require construction and reconstruction to make the trail functional as designed.

**LENGTH/TYPE OF TRAIL**

The proposed High Knob Multi-Use Trail is a 36 mile long trail that is designed for hiking and biking

**CONNECTIONS AND DESTINATIONS**

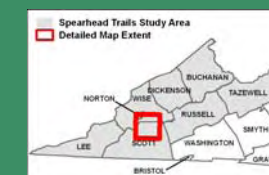
The proposed trail has the potential to link the City of Norton Trail System, just south of the city, with trail related opportunities in the northern area of Russell County and the southeast portion of Wise County.

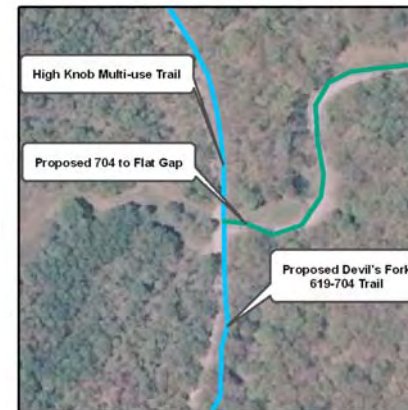
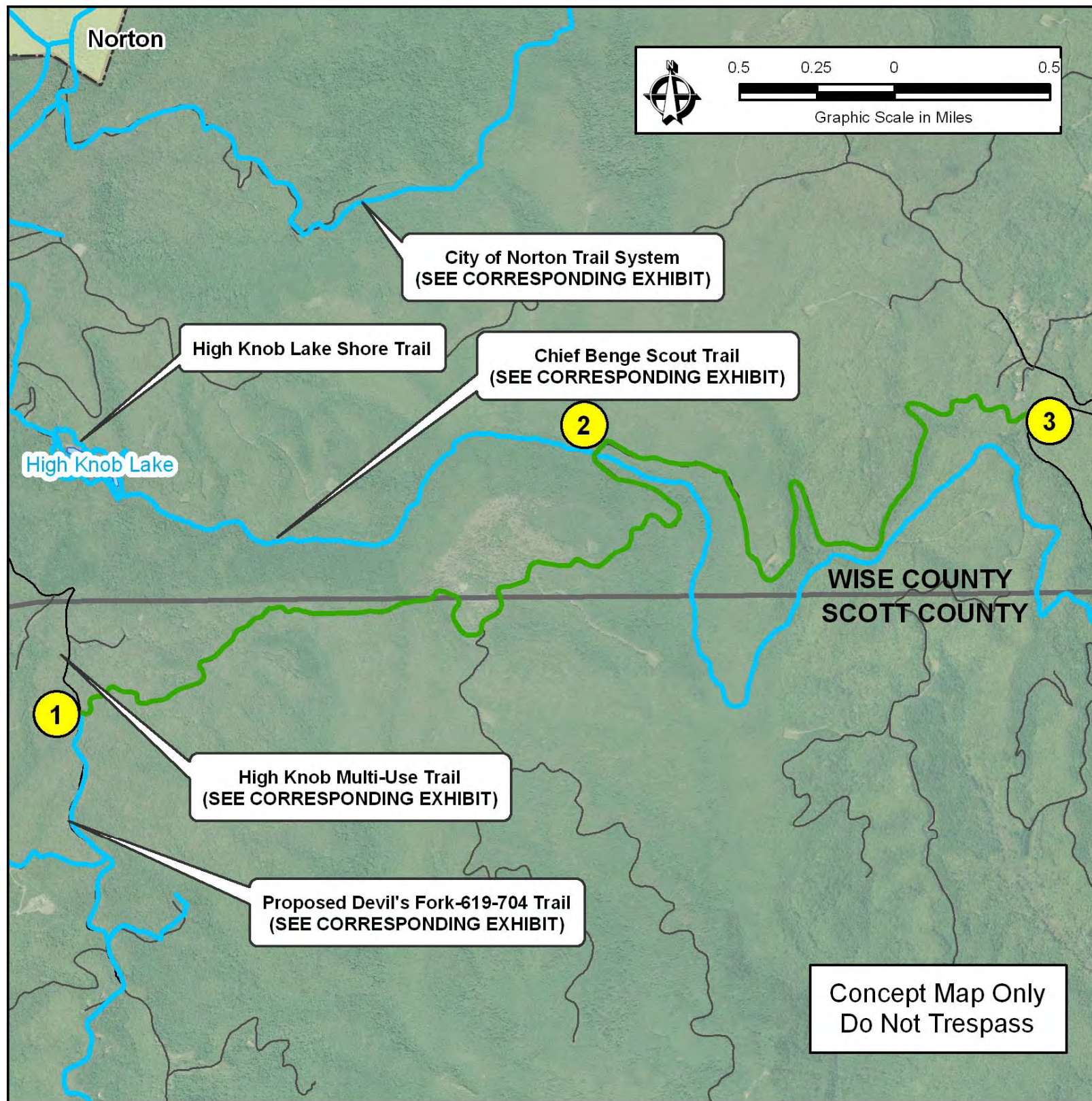
**TRAIL SYSTEM INCLUDES:**

- Chief Benge Scout Trail
- Straight Fork Ridge Trail
- High Knob Lake Shore Trail
- Bark Camp Lake Trail
- Devil's Fork Trail
- City of Norton Trail System
- Devil's Fork 619-704 Trail
- Hagan Hall-Mahogany Gap Trail
- Little Stony NRT

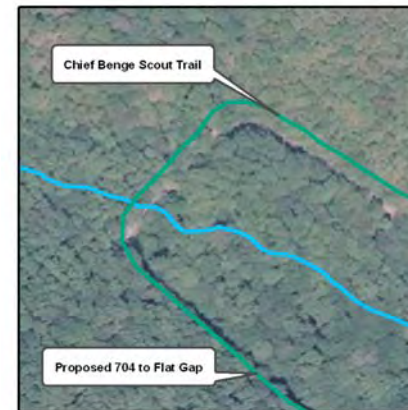
**Legend**

- City of Norton Trail System
- High Knob Multi-Use Trail**
- FDR Proposed For Use
- Proposed New Construction
- Proposed Reconstruction
- State Route Proposed For Use
- <all other values>
- Public Roads**
- Route Type**
- US
- VA
- Local
- Public Fishing Lakes
- City Boundary
- Railroad
- National Forest
- County Boundary

