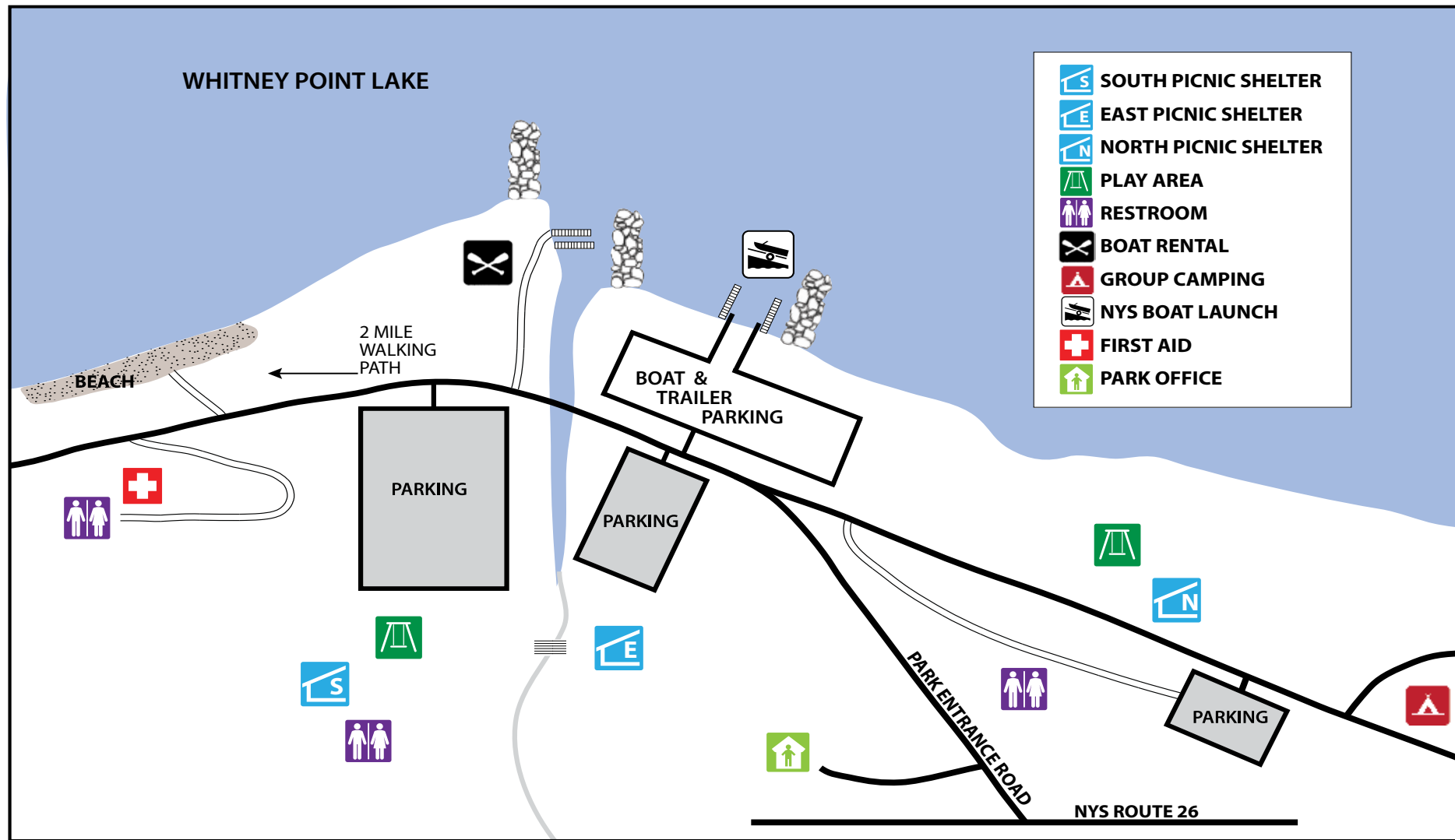


# Dorchester Park Trail Map and Amenities



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# Dorchester Park





**Dorchester Park**  
5469 NY Rt. 26  
Whitney Point, NY 13862

**Phone:** 607-692-4612

**PARK HOURS**  
Daily – 8:00 AM to Dark

**SHELTER RENTALS**  
[www.ReserveAmerica.com](http://www.ReserveAmerica.com)  
or call  
Broome County Parks  
607-778-2193

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Broome County Parks and Recreation welcomes you to Dorchester Park on Whitney Point Lake. In cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, this 1,200 acre lake and adjoining park offer a variety of recreational activities including boating, fishing, swimming and picnicking. A two-mile walking trail connects the park to the Village of Whitney Point. Three picnic shelters may be reserved for group gatherings. A Youth Group Camping Area may be reserved for organized youth groups.

