

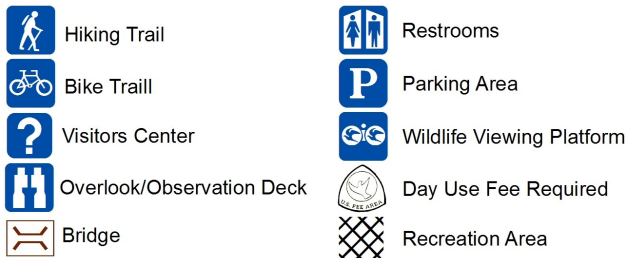
## TUMBLING WATERS NATURE TRAIL

(Difficulty Rating: Easy to Moderate)



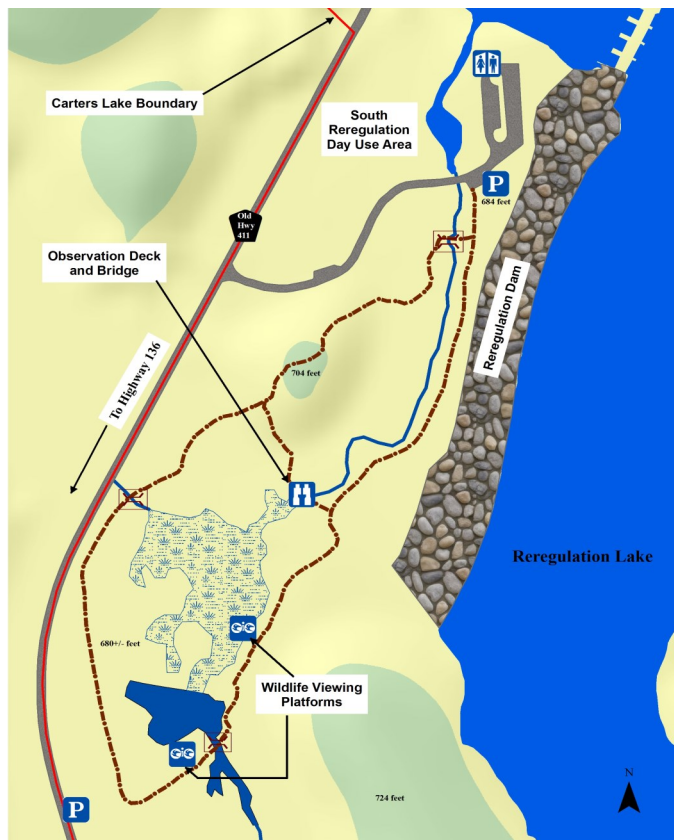
The Tumbling Waters Nature Trail is located in Ridgeway Day Use Area and offers a hike featuring lush mountain vegetation and an overlook of the cascading waters of Tails Creek. The trail is one way for .35 miles and then splits. The left fork leads to the 150 foot long bridge that crosses 30 feet above Tails Creek and continues upriver to an overlook right on the creek. The right fork also leads upriver and proceeds to an overlook. This National Scenic Trail is over 1.0 miles walking distance taking about 1 hour to hike.

### LEGEND



## HIDDEN POND SONGBIRD TRAIL

(Difficulty Rating: Easy )



The Hidden Pond Songbird Trail is located in South Reregulation Day Use Area and is approximately 1.0 miles in length. The trail makes a loop and offers two wildlife viewing platforms around the wetland area. There is also a cutover trail about half way through the loop that leads to an observation deck and elevated bridge. Scenery varies from grassy meadow to hardwood forest, so watch for a diversity of plants and animals along the trail. A Birding Guide is available at the Visitors Center.