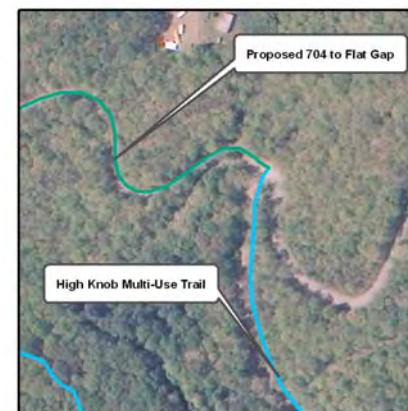




1.) Intersection of 704 to Flat Gap Trail with High Knob Multi-Use Trail and Devil's Fork-619-704 Trail



2.) Intersection of Chief Bengé Scout Trail and 704 to Flat Gap Trail



3.) Intersection of Chief Bengé Scout Trail, High Knob Multi-Use Trail and 704 to Flat Gap Trail

**DESCRIPTION:**

The Scott County Trail Riders' proposed 704 to Flat Gap Equestrian Trail is essentially an addition to the trail complex to the south of the City of Norton. The trail interweaves with the Chief Bengé Scout Trial, which is a multi-use trail as compared to the proposed trail which is intended for equestrian usage. The proposed trail provides an alternative, for horse riders, to the Chief Bengé Scout Trail that is located in the same vicinity.

The addition of the proposed trail to the existing complex of trails will provide equestrian trail riders a gate way of sorts to the proposed horse trails that lie to the south in Scott County. The trail is located on existing forest service roads and can be easily adapted for the proposed usage with little funding.

With the addition of this proposed equestrian trail to the existing trails, as well as other proposed horse trails nearby, trail enthusiasts will have many more trail related options and opportunities that originate from the City of Norton.

**CONNECTIONS & DESTINATIONS:**

The proposed trail is projected to link, on a small scale, the High Knob Multi-Use Trail with a local roadway and trail related opportunities in the Flat Gap Area. Ultimately, the proposed trail is part of a large system of trails that have their origin in the City of Norton and link it with the northernmost part of Scott County and the trail opportunities thereof.

