

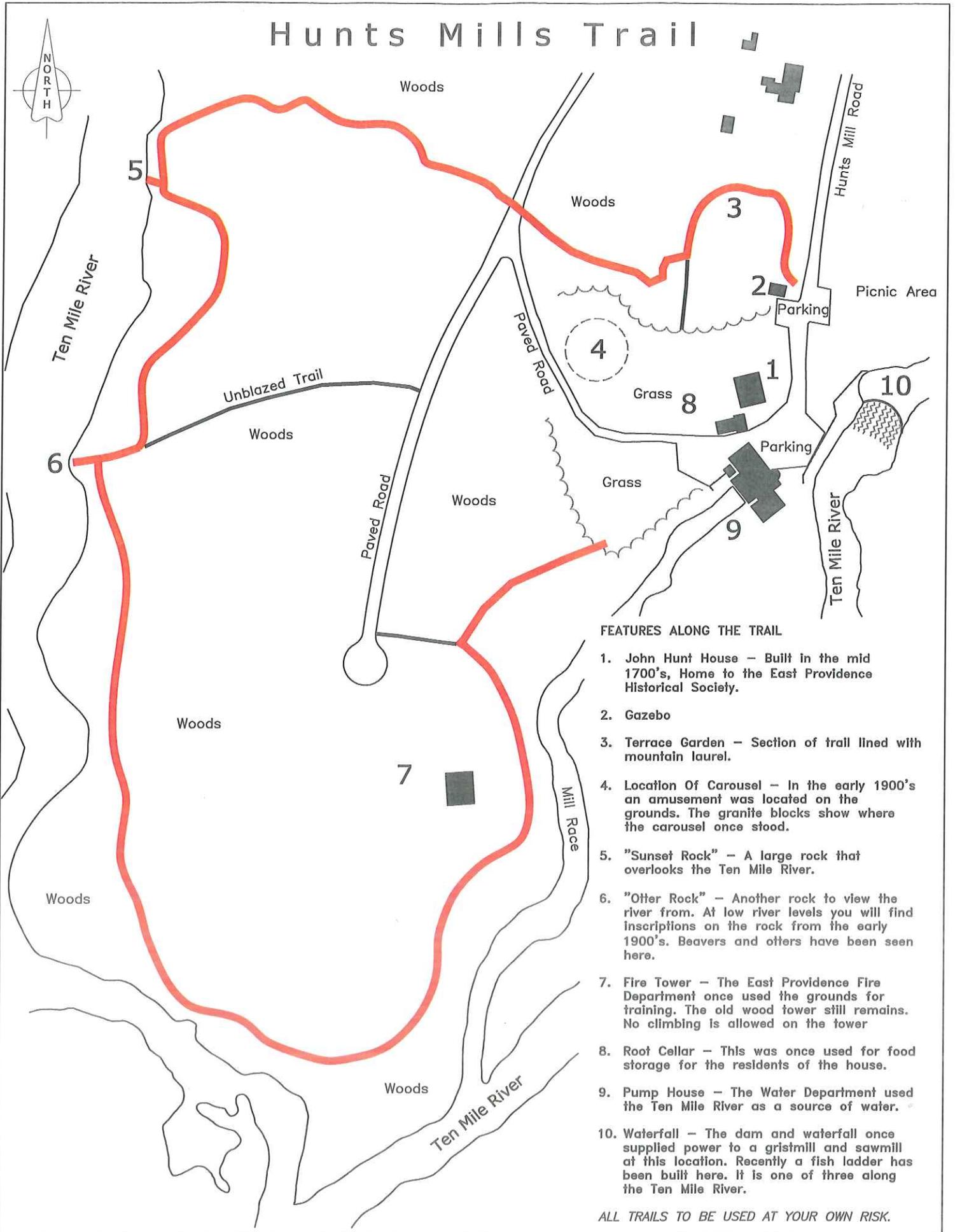
# Boyden Heights Conservation Area

## FEATURES AT BOYDEN HEIGHTS CONSERVATION AREA

1. **Reception Area** - This area by the entrance once was used as an outdoor classroom. It is now used as a sitting area.
2. **Boy Scout Bridge** - This bridge was built by a local Boy Scout Troop over the stream.
3. **Observation Deck** - This deck, approximately 150 feet in length, extends into the salt cove for a unique view of the cove and its wildlife.
4. **Sitting Bench & John Rose Memorial** - At the bike path entrance of the Conservation Area is a sitting bench and a tree dedicated to longtime Conservation Commission John Rose Sr. (1929-2015)
5. **The Point** - This small outcrop, part of the Conservation Area on the opposite side of the bike path, offers sweeping views of the Upper Providence River.

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# Hunts Mills Trail

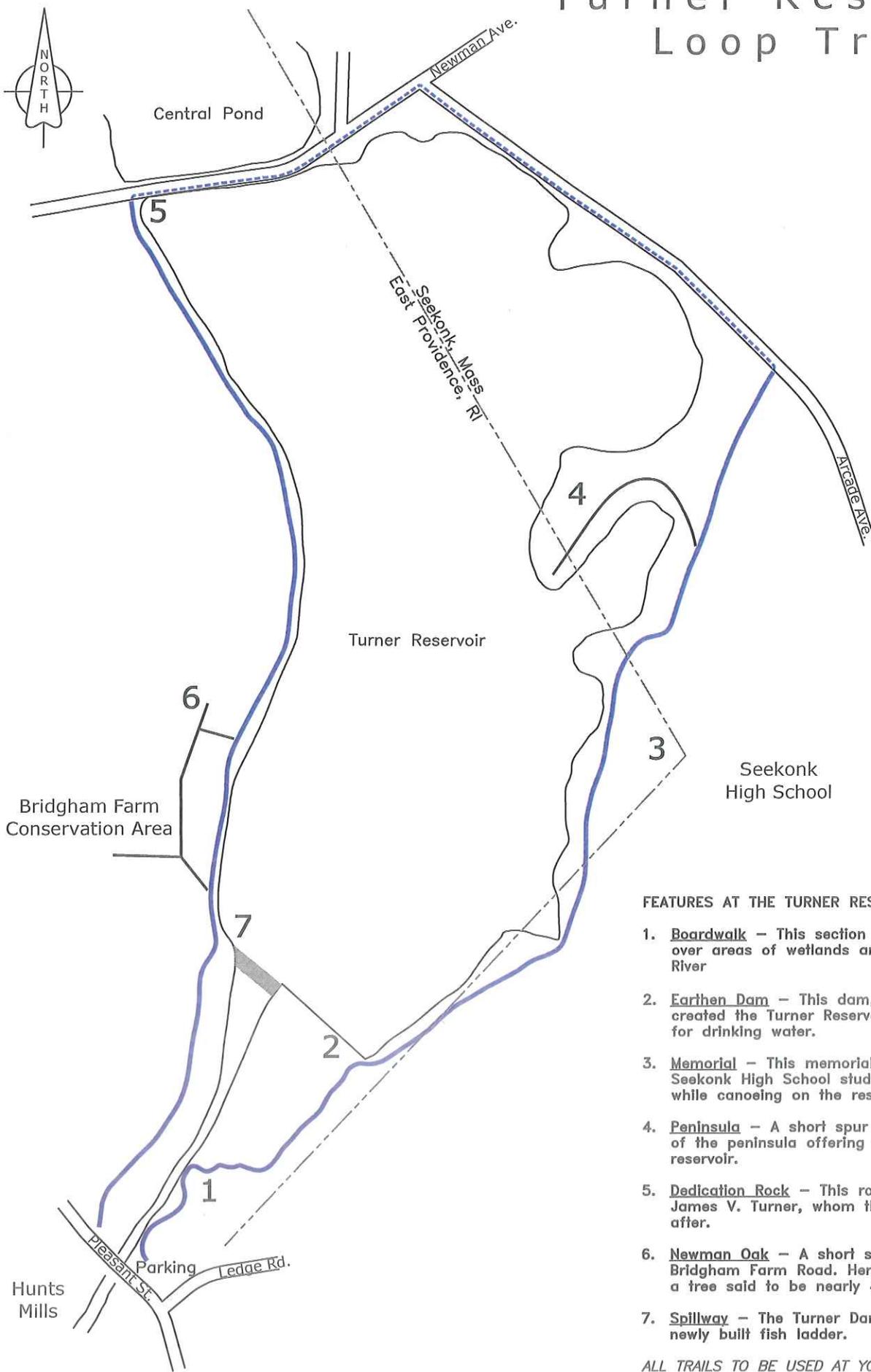


## FEATURES ALONG THE TRAIL

1. John Hunt House - Built in the mid 1700's, Home to the East Providence Historical Society.
2. Gazebo
3. Terrace Garden - Section of trail lined with mountain laurel.
4. Location Of Carousel - In the early 1900's an amusement was located on the grounds. The granite blocks show where the carousel once stood.
5. "Sunset Rock" - A large rock that overlooks the Ten Mile River.
6. "Otter Rock" - Another rock to view the river from. At low river levels you will find inscriptions on the rock from the early 1900's. Beavers and otters have been seen here.
7. Fire Tower - The East Providence Fire Department once used the grounds for training. The old wood tower still remains. No climbing is allowed on the tower
8. Root Cellar - This was once used for food storage for the residents of the house.
9. Pump House - The Water Department used the Ten Mile River as a source of water.
10. Waterfall - The dam and waterfall once supplied power to a gristmill and sawmill at this location. Recently a fish ladder has been built here. It is one of three along the Ten Mile River.

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# Turner Reservoir Loop Trail



## FEATURES AT THE TURNER RESERVOIR LOOP TRAIL

1. **Boardwalk** – This section of the trail traverses over areas of wetlands and along the Ten Mile River
2. **Earthen Dam** – This dam, built in the 1930's, created the Turner Reservoir that once was used for drinking water.
3. **Memorial** – This memorial is dedicated to three Seekonk High School students who lost their lives while canoeing on the reservoir in 1998.
4. **Peninsula** – A short spur trail leads to the tip of the peninsula offering sweeping views of the reservoir.
5. **Dedication Rock** – This rock is dedicated to James V. Turner, whom the reservoir is named after.
6. **Newman Oak** – A short spur trail leads to Bridgham Farm Road. Here is the Newman Oak, a tree said to be nearly 400 years old.
7. **Spillway** – The Turner Dam has spillway with a newly built fish ladder.

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# Willett Pond Trail

*In the 1870's a dam was built at the Mosskettuash Brook to create Willett Pond. Its original purpose was to harvest ice for the growing resorts in Riverside. The ice harvesting ceased and the pond was used primarily for recreation. Today the pond is stocked with trout in early spring and is used for fishing in the spring and summer. There is also a boat launch here for kayaks and canoes. A short half mile orange blazed trail loops the lower portion of the pond. The trail begins at a parking area between a small shopping strip and the pond itself. The trail then follows the edge of the pond behind a residential area before turning to the left and crossing the water on a small wooden bridge. The trail then curves to left again following the shore of the pond. The trail then comes out to the grass area along Willett Avenue. From here you can walk past the small spillway and back to the parking area. Swans are common sight and tend to nest here. Please do not disturb them. Otters have been seen here in the winter months. Willett Pond is a city owned property. It lies in the Riverside section of town along Willett Avenue.*

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