

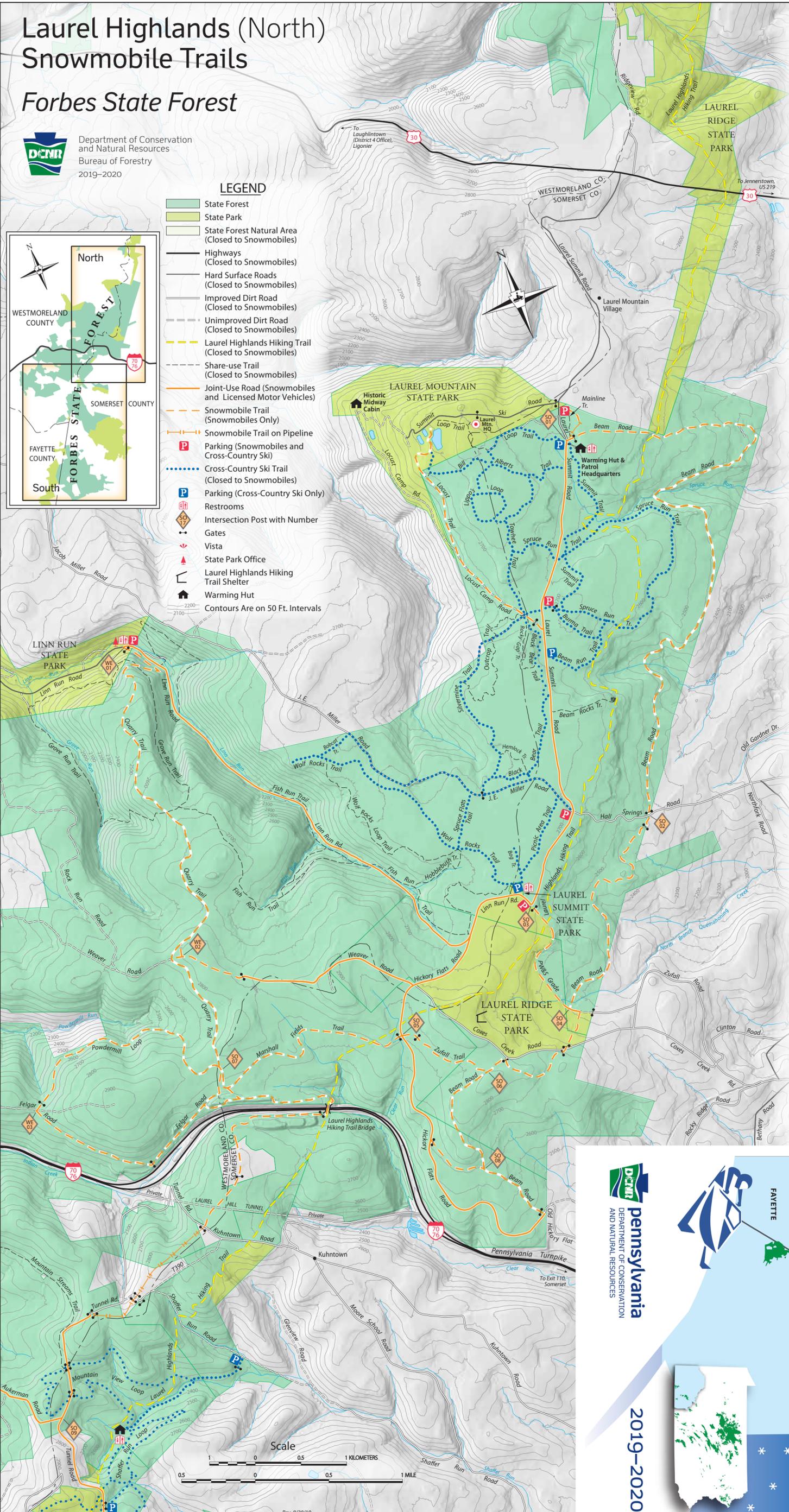
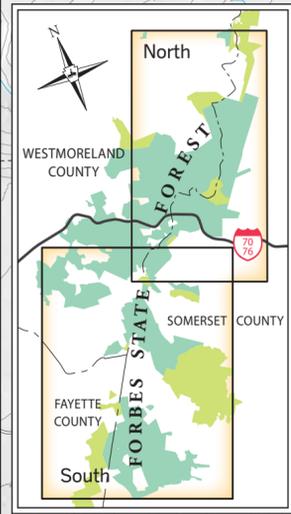
# Laurel Highlands (North) Snowmobile Trails

## Forbes State Forest

**DCNR** Department of Conservation and Natural Resources  
Bureau of Forestry  
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### LEGEND

- State Forest
- State Park
- State Forest Natural Area (Closed to Snowmobiles)
- Highways (Closed to Snowmobiles)
- Hard Surface Roads (Closed to Snowmobiles)
- Improved Dirt Road (Closed to Snowmobiles)
- Unimproved Dirt Road (Closed to Snowmobiles)
- Laurel Highlands Hiking Trail (Closed to Snowmobiles)
- Share-use Trail (Closed to Snowmobiles)
- Joint-Use Road (Snowmobiles and Licensed Motor Vehicles)
- Snowmobile Trail (Snowmobiles Only)
- Snowmobile Trail on Pipeline
- Parking (Snowmobiles and Cross-Country Ski)
- Parking (Cross-Country Ski Only)
- Restrooms
- Intersection Post with Number
- Gates
- Vista
- State Park Office
- Laurel Highlands Hiking Trail Shelter
- Warming Hut
- Contours Are on 50 Ft. Intervals



### STATE FOREST AND STATE PARK SNOWMOBILE TRAILS

The intent of the Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources is to provide a trail system for snowmobiles.