**LEAD AGENCY/PARTNERS:**  
Scott County Trail Riders

**LENGTH/TYPER OF TRAIL:**  
The proposed trail is approx. 5.6 miles long, and is intended for equestrian usage.

**TRAIL LOCATION:**  
The proposed trail is currently located entirely on US Forest Service Roadways.

**Legend**

- Proposed/704 to Big Flat Top
- Trail Corridors

**Public Roads**

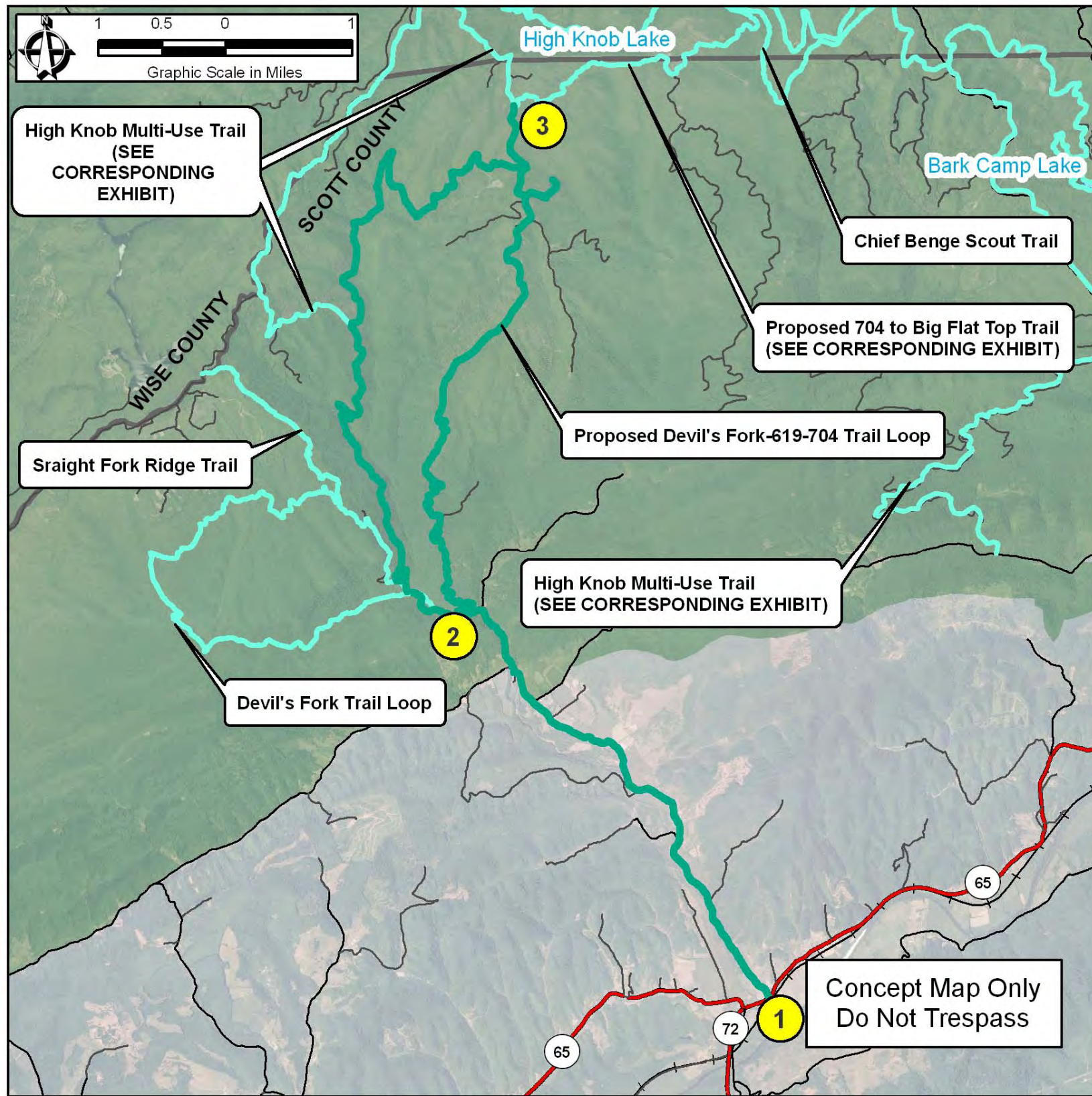
**Route Type**

- US
- VA
- Local
- Unclassified

- Public Fishing Lakes
- City Boundary
- Railroad
- County Boundary
- National Forest

# PROPOSED DEVIL'S FORK -619-704 TRAIL (SCOTT COUNTY)

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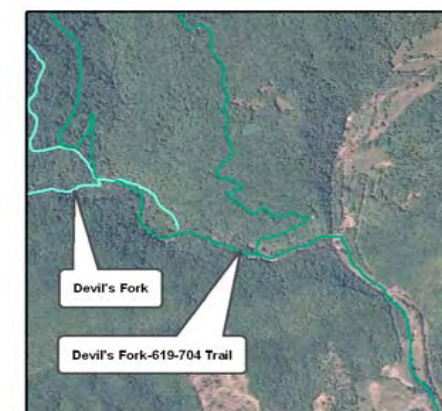


**Legend**

- Proposed Trail
- Public Roads**
- Route Type**
- US
- VA
- Local
- Unclassified
- Railroad
- National Forest
- Public Fishing Lakes
- City Boundary



1) Proposed Trailhead Area



2) Intersection of Devil's Fork Trail Loop, Straight Fork Trail Loop, and the Proposed Devil's-619-704 Trail



3) Intersection of High Knob Multi-Use Trail, Proposed 704 to Big Flat Top Trail, and Proposed Devil's Fork-619-704

**DESCRIPTION:**

The 35 mile Proposed Devil's Fork-619-704 Trail is a vital addition to the proposed High Knob Multi-Use Trail, Powell Mountain Equestrian Trail, Proposed 704 to Big Flat Top Trail, along with existing Chief Benge Scout Trail, Devil's Fork Trail, and ultimately the City of Norton Trail System.

The vitality of the Proposed Devil's Fork-619-704 Trail is that it connects the trail system containing all of the trails in northern Russell County and Southern Wise County with a main road, and easily accessed trailhead possibilities, in Russell County.

**LENGTH/TYPE OF TRAIL:**

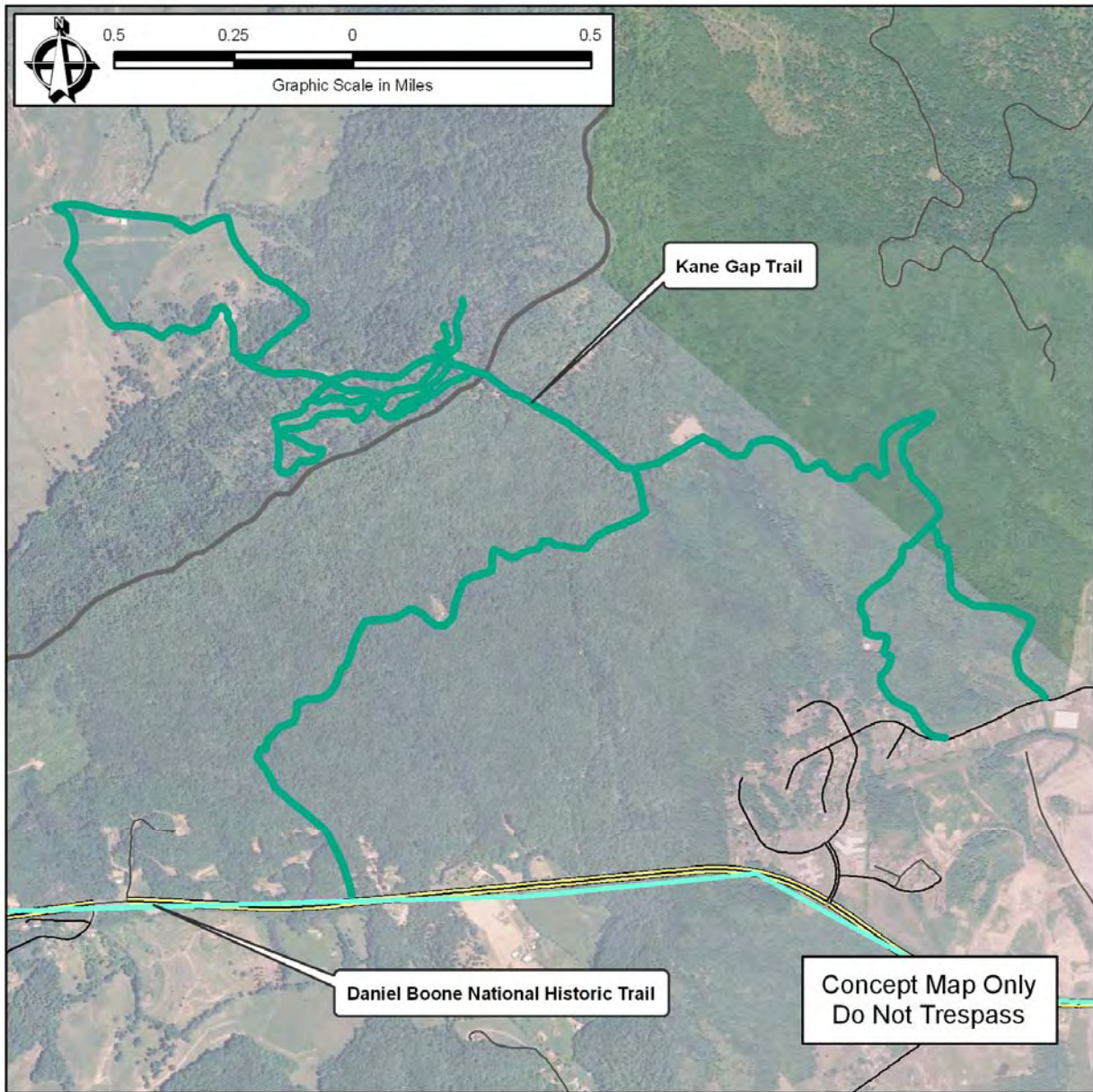
The Proposed Devil's Fork-619-704 Trail is approximately 35 miles long and is intended for Hiking, Biking and Horseback Riding.

