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Backpacking the Long Path

Sections 31-35

Section 31

West Fulton to Middleburgh

Lean-tos	None
Camping	<p>Camping is allowed in the State Reforestation Areas, 150 feet from trails or water. There is private property at the beginning and the end of this section.</p> <p>Max V. Shaul State Campground 518-827-4711. Mile 0.00, 4.00 miles to the right on West Fulton Road and another 0.20 miles north on Route 30. It can also be reached by heading south on Route 30 for 3.00 miles from the intersection with Hardscrabble Road, mile 7.65. 32 sites, hot showers, flush toilets. Open mid-May through mid October.</p>
Lodging	None
Food	<p>Mile 8.70, 0.10 miles south on Route 30 is a farm stand. Mile 11.75, 1 mile north on Rte. 30 is a Grand Union supermarket. On Main Street in Middleburgh – Mrs. K’s Restaurant, Stewart’s & Red Barrel (not recommended, may not be friendly to hikers) on left, Hubie’s Pizzeria & Restaurant on right.</p>
Post Office	<p>West Fulton 12194 - Mile 0.00, turn right onto West Fulton Road for 0.20 miles. Middleburgh 12122 - Mile 11.75, follow the LP for an extra 0.15 miles.</p>

Section 32

Middleburgh to Albany County Line

Lean-tos	Cotton Hill - Mile 6.75, no water at lean to. Get water at mile 6.15 at small stream just before crossing Treadlemire Rd. or at a pump (not reliable) on Treadlemire Road opposite a green barn (the pump may need to be primed). Distance from Rossman Hill lean-to – 21.40 miles
Camping	Camping is allowed in the State Reforestation Areas, 150 feet from trails or water. At mile 9.45, the trail enters private land. Distance between Patria and Cotton Hill State Forests – 9.75 miles
Lodging	None
Food	Mile 0.00 Middleburgh has delis, restaurants and grocery stores and a bank.
Post Office	Middleburgh 12122 - Mile 0.15 on the trail

Section 33

Albany County Line to Switz Kill

Lean-tos	Mile 11.45 - Lean-to is on private land, water from the creek below the Lean-to. Distance from Cotton Hill Lean-to here is 16.7 miles. It is 20.45 miles from here to the northern terminus of the trail.
Camping	Camping is only allowed on the State Reforestation Areas in this section, not in the Wildlife Management Area. State Forest is reached at 3.60 miles and continues until the Long Path reaches Beaver Road at mile 5.05. Distance from Cotton Hill State Forest – 5.95 miles
Lodging	None
Food	None
Post Office	None

Section 34

Switz Kill to East Berne

Lean-tos	None
Camping	Cole Hill State Forest. Miles 2.75 through 4.75. Distance from Partridge Run Forest – 11.45 miles
Lodging	None
Food	None

Post Office	None
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Section 35

East Berne to John Boyd Thacher State Park

Lean-tos	There is a lean-to in John Boyd Thacher Park but it is not available for overnight use.
Camping	The beginning of this section is entirely on private property and the end is in John Boyd Thacher State Park. Neither allows overnight camping. Camping is available at Thompson's Lake State Campground, 4 miles from Thacher Park on Route 157. 518-872-1674. 140 sites, hot showers, flush toilets, swimming. Distance from Cole Hill State Forest – 11.45 miles
Lodging	Altamont Old Stone Inn B&B, 1160 Bern-Altamont Rd., Altamont. 518-861-0200.
Food	None
Post Office	None