

SPRINGBROOK STATE PARK

The rolling hills of beautiful Springbrook State Park abound with deer, red and gray fox, coyote, raccoon, beaver, muskrat and wild turkey. Almost every kind of bird that visits Iowa can be found here. Trails lead through 796 acres of prairie and woodland, near small ponds, the Middle Raccoon River and the beautiful 27 acre man-made lake, springfed by a brook.

The state acquired the park in 1926 and most of the buildings were constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930's. Picnic areas have tables, fireplaces, water and restroom facilities. A beautiful picnic shelter may be reserved for \$15 through the park ranger. In winter, snowmobiling is allowed on designated trails.

SWIMMING

There is a sandy beach for sunbathing and supervised swimming. Refreshments, ice and bait are available at the beach concession.

FISHING AND BOATING

A boat ramp on the lake provides convenient access for anglers seeking crappie, largemouth bass, bluegills, bullheads and catfish. Ice fishing is enjoyed in the winter. Only electric motors are allowed on the lake. A boat ramp is also located on the Middle Raccoon River.

CAMPGROUND, GROUP CAMP, CABINS

The large campground has 200 campsites (55 with electrical hook-ups). Modern showers and restrooms, a trailer dump station, fireplaces and tables are available. Campers may obtain permits by self-registration.

There is a large group camp, complete with kitchen, dining hall, showers and meeting room available on a reservation basis. Nine sleeping cabins accommodate 14 people each.

Six family cabins equipped with refrigerators, gas ranges, water, electricity and flush toilets will accommodate four people each. Showers are located in the campground. All dishes and utensils are included with cabin rentals. Cabins are reserved through the park ranger.

NEIGHBORING TOWNS

Guthrie Center is seven miles from the park and has a golf course, laundromat and churches.

Panora is 12 miles from the park and offers river fishing and a golf course.

Des Moines, the capital city of Iowa, is a one-hour drive to the east.

STATE PARK USER PERMIT

Motorized vehicles parked in state parks, recreation areas, and state forest campgrounds are required to have either annual or daily user permits on display. Annual permits are available at the park rangers' offices, county recorders, state park concessions, and other locations. Daily permits, good through 10:30 p.m. the following day, may be purchased on a self-service basis at posted locations in each park. Vehicles with Iowa Department of Transportation handicapped license plates or rear-view mirror tags are exempt from the user permit requirement. Iowa residents 65 and older, on Medicaid, or receiving food stamps, are eligible for free user permits available only at county recorders' offices. Park user permits are not required for simply driving through a park without stopping.

All funds raised through the sale of user permits are deposited in a trust fund to be utilized solely for the renovation and replacement of state park facilities.