**DESCRIPTION/CURRENT CONDITIONS:**

The 35 mile trail lies almost entirely on existing Forest Service and Local Road beds.

**CONNECTIONS & DESTINATIONS:**

The Proposed Trail interconnects portions of High-Knob Multi-use Trail, Straight Fork Trail, Chief Benge Scout Trail, and Proposed 704 to Big Flat top Trail.



**DESCRIPTION**

Kane Gap in Scott County is part of the Daniel Boone Heritage Trail. This section of the trail is being developed by the Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail Corridor Alliance. It was noted by this website, <http://danielboonetrail.com/map.php>, that this was the only section of the trail that has not been paved over.











**LENGTH/TYPE OF TRAIL**

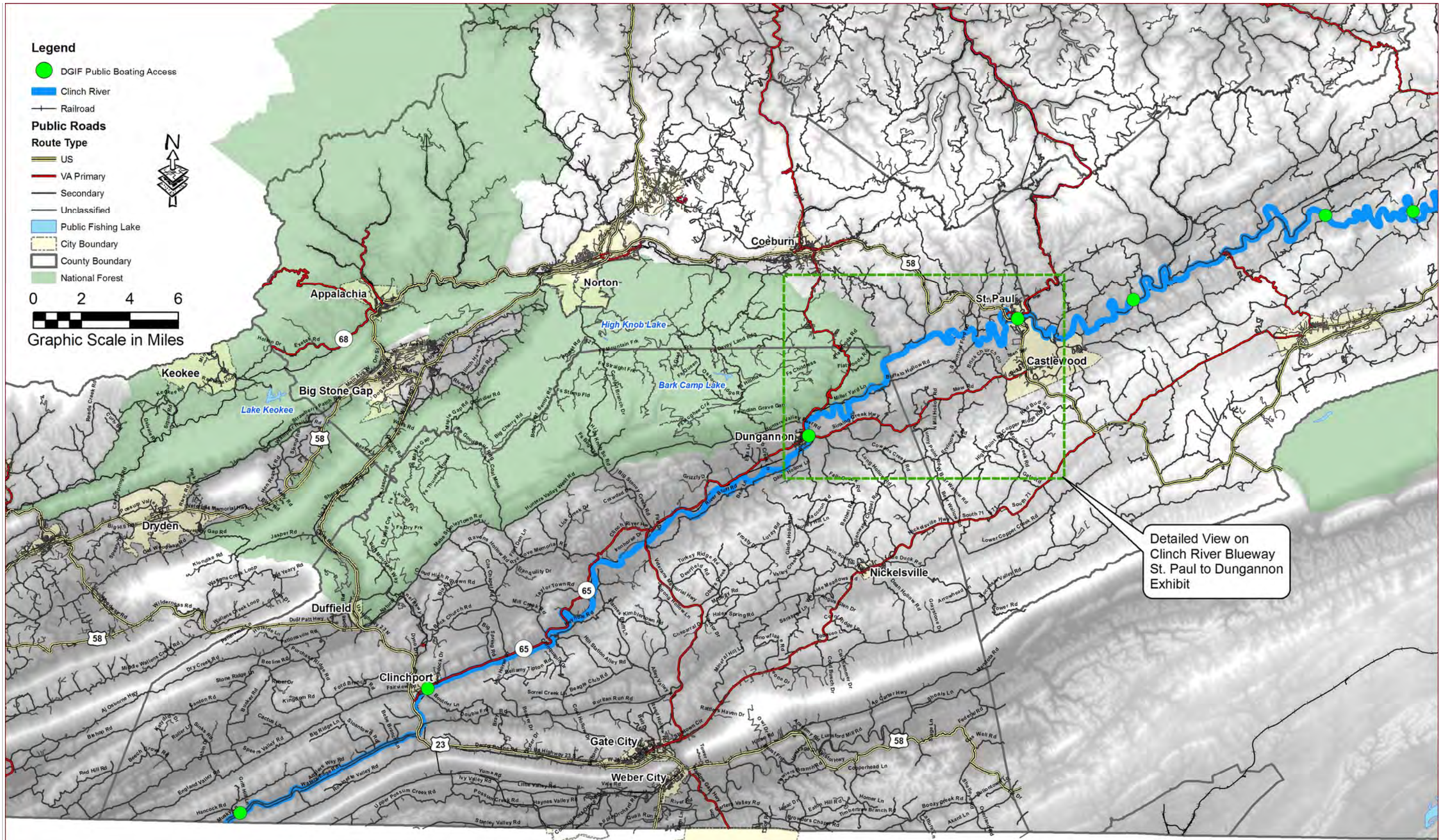
The Kane Gap Trail is approximately 8 miles in length

**LEAD AGENCY/PARTNERS**

Daniel Boone Wilderness Trail Corridor Alliance

**Legend**

-  Kane Gap Trail
-  Trail Corridors
- Public Roads**
- Route Type**
-  US
-  VA
-  Local
-  Unclassified
-  Public Fishing Lakes
-  City Boundary
-  Railroad
-  National Forest

