



Forest Service  
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# German Ridge Recreation Area



## Location specific information

Use type: hiking, mountain biking, primitive camping, swimming, picnicking and horse riding

Length of trail system: 24.3 miles

Facilities: Horse-friendly area includes a primitive campground with accessible vault toilets, tables, grills and hitching racks. Non-potable water may be available for livestock; bringing water is recommended. A day use picnic area with beach and shelter is available free of charge from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

Special features: The beach area features a beach area with several historic buildings constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps. The hiking trail winds through scenic sandstone rock outcrops and the picnic and beach area.

Fees: \$8.00 per night camping fee (pay on site), no reservations accepted

## Directions

GPS coordinates:

37°57'18.427"N, 86°34'52.512"W

Take SR 66 east from Tell City approximately 12 miles. Turn left on German Ridge Road to entrance.

## Safety

In case of emergency call 911

Nearest hospital: Tell City, Ind.

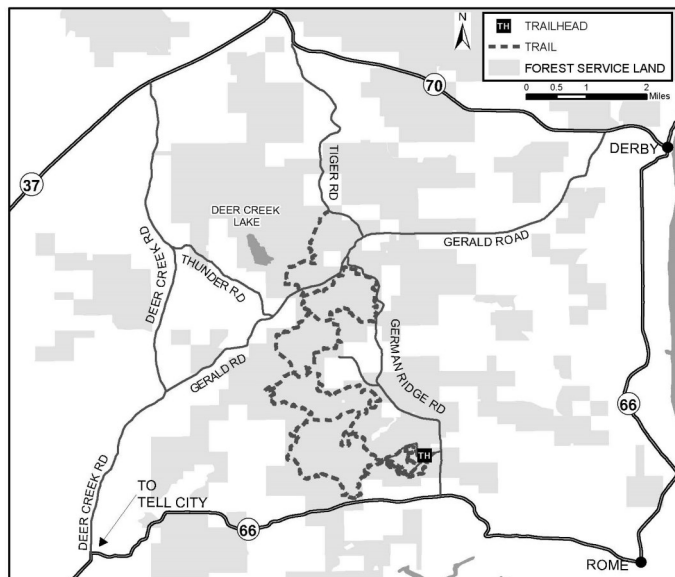
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Use caution during hunting seasons. Blaze orange clothing is recommended.

## Etiquette and rules

Horse riders and mountain bikers (age 17 years and older) are required to have a permit and stay on designated trails. Permits are available from our offices, local vendors and online. Forest trails are closed to all motorized vehicles and e-bikes.



Follow Leave No Trace principles.

Private and public land ownership is scattered within the forest boundary. Visitors must take care to stay on National Forest System lands and respect private property.

**Firewood Restrictions:** Possessing, storing, or transporting any part of a tree EXCEPT as described below (36 CFR 261, 58(t): It is kiln-dried scrap lumber with no bark (processed lumber). It is from your home or other Indiana location and has all bark removed. It has an Indiana DNR compliance stamp. Downed dead wood which is collected and used within the developed recreational area that the campsite is located, or collected and used within the immediate vicinity of a dispersed campsite on the Hoosier National Forest. Downed dead wood obtained on the Hoosier National Forest within the same defined county, or from the Hoosier National Forest from those counties directly adjoining, and which is obtained by the holder of a valid firewood permit.