For information on recreational opportunities at Carters Lake check out our website at: <http://corpslakes.usace.army.mil/visitors/>

Or:

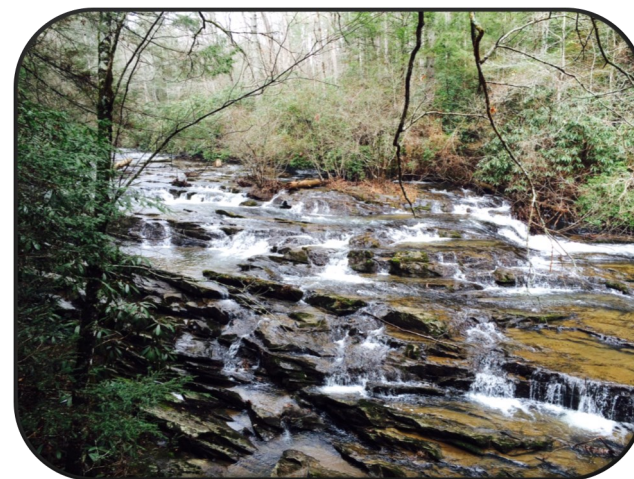


Or contact us at:

Carters Lake  
975 Powerhouse Road  
Chatsworth, GA 30705  
706-334-2248

# CARTERS LAKE

## Hiking Trails



**US Army Corps  
of Engineers**  
Mobile District

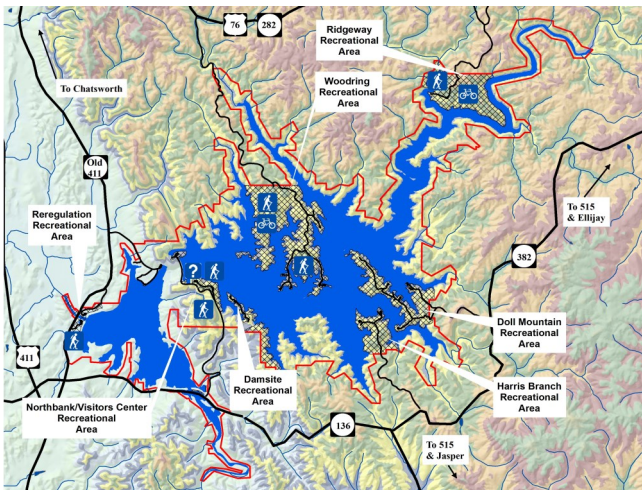


## AMADAHY TRAIL

(Difficulty Rating: Easy to Moderate)

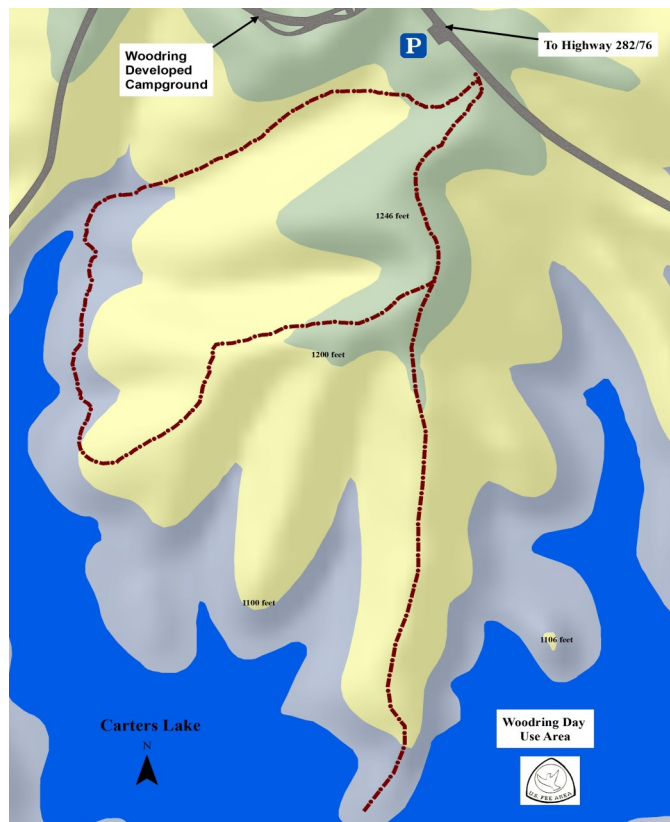


The Amadahy Trail is a 4.0 mile loop open to both hikers and mountain bikes. Time to complete the trail is approximately 1.5 hours for walkers and 30 minutes for mountain bikes. Trailhead parking is located approximately 3.2 miles after turning onto the Woodring Branch Road off Highway 282/76.



