



Cedar Swamp on Shinns Branch

LEBANON STATE FOREST

Preserve the Natural Beauty

Prevent Forest Fires

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
Forests and Parks Section

Lebanon State Forest

This forest, of 22,185 acres, is located in the historic "Pine Barrens" of central New Jersey about 30 miles east of Camden and approximately the same distance southeast of Trenton in Burlington and Ocean Counties. The forest is accessible via State Highway Routes 70 and 72. Visitors are welcome to explore, hike or drive over many miles of roads, which provide access to points of interest and help in the protection of this area.

The forest derives its name from the Lebanon Glass Works established about 1862. Glass was made in the vicinity because suitable sand, wood for charcoal and other materials were readily available. The fires "burned out" and the operations were abandoned about 1867 when the supply of wood became exhausted.

Acquisition was started in 1908 and it is the largest of nine State Forests administered for the benefit and enjoyment of the public, timber production, protection of wild life and conservation of water supplies.

A small sawmill, owned by the Department, is operated to convert State forest timber into lumber used for construction and repairs of State Forest buildings.

Fire lines and safety strips have been built along roads and boundaries for the prevention and control of forest fires which have been the scourge of the Pine Barrens for centuries. All visitors are urged to *Be Careful With Fire* and smoking materials at all times. No fires may be built except as authorized by a written permit from the Forest Officer.

To keep the area perpetually attractive it is unlawful to pick or remove flowers and shrubs, or to cut or damage any tree or park property.

Administration

Arrangements for all uses of the forest should be made directly with the Forest Officer in Charge, whose post office address is New Lisbon, N. J., telephone Pemberton 4303. The forest office is located on the north side of Route 72, about three-quarters of a mile southeast of the traffic circle at Route 70. The Superintendent can also be reached at his residence in New Lisbon, telephone Pemberton 5303.

For the use of picnic sites with fireplaces, campsites, cabins, and fireplaces in shelters, a nominal charge is made and a written permit is required. Application for reservation of an overnight facility may be made to the Superintendent in advance by mail, but the written permit for the use of a facility must be secured in person from the Forest Officer. The policy of the Department does not permit the leasing of land for the erection of any structure or for any exclusive use.

Southern White Cedar

Along the streams are acres of swamp lands covered with dense, crowded stands of Southern white cedar, often containing 4,000 trees per acre at 40 years of age. Their management is an important project on the forest. Thinnings are made to improve the final crop and to salvage trees which would otherwise die because of overcrowding.

Picnicking

A number of picnic sites, with tables and benches, but without fireplaces, for family sized groups are located at Deep Hollow Pond and Pakim Pond. A written permit is necessary and no group may have exclusive occupancy except by special arrangement with the Forest Officer.

Portable camp stoves using gasoline, kerosene, charcoal or similar fuel, may be used at recreational sites, if written permission has been secured from the Forest Officer, and if stoves are placed where there will be no possibility of damage to any equipment or to the forest.

Wood cut to proper size for fireplace use can be purchased from the Forest Officer. No wood may be gathered from the surrounding forest. Visitors may bring their own supply of wood or charcoal. Coal or coke may not be used.

Bathing

At Pakim Pond there is a bathing beach, shelter, and bathhouse with dressing space, and nearby parking areas. Locker service is not available. Use of the beach and bathing in any waters on the forest is entirely at the risk of the individual.

Hunting and Fishing

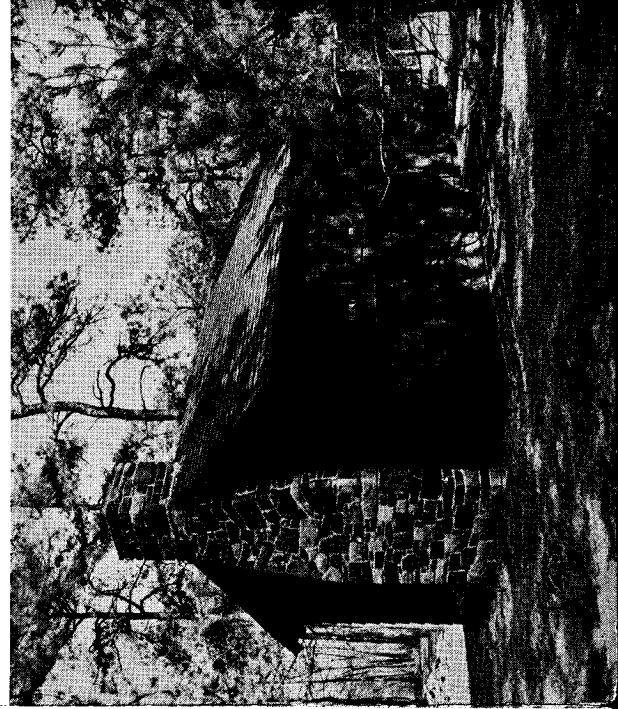
Hunting and fishing are permitted subject only to New Jersey Fish and Game laws.

Parking

Parking for vehicles should be done at spaces provided. Vehicles may not be parked along roads when use of the full road would be blocked, or off the road where trees or plants would be damaged.

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Cabin — Pakim Pond



Bathing Beach — Pakim Pond

The white cedar ranges from Maine, southward along the Coast to Florida. It is one of the most characteristic trees of the Pine Barrens where it reaches the northern limit of commercial importance. The wood is light, soft and rather durable. These qualities recommend it for a wide variety of uses and include boat building, shingles, fence posts, stakes and rustic furniture.

