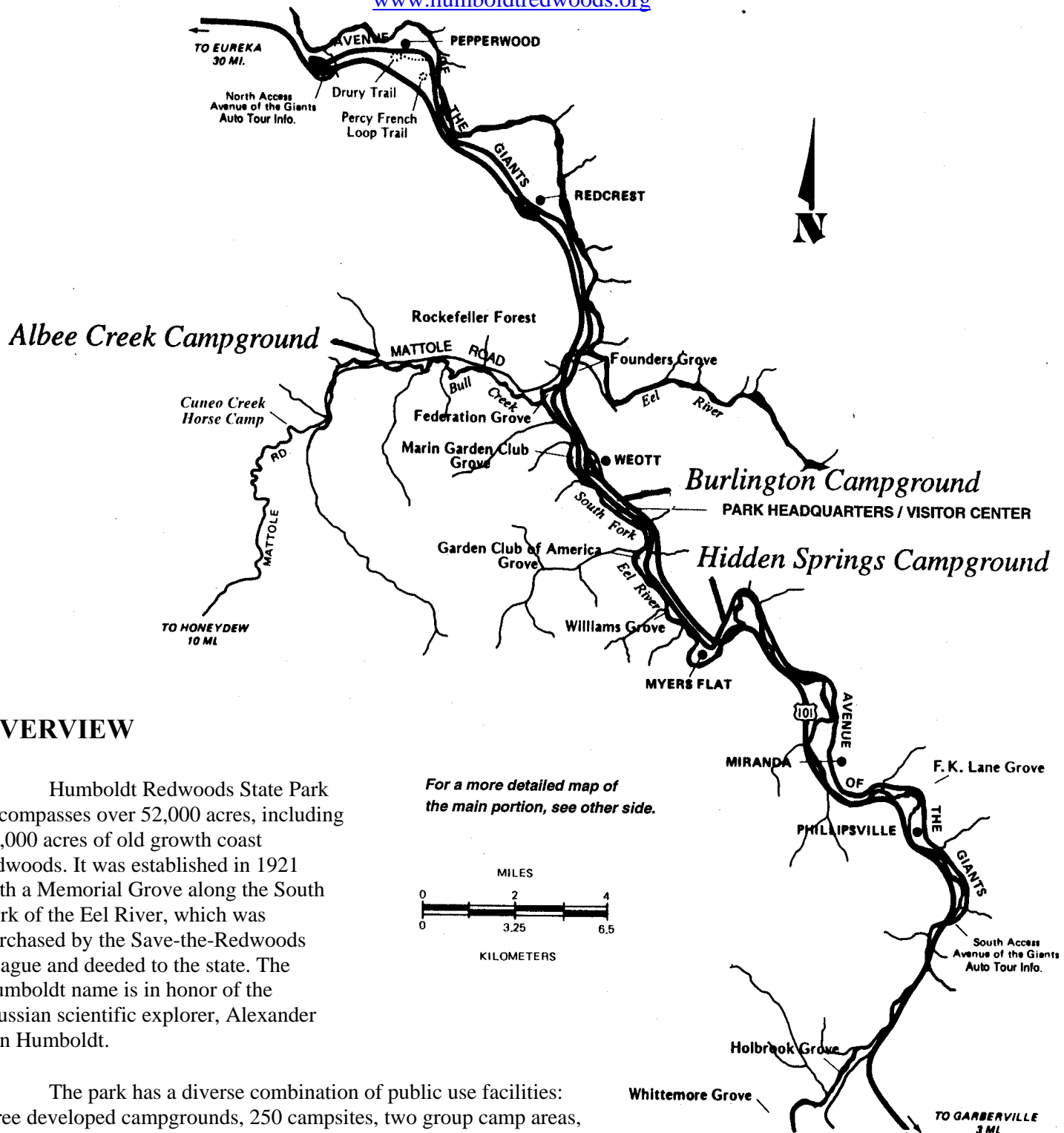


# HUMBOLDT REDWOODS STATE PARK

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## OVERVIEW

Humboldt Redwoods State Park encompasses over 52,000 acres, including 17,000 acres of old growth coast redwoods. It was established in 1921 with a Memorial Grove along the South Fork of the Eel River, which was purchased by the Save-the-Redwoods League and deeded to the state. The Humboldt name is in honor of the Prussian scientific explorer, Alexander von Humboldt.