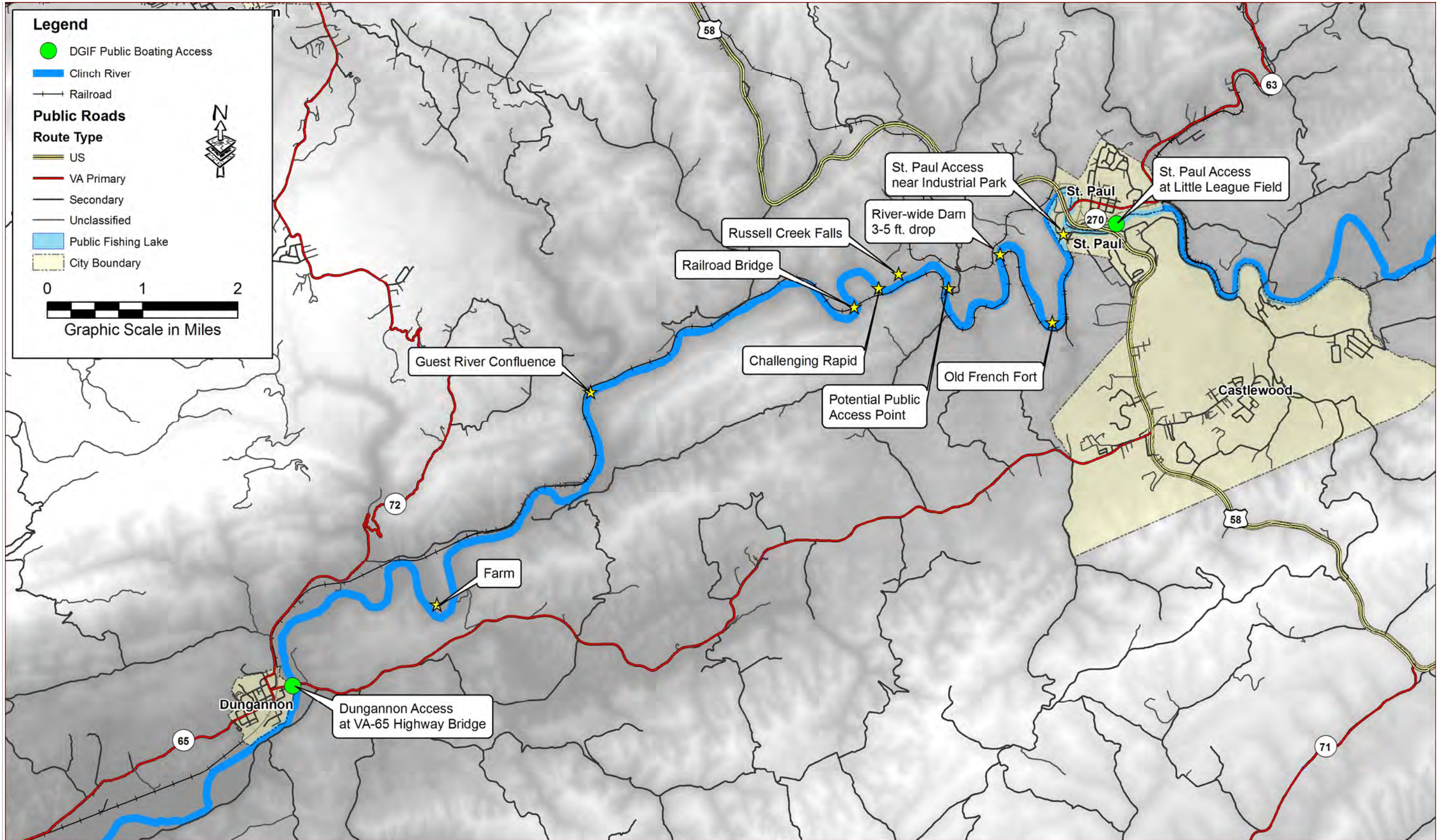




