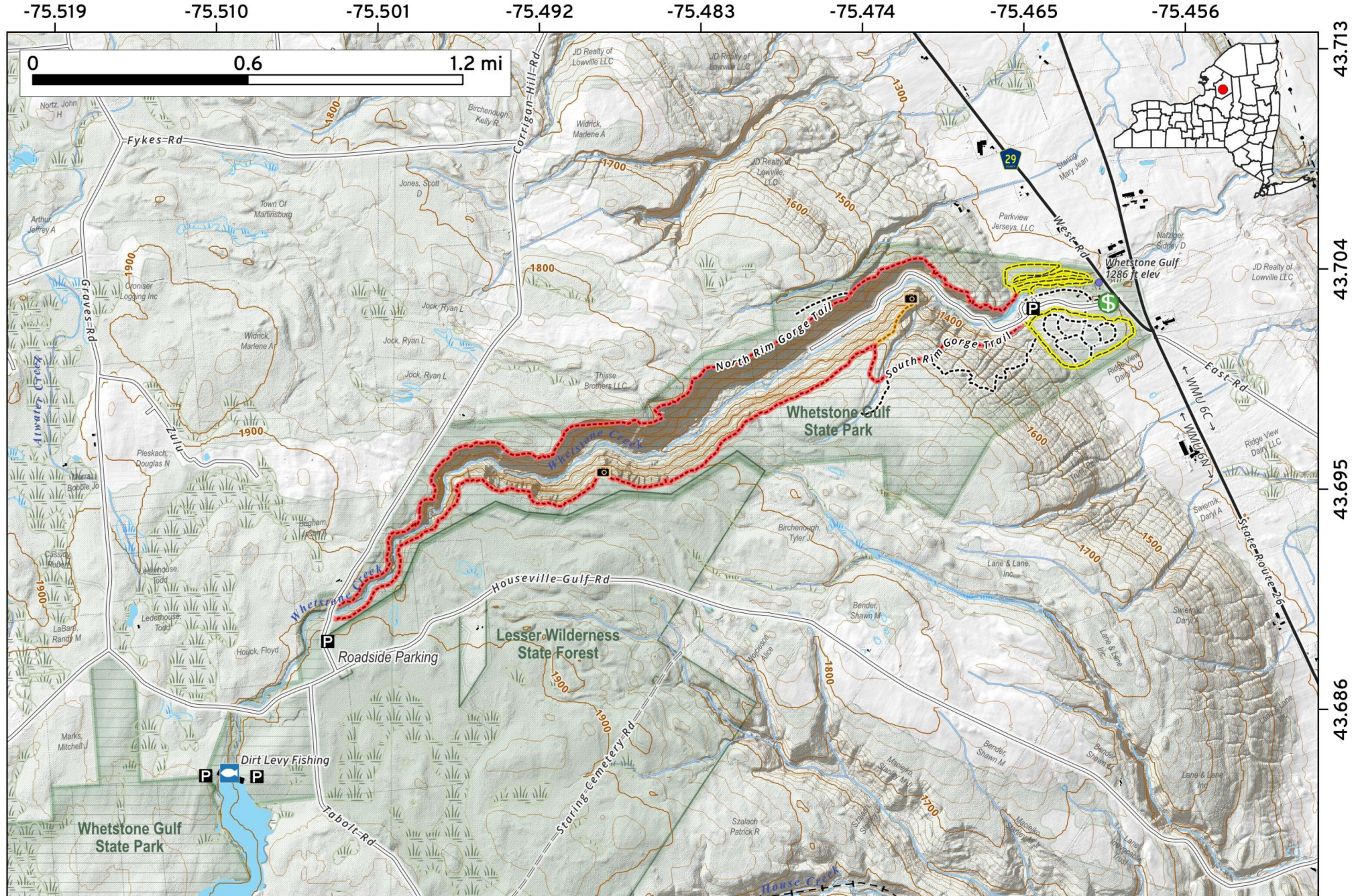


Whetstone Gulf State Park features a stunning three-mile limestone canyon cut into the Tug Hill Plateau. Hikers enjoy the Rim Trail, which offers spectacular views from the cliffs looking down into the gorge. Above the canyon sits a scenic reservoir, perfect for quiet fishing and canoeing. The park also provides lush campsites and a swimming area.

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Whetstone Reservoir. Whetstone Reservoir is a man-made lake covering about 161 acres, situated in Whetstone Gulf State Park and Lesser Wilderness State Forest in New York's eastern Tug Hill region south of Lowville. During winter, the reservoir is drained. Water flows in from Whetstone Creek at the west end and is held back by a small eastern dam at the northeast end. Visitors can access the reservoir via a basic boat launch near the dam.



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