

Miles Description of Trail from West to East

0.0 This map starts at Delaware County Road 27 (1170'). Limited offroad parking here. Cross CR 27 to the east and continue on a woods and field path.

- 0.2 Turn left onto old abandoned CR 27.
- 0.4 Cross Mormon Hollow Creek and continue on old CR 27.
- 0.7 Cross FLT bridge over small stream, then left off old CR 27 and up embankment onto existing CR 27 near the FLT sign.
- 0.8 Continue NE on CR 27. Large parking lot on E side of road.
- 0.9 Turn right (SE) and cross bridge on CR 47.
- 1.1 Turn right (south) off CR 47 (Loomis Brook Road). Limited shoulder parking (1160'). <u>Note</u>: Trail ahead is closed by landowner for hunting from Nov. 15 to Dec. 22. Bypass taking CR 27 south to NY 10, then left (E) on NY 10, passing Chamberlain Brook Rd and Dryden Brook Rd. ½ mile past Dryden Brook Rd look for FLT signs on left and right. Turn right off NY 10 and rejoin main trail as shown on map.
- 1.3 Cross Loomis Brook (1150'). A cable has been installed to assist crossing here. If water is too high to cross safely, use blue-blazed 1.7 mile long High Water Bypass Trail, which begins to the left (north) here. <u>Note</u>: The landowner requests that the blue-blazed high water bypass be used ONLY in case of high water.
- 1.4 Good spring on east side of trail.
- 2.2 Trail turns left (East) and begins long ascent (1460').
- 2.7 A high point (1960'); shortly start following old logging road.
- 3.0 Enter small open field; trail goes straight across.
- 3.2 Reach Old Chamberlain Brook Road and turn right (south, 1900'). Blue blazed high water bypass joins from north. See note about using this bypass above at mile 1.3.
- 3.5 Trail leaves old abandoned Chamberlain Brook Road onto existing Chamberlain Brook Road.
- 3.7 Turn left (east) off Chamberlain Brook Rd. Shoulder parking on left (east) (1710'). Soon cross footbridge over brook.
- 5.2 Old stone foundation on left (1890').
- 5.6 Reach DEP parking area at north end of Fletcher Hollow Road (1680'). Good spring 80' ahead on left (east).
- 6.4 Turn right (south) on Finch Hollow Road (1260').
- 6.6 Turn right (SW) on Dryden Brook Road (1220').
- 7.3 Cross Dryden Brook, then left off Dryden Brook Rd onto woods path at FLT sign.
- 7.8 Cross Faulkner Rd and Maxwell Brook, register on left. Parking at intersection of Dryden and Faulkner Rds.
- 8.1 Rock cairns on right (NW).
- 8.4 Sharp left (E) onto 2014 re-route. Blue blazed spur bears right (SW) to NY 10 and rejoins main trail in 2.1 miles.
- 9.1 Trail meets with log road; FLT goes right (S).
- 9.2 Junction with another log road; keep left (E).
- 9.9 Enter Bluestone Quarry. Observe warning signs regarding the quarry. Follow road thru quarry, bearing right.
- 10.1 Quarry road tees into dirt road; FLT is straight across road.
- 10.5 Trail reaches Rock Rift Fire Tower and exits to right of tower.