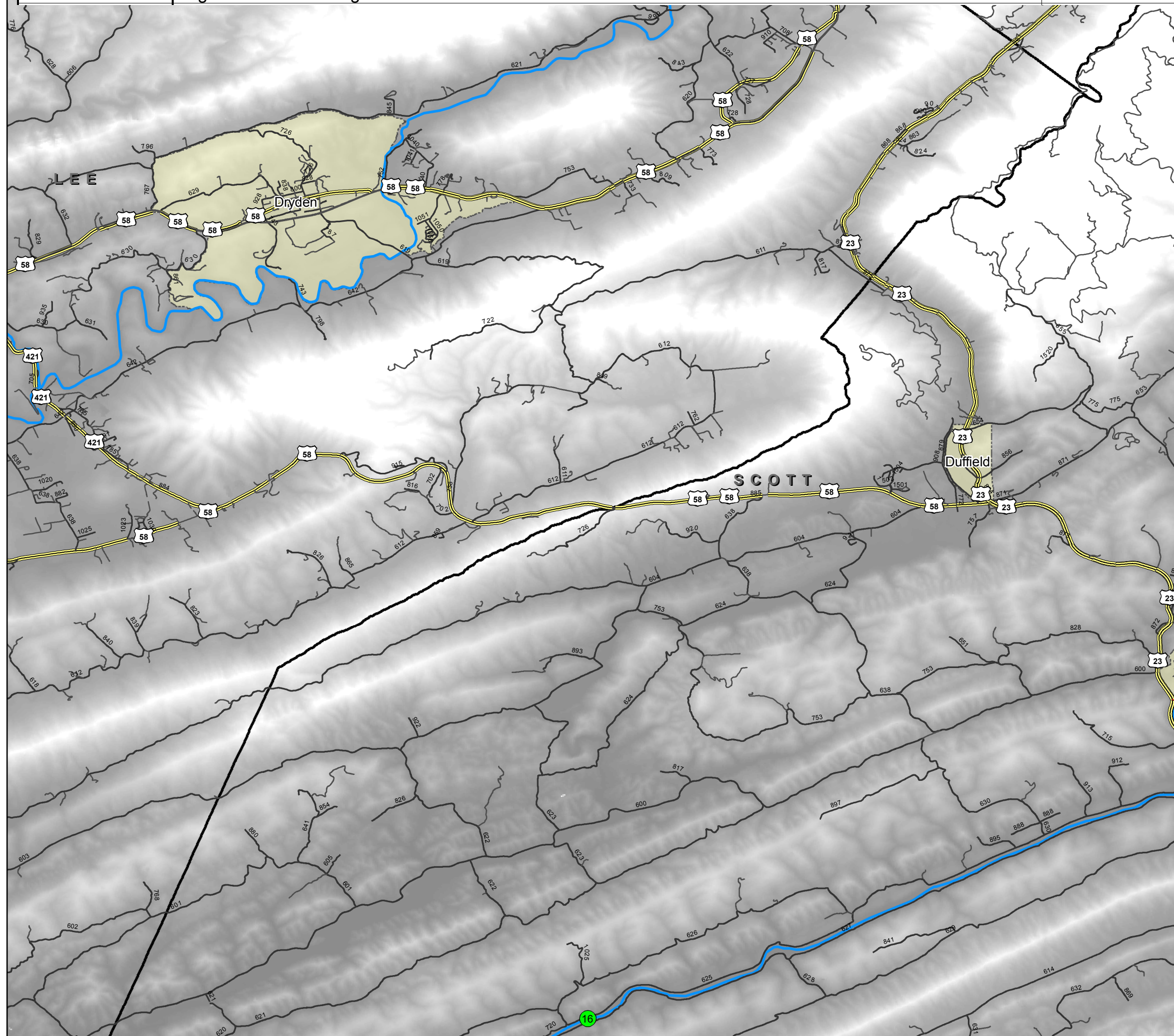
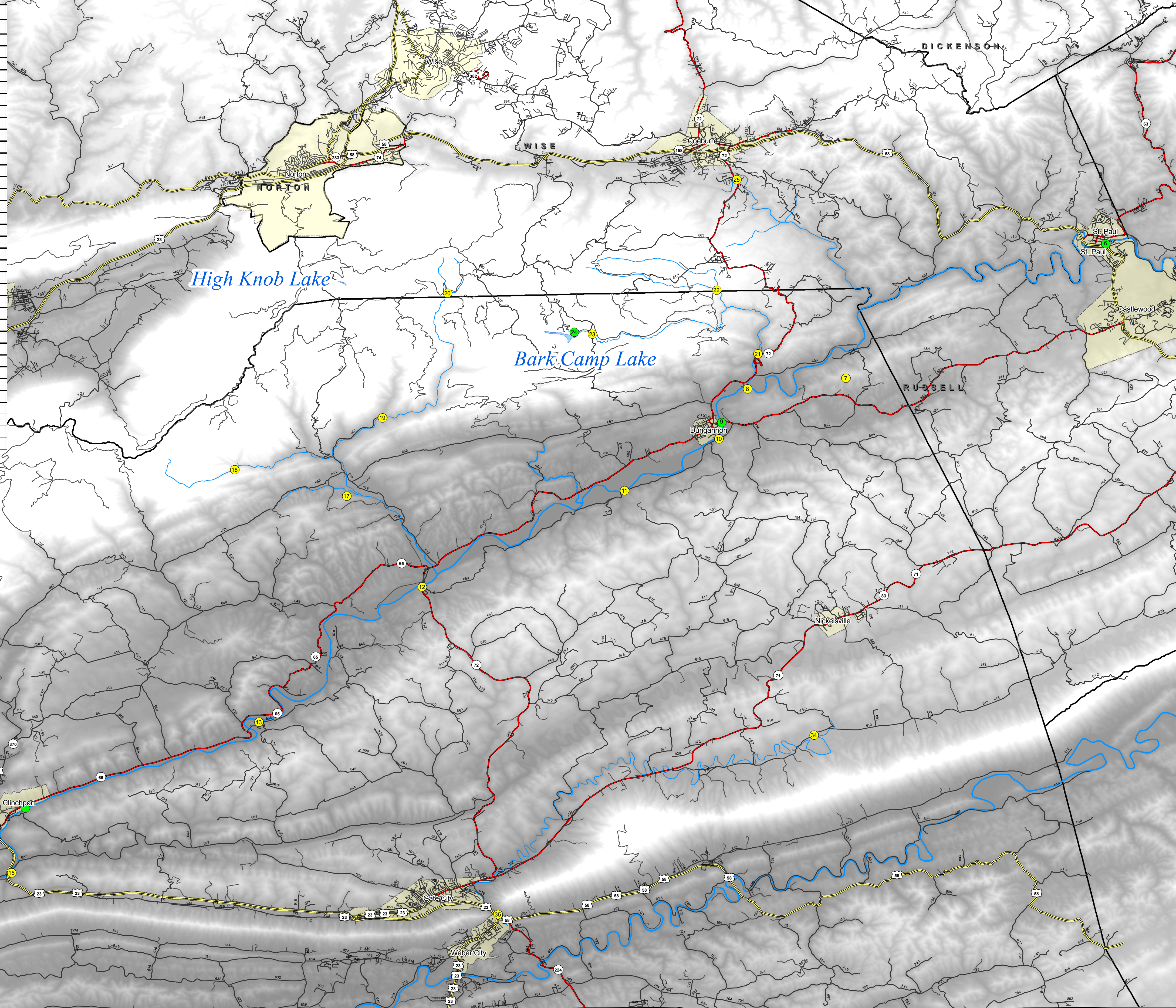


