



North Country Trail

"MI-865"
North Country
Trail mile marker
865 of the 1,162
miles in located
in Michigan

Hungerford Recreation Area

40+ miles of multi-use hiking,
biking and horseback riding trails
in the heart of the National
Forest on 6,500 acres of land with
camping & boating access

Michigan Cross Country Cycle Trail

Over 750 total miles in
the Lower Peninsula the
MCCCT (SOS license req.)

White Cloud ORV Loop + Trail

ORV Trail - 50" in width or less including
motorcycles (ORV license & permit required)

MAP KEY

- 10 MILE INDICATOR (in Newaygo Co.)
- HIKING & BIKING PERMITTED (on trail)
- ONLY HIKING ONLY PERMITTED (on trail)
- HIKING & BIKING PERMITTED (on existing roadway)
- OTHER TRAIL SYSTEMS
- hike bike equestrian ORV motorcycle
- CAMPGROUNDS
- SHOPPING & RETAIL
- HOTELS/MOTELS
- AUTO/SERVICE
- FOOD & MARKETS

ACCESS SITE AMENITIES

- INFORMATION CENTER
- PARKING AREAS AVAILABLE
- FEE/PERMIT AREA REQUIRED
- PRIMITIVE/TENT CAMPING
- RV/HOOK-UP SITES
- FISHING AVAILABLE
- FISHING PLATFORM
- TOILET AVAILABLE
- RIVER/PADDLING ACCESS
- BOAT LAUNCH
- SMALL CRAFT LAUNCH
- DRINKING WATER
- PICNIC AREA
- BOARDWALK
- ORV TRAIL ACCESS
- SWIMMING
- NORTH COUNTRY TRAIL ACCESS SITE
- US FOREST SERVICE MANAGED SITE
- NEWAYGO CO. PARK MANAGED SITE

Loda Lake Wildflower Sanctuary

The area consists of small lake, a
marsh and wooded area. There are
over 150 different species of plants,
wildflowers, trees and vegetation
marked with posts that correspond
to the self-guided interpretive trail
guide available. The trail is about 1.5
miles long and a picnic area with
grills and outhouse is available for
use near the trail access point.
Scan the QR code here to access the trail markers and
planting/species information.



Birch Grove Loop Trail (NCT: Connector/Loop Trail approximately 10 miles connecting Diamond Lake Co. Park and the North Country Trail)

DIAMOND LAKE COUNTY PARK

SCHINDY'S AT DIAMOND LAKE

Tavern & General Store (Gas coming soon)
(231) 689-0200 | Facebook.com/Schindys
297 W Foss Avenue, White Cloud MI 49349

MAIKE'S BAKERY & PIZZA

Bakery, Espresso Bar, Full Menu
Open M-SA 7am-8pm | (231) 689-1448
157 S. Charles, White Cloud MI 49349

ZION CAFE

Coffee & Cafe
Open 7am-3pm | (231) 224-6020
1109 E. Ellico Ave, White Cloud MI 49349

MORE IN WHITE CLOUD

About White Cloud: Did
you know that White Cloud
is a "Trail Town" as
recognized by the North
Country Trail Assoc. and is
home to a Blue Ribbon
Trout Stream in the White
River? For years, outdoor
adventurers flock to the
area to experience pristine
outdoor recreation.

FOOD & MARKETS

CHARLIE'S FAMILY GRILL

(231) 381-0078

SALLY'S WHATTA PIZZA & TRAIL TOWN DINER

(231) 689-6560

SHOPPING & RETAIL

MERAKI THRIFT

(231) 452-6549

ROSENBERG TRUE VALUE HARDWARE

(231) 689-1001

WHITE CLOUD TRADE

(231) 689-2274

Michigan's Dragon At Hardy Dam

A premier trail system
around all of Hardy
Dam Pond, when
complete will span
45+ miles

WHITE CLOUD COUNTY PARK

WHITE CLOUD/ZIEGLER ROADSIDE PARK

NORTH STAR CAFE

TWINWOOD LAKE CAMPGROUND

MIDWAY GAS & GENERAL STORE

Gas, Groceries & More
(231) 689-2004
Facebook.com/MidwayPartyStore
3821 S Evergreen Dr
White Cloud, MI 49349

TRAILSIDE MOTEL

(231) 679-2188 | trailsidemotel.com
3993 S. Evergreen Dr. White Cloud, MI

NEWAYGO CO. WELCOME CENTER & SPORTS PARK

Coolbough Natural Area

Connected to the NCT
2.8 mile loop system

HAPPY CAMPERS CAMPGROUND

The Edge Pathway

Connecting The
Dragon and NCT
6 mile linear trail

CROTON DRIVE PARKING AREA

CONSUMERS PARKING AREA

GO explore the NORTH COUNTRY TRAIL



The North Country National Scenic Trail is the longest in the National
Trails System, stretching over 4,700 miles across eight states from North
Dakota to Vermont, traversing forests and farmlands, remote terrain
and nearby communities. Whether you're looking to day hike a few
miles or plan a longer backpacking trip, a multitude of diverse
landscapes and hiking opportunities are waiting for you.

65+ miles can be found within Newaygo County with plenty of access
sites and spurs that connect you to some of the best camping and
day-use sites in the region. Chart your route, visit a neighboring trail
and enjoy a trek in, through, and around Newaygo County!

Discover more at: NewaygoCountyExploring.com



Scan the QR code here to
access the digital version of
this map and more great
business and area information
on our official website.