Your cooperation is necessary to help protect state forest and park lands, the wildlife and its habitat, and to assure that other public values and recreational uses are not adversely affected.

Snowmobile roads (for joint use by snowmobiles and licensed highway vehicles) have been marked with caution signs at all road junctions. Snowmobile trails (for use by snowmobiles only) are marked with snowmobile trail signs at all road intersections and are marked with orange diamonds along the trail.

Operate your snowmobile as you would a car. Drive on the right-hand side as most snowmobile trails are two way.

To make these facilities safe and enjoyable for yourself and others, please obey the following rules:

1. Snowmobiling on state forest and state park land is restricted to trails specifically designated for such use.
2. The existing rules and regulations governing the conduct of the public on state recreation areas and state forests shall apply, including speed limit of 25 mph on all trails, joint-use roads and roads open to the public.
3. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources' local district forester and park manager will regulate trail use.
4. Operation of a snowmobile in a reckless or negligent manner is prohibited.
5. Snowmobiles may be operated on State Forest Land from the day following the last day of regular or extended antlerless deer season as established by the Game Commission through April 1st, or earlier, as determined by the District Forester.
6. In the event of hazardous conditions endangering life or property, any state recreation area or facility may be closed to public use.
7. Do not remove, molest, injure or damage anything natural or physical within any state recreation area or state forest.
8. Certain areas (newly seeded or planted areas, wild and natural areas, wildlife wintering areas, etc.) are closed to snowmobiling. Preserve your sport by not entering areas closed to snowmobiles.
9. Do not litter—develop the "carry in-carry out" habit.
10. Snowmobiles are prohibited from operating on frozen water surfaces and shorelines.

Be informed or local weather forecasts. Dress and equip yourself appropriately. When possible, snowmobilers should use the "buddy" system.

All residents' and non-residents' snowmobiles must be registered (\$20 for two years).

- Exceptions:
1. Snowmobiles operated on the owner's own property.
  2. Snowmobiles owned by non-residents and registered in a state where Pennsylvania's registration is honored. All snowmobiles are required to be covered by a liability insurance policy when operating anywhere except the owner's private property.

### THE LAUREL HIGHLANDS SNOWMOBILE TRAIL SYSTEM

This trail for snowmobiling is a result of a cooperative effort between the following: Bureau of Forestry, Bureau of State Parks, private land owners, and the Local Snowmobile Clubs.

Snowmobilers are urged to act responsibly and respectfully, especially when crossing private property on designated trails. Remember, your actions will determine whether we will be able to maintain a continuous trail system crossing these parcels of land for your enjoyment and recreational use.

Seven Springs Farms, Incorporated, is a private year-round resort on the southern end of the trail system. We wish to inform you that snowmobile rental and snowmobile riding on their property is by special permit only. Warning signs are posted when you enter the lands of Seven Springs.

Snowmobilers are urged to help protect state forest and state park lands, the wildlife and its habitat, and to help assure that other public values and recreational uses are not adversely affected. For the most current trail conditions, visit our web page at:

[www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry/recreation/snowmobile/index.htm](http://www.dcnr.state.pa.us/forestry/recreation/snowmobile/index.htm)

### Registration Decals

The snowmobile permanent registration number consisting of one capital letter and four numerals (A 1234, for example) is shown on the registration certificate. Two black-and-white decals bearing the unique registration number assigned to each snowmobile are provided when the machine is originally registered. The registration decals must be affixed to each side of the snowmobile's cowling forward of the handle bars, a minimum of 12 inches from the ground.

### Insurance

All snowmobiles are required to be covered by a liability insurance policy when operating anywhere except on the owner's private property. The operator is required to carry proof of liability insurance.

### Validation Decals

The colored decals issued with your registration certificate are to be affixed to the machine to the RIGHT of the permanent registration number decal as shown in the drawing (right). Validation decals expire on June 30th of odd numbered years.



**CAUTION:** Some State Forest roads are open for joint use by snowmobiles and motor vehicles. Operators must use extreme care, particularly on curves where oncoming traffic is not visible.

**SPECIAL NOTICE:** Any snowmobile road (Joint Use) may be closed at any time to snowmobiles by the District Forester when there are conflicting uses. Such roads will be posted as "CLOSED TO SNOWMOBILES".

**ROADS:** Any road to be legally open for snowmobiling will be posted with the appropriate signs. DCNR is not responsible or accountable for non-DCNR administered trails and roads.

**MAP DETAILS:** This map was current at the time of printing. However, local changes may be necessary. You should contact your local District Forester for any changes in this map. Local postings at road or trail intersections take precedence over any maps or dated material.

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