

## LAKE & TRAIL HISTORY:

Prior to 1926, only a stream flowed through the area that is now Lake Wallenpaupack. Leni - Lenape Indians named it "Wallenpaupack" which means "The Stream of Swift and Slow Water". The land at one time was owned by William Penn who deeded it to his son, and then to James Wilson, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and a Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. Wilsonville; one time the county seat of Wayne County, was named for James Wilson.

The first step in the plan to construct a dam was purchasing land from about 100 owners. Land values at that time were about \$20 an acre. Farms, barns, houses, sheds, and other buildings were either razed or moved. Trees were cut and 17 miles of road along with telephone and telegraph poles were re-routed beyond the 52 mile shoreline. A cemetery was also relocated. A dike was erected near Tafton to complete the Lake bed, and a stream was temporarily diverted while the dam was built. Construction started early in 1924 and 2,700 men worked nearly 2 years to complete the project. It included the dam, the power plant, and the giant wooden flow line to carry the water from the Lake to the plant location 3 1/2 miles away. The original wooden structure, one of the worlds largest pipelines at that time, was constructed from 5 million board feet of douglas fir and transported by ship from the state of Washington.

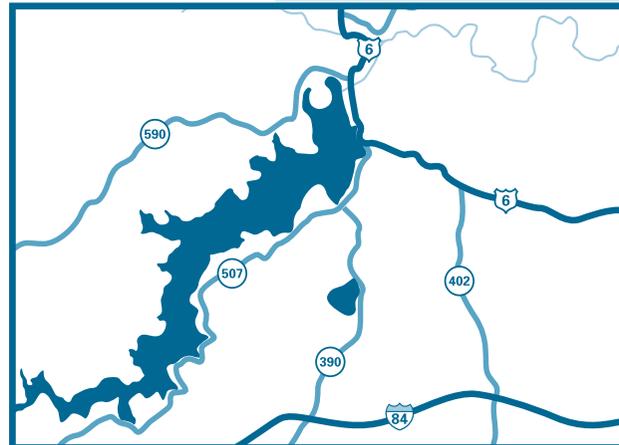
Through the efforts of Palmyra Township and PPL, the new trails bordering the northern end of the lake and creek were opened in the summer of 2010.

## MAPS TO GET YOU HERE:

Northeastern Pennsylvania



Lake Wallenpaupack



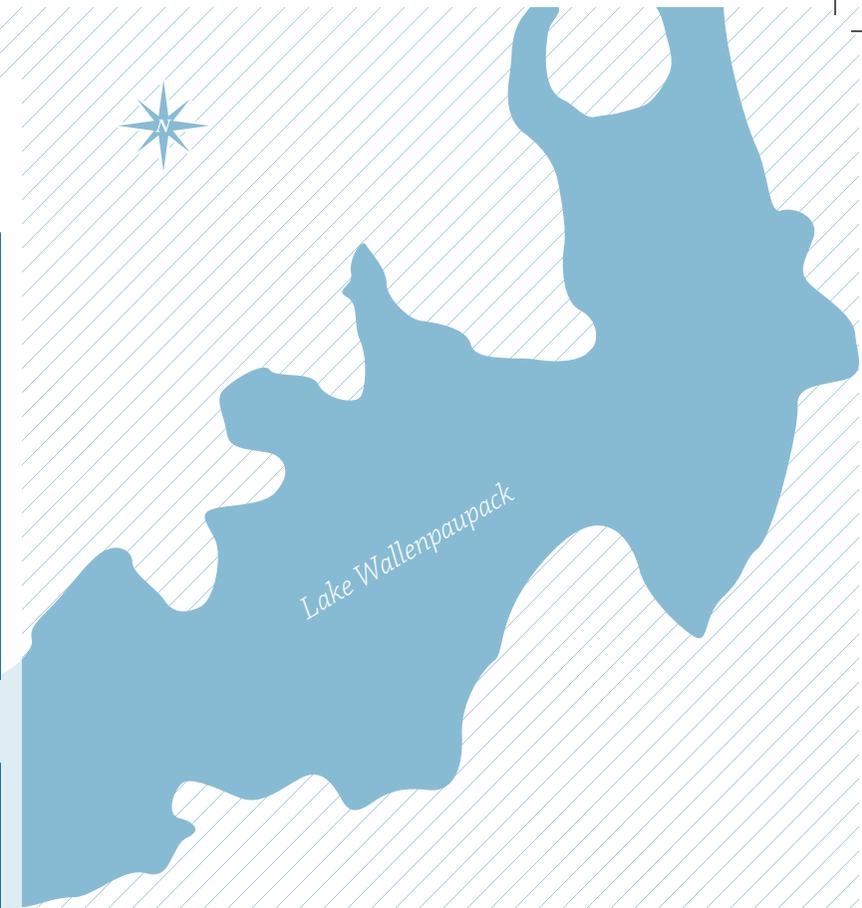
### DIRECTIONS:

Two miles east of Hawley  
at the junction of Rt 507 & Rt 6

### GPS COORDINATES:

+41° 26' 55.59", -75° 10' 42.13"

**TRAIL RULES:** Open dawn to dusk. No pets, bicycles, or motorized vehicles allowed. Please do not litter.



# LAKE WALLENPAUPACK TRAIL MAP

PALMYRA TOWNSHIP  
**WALLENPAUPACK LAKE TRAIL (WLT)**  
— approximately 1.5 miles

LAKE OFFICE  
**WALLENPAUPACK CREEK TRAIL (WCT)**  
— approximately .6 miles



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