Ponds for Recreational Use

Pakim Pond covering five acres has been developed from a former cranberry reservoir with facilities for vacations in cabins, bathing and picnicking along the south shore. The name is derived from Lenape Indian meaning cranberry.

Along the shores of three-acre Deep Hollow Pond are facilities for camping and picnicking. Water and sanitary facilities are available. Bathing is not permitted.

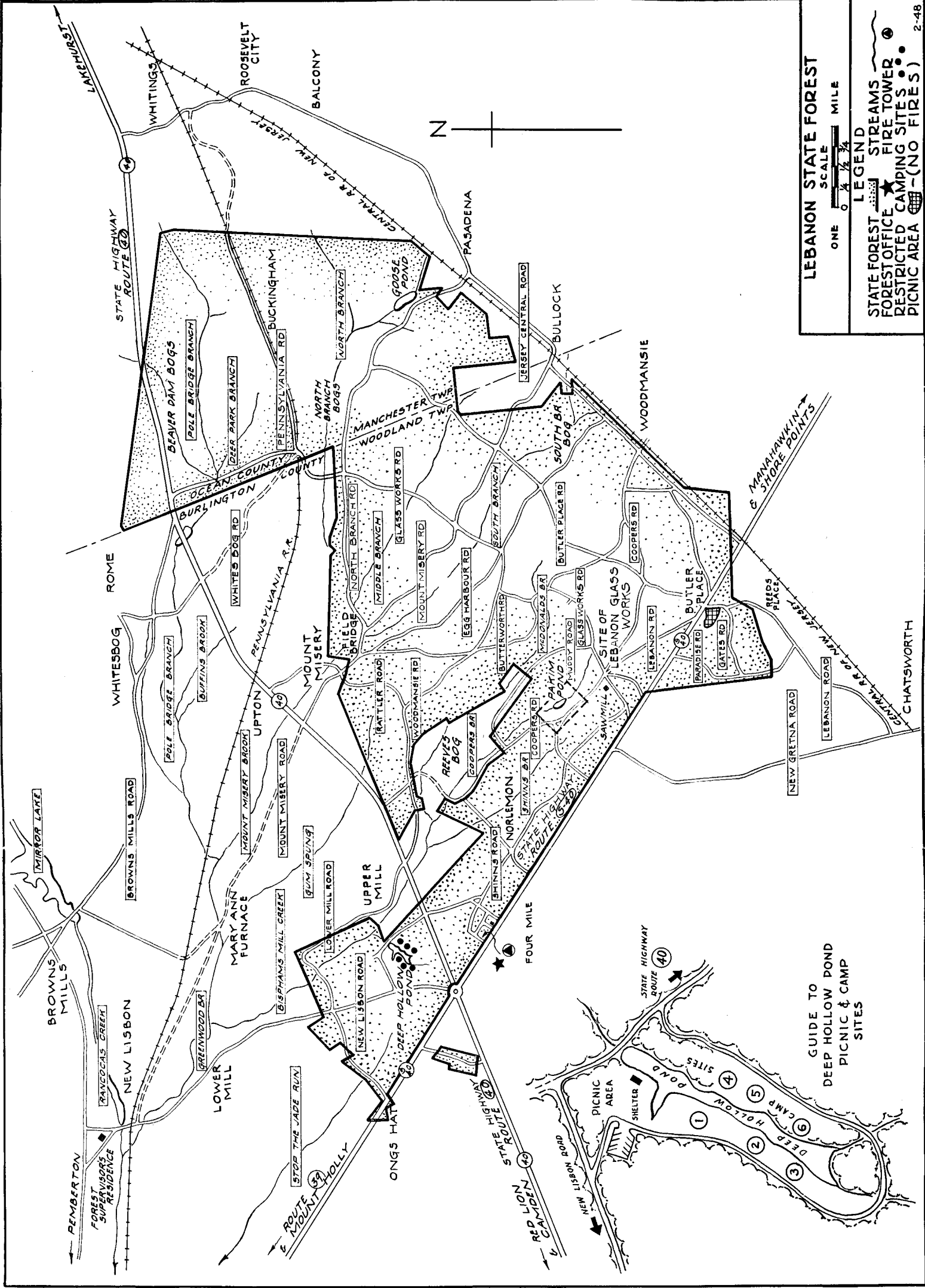
Boats or other craft may not be used on lakes within the forest without written permission of the Forest Officer and a nominal charge is made.

Cabins and Campsites

Rustic cabins along the wooded south shore of Pakim Pond may be rented throughout the year.

At Deep Hollow Pond campsites are available. They have tent platforms or spaces for tents, tables with benches, fireplaces, sanitary facilities, with water nearby. Tents or other equipment are not provided.

Complete details regarding their use, facilities, and reservation procedure may be obtained from the Superintendent. Wood is furnished in long lengths at campsites, and cut to size at the cabins. Visitors should bring an axe for chopping and splitting to sizes desired.



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SCALE
 ONE MILE
 0 1/4 1/2 3/4

LEGEND

- STATE FOREST
- FOREST OFFICE
- RESTRICTED CAMPING SITES
- PICNIC AREA
- STREAMS
- FIRE TOWER
- CAMP SITES
- (NO FIRES)

GUIDE TO
 DEEP HOLLOW POND
 PICNIC & CAMP
 SITES

PICTORIAL-GUIDE
PAKIM POND
RECREATIONAL AREA