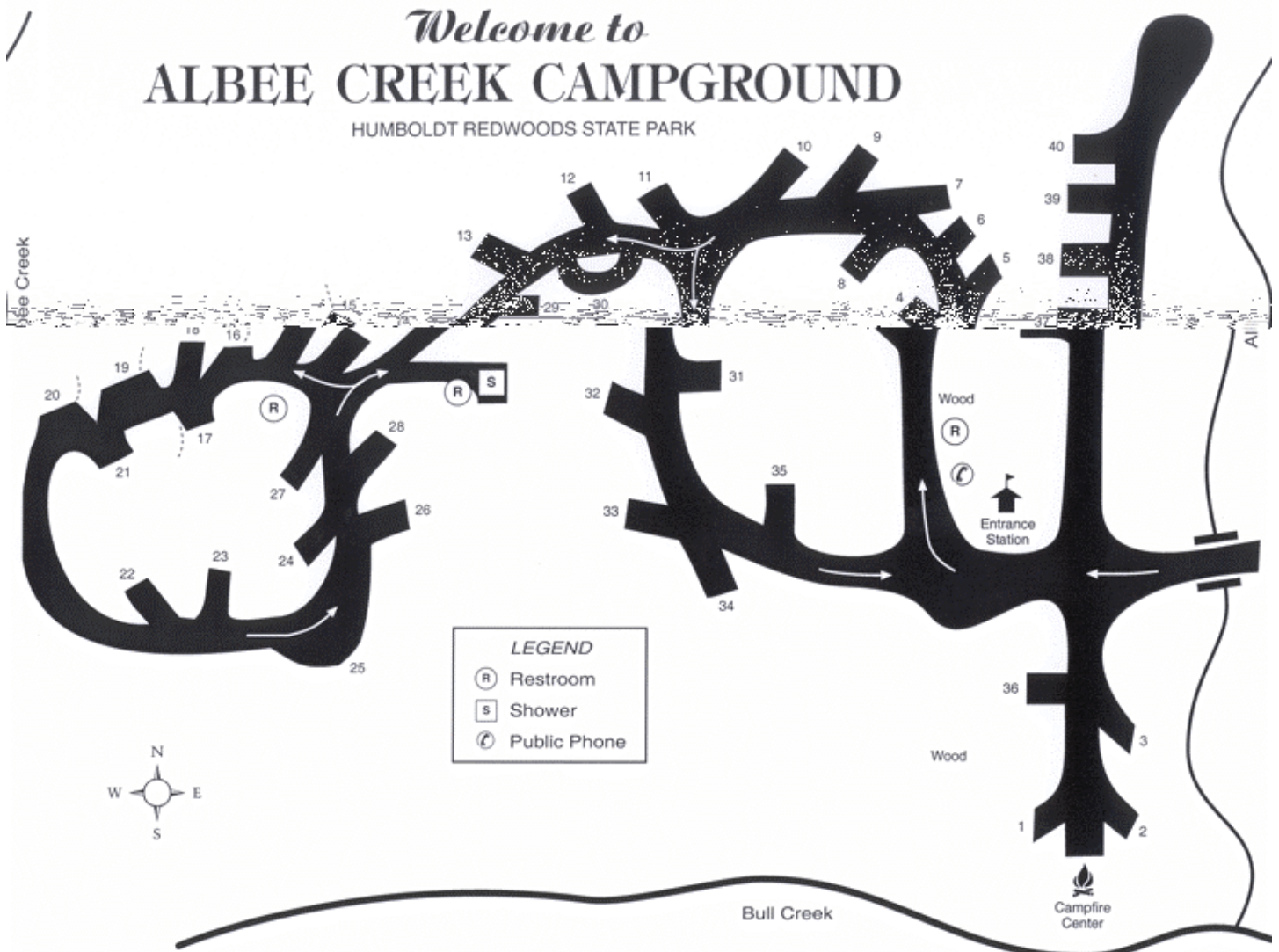
The park has a diverse combination of public use facilities: three developed campgrounds, 250 campsites, two group camp areas, a group horse camp, two environmental camp settings, five trail camps, a hike & bike camp, numerous developed day use areas, one visitor center, and over 100 miles of hiking, biking and riding trails/fire roads. The park features the 32-mile Avenue of the Giants scenic highway, the world-famous Rockefeller Forest, the very popular Founders Grove Nature Trail, and the delightful and unique Humboldt Redwoods Visitor Center. The center is open year-round and is a must stop when visiting the area. The exhibits and displays will please everyone

An Auto Tour brochure is available at either end of the Avenue of the Giants and at the Visitor Center. The information in the brochure corresponds to numbered posts along the scenic 32-mile stretch of old Highway 101.

