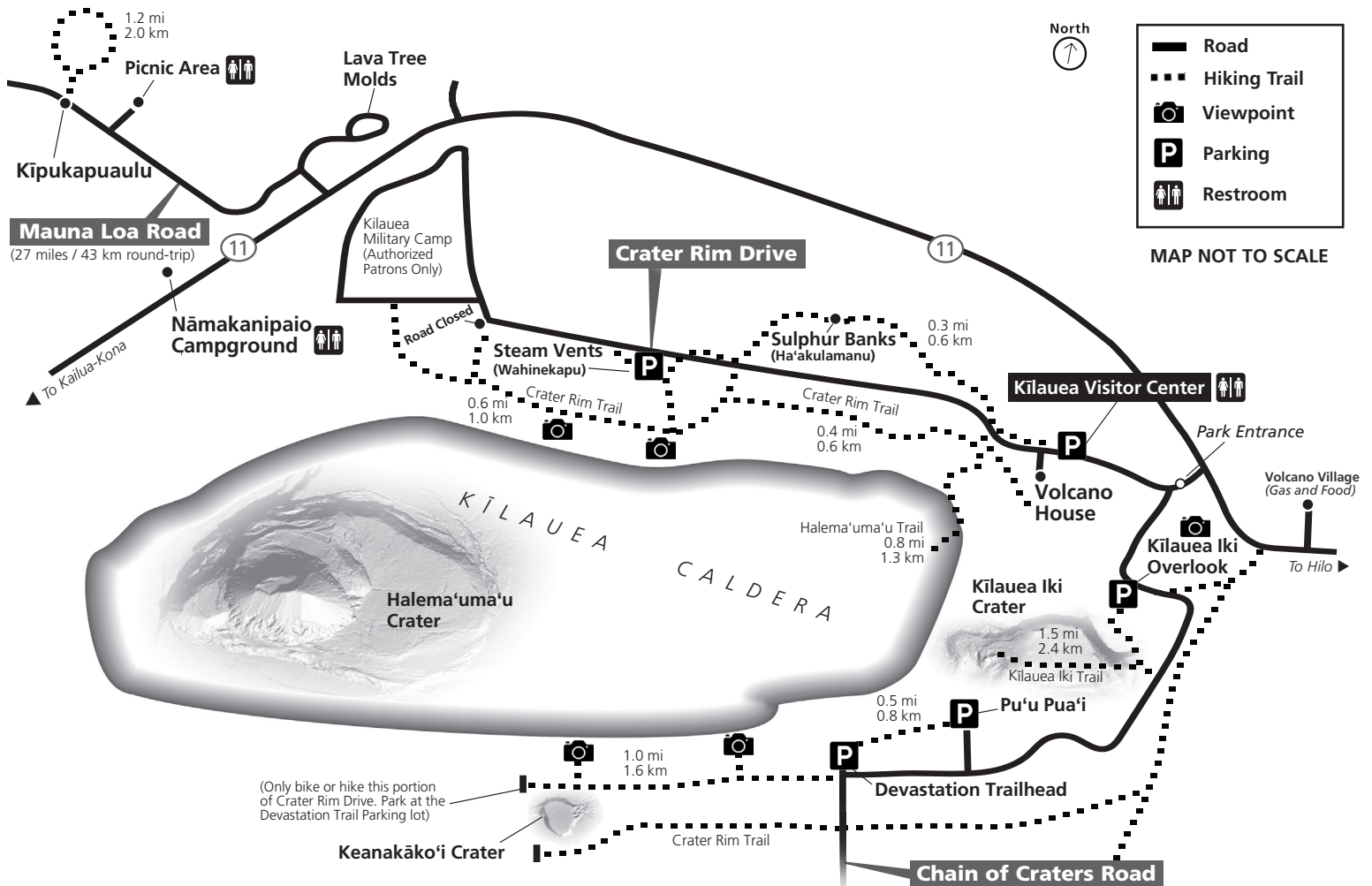




Crater Rim Drive and Chain of Craters Road

VISITOR ALERT

- Some trails and facilities may be closed due to endangered species or damage from 2018 eruption activity. Check for current closures.
- There is currently no molten lava visible anywhere on the island of Hawai'i.



Short Walks and Hikes



Sulphur Banks Trail

Sulphur Banks (Ha'akulamano) and Steam Vents (Wahinekapu) 🚻

See where volcanic gases deposited colorful sulphur crystals and other minerals along this paved trail and boardwalk. Walk from Kilauea Visitor Center (0.3 mile / 0.6 km to Sulphur Banks) or take the wheelchair-accessible trail from Steam Vents parking area. Hike can also be done as a loop, returning via Crater Rim Trail (unpaved).

Devastation Trail 🚻

Stroll on a paved path through a landscape buried in cinders from the 1959 Kilauea Iki lava fountain eruption. Witness life returning to this once-devastated area. (0.5 mile / 0.8 km one-way)