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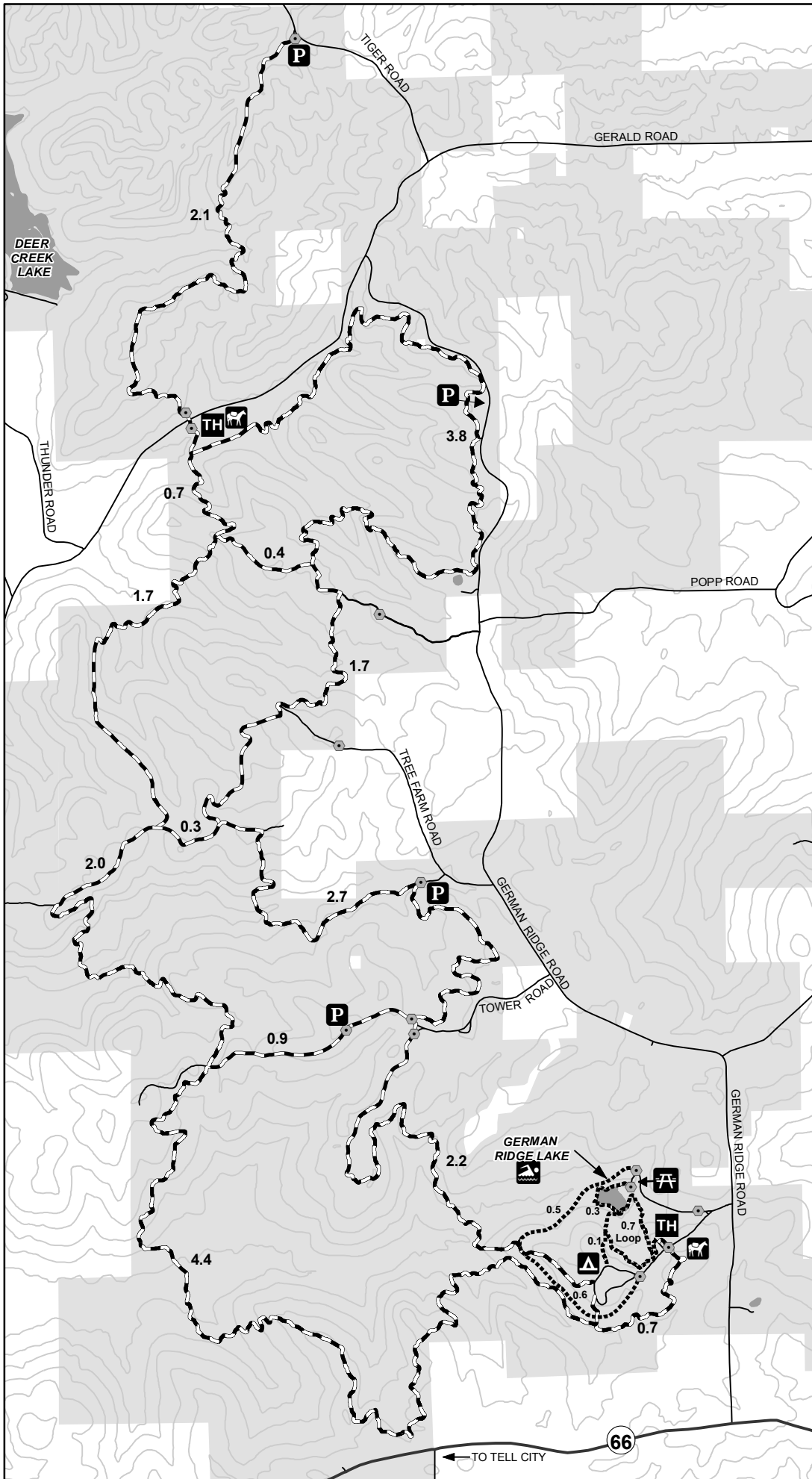
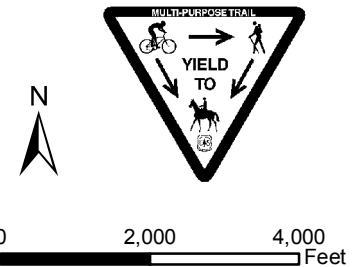


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# GERMAN RIDGE RECREATION AREA

## LEGEND

-  TRAILHEAD
-  PARKING
-  HORSE TRAILER PARKING
-  CAMPGROUND
-  SWIMMING SITE
-  PICNIC AREA
-  GATE
-  HIKE/BIKE/HORSE TRAIL
-  TRAIL - HIKE ONLY
-  ROAD
-  50 FT CONTOUR
-  LAKE
-  FOREST SERVICE LAND



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