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- 12.0 Blue blazed fire tower trail leads 0.4 miles to DEP boat launch parking.
- 12.5 Trail crosses private driveway after mowed field.
- 13.2 Reach NY 10, turn left (SE) across highway, then left (SW).
- 13.3 Turn right (SW) onto NY 268 and cross long bridge over reservoir. Large parking area.
- 13.6 Pass DEP boat launch and parking on right. Soon turn left (SE) off NY 268 onto woods path at the FLT sign.
- 14.2 Scenic overlook on right.
- 14.3 Reach old O&W RR bed. Turn left and enter RR rock cut.
- 14.5 Leave RR rock cut and continue on RR bed.
- 15.7 Path to spring and cistern on left, below embankment.
- 16.7 FLT bridge over washout
- 16.8 Right off RR bed, follow path around old RR trestle site.
- 16.9 FLT bridge over small stream.
- 17.1 FLT kingpost bridge over washout.
- 17.4 Leave RR bed to left, descending across series of RR switchbacks. This is the former site of the Hamlet of Rock Rift, removed in the 1960s by flooding of the Reservoir.
- 17.6 Right onto abandoned NY 10.
- 17.7 Cross Chase Brook on old bridge.
- 18.0 Right off old NY 10 to locked gate at Rainbow Lodge Rd. Left on Rainbow Lodge Rd, passing FLT sign and parking.
- 18.2 Right off Rainbow Lodge Rd at FLT sign back onto RR bed.
- 18.7 Right off RR bed onto path. On left is NY 10 / Rainbow Lodge Rd intersection with parking.
- 19.4 Good spring on left.
- 19.5 Turn right at NY 10, crossing it in 150 yds. FLT signs on left.
- 19.6 Left off NY 10 and follow path along bottom of embankment.
- 19.7 FLT bridge over small ditch. Continue through grassy area
- to RR bed.
- 19.8 Right on old RR bed.
- 19.9 Left off RR bed onto old NY 10. Follow path along Delaware River.
- 20.0 Right off old NY 10 to DEP parking area on existing NY 10.
- 20.1 Right, crossing NY 10 in 50', then left onto path through spruces.
- 20.3 Right on old RR bed.
- 20.9 Blue shooting range detour on left. If you hear shooting on the right, take detour to right on NY 10, then right on Beers Brook Rd, 150 yds and then left off Beers Brook Rd.
- 21.0 DEP Police station and trail register on left.
- 21.1 Cross Beers Brook Rd. Parking at intersection of Beers Brook Rd and NY 10 to left (W).
- 21.4 Left (SE) on Beers Brook.
- 21.7 Turn right (S) on Houck Mountain Road and ascend steeply at first, but with some great views.
- 23.8 Turn left on DOT Tower Road (2250').
- 24.6 Pass a logging road on right; continue straight downhill.
- 25.2 This section ends near the east end of Tower Road, where the trail goes left (east) on a logging road into a short piece of private land; limited parking (2470')

For more information, including reroutes and latest trail conditions go to: <u>fingerlakestrail.org</u>. E-mail corrections/comments to <u>trailreport@fingerlakestrail.org</u> (if no e-mail call the FLTC Service Center at 585-658-9320 Mon. or Thur.).

When map and marked route differ: follow signs, blazes, or even temporary flagging tape.

New York City Department of Environmental protection (DEP) regulations strictly prohibit camping on DEP lans or swimming in the reservoirs. Violators will be ticketed by DEP police. Please do not jeopardize our permission to have the trail cross these lands, and obey these regulations.

Trail Maintainers:

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Rick Roberts, Hamden, Beers Brook Rd to east end of Tower Road

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 Do not stray from trail.
 2. Fires and camping only at designated areas
 3. Take your litter back

 5.
 Road Hiking: Stay on shoulder off vehicle surface, travel single file, facing oncoming vehicle traffic.
 - eas 3.Take your litter back home. 4. Purify all water used along trail. facing oncoming vehicle traffic.
- 6. Private land: No bicycles, horses, motor-powered vehicles or snowmobiles unless landowner has given operator written permission for such use.
- State land: No horses, motor-powered vehicles or snowmobiles unless trail is marked to allow their use. Bicycle use is not authorized by FLTC, unless explicitly approved by state managing agency. No camping within 150' of water sources, roads, or the trail unless designated as such by the state agency.
 Because the FLT crosses varied terrain, steep slopes, rough footing, and watercourses, hikers must realize that they are responsible for their own safety
- and judgment in selecting hikes that are within their capabilities.B. Dogs should be leashed when on the trail on private properties and most state park lands. The dog policy is available on the FLT website.