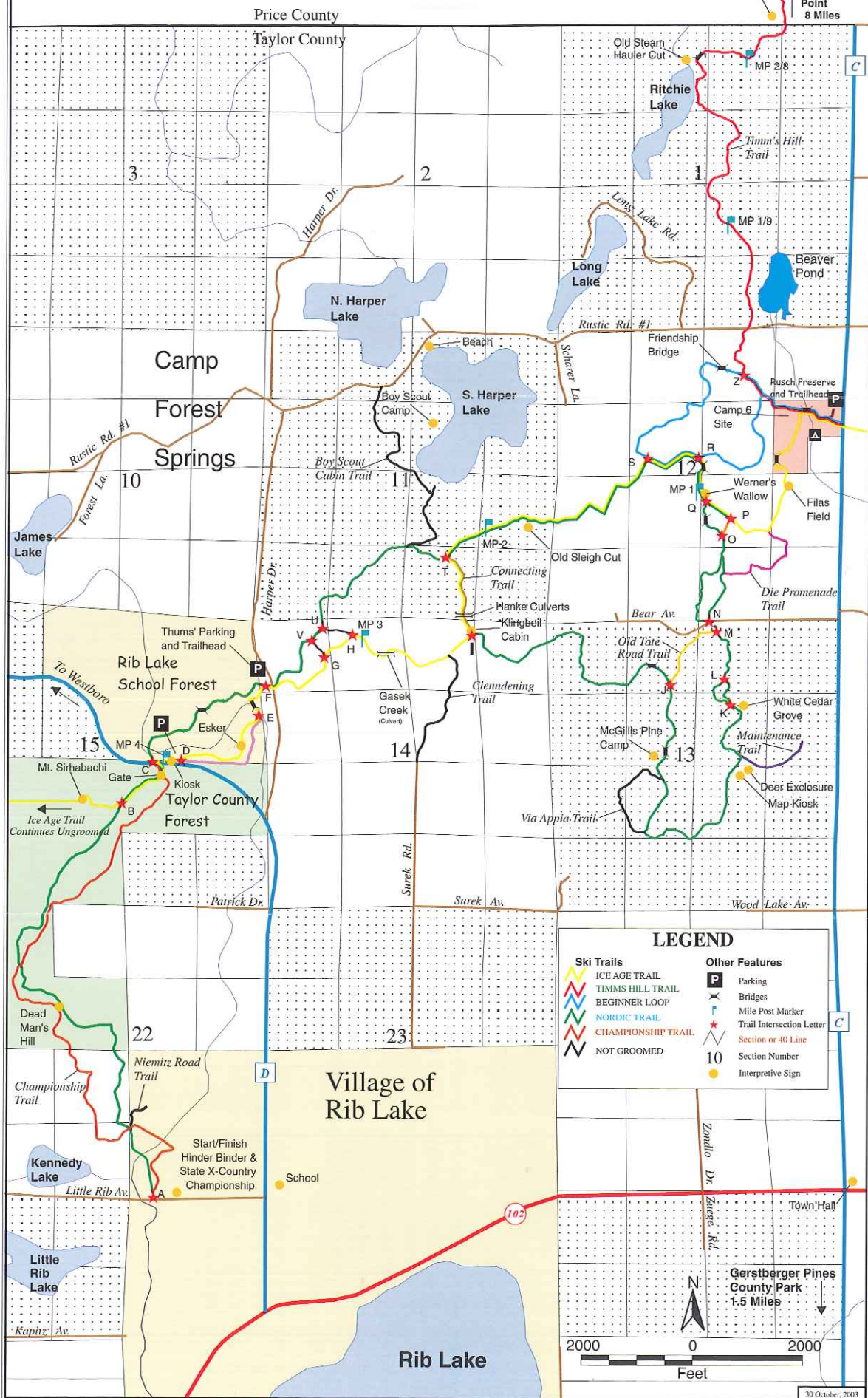


Rib Lake Ski Trails



TRAIL INFORMATION

Welcome to the Rib Lake Area Ski and Snowshoe system. The Trail system is open continuously – weather permitting. Trails are groomed at minimum weekly for both diagonal and skate skiing. The trail system includes approximately 19 miles of trail in itself and is connected via the 10 mile long Timm's Hill National Trail to an extensive and complementary ski trail system operated by Price County and the Highpoint Ski Club around Timm's Hill. The Timm's Hill trail is an exceptionally beautiful trail open for skiing and snowshoeing groomed in its entirety.



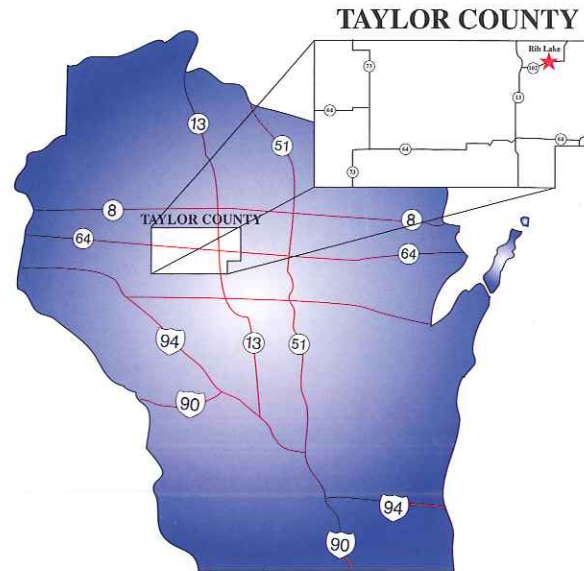
Ranging from the Championship Trail to the Beginners Loop, the trail system has been designed in order to accommodate the expert as well as the novice skier and those in between. The single most popular section of the trail section is the two-mile beginners ski loop, which begins and ends at the Rusch Preserve on CTH C.

This gently rolling and wide scenic route requires skiing over the Friendship Bridge; at 14 feet in height and 70 feet long, it is the longest exclusively ski bridge in the lower 48 states.

The typical ski season begins December 1 and ends in mid March. Well-behaved pets are welcome on the trail system. Off season use is limited to hiking on the majority of the system. The Rib Lake Nordic Ski Club, Inc. through its volunteer efforts maintains the trails for free public use, though donations are welcome.

DIRECTIONS

Three convenient trailheads provide off-road parking: the Hwy D parking lot is located between the villages of Westboro and Rib Lake; the Thums parking lot is located on Harper Lake Road in the middle of the ski system. Additionally, there is an extensive off-road parking facility on the west side of Hwy C in the Rusch Preserve, which is owned by the Ice Age Park and Trail Foundation, Inc. and features (3) free year-round camping sites.



MORE INFORMATION

For more information contact the Chamber of Commerce located at 108 E. Perkins St., Medford, WI 54451, 1-888-682-9567, or www.medfordwis.com; email address chamber@dwave.net. To join the Rib Lake Area Nordic Ski Club, contact treasurer, Gail Nelson, at (715) 785-7228.

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