

## Hiking Trail Map

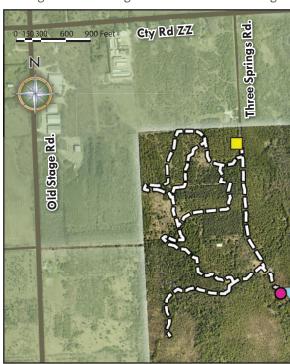
5. Three Springs Nature Preserve
10442 Three Springs Road

Preserve Acres: 515 Miles of Hiking Trail: 1.9

Trail Rating: Easy on fairly level terrain

Trail and Preserve Features: Trail winds through open fields and a mixed conifer forest and passes by old stone fences and the historic buildings of the Erickson homestead of the 1800s. Hike culminates at a viewing platform overlooking the springs. Scenic overlook is an ideal place for wildlife observation where sightings of sandhill cranes, herons, diving ducks and dragonflies are common.

**Teeming with wildlife...** The historic barn at Three Springs is one of Door County's most important maternity roosting sites for the Little Brown Bat. A nursing mother bat can eat 110% of her body-weight in mosquitoes each night! In addition to a number of bats, this area attracts waterfowl, migrating and nesting birds, a plethora of frogs and snakes, as well as deer, fishers, mink, and more. Northern pike can be seen hunting in the wetland grasses when the water is high.



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