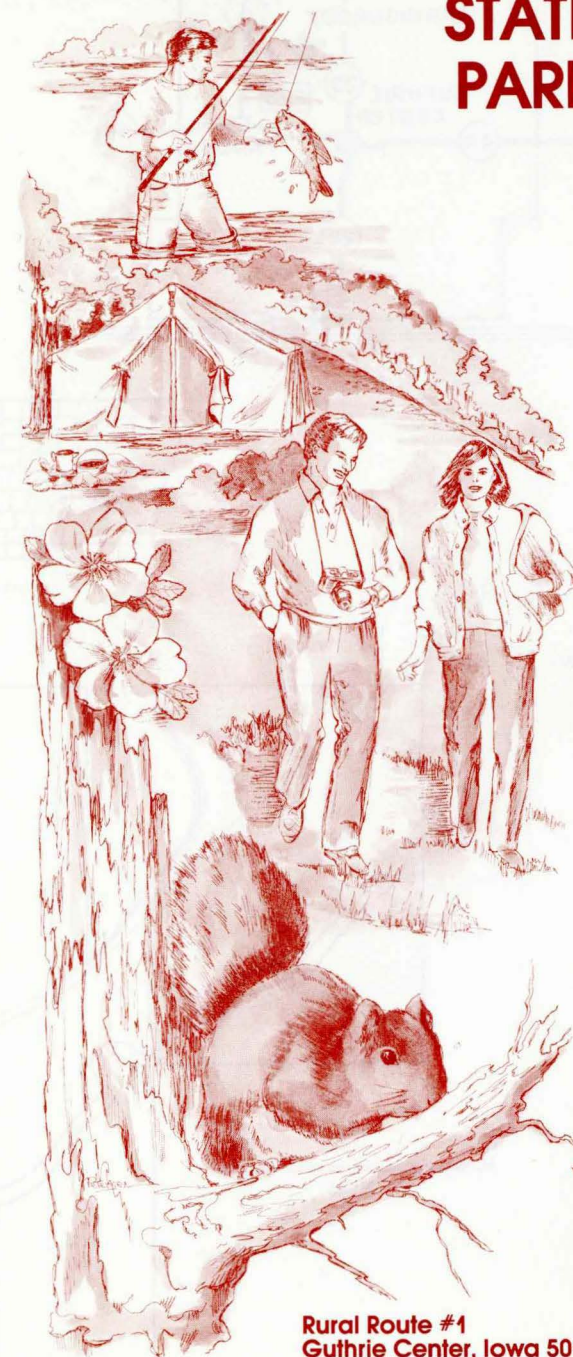
EQUAL RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

All persons are entitled to full and equal enjoyment of the recreational opportunities, privileges and advantages available in Iowa's great outdoors.

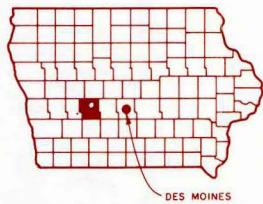
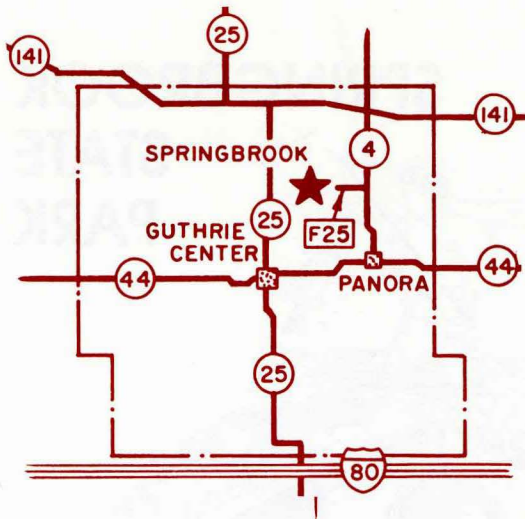
Iowa Department of Natural Resources
Wallace State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319-0034



