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The Visitors Center GPS Address:
100 Museum Road
Stevens, PA

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Easy Trails:

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Volunteer Trail (#7: .3 Miles) — Connects Valley View and Fire Line Trails to Middle Creek and Horseshoe Trails.

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Deer Path Trail (#10: .3 Miles) — Traverses a wet woodland between White Oak and Red Rock picnic areas with various openings to the lake.

Moderate Trails:

Conservation Trail (#1: 1.4 Miles) — Loop from Visitors Center, up to a ridge, through forest, field and wetlands. Interpretive brochure is available. Good for kids.

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