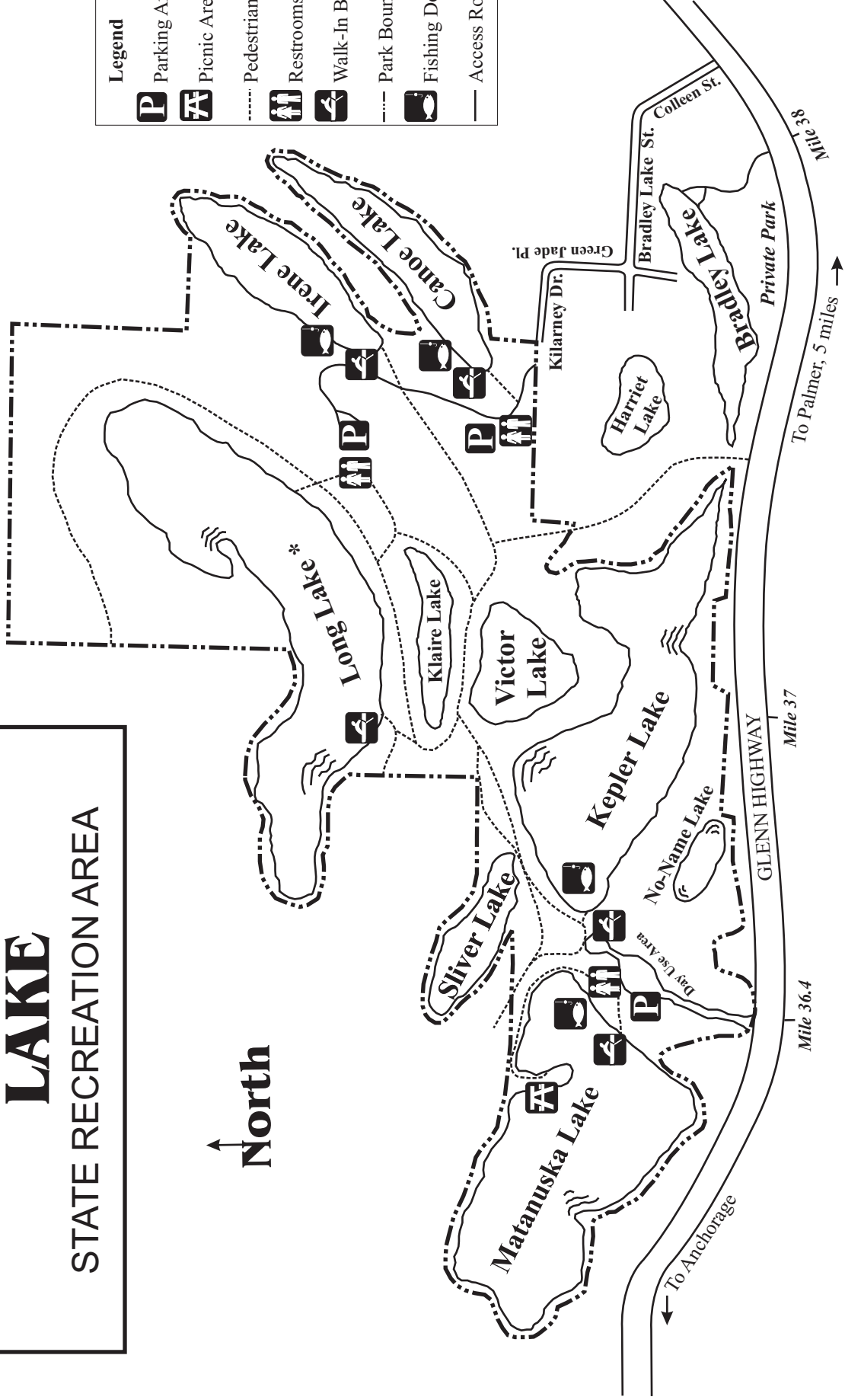


# KEPLER-BRADLEY LAKE STATE RECREATION AREA

Legend	
	Parking Area
	Picnic Area
	Pedestrian Trails
	Restrooms
	Walk-In Boat Launch
	Park Boundary
	Fishing Docks
	Access Roads



Please Respect Private Property • Do No Disturb Nesting Birds and Loons

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**Location:** Mile 36.4 Glenn Highway. Take the Glenn Highway north from Anchorage. On the left, 1-1/3 miles past the Parks Highway turnoff is Kepler-Bradley Lakes State Recreation Area.

**Camping:** The recreation area is open 8:00am -11 :00pm. Parking outside the gate and hiking into the recreation area is permitted. Both state and private campgrounds are nearby.

**Other Area Activities:** The Matanuska Valley offers a wide variety of outdoor activities to the visitor including fishing, hunting, horseback riding, bird-watching, berry-picking, boating, walking, nature study and more! Come and enjoy the Valley from the Kepler-Bradley Lakes State Recreation Area.

**Glaciology:** The Kepler-Bradley Lakes State Recreation Area presents unique examples of crevasse-filling in Southcentral Alaska. The Naptown Glaciation was the last major ice-advance, occurring 8,000-10,500 years ago; it is responsible for this phenomenon. As the glaciers slowly melted, crevasses formed. Channels of water flowing into these crevasses filled them with sedimentary deposits which remained after the glaciers were gone. These eventually became the ridges which comprise the Kepler-Bradley Lakes area. Today the area is characterized by long, sinuous ridges, generally level at the top and sloping steeply to meet the lakes, which lie approximately 100 feet below.

**NOTE:** Much of the land in the Kepler-Bradley Lakes Area is private. Please respect private property, especially that adjacent to Canoe and Irene Lakes.

Please report problems or inquiries to the Mat-Su State Park Headquarters office at 745-3975, or Mile 0.7 Bogard Road, Wasilla.

The following park regulations are meant to protect you and your park:

- Fires are allowed in established fire pits only.
- Graveled trails are designed for foot traffic only.
- Electric motors are allowed on all the Kepler Bradley Lakes. No gas-powered boat motors are allowed.
- Keep all pets on leashes.
- Discharge of any weapons, including archery and trapping, is prohibited in the Kepler- Bradley State Recreation Area. Small game and fur animals may be taken by falconry only.
- Disturbance of trees and plants is prohibited.
- All-terrain vehicles are prohibited.

The following lakes are stocked by Fish & Game:

**Kepler, Bradley, and Canoe lakes -**  
Rainbow Trout and Grayling

**Long, Sliver and Irene lakes -**  
Rainbow Trout

**Victor lake -**  
Silver Salmon

## Fishing Regulations:

You must have a valid sport fishing license with you. The Alaska Dept. Of Fish & Game Sport Fishing Regulations Summary for 1990 applies to Kepler-Bradley Lakes State Recreation Area as follows:

### On Matanuska, Kepler, Irene, Canoe, Klaire and Victor lakes:

The open season is year-round.

**Rainbow Trout:** 5 per day, 5 in possession, only one 20 Inches or more.

**Grayling:** 5 per day, 5 in possession, no size limit.

**Other Salmon:** 16" or more; 3 per day, 3 in possession. Less than 16", 10 per day, 10 in possession.

**On Long Lake -** Catch and release only for Rainbow Trout. All RAINBOW TROUT MUST BE RELEASED IMMEDIATELY. Only unbaited, single-hook, artificial lures may be used. Season: May 1st - October 31st.

Other species catch and bag limit same as above.

Please consult the current year of Fish & Game booklet for updated information