

Where can you find the very best hikes, bikes, paddles, and outdoor adventures in the Finger Lakes?



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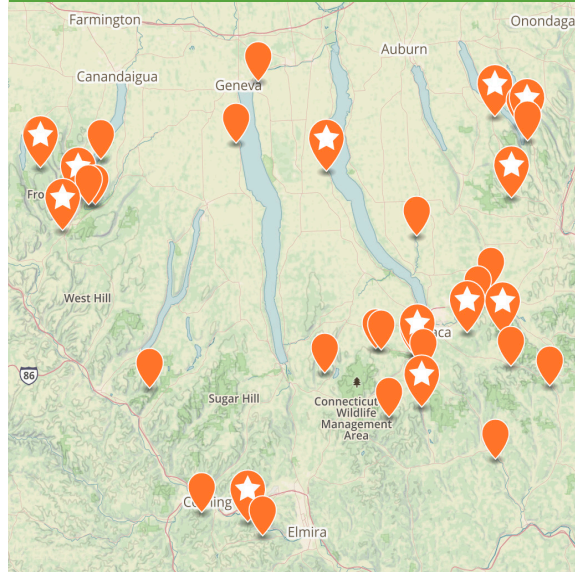
"Go Finger Lakes" is a mobile-ready web site with an interactive map featuring over 900 miles of trails! It is a free public service of the Finger Lakes Land Trust promoting conservation and recreation.



**GOFINGERLAKES™**  
FINGER LAKES LAND TRUST

**FLLT.ORG/MAP**

Discover dozens of free nature preserves of the Finger Lakes Land Trust



**WE NEED YOU!**

Help us save more land and water by donating and volunteering



**GIVE & JOIN**  
[FLLT.ORG/GIVE](http://FLLT.ORG/GIVE)



**VOLUNTEER**  
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To conserve forever the lands and waters of the Finger Lakes region, ensuring scenic vistas, local foods, clean water, and wild places for everyone.

The Finger Lakes Land Trust (FLLT) is a nonprofit conservation organization working across 12 counties in Central New York. Since 1989, we have worked cooperatively with landowners and partners to protect some of the most treasured natural areas and open spaces in these vital watersheds. FLLT manages dozens of conservation areas that are free and open to the public for quiet recreation year-round. We also hold easements on protected lands that remain in private ownership. FLLT is supported by members, and you can help us do more!

**FINGER LAKES LAND TRUST**

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**BELL STATION**

Conserved and managed by the Finger Lakes Land Trust for future transfer to New York State DEC

LANSING, NY

**MAP & GUIDE**



**CONSERVED FOREVER  
OPEN TO ALL**

[FLLT.ORG/BELLSTATION](http://FLLT.ORG/BELLSTATION)



 **Acreage:** 287 acres

 **County:** Tompkins

 **Trails:** 1.5 miles

Witness the beauty and majesty of Cayuga Lake from the shore of Bell Station which once had been slated for a lakeside nuclear plant!

### NATURAL HISTORY

Bell Station features 3,400 feet of pristine shoreline, wooded hillsides, extensive fields, and cascading waterfalls. Follow the trail to the lake and delight in native plants along the way, such as trillium and wild ginger. Let the lake breezes enliven your senses as you skip rocks along the water's edge, or look for signs of wildlife, including bald eagles and waterfowl.

### HISTORY

The property was originally acquired by NYSEG for a nuclear power plant that was never built. Shortly after NYSEG announced plans to auction the property to the highest bidder, FLLT urged the community to get involved. Civic groups and local elected officials requested the cancellation of the auction, and more than 4,000 citizens signed a petition. Governor Kathy Hochul responded and secured a commitment from NYSEG to cancel the auction and sell the property to FLLT for eventual transfer to New York State.

#### ACTIVITIES

- Hiking & Running
- Cross-Country Skiing
- Snowshoeing
- Birdwatching

#### DOGS

Keep your dog on a leash and under control at all times

#### HOURS

Open dawn to dusk all year

#### POLICIES

See [fllt.org/policies](http://fllt.org/policies)

#### LEARN MORE

See [fllt.org/bellstation](http://fllt.org/bellstation) for more history, natural history, photos, and an interactive map.

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