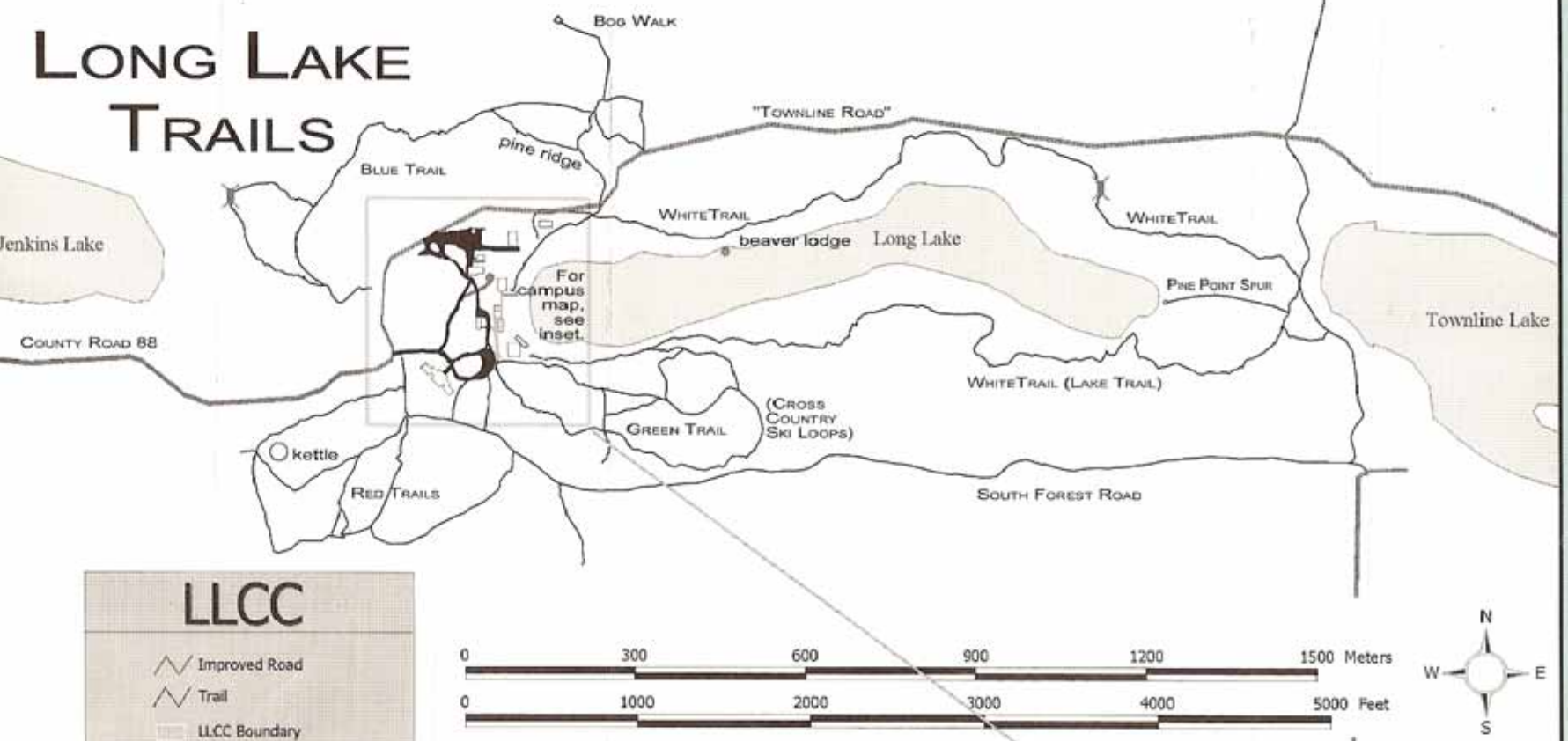
Long Lake Trails



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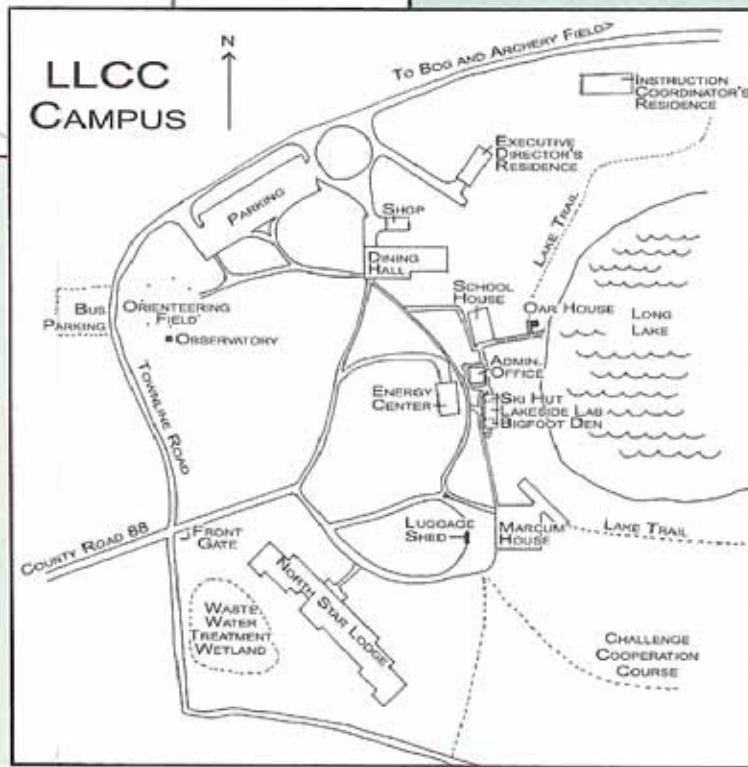

Long Lake Conservation Center's 760 acres offer trails that showcase nature's variety and beauty. A suitable walk can be found for almost any taste.

The White Trail, or Lake Trail, winds around Long Lake through oak, birch, and aspen woods. It offers a view of a beaver lodge on the north side of the lake. Begin the White Trail just south of the Marcum House, or join the trail from the south edge of "Townline Road" before reaching the Archery Field. (45 minutes to an hour)

Pine Point Spur, off the Lake Trail, follows a ridge between floating bogs and ends under majestic red pines overlooking eastern Long Lake. (10 minutes off Lake Trail)

The Green Trail is a series of loops used for cross country skiing in winter. Challenge Cooperation Course (CCC) activities, used during the warmer months, are along these trails. Farther loops may not be well-traveled in summer. Begin the Green Trail at one of two entrances from the field by the Marcum House. (Time varies)

The Red Trail consists of several paths through rolling woods behind the North Star Lodge. Two examples of deep glacial kettles are found along these trails. Find the Red Trail off South Forest Road behind the North Star Lodge. (25-40 minutes)

The Blue Trail offers a distinct contrast between upland woods and bog terrain. The trail passes through a pine plantation and also borders the bog. To the west, neighboring Jenkins Lake is visible. Start at the northbound trail across Townline Road from the IC house and the Archery Field, and emerge at the bus parking lot. (15-25 minutes)

The Bog Boardwalk features many rare and unique species of a bog ecosystem, such as lady slippers, tamarack, and the carnivorous pitcher plant. After entering the Blue Trail, follow the right fork at the pine ridge. (Time varies)