## CAMPING

There are three types of camping in the park:

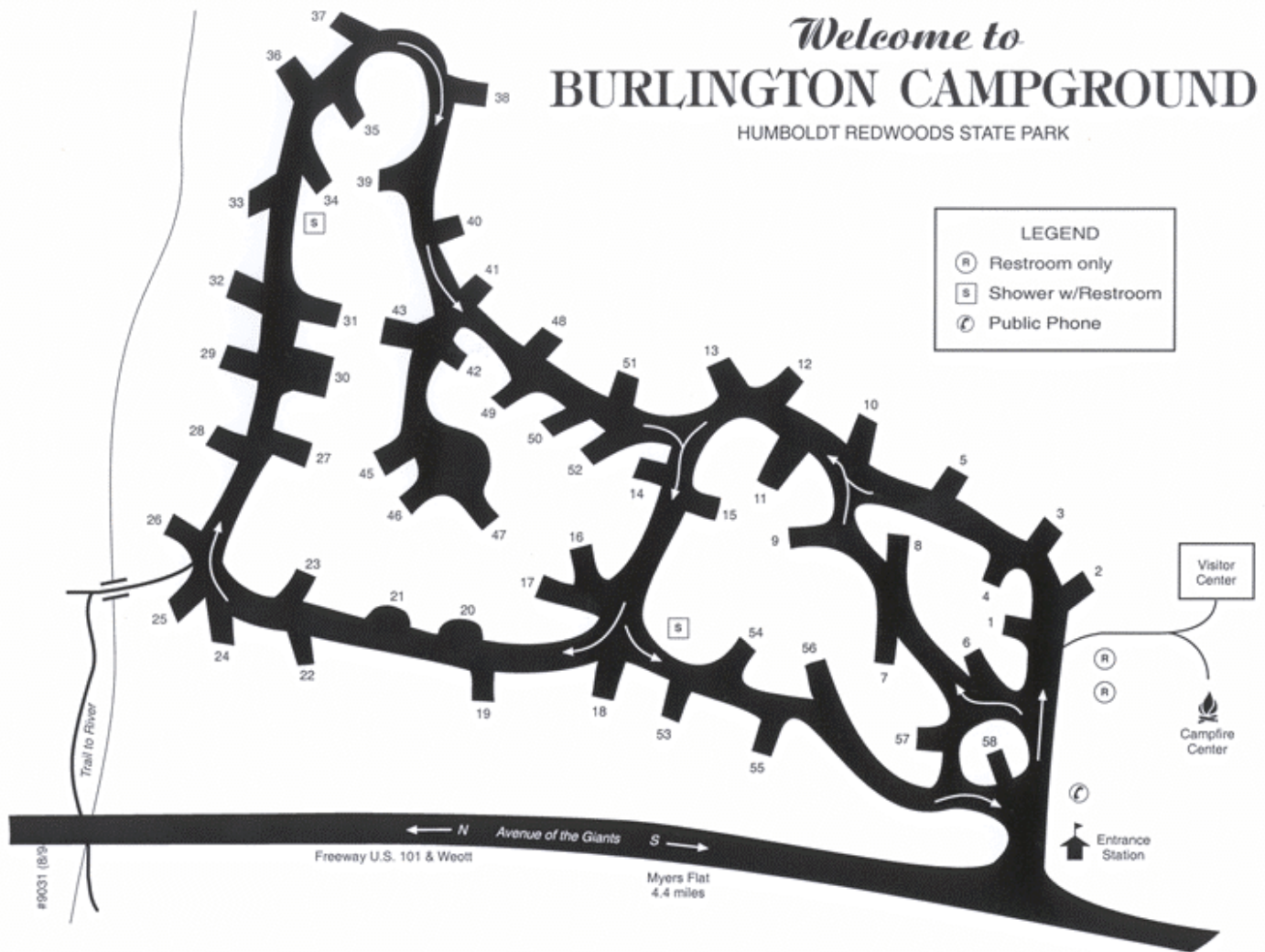
1. **DEVELOPED CAMPGROUNDS** have flush toilets, hot showers, picnic tables, food lockers, fire rings and treated water. Camp sites can be reserved, during the summer, by calling 1-800-444- 7275. These campgrounds are described on the following pages.
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**ALBEE CREEK**, open mid-May through September, is 5 miles west of the Avenue of the Giants on the Mattole Road, and 9 miles north west of the Visitor Center. It is located on an old homestead with 40 sites either under second-growth redwoods, partially under redwoods, or in the open meadows. The campground is a short hike from the Rockefeller Forest and offers access to many hiking and mountain biking trails. Swimming is available 4 miles east in the South Fork of the Eel and wading is available in either Bull or Albee Creeks.



*Albee campsite 24 - in the meadow*



**BURLINGTON**, open year-round, is located next to the Visitor Center on the Avenue of the Giants. It is in a grove of second-growth redwoods and relatively open. It has 57 sites and is a short distance from the South Fork of the Eel where there is swimming and fishing. A summer bridge across the river allows access to hiking trails.