## OAK RIDGE NATURE TRAIL

(Difficulty Rating: Moderate)



The Oak Ridge Nature Trail is located within Woodring Branch Day Use Area. A parking area is located southeast of the entrance into Woodring Developed Campground. The trail begins just south of the parking area and splits approximately 700 feet from that point and each trail measuring approximately .5 miles. The left hand fork is a one way trail and it involves a ridge top walk through a mix of pine and hardwood. The right hand fork is a loop trail that falls in elevation along a ridgetop and meanders in and out coves above Carters Lake and then along a small streambed back to the trails origin. The trail offers a diversity of plants and animals, as well as, scenic views.

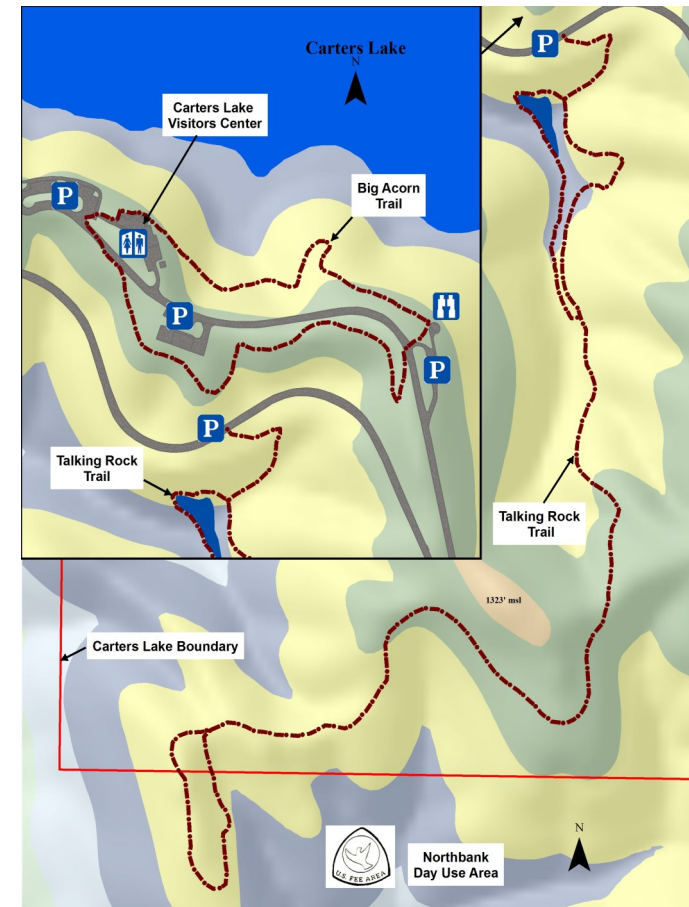
### Hiking Safety and Responsibility

- 1- Avoid hiking alone-use the buddy system
- 2- Tell someone where you are going and when you will return
- 3- Stay on marked trails, pay attention to trail blazes
- 4- Don't rely on cell phones to work in the wilderness or GPS to prevent getting lost, batteries can die or equipment damaged.
- 5- Leave no trace, pack out what you carry in.

## BIG ACORN NATURE TRAIL

(Difficulty Rating: Easy)

Big Acorn Nature Trail is .7 miles in length and begins at the Carters Lake Visitors Center and winds gently southeast and proceeds to an overlook. At that point, the hiker will need to cross the Visitors Center entrance road and pick up the trail on the other side which meanders northwest and ends back at the Visitors Center.



## TALKING ROCK NATURE TRAIL

(Difficulty Rating: Moderate)

Talking Rock Nature Trail is the longest and most strenuous hiking trail that Carters Lake offers. It is located just beyond the entrance gate to Northbank Day Use Area. There are a diversity of habitats and several sites of interest along the trail denoted by interpretative signs. It is a 2.0 mile roundtrip approximately and at least two hours should be expected for completion.