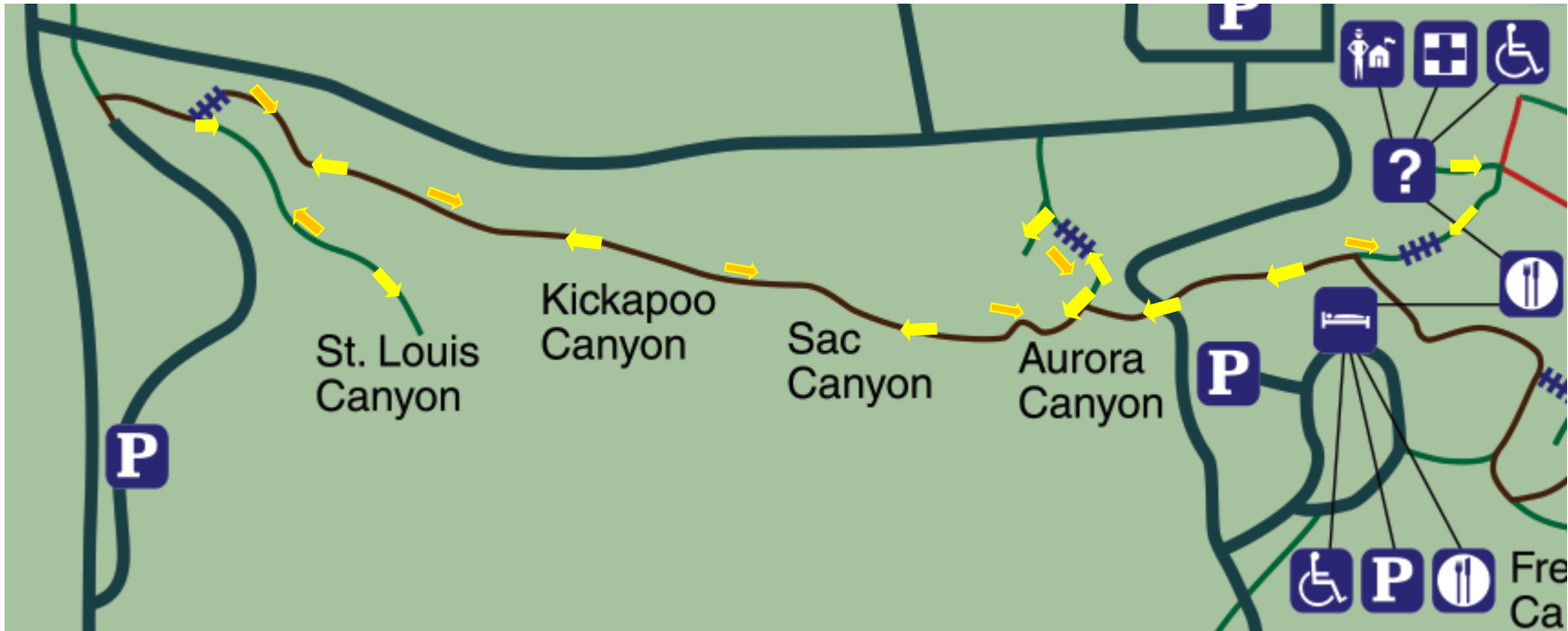


Aurora, Kickapoo, Sac, and St. Louis Canyons



Distance from ? Visitor Center : 3 miles roundtrip or 1.5 miles roundtrip from parking area **P** next to St. Louis Canyon.

Difficulty: Easy-Moderate (4 staircases). 1/4 of trail paved, 3/4 sandstone, dirt, or sand mixture.

Walking Time: 2+ hours (3 miles) 45 minutes (1.5 mile)

Trail Tidbits: St. Louis Canyon is the only canyon in the park that is spring fed, meaning the waterfall at St. Louis usually lasts longer than all others in the park which are rain fed. The canyons along the Brown Bluff trail are named after different Native American tribes from Illinois (Kickapoo, Sac, and Aurora). St. Louis Canyon is also known for the Starved Rock murders that occurred in March of 1960. 3 women who were traveling with their husbands and staying at the Starved Rock Lodge were found murdered and bound in an area of the canyon. Chester Weger who was working at the lodge at the time was arrested for the murders and remains in prison to this day.