SPRINGBROOK STATE PARK

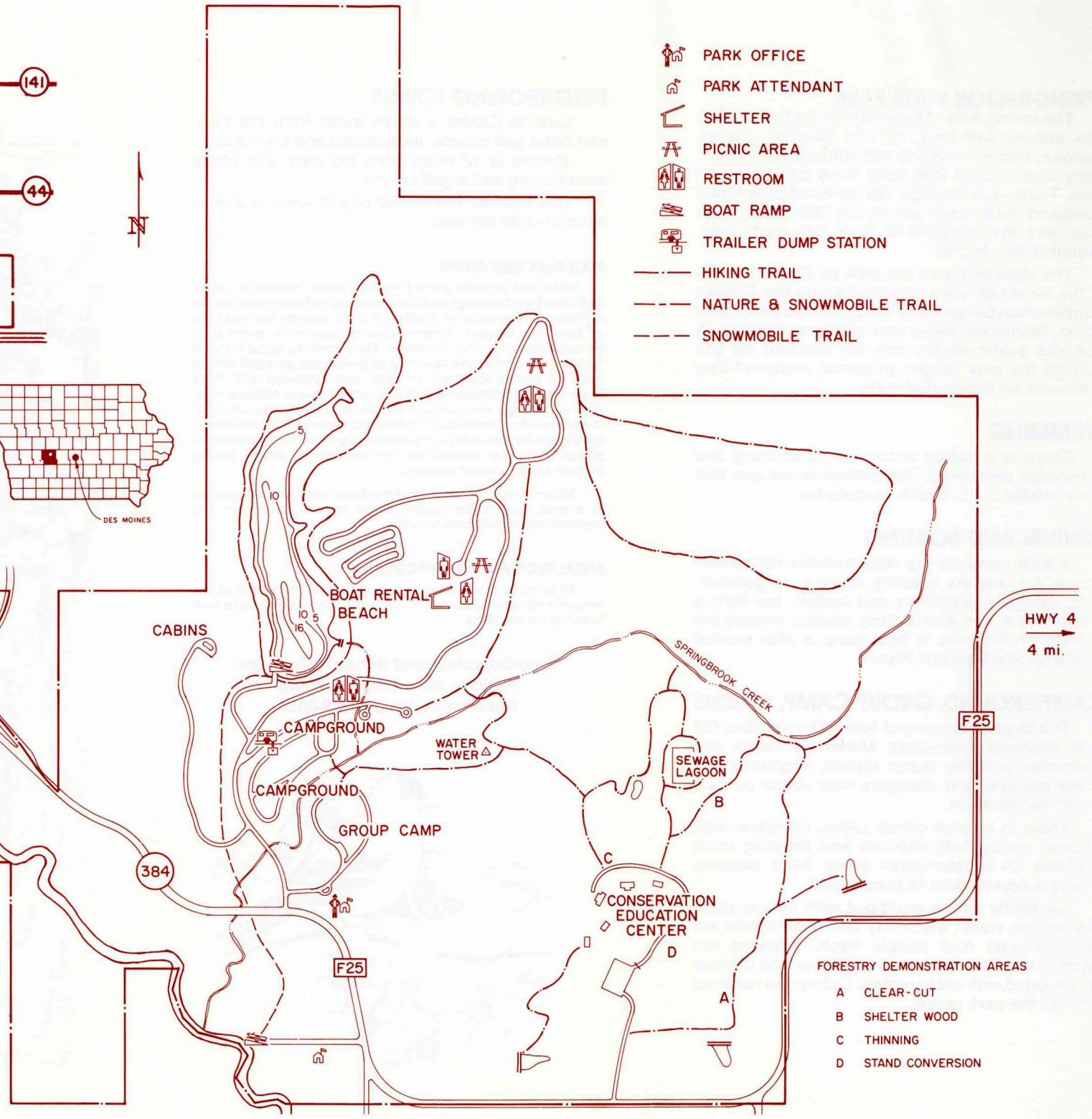
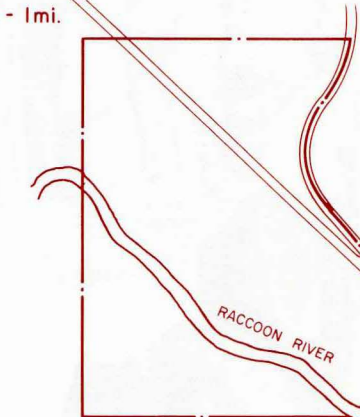


Rural Route #1
Guthrie Center, Iowa 50115
Telephone: 515/747-3591



-  PARK OFFICE
-  PARK ATTENDANT
-  SHELTER
-  PICNIC AREA
-  RESTROOM
-  BOAT RAMP
-  TRAILER DUMP STATION
-  HIKING TRAIL
-  NATURE & SNOWMOBILE TRAIL
-  SNOWMOBILE TRAIL

HWY 25 - 1 mi.



HWY 4
4 mi.

- FORESTRY DEMONSTRATION AREAS
- A CLEAR-CUT
 - B SHELTER WOOD
 - C THINNING
 - D STAND CONVERSION