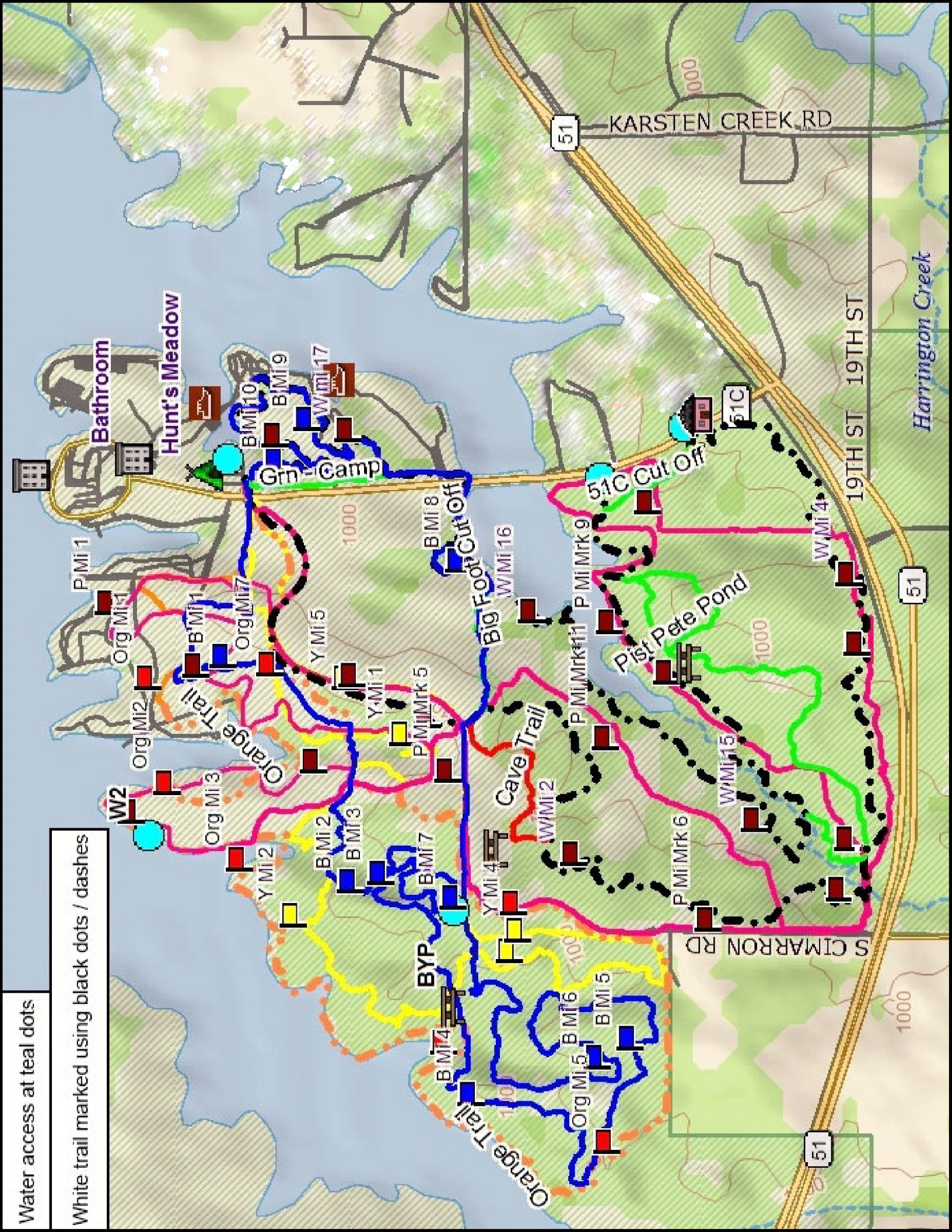


Water access at teal dots

White trail marked using black dots / dashes



# The Trails of Lake Carl Blackwell

All of these trails have wonderful photogenic areas that vary greatly with the seasons, whether the profuse redbuds and dogwoods are in bloom; the rich fall colors, the amazing greens of summer or the visibility of the lake and rock formations in the winter. Water for horses is available safely at blue dots on map mostly water tanks about every 5 miles. All trails are mileage with surveyors wheel in the counter clockwise direction, the miles are marked with numbers trimmed in the color of the trail and on your map, (Omi2= Orange mile 2). While there are some rocks visible and scenic formations, the trail under foot is easily ridden barefoot by all but the tenderest footed horses. There are some areas that trails run with other trails due to terrain and accessibility, you may wish to stay with your color until you are comfortable knowing where you are to change over. Cell phones work well all over LCB trails and if you take the park office phone number (405-372-5157) with you and need any kind of help you can call.

## Pink Trail:

The easiest trail, originally designed for harness driving, is a total of 12.45 miles long. The north loops wind the perimeters of fields along and overlooking the Lake, beautiful views in all seasons, especially nice for moonlight riding. The southern area is wooded and crosses 'Hunts Creek' at the rock crossing. Gorgeous old hardwood canopies over rediscovered roadbeds of the 1920s make up this area. This trail is gently rolling and easy for beginners, those that wish to ride side by side or pony horses. It can be ridden in shorter north or south loops. This trail also allows emergency and maintenance access to the south wooded section.

## Orange Trail:

The oldest trail at the lake, though some sections have been moved slightly due to erosion. This trail is fairly easy, a few dips that may prove challenging to the novice, but do have alternate easy routes and switchbacks have been built. This is generally known as the perimeter trail of the NW area that goes out along the lake and comes back thru the wooded interior. It is near 8 miles long and right in the middle you cross the old Hwy 51 Bridge where Boy Scouts as an Eagle project built picnic tables for your pleasure.

## Yellow Trail:

The shortest trail at 5.65 miles has some energetic terrain and very pretty areas, rock formations and the majority single track woods trail. Most find it a nice sampling of the LCB trails and a good test ride for a short distance. Many things make this the best trail for your first ride at LCB.

## Blue Trail:

Taken in its entirety this is 10.1 miles and considered by most the most exciting ride. (Being like the other trails measured counter-clockwise, it's an even more fun ride ridden clockwise counting down your miles to camp). Weaving thru the woods it takes you to the top of 'Hunts big hill', highest point at the lake, and along 'Rattlesnake Ridge', provides beautiful overlooks of the lake, it returns down the old entry road, thru the silver gate and past the old experimental 'Bigfoot' trap. (Please follow the markings and make sure the green self-closing gates in the cattle area are really closed behind you).

## White Trail / Black Dotted Trail:

The longest trail at just over 18 miles long, (having been expanded to the spillway with the completion of a bridge). This trail has a combination of it all, can be energetic in spots and easy moving in others. You'll pass thru the 'Red Bud Forrest' and pines and see deer springs. On the Northern most loop ride at the edge of the rock shore line where when the wind blows right mist comes over the trail.

## Green Trails:

As the white trail is so long there are green short cut trails that can shorten the loops, the longest of these is 1.5 miles and is called the 'Pistol Pete Pond Trail' about half way across there's a little oasis to rest a spell and water. The mule slick trail would make about a 6 mile loop, the 51C trail a 10 mile loop, if you have questions about the green trails please ask on the Lake Carl Blackwell Equestrian Facebook page.