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## ACCESSIBILITY EVALUATION

### Sports Facilities

Most sports areas in the park are not accessible. In some cases, this can be solved by adding an accessible walkway. In other cases it may be preferable to wait for reconstruction of the area in question and then relocate the sports areas in accessible clusters.

### Play Areas

Most play areas in the park are not accessible, but the large areas with quantity and variety of play elements typically are. The goal will be to ensure full accessibility at these large play areas and to ensure that like play experiences are provided for children with disabilities. In some cases it may be feasible to either add an accessible walkway to small play areas or relocate them in accessible clusters.

### Golf

The primary obstacle to accessibility in Metroparks golf courses is procedural rather than design-related. At the moment, all courses follow a policy of not allowing golf carts onto the greens or teeing grounds. Changing the policy to allow individuals with disabilities to drive carts onto these spaces would remove a barrier to their participation. Each course should also purchase 1-2 accessible golf carts, which feature swiveling seats to allow all players to reach the tee. Some courses have additional design barriers to participation that must be addressed.

### Miniature Golf

The one miniature golf course in the system is at Lake St. Clair, and the first nine holes are accessible.

Park name	Miles needed for accessibility
Kensington	1.98
Stony Creek	1.54
Hudson Mills	1.16
Lower Huron	0.90
Willow	0.89
Huron Meadows	0.46
Lake St. Clair	0.43
Delhi	0.42
Oakwoods	0.28
Indian Springs	0.26
Wolcott Mill	0.22
Lake Erie	0.18
Dexter-Huron	0.18
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8.89</b>

Park name	Fishing piers	Paved route	Percent
Lake St. Clair	2	2	100%
Kensington	4	4	100%
Lower Huron	2	2	100%
Stony Creek	1	1	100%
Willow	1	1	100%
Lake Erie	1	1	100%
Wolcott Mill	1	0	0%
Huron Meadows	1	1	100%

Park name	Boating areas	Paved route	Percent
Lake St. Clair	4	3	75%
Kensington	4	2	50%
Stony Creek	2	1	50%
Lake Erie	2	2	100%

Park name	Pool areas	Paved route	Percent
Lake St. Clair	1	1	100%
Lower Huron	1	1	100%
Willow	1	1	100%
Lake Erie	1	1	100%

Park name	Play areas	Paved route	Percent
Lake St. Clair	2	1	50%
Kensington	23	6	26%
Dexter-Huron	3	0	0%
Delhi	5	1	20%
Lower Huron	12	3	25%
Hudson Mills	7	1	14%
Stony Creek	14	1	7%
Willow	11	2	18%
Lake Erie	3	2	66%
Wolcott Mill	1	0	0%
Indian Springs	5	5	100%
Huron Meadows	2	1	50%

Park name	Sports areas	Paved route	Percent
Lake St. Clair	17	9	69%
Kensington	15	0	0%
Dexter-Huron	1	0	0%
Delhi	2	1	33%
Lower Huron	8	6	50%
Hudson Mills	15	0	0%
Stony Creek	8	0	0%
Willow	7	1	9%
Lake Erie	7	2	40%
Wolcott Mill	3	0	0%
Indian Springs	3	0	0%
Huron Meadows	5	0	0%

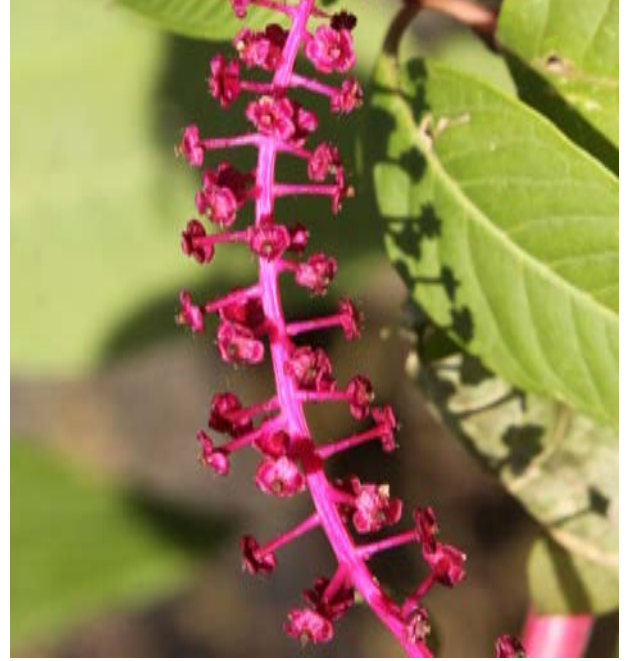
**Field Analysis—Fishing, Boating, Golf, Pools, Playgrounds**

Fishing Piers	Lake St. Clair		Kensington		Lower Huron			Stony Creek	Willow	Lake Erie	Wolcott Mill	Huron Meadows
	Pointe	W Launch	W Launch	W Launch	North Site	East Bend	South Site	Boat	Washago	Marina	Farm	Sunset
Accessible route to entrance?	yes	-	no	no	-	-	-	no	no	yes	no	no
Accessible route to fishing area?	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	yes
Landing for transition plate?	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	no	-
25% of railings no more than 34in above?	yes	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
Dispersed throughout platform?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
Clear floor space at railing?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
Curb or barrier 2in min?	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no
Clear floor space w/no railings?	-	-	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Clear floor space for turning?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Rank	4	2	3	3	3	3	3	2	1	3	3	3

Boat Launches	Lake St. Clair			Kensington			Stony Creek		Lake Erie			
	Shore Marina	South Marina	Boat Launch	Daysail	Mitten Bay	W Launch	E Launch	Boat Rental	Boat Launch	Boat Rental	Boat Launch	Marina
Accessible route to facility entrance?	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Proper # of accessible slips?	no	no	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	no
Dispersed among types?	-	no	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	no
Accessible route to the slips?	yes	yes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	yes
Transition plate slope 1:20 or landing?	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clear pier space 60in?	no	yes	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	yes
Every 120in clear opening 60in?	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5% and at least 1 pier accessible?	no	yes	no	yes	-	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no
Controls/operating mechanisms accessible?	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cleats/securements accessible?	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Accessible route connecting accessