

PIKE LAKE SEGMENT



The Pike Lake Segment heads north from its starting point on CTH-E, paralleling and then following quiet Glassgo Drive 0.3 miles to the southern property boundary of the 446-acre Kettle Moraine State Forest – Pike Lake Unit (KMSF-PLU). Most of the segment here follows the edge of a glacial ridge through heavily forested maple and beech woods. Pike Lake is a spring-fed kettle with a very popular sandy beach; the segment reaches the swimming area parking lot 0.5 miles after first entering the unit.

The segment crosses Kettle Moraine Road and makes its way uphill for 0.9 miles to an intersection with a spur trail

marked by an informational sign. The spur climbs 0.2 miles to the top of 1,350-foot Powder Hill, one of the larger kames in the area. A lookout tower on top offers spectacular views. From the intersection with the spur trail the segment continues another 0.25 miles to Powder Hill Road, joining the Black Forest Nature Trail along the way.

East of Powder Hill Road the segment passes a spur trail to the Pike Lake Unit campground and turns north to pass through the east end of the Black Forest Nature Trail parking area. From here, the segment travels north and east through a heavily wooded area. Three walk-in backpack campsites are located in this area. The segment continues east to CTH-CC at a spot marked with an Ice age Trail signpost on the west side of the road. At this point, hikers should turn left and head north on CC for 0.3 miles to the segment's endpoint at the CTH-CC/STH-60 intersection.