# CLINCH RIVER BLUEWAY – St. Paul to Dungannon

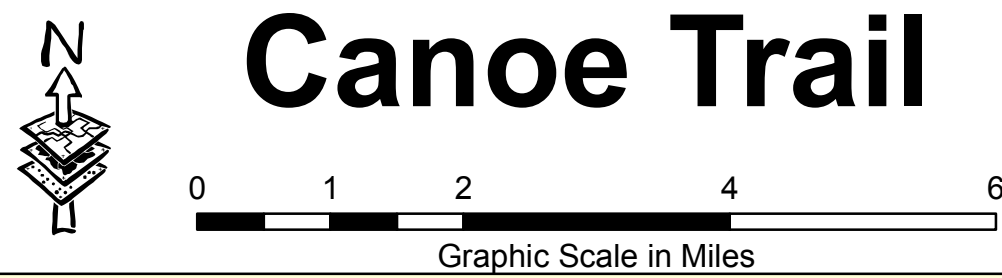
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Access/Takeout Sites		
Location Number	Name of Water Route Location	County Names
1	Laurel Bed Lake	Russell
2	Blackford Bridge	Russell
3	Puckett's Hole	Russell
4	Nash's Ford	Russell
5	Carterton	Russell
6	St Paul	Wise/Russell
7	Miller Yard Access	Scott
8	Virginia whitewater-Little Stony Creek take out	Scott
9	Dungannon	Scott
10	Clinch River, Virginia/ take out	Scott
11	Rt. 659 Takeout	Scott
12	Fort Blackmore Access	Scott
13	Hill Station Access	Scott
14	Clinch Port	Scott
15	Speer's Ferry Access	Scott
16	State Line	Scott
17	Virginia whitewater - Big Stony Creek take out & Big Stony- Devil's Fork take out	Scott
18	Virginia whitewater- Big Stony- Devil's Fork put in	Scott
19	Virginia whitewater- Big Stony- Mountain Fork take out & Big Stony Creek put in	Scott
20	Virginia whitewater- Big Stony- Mountain Fork put in	Scott
21	Virginia whitewater-Little Stony River- Ramey Fork take out	Wise/Scott
22	Virginia whitewater-Little Stony River- Ramey Fork put in	Wise/Scott
23	Virginia whitewater-Little Stony Creek put in	Scott
24	Bark Camp Lake	Scott
25	Virginia whitewater-Guest River put in	Wise/Scott
26	Virginia whitewater - Pound River, Cumberland Plateau Mountains put in	Wise/Dickenson
27	Virginia whitewater - Pound River, Cumberland Plateau Mountains take out	Wise/Dickenson
28	Virginia whitewater - Pound River, Cumberland Plateau Mountains put in	Dickenson
29	Virginia whitewater - Pound River, Cumberland Plateau Mountains take out & Russell Fork, CPM put in	Dickenson
30	Virginia whitewater- Russell Fork, Cumberland Plateau Mountains take out	Dickenson
31	Virginia whitewater - Prater Creek, Cumberland Plateau Mountains take out	Dickenson
32	Virginia whitewater - Prater Creek, Cumberland Plateau Mountains put in	Dickenson
33	Lake Keokee	Lee
34	Virginia whitewater- Big Mocassin Creek put in	Scott
35	Virginia whitewater- Big Mocassin Creek take out	Scott



# Scott County / Clinch River Canoe Trail



**Legend**

**Boat / Canoe / Kayak Access**

- NAVIGABLE STREAMS (Blue line)
- SELECTED ADDITIONAL STREAMS (Light Blue line)
- CITY BOUNDARIES (Yellow shaded area)
- PUBLIC FISHING LAKES (Light Blue shaded area)

**Owner**

- DGIF (Green dot)
- OTHER (Yellow dot)

**Public Roads**

**Route Type**

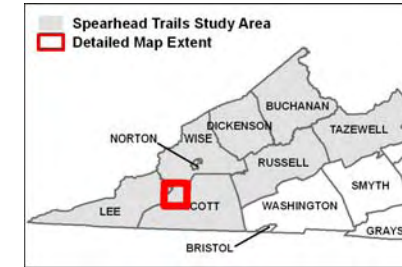
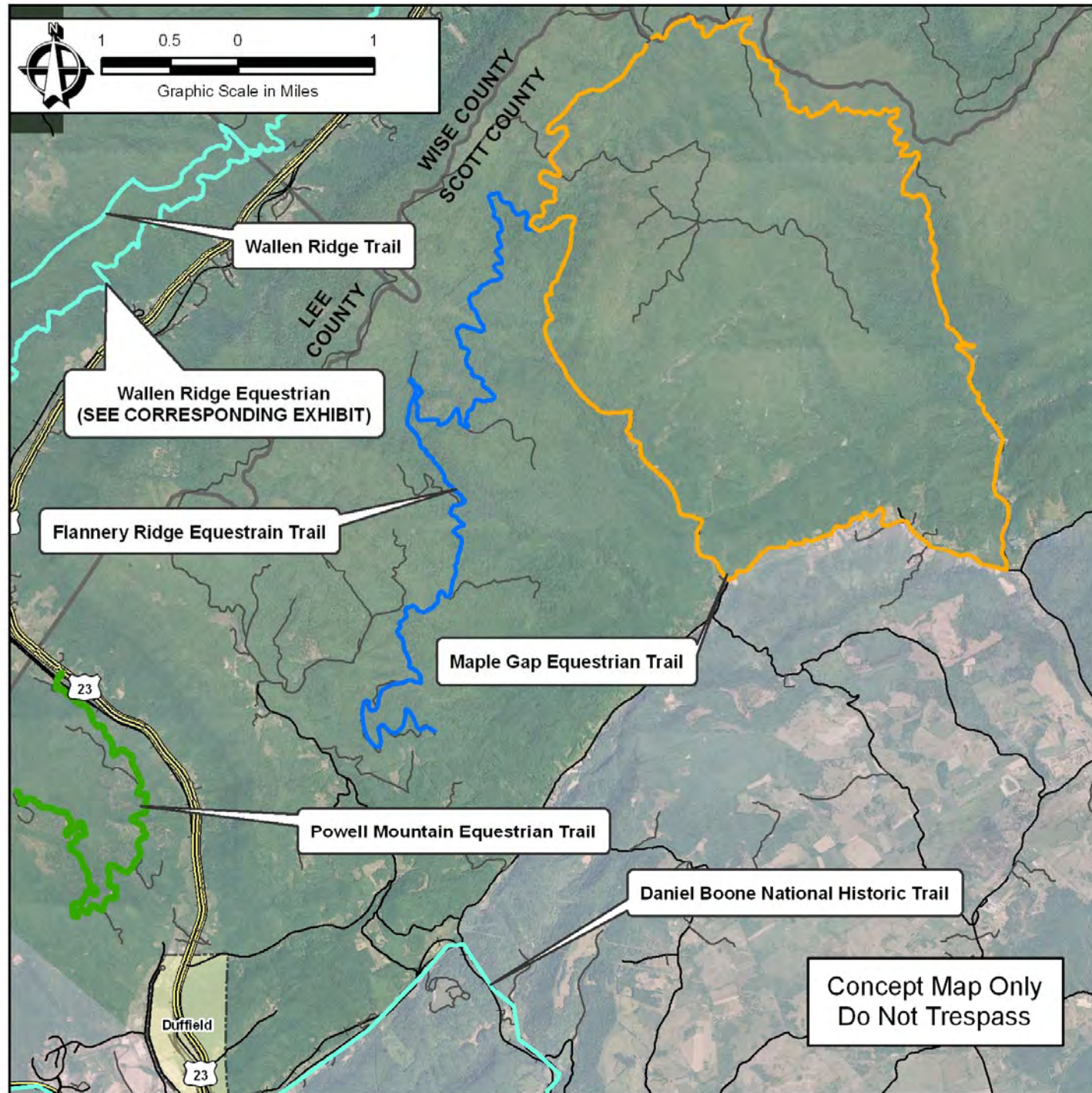
- US (Brown line)
- State Primary (Red line)
- Secondary (Grey line)
- Local (Thin grey line)

