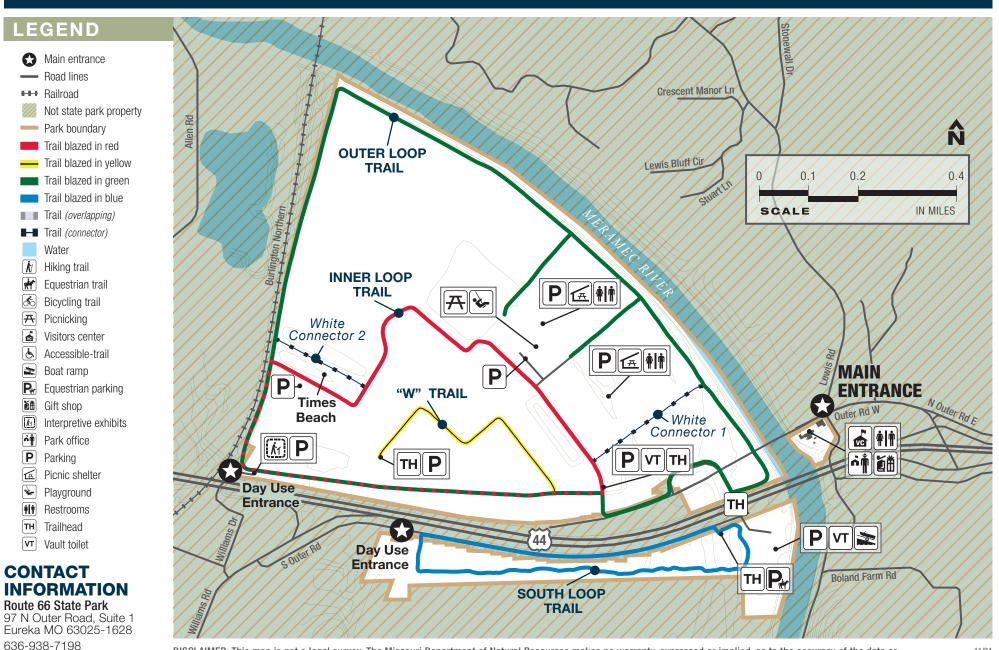
# ROUTE 66 STATE PARK MAP



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### **INNER LOOP TRAIL**

**2-mile loop** TRAIL RATING: Easy ESTIMATED HIKING TIME: 1 hour

#### TRAILHEAD: North of Interstate 44 near the parking lot and vault toilet off North Outer Road; 38.50414, -90.59855

Inner Loop Trail provides access to many features of this park. Part of the trail makes use of a road and is shared with two-way traffic. The majority of the trail is the designated outer shoulders of a one-way loop road. Following the trail counter clockwise from the trailhead, a small wetland on the right is followed by the Town Mound, where the physical remains of the structures of Times Beach are buried. The trail also passes the entrance to the picnic and shelter areas with a playground for a nice family picnic and play time. Continuing on, the trail passes through several wooded areas and by several small wetland areas, open areas and small ponds before heading toward the Burlington Northern Railroad tracks and intersecting with Outer Loop Trail. Inner Loop Trail goes along the tracks to the trail connection to Kircher Park and Flat Creek Trail in Eureka. The trail parallels Interstate 44 before finishing the loop back at the main parking area. White connectors 1 and 2 allow access to Outer Loop Trail.

## **OUTER LOOP TRAIL**

**3.20-mile loop** TRAIL RATING: Easy ESTIMATED HIKING TIME: 1 hour, 35 minutes

#### TRAILHEAD: Between the Interstate 44 and Old Route 66 bridges - near the end of South Outer Road; 38.50405, -90.59374

Outer Loop Trail travels the outer borders of the park north of Interstate 44 and follows the paths of the former Times Beach streets of Riverside, Lincoln and Blakey. A small portion of the trail near the main parking lot lies on the famous Route 66. The trail initially parallels the I-44 bridges then continues on a flat tree-lined walk that offers serene glimpses of the Meramec River and surrounding bluffs. Several benches are located along the trail for the comfort and convenience of trail users. In the northwest corner of the park, the Burlington Northern Railroad bridge, which crosses the Meramec River, can be seen and the trail parallels

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TRAIL NAME	MILEAGE	BLAZE COLOR	APPROVED USAGE	RATING	TRAIL EXPERIENCE*
Inner Loop Trail	2.00	Red	<i>₹</i>	Easy	1,12
Outer Loop Trail	3.20	Green	k & k	Easy	1, 2, 3, 12
South Loop Trail	1.50	Blue	k & k	Moderate	1, 2, 3
"W" Trail	0.50	Yellow	k & k	Moderate	2, 3
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Connector trails are available on some trails, are numbered and will modify your route. See map for more information.

YOU MAY EXPERIENCE: 1 Slippery conditions and/or downed vegetation 2 Natural surface: dirt, mud, gravel, loose rocks, slippery surface, etc. 3 Rocks, roots and/or downed vegetation on trail 4 Low-hanging vegetation 5 Physically challenging obstacles 6 Wood or stone steps 7 Steep grades and inclines over 10% 8 Bluffs or drop-offs next to trail
Pridges and/or structural crossings 10 Water/stream crossings without bridges 10 Occasional water over trail 12 Road/ highway crossing 18 Emergency response signs 14 Narrow passages 15 Raised or protruding obstacles 16 Electric fence crossings 10 Bison 10 Rapidly changing weather conditions 19 Motorized boat traffic 20 Unexpected waves 20 Changing water levels 22 Surface or submerged objects

the railroad tracks for a distance. A wetland area is located to the left of the trail followed by a wooded area and a small pond. The landscape then becomes more open.

At the wooden trail gate, Outer Loop Trail intersects with Inner Loop Trail. Outer Loop Trail continues straight ahead and eventually to the access gate for a trail connection to Kircher Park and Flat Creek Trail in Eureka. The trail parallels Interstate 44 back to the main parking lot. White connector 1 (0.30 mile) and white connector 2 (0.20 mile) are available to connect to Inner Loop Trail. There are also spur trails, blazed in green, that connect to the special event area (0.20 mile) and picnic area (0.20 mile).

# SOUTH LOOP TRAIL

# **1.50-mile loop** TRAIL RATING: Moderate ESTIMATED HIKING TIME: 1 hour, 5 minutes

TRAILHEAD: 0.75 mile from the park entrance on South Outer Road at the Equestrian Trailhead parking area; 38.50288, -90.59425

South Loop Trail is the only trail in Route 66 State Park on the south side of Interstate 44. Following the trail counter clockwise from the trailhead, the first 0.60 mile of the trail is paved and is the old South Outer Road that once served as an access to Times Beach. On this part of the trail, there is a wooded view to the left and the embankment of Interstate 44 to the right. The trail then turns into a natural surface trail that closely parallels the park boundary with views of large open fields and small wooded areas. The trail continues past the equestrian trailhead parking area and the boat ramp before ending at the trailhead.

# "W" TRAIL

**0.50 mile one-way** TRAIL RATING: Moderate ESTIMATED HIKING TIME: 25 minutes

TRAILHEAD: North of Interstate 44 at the small parking area east of the Kircher City Park pedestrian trail connection; 38.50536, -90.60680

W Trail goes through a mostly wooded section of the park. Remnants of Times Beach can be seen along this trail, including a capped monitoring well and the 'Town Mound,' where the remains of the physical structures of Times Beach are buried. The trail connects to Inner Loop and Outer Loop trails.