*Typical Burlington campsites*



**HIDDEN SPRINGS**, open from mid-May through mid-October, is located 5 miles south of the Visitor Center on the Avenue of the Giants. Situated on a hillside, in a mixed forest, with 154 sites, it offers privacy because most sites are a short distance from their parking space and shielded by understory vegetation. The South Fork of the Eel is a short hike away and offers swimming and fishing. There are few hiking trails from the campground.



*Typical Hidden Springs campsites.*

**2. ENVIRONMENTAL CAMPS** have picnic tables, fire rings, food lockers, chemical toilets, no showers, and the water has not been treated. Campers must walk to the sites, a distance of between 25 yards and 1/4 mile from parking. Pets are not allowed. The camps are located six miles west of the Avenue of the Giants on the Mattole Road. They are open year-round and can be reserved during peak season by calling 1-800-444-7275.

**BAXTER** has two campsites, under second growth Douglas firs along the Southside of Bull Creek..

3. **TRAIL CAMPS** are the most primitive campsites. There are no picnic tables, open fires are not allowed, and the water has not been treated. Backpackers must pack in and out all their equipment and supplies. No pets or livestock are allowed. Trail camps are on a first-come, first-served basis with a maximum limit of eight per camp. Campers must register with the park prior to use.

**JOHNSON TRAIL CAMP** is accessed from the Big Tree Area (200 feet elevation), 4 miles west of the Avenue of the Giants on the Mattole Road. The hike is about 2.5 miles and climbs 1400 feet to an elevation of 1600 feet. This camp, located in redwoods, has some old cabins left by the "Tie-Hackers" who used the camp as a base of operations.



*Grasshopper Fire Lookout*

**GRASSHOPPER TRAIL CAMP**, elevation 3400 feet, can be accessed year-round from the Big Tree Area or Grasshopper Road and from trailheads along the South Fork of the Eel when the summer bridges are in. The hike is 6 miles one way, regardless of where you start. Situated in a mixed forest and upland prairies, it offers majestic 360-degree views of the surrounding basins.

**BULL CREEK TRAIL CAMP** is located next to Bull Creek. It is accessed via Kemp Road off the Mattole Road (very steep, 4 mile downgrade.) The camp is somewhat open with a few second growth redwoods and alders.



*Lower Gould Barn at Bull Creek Trail Camp*



*Campers at Whiskey Flats*

**WHISKEY FLATS** is in large old redwoods on the edge of the Rockefeller Forest at 1600 ft. elevation. It is 4.5 miles from the Mattole Road at Grasshopper Road on Squaw Creek Ridge Road.

**HANSON RIDGE** is located at 2200 feet elevation on Hanson Ridge Road off Squaw Creek Ridge Road about 6.5 miles from the Mattole Road at Grasshopper Road. It provides nice views of the Bull Creek watershed to the west.



*Campers at Hanson Ridge*

## There are three special camps:

**MARIN HIKE AND BIKE CAMPGROUND** is for people traveling by bicycle or on foot. No dogs are allowed. It is located on the Avenue of the Giants, two miles north of the Visitor Center. There are picnic tables, toilets, treated water, but no showers.



*Hike and Bike campground*



*Horses in the corrals at Cuneo Creek*

**CUNEO CREEK GROUP HORSE CAMPGROUND** is reserved for campers bringing their horses to ride in the park. It is located just off the Mattole Road eight miles west of the Avenue of the Giants. There are fire rings, picnic tables, treated water, flush toilets and showers. There are corrals and water troughs for the horses. The camp provides excellent access to numerous roads and trails for horseback riding.

**WILLIAMS GROVE GROUP CAMPGROUND** will accommodate a total of 100 people in one or two groups. It has tables, barbecues and restrooms, but no showers. The campground is located in the redwoods along the South Fork of the Eel River, three miles south of the Visitor Center.



*Williams Grove group picnic tables*

## HIKING & BIKING

Trail maps and trail guides are available at the Visitor Center and at the entrances to the developed campgrounds. Consult with park or visitor center staff for suggested hikes, rides and current trail conditions.

### HIKING

There are over 100 miles of trail within the park. The difficulty varies from easy to strenuous, distances from .5 to 15 miles and elevations from 300 to 3,400 feet.

### BIKING

Bicycles are allowed on all paved roads within the park and on fire roads designated for bicycles. Please consult a park map, or park and visitor center staff prior to bicycling in the park. Mountain Biking is allowed on all fire roads designated for bicycles and is located in the Bull Creek Basin, accessed via the Mattole Road.

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