Started in September 1938 and completed in June 1942, the Whitney Point Dam is operated by the Baltimore District of the Army Corps of Engineers. The project's purpose

is to control flood waters, as well as to provide recreational use to the visiting public. Under flood conditions, normal lake elevation (973 ft above sea level) could exceed 1,010 feet and begin to flow over the spillway, a safety measure to prevent a general overtopping of the dam.

Whitney Point Lake is located three-quarters of a mile above the Village of Whitney Point, NY. The Otselic River flows into the lake from the north and continues south where it flows into the Tioughnioga River. The Tioughnioga empties into the Chenango River, which in turn flows into the Susquehanna River in Binghamton, NY, 20 miles below the damsite.

### Fish Species Present

- Walleye
- White Crappie
- Yellow Perch
- Common Carp
- Largemouth Bass
- Smallmouth Bass
- White Sucker
- Chain Pickerel
- Brown Bullhead
- Yellow Bullhead
- Channel Catfish
- Rock Bass
- Pumpkinseed
- Bluegill

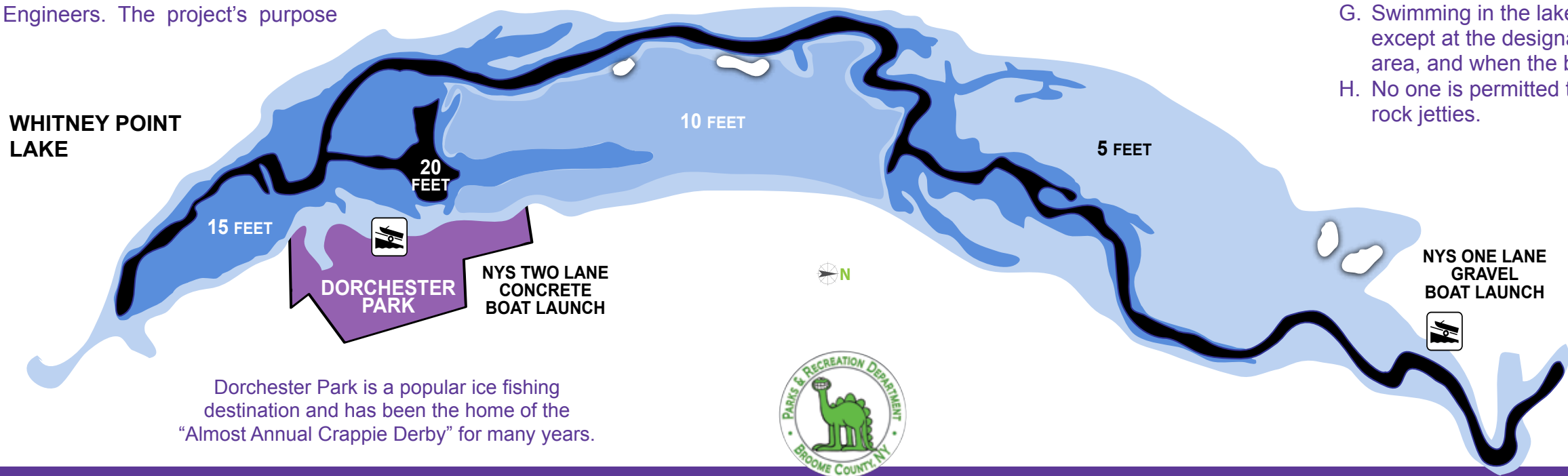
### Lake Statistics

Length .....	4 miles
Width .....	3/4 mile
Depth .....	20 feet max.
Surface area .....	1,200 acres
Shoreline .....	10.5 miles
Dam Length .....	4,900 feet

### Regulations

Regulations governing the use of the recreational facilities are posted by NY State Department of Environmental Conservation and Broome County Parks and Recreation. Some, but not all, are listed below:

- A. Jet skis and waterskiing prohibited.
- B. The use of boat motors over 25hp is prohibited.
- C. No vessel shall at any time exceed 10mph.
- D. Overnight mooring or beaching of boats is prohibited.
- E. Vehicles towing boat trailers will park in the boat launch parking lot.
- F. Boats must stay 100 feet from the swimming areas.
- G. Swimming in the lake is prohibited except at the designated beach area, and when the beach is open.
- H. No one is permitted to be on the rock jetties.



Dorchester Park is a popular ice fishing destination and has been the home of the "Almost Annual Crappie Derby" for many years.