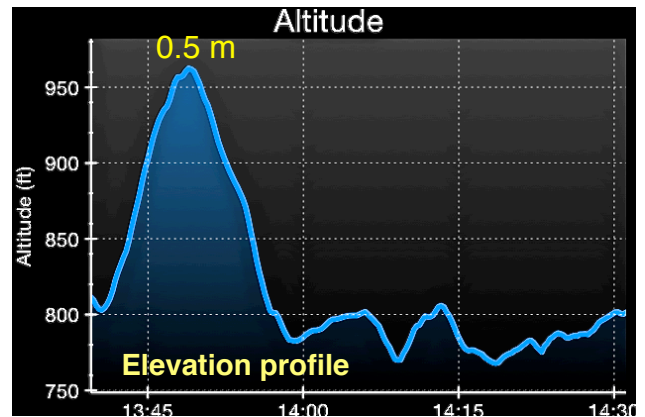
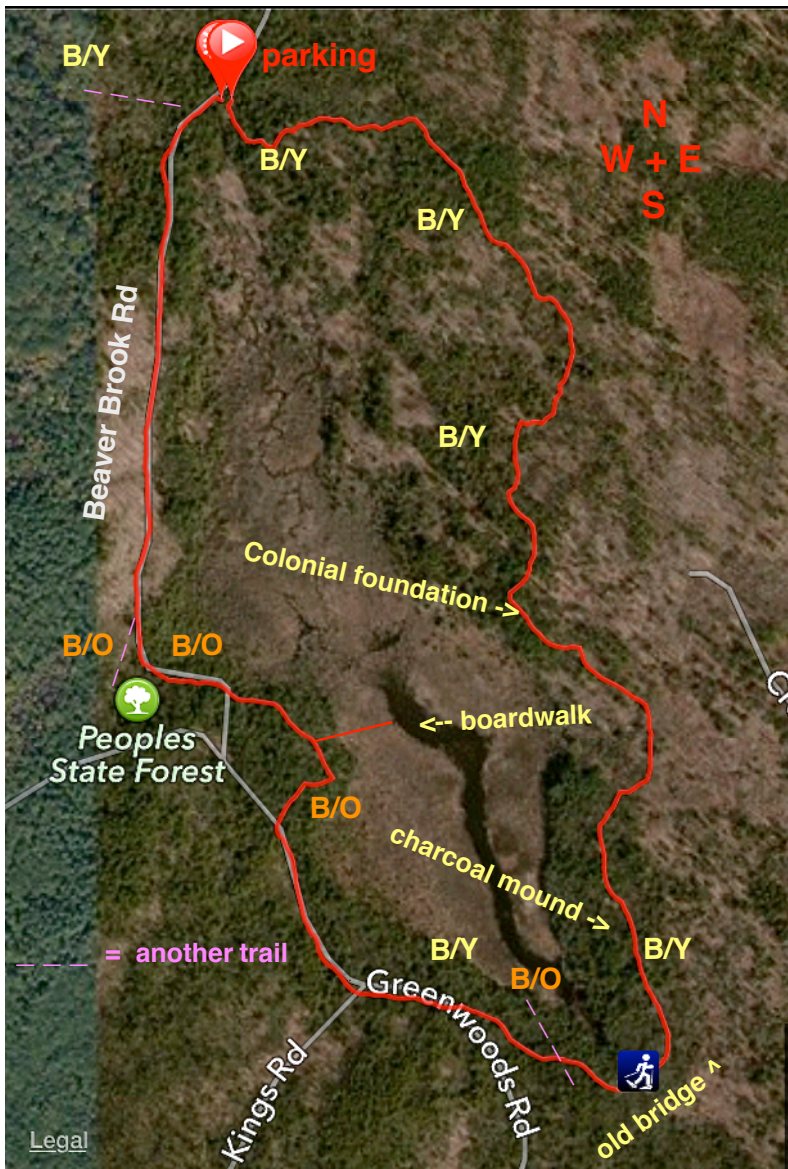


Beaver Brook Loop:

2.6 miles

610' vertical

2.0 hours



The old and new bridge over Beaver Brook

The Beaver Brook Loop provides an introduction to the Agnes Bowen Trail marked by blue blazes with orange dots (B/O). It also presents most of the key features of the Charles Pack Trail which is marked by blue blazes with a yellow dot (B/Y). Park at the Beaver Brook Rec Area (41°57'4.56"N 72°59' 43.79"W). Follow B/Y through this picnic area & across Pack Grove Road at 0.2. Cross Pack Grove Rd again at 0.7. At 0.8 look for the large stone colonial farmhouse foundation on your left. As you continue on the B/Y you cross a number of wet sections on stepping stones placed by the CCC in the 1930's. At 1.1, after you cross a narrow 2 log bridge, look for the charcoal mound on your right created in the 1800's. It is 25' wide & 1.5' high with a ditch surrounding it. It is about 25' off the trail on the right. The key to finding it, is the ditch that surrounds it. To make charcoal, you cover the burning wood with dirt to carbonize it. At 1.3 watch for the 90° right turn to follow the B/Y trail, as a snow mobile trail continues straight. You will descend & cross the new bridge over Beaver Brook. Note the double cable old bridge to your left (photo). At 1.4 continue straight crossing junction with the B/O & at 1.5 turn right onto Greenwoods Road. At 1.7 turn right off the road & onto B/O trail. In 100 yards, turn right onto the short trail to the new boardwalk into Beaver Marsh. Binoculars would expand you experience. At 1.9 turn right onto Beaver Brook Road, returning to your car at 2.6.

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Head east on the B/Y to the colonial foundation at 0.8 & charcoal mound at 1.1 >
continue on the B/Y to the Greenwood Rd junction, where you make a right turn at 1.5 >
At 1.7 turn right onto B/O trail & at 1.9 turn right on Beaver Brook Rd to return to your car at 2.6