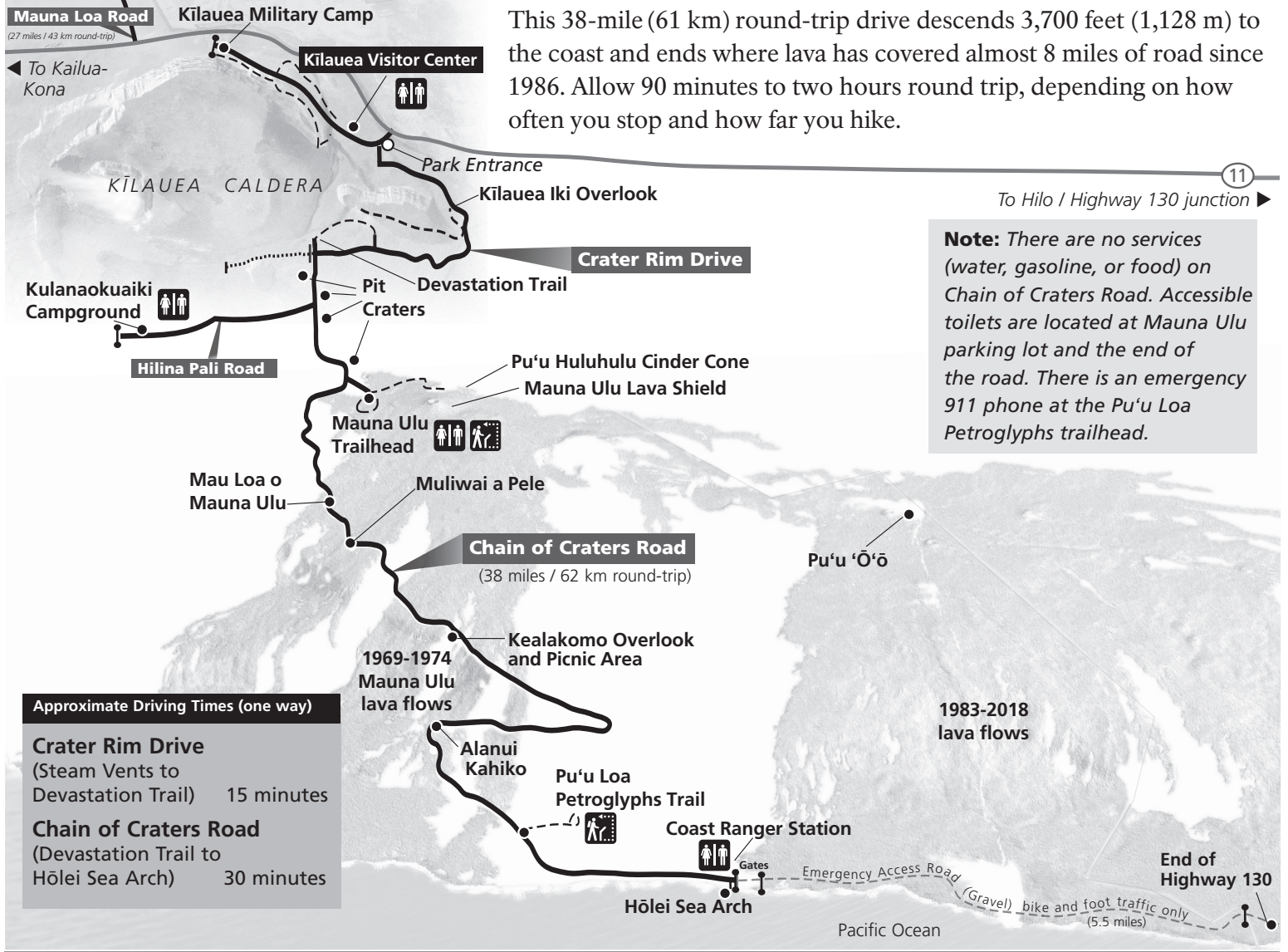
Kilauea Iki Crater 🚻

Descend 400 feet (122 m) through native rain forest into a crater and hike across a hardened lava lake from the 1959 eruption. Park at Kilauea Iki Overlook. (1.5 miles / 2.4 km one-way)

Keanakako'i Crater and Crater Rim Drive 🚻

Walk along an old portion of Crater Rim Drive with views toward the gaping Halema'uma'u Crater and the smaller Keanakako'i Crater. Park at the Devastation Trailhead parking lot. Trail begins near the parking lot exit. (1 mile / 1.6 km one-way)

Chain of Craters Road: Points of Interest



This 38-mile (61 km) round-trip drive descends 3,700 feet (1,128 m) to the coast and ends where lava has covered almost 8 miles of road since 1986. Allow 90 minutes to two hours round trip, depending on how often you stop and how far you hike.

Hikes

Pick up the **Mauna Ulu Eruption interpretive trail guide** at Kilauea Visitor Center or at Mauna Ulu parking lot.

Mauna Ulu Eruption

Hike over massive lava flows from the 1969–1974 Mauna Ulu eruption. Gaze into a gaping earth crack, stroll through a forest of lava trees, and climb to the top of Pu'u Huluhulu Cinder Cone. **Trail begins at Mauna Ulu parking lot.** (2.5 miles / 4 km round-trip hike)

Pu'u Loa Petroglyphs

A traditional Hawaiian trail leads to images artfully etched in stone. Petroglyphs are fragile, so stay on the boardwalk. **Trail begins at Pu'u Loa Petroglyphs pullout.** (1.4 miles / 2.4 km round-trip)

What Will I See at the End of Chain of Craters Road?



Hōlei Sea Arch

Steep cliffs mark the current edge of the island of Hawai'i, where previous lava flows have met the ocean. Successive flows, building upon one another, have slowly increased the size of the island over millenia.

Enjoy spectacular ocean views from atop 60-foot (18 m) sea cliffs. Marvel at the power of the ocean sweeping through one of the most spectacular sea arches in Hawai'i. Keep your eyes peeled for birds like the noio, or black noddy, nesting in cliff walls.

This sea arch was formed by wave erosion; the same process will eventually cause its collapse.

For your safety, stay behind the rock wall and away from cliff edges. The sea arch is unstable. DO NOT approach the arch.