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"MI-925"
North Country Trail mile
marker 925 of the 1,162
miles in located in Michigan

POINTS OF INTEREST & PLACES TO EXPLORE NEAR THE TRAIL

Find more businesses on our website:
NewwaygoCountyExploring.com



Campgrounds



HAPPY CAMPERS CAMPGROUND

5380 Croton Dr.
Newaygo, MI 49337
231-652-5957
happycampers5380.com
Open 9am-9pm Seasonally

25 sites
rustic & electric only sites

Happy Campers is a beautifully located rustic campground that has running water, and outdoor bathrooms. The campsites are secluded with plenty of trees and foliage to make you feel like you are deep in the woods. We sit in the heart of croton just below the Croton dam, right next to the Muskegon river, making the summer activities endless. Happy Campers is surrounded by 350 acres of state land that includes hiking and biking trails. Making it the perfect stop for those looking for an adventure!



DIAMOND LAKE CO. PARK

3351 Mundy Road
White Cloud, MI 49349
231-689-7340
newaygocountymi.gov
Open May - September

60 sites | 4 cabins
elec. only to full hook-up



WHITE CLOUD CO. PARK

680 East Wilcox
White Cloud, MI 49349
231-689-7340
newaygocountymi.gov
Open May - September

90 sites | 1 cabin
rustic to water+elec. sites

Campgrounds Continued

NICHOLS LAKE CAMPGROUND

Basswood Drive, White Cloud

30 sites (reservation & first come first served) - rustic only sites

TWINWOOD LAKE CAMPGROUND

11 Mile Ave, White Cloud

5 sites (first come first served) rustic only sites

Lodging



TRAILSIDE MOTEL

3993 S. Evergreen Dr.
White Cloud, MI 49349
231-679-2188
trailsideetc.com

Trailside is located just 1/8 mile from the North Country Hiking Trail, and minutes away from the Newaygo County Visitor Center. They are 5 miles from the White River and a short distance from many inland lakes. Family Friendly and a great place to call home as you explore the outdoors.

Dining & Shopping



SCHINDY'S AT DIAMOND LAKE

297 W. Foss Ave
White Cloud, MI 49349
231-689-0200
facebook.com/Schindys

Gas coming soon * Tavern * General Store. Located close to the trails and Diamond Lake County Park we are the destination for snowmobilers, bikers, hikers, boaters, campers and ORV enthusiasts.



MIDWAY GAS & GENERAL STORE

3821 S. Evergreen Dr.
White Cloud, MI 49349
231-689-2004
facebook.com/midwaypartystore

Bait & tackle, DNR permits, groceries, liquor, beer & wine

Dining & Shopping Continued



MAIKE'S BAKERY & PIZZA

157 S. Charles St. | White Cloud, MI 49349
231-689-1448
Open Monday - Saturday 5:30am - 9:00pm
facebook.com/groups/maikesbakery



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WOODY'S BAR & GRILL

(231) 745-3754

More About The Trail

Certain segments of the North Country Trail are open to biking in addition to hiking. These segments are outlined here - please respect the trail designations.

All 65+ miles are open to hiking

Approximately 34 miles open to bikes

West 11 Mile Ave South to M-20 - single track (19 miles)
M37 to CSX Rail Crossing - gravel road (2 miles)
Croton Drive Parking Area to County Line - on-road (13 miles)

Enjoy the Loop Trails connected to the North Country Trail:

Birch Grove Trail Loop: At nearly 10 miles, this is a great, moderate difficulty, trail. A key highlight is that this trail is connected to the Diamond Lake Co. Park, a great spot where you can camp and have direct access to the trail.

White Cloud Trail Loop: At about 4.5 miles, this is a beginner level trail that connects the NCT with White Cloud Co. Park and Flowing Wells Artesian Wells Park - a great spot for a picnic along the scenic White River.



We welcome you to explore the beauty and abundant outdoor recreation found in Newaygo County and kindly remind all visitors to do their part in conserving that natural beauty for future generations by following the 7 key principles of Leave No Trace™ as outlined by the USFS and National Park Services. Thank you for preserving our natural resources!

☐ Plan Ahead & Prepare

Planning is critical to any successful outdoor adventure. Know the rules and regulations of where you are planning to visit. Prepare for emergencies. Visit in small groups when possible to minimize impact, repack food to minimize waste and always have a map handy.

☐ Seek Durable Surfaces

Travel and camp on durable surfaces to avoid natural impact. Concentrate on using existing or marked campsite areas. Please respect the 200' rule and camp at least 200' from lakes, rivers and streams.

☐ Dispose of Waste

Proper disposal of waste is critical to the preservation of our natural resources. Whatever you bring in . pack it out. Dispose of solid human waste in holes at least 6" deep and 200' from any water sources.

☐ Leave what you Find

Enjoy the view, but leave it where you found it. Leave rocks, plants and other natural objects.

☐ Minimize Campfires

Campfires can have a lasting impact to the eco system, so please reserve fires for designated fire rings if possible and please ensure all fires are completely put out before leaving the area.

☐ Respect Wildlife

This is their home, so please do not approach or disrupt their natural habitats

☐ Be Considerate of other Visitors

Be considerate to others using the trails and nature areas. Yield to other trail users and respect the sounds of nature.

SPECIAL THANKS TO

NEWAYGO COUNTY
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FREMONT AREA
COMMUNITY
FOUNDATION

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Trailhead and Area Business
Information along the Trail

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