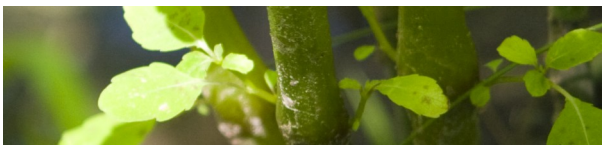


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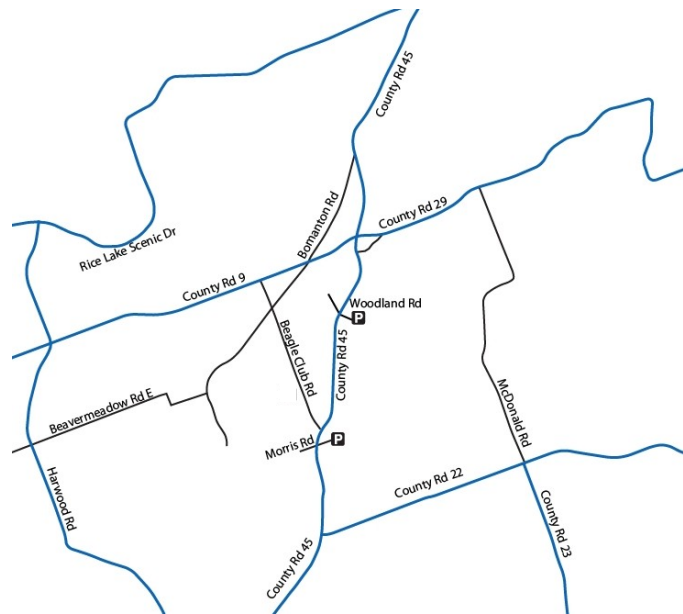
Butterfly Milkweed: a remaining member of the prairie habitat.

The Northumberland County Forest (NCF) may be well known for great trails, but underneath the surface it plays a leading role in maintaining Northumberland's cold water creeks. The Forest's sandy soils direct water to seven stream systems including Cobourg Creek, Baltimore Creek and Cold Creek; this water flows through the creeks to Lake Ontario, supporting the stream flows and fishery habitats contained therein!



Wetlands make up a small portion of the forest floor.

Above the surface the NCF is the largest continuous forest block in all of Northumberland County at 2,195 ha (5,424 acres). It is a critical land mass supporting and maintaining the health, biodiversity and connectivity of the Oak Ridges Moraine; a provincially significant geological landform. The large size of the NCF supports the habitat of a number of rare plant and animal species like the eastern hog nosed snake, whip-poorwill, butterfly milkweed and Black oaks. You will also find tall grass prairie remnants in the NCF, one of the rarest and most threatened habitats in all of North America! The NCF is truly a place of natural wonder which can be enjoyed and respected through the variety of trail systems still available.




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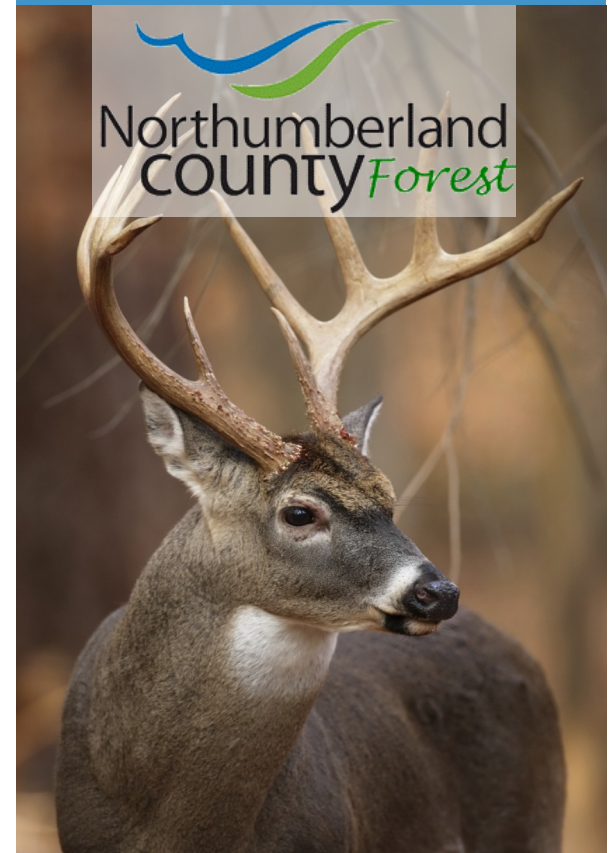
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ATTENTION

Permitted Hunting has changed in the County Forest. Effective immediately, the only permitted game is deer during the deer season as set annually by the Ministry of Natural Resources.

This is limited to the portions of Forest located east of County Road 45. See inside for more information.


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Important Information
for Hunters

Deer Season 2010

- Bow: *Oct 1 to Dec 31*
- Shotgun: *Nov 1 to Nov 14*
- Muzzle Loading: *Nov 29 to Dec 5*

no dogs in all seasons

What you need to know:

- Northumberland County Forest is in Wildlife Management Unit 72-A
- Bow (archery), shot gun and muzzle loading seasons for deer are still permitted, east of County Road 45.
- Motorized game retrieval is not permitted off the designated ORV trail, contact the County if you are an infirm hunter.
- There are year round trails in the Forest, expect and respect other trails users. Trail networks are shown on the map.
- Many trails have been closed to access on ATV, car and truck, watch for signs and barriers.
- Provincial and Federal laws apply to hunting and the area is enforced by Conservation Officers.

