

TRAIL ROUTES

Path A (Yellow)
 (2.4 Miles)
 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-10-11-12-13-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-2-1

Path A Using Shortcut
 (1.75 Miles)
 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-24-25-19-20-21-22-23-2-1

Path B (Blue)
 (1.3 Miles)
 38-39-40-41-84-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-39-38

Path C (Green)
 (2.9 Miles)
 1-2-23-22-21-20-19-18-17-16-15-59-60-61-62-63-59-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-2-1

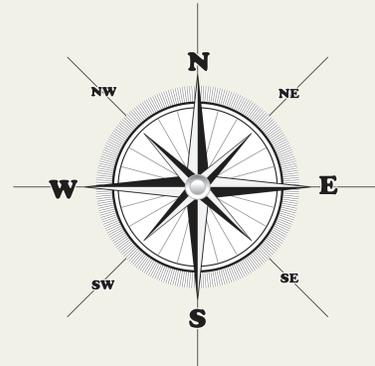
Path D (Red)
 (2.7 Miles)
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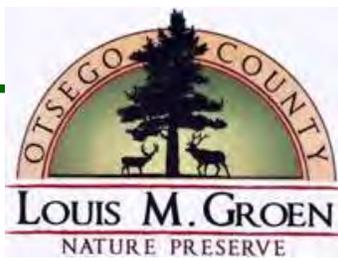
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MAP LEGEND

- Point of Interest
- Trail Number Sign
- Property Boundary
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- Path A
- Path A Using Shortcut
- Path B
- Path C
- Path D
- Forest
- Other Trails
- Skating Cross Country
- Traditional Cross Country
- Restroom





Winter 2015 Tree Harvest

Special Safety Procedure During Tree Harvest

- While the Tree Harvest is taking place at the Louis M. Groen Nature Preserve special rules have been created to keep visitors safe.
- Visitors must remain in the designated areas.
- Visitors are not to cross the temporary barriers. They have been put in place to keep visitors safe. The logging equipment is dangerous and can project wood debris 300 feet or more.
- The restrooms near the remains of the logging camp will be closed during the harvest. Visitors will need to use the portable restroom near the Welcome Center.
- 1.3 miles of skate and 1.5 miles of classic cross country ski trails will remain groomed during the harvest. All other trails will be closed until the harvest is complete.
- Visitors should ask a trail ranger if they are unsure about the Louis M. Groen Nature Preserve restrictions.

Reasons for the Harvest

- The trees selected for harvest were done so for one of two reasons: the trees are damaged or the trees are spaced too close together.
- Damaged trees include those that are infected with Emerald Ash Borer, Beech Bark Disease, or fungal disease (Nectria Canker), dead or dying trees, or leaning trees.
- If damaged trees are not removed from the Louis M. Groen Nature Preserve they will become safety hazards. Damaged trees are prone to rot and breakage causing the tree to fall over. If diseased trees are not removed from the Preserve, the disease could spread to other trees.
- Trees that are too close together are forced to compete for water, soil, nutrients and sunlight. Trees that don't get enough important resources get sick, die, break and/or fall over.

What to Expect when the Harvest is Complete

Before Harvest



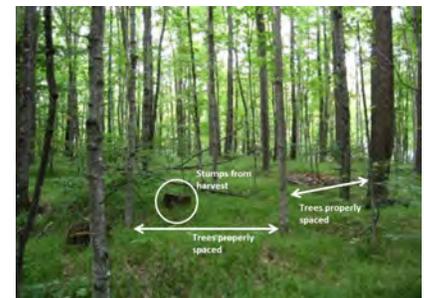
Lots of down branches. Trees are too close together.

Immediately after Harvest



The branches or "slash" left on the ground looks bad, but it decomposes rapidly.

2 to 3 Years after Harvest



The slash has decomposed, other trees have room to grow, and new trees can sprout.