

Field Notes






There's a lot to see at Averill! As you explore the preserve, jot down what you find.








Birds:

-  Wild Turkey
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Mammals:

-  River Otter
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Reptiles and Amphibians:

-  Wood Frog
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Plants:

-  White Pine
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Discover something unique? E-mail your field notes to us at info@littleforks.org and your name may be featured in our newsletter!



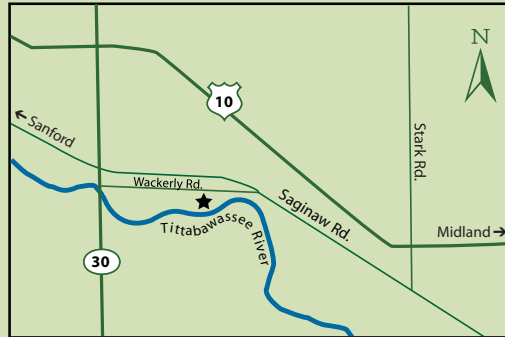
Directions:

From Midland: Take N. Saginaw Rd. towards Sanford. Follow N. Saginaw Rd. for approximately 5 miles to Wackerly Rd. Turn left onto Wackerly Rd. The Averill Preserve is immediately on the left.

From Bay City/Saginaw: Follow U.S. 10 W to the Stark Rd. exit. Turn right onto Stark Rd. Turn right onto Wackerly Rd. Turn a slight right onto E. Saginaw Rd. Turn left onto Wackerly Rd. The Averill Preserve is immediately on the left.

From Gladwin: Follow M-18 to U.S. 10 E. Take the M-30 exit towards W Branch. Turn left on N. Meridian Rd/M-30. Continue to follow N. Meridian Rd. Turn left onto E. Saginaw. Turn right onto Wackerly Rd. The Averill Preserve is immediately on the left.

Map to the Averill Preserve:



The Little Forks Conservancy

The Conservancy is a nonprofit organization located in Midland, Michigan. Our mission is to permanently protect lands with natural and cultural resources that add to the quality of life in our community.

For more information about The Little Forks Conservancy and our work to protect mid-Michigan's natural resources, visit www.littleforks.org.

THE LITTLE FORKS CONSERVANCY, INC.



Averill Preserve

Yours to Explore

Discover 74 acres of field, forest and nature trails along the Tittabawassee River.



PRESERVE GUIDE

Welcome to the Averill Preserve



Step off the Pere Marquette Rail-Trail and into nature. Enjoy a panoramic view of the Tittabawassee River at the Overlook and learn about the preserve's important role in mid-Michigan's logging history. Wander along the natural trails as they wind through woods, field and marshland found on the preserve. Stop on the wooden bridge to listen to the sounds of frogs along the L&B Drain. Discover the Averill Preserve – a property rich in history and natural features.

Explore Our Natural World

The Averill Preserve is a great place to learn about and enjoy nature, whether self-guided or with a group. Walk the nearly one and a quarter miles of nature trails.



Watch for Wildlife

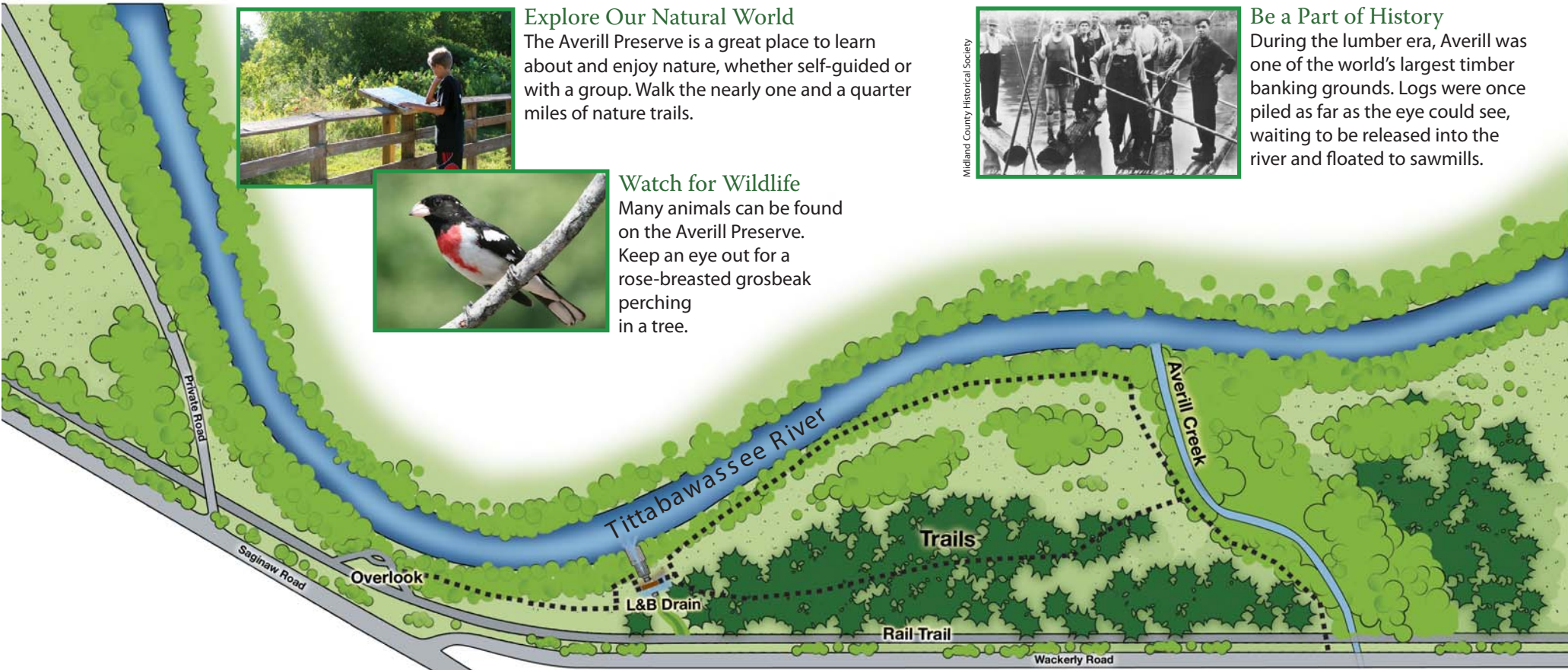
Many animals can be found on the Averill Preserve. Keep an eye out for a rose-breasted grosbeak perching in a tree.



Midland County Historical Society

Be a Part of History

During the lumber era, Averill was one of the world's largest timber banking grounds. Logs were once piled as far as the eye could see, waiting to be released into the river and floated to sawmills.



The Averill Preserve

The Averill Preserve was established in 2003 to provide outdoor recreation to our community while protecting important natural resources along the Tittabawassee River. The preserve is open year-round for your enjoyment.



For your safety and enjoyment, please:

- no motorized vehicles
- no camping
- no fires
- no hunting
- keep pets on leash

To ask questions, leave comments or learn about volunteer opportunities:

Contact The Little Forks Conservancy at (989) 835-4886 or info@littleforks.org.

Thank you for visiting the Averill Preserve!