Float Trips				
River	To	From	Location N	Length in Miles
Clinch	St. Paul	Dungannon	6 to 10	21.6
Little Stony Creek-Ramey Fork	North of Dungannon- Wise Co.	North of Dungannon - Scott Co,	22 to 21	3.2
Guest River	South of Coeburn	Dungannon	25 to 9	13.7
Little Stony Creek	Bark Camp Lake	North of Dungannon	23 to 8	7.6
Big Mocassin Creek	South of Nickelsville/East of Snowflake	Weber City	34 to 35	21.7
Big Stony- Mountain Fork	South of Norton on Scott/Wise Co. Line	Near 657 North of Fort Blackmore	20 to 19	5.2
Big Stony Creek	Near 657 North of Fort Blackmore	Northwest of Fort Blackmore	19 to 17	3.6
Big Stony Creek- Devil's Fork	Three Forks	Northwest of Fort Blackmore	18 to 17	4.3
Pound River	Norland	Flannagan Reservoir	26 to 27	7.8
Pound River	Flannagan Reservoir	Bartlick	28 to 29	2
Prater Creek	Prater	Haysi	32 to 31	7.75
Russell Fork	Bartlick	Garden Hole Rd.- Breaks Interstate Park	29 to 30	1



# PROPOSED EQUESTRIAN TRAILS (SCOTT COUNTY) WALLEN RIDGE, MAPLE GAP, FLANNERY RIDGE, POWELL MOUNTAIN

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**DESCRIPTION:**  
This area of the proposed Scott County Trail Riders' proposed equestrian trails is approximately 30 miles in total length. The Maple Gap Equestrian Trail and the Flannery Ridge Equestrian Trail form a loop that is near to the Wallen Ridge Equestrian Trail and can serve as a link between it and the towns to the south of the Maple Gap/Flannery Ridge Equestrian Trails Loop.

The Powell Mountain Equestrian Trail is located such that it may connect the Jasper area with Kane Gap and the Daniel Boone National Historic Trail, along with the city of Duffield. As with the other Scott County Trail Riders' Equestrian Trails, the trails exhibited in the above diagram are functional in linking Wise, Lee and Scott County trail opportunities by providing an alternative for horse back riders and providing tourism that will stimulate local economy.

**LENGTH/TYPE OF TRAIL:**  
The Maple Gap Equestrian Trail, the Flannery Ridge Equestrian Trail, and the Powell Mountain Equestrian Trail are, respectively, 16.2 miles long, 12.8 miles long, and 4.9 miles long, approximately. They are all located within the Jefferson National Forest.

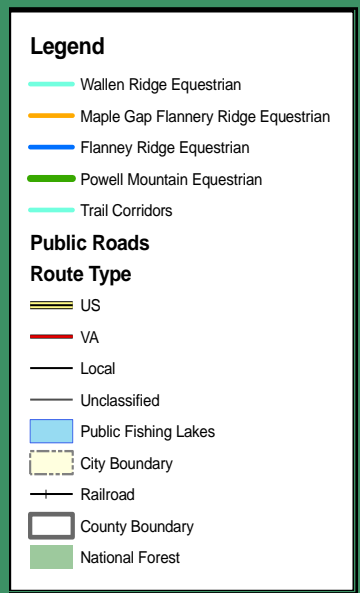
**CONNECTIONS/DESTINATIONS**  
The Maple Gap Equestrian Trail originates in Stanleystown and loops through Maple Gap Flannery Ridge.

The Flannery Ridge Equestrian Trail is a branch of the Maple Gap Equestrian Trail.

The Powell Mountain Equestrian Trail has its origins in Jasper and ends near Kane Gap.

See Corresponding Exhibit for additional information on the Wallen Ridge Equestrian Trail.

**LEAD AGENCY/PARTNERS:**  
Scott County Trail Riders



The map above shows four different proposed trails. These include: Wallen Ridge, Maple Gap, Flannery Ridge and Powell Mountain. All four are located within the boundaries of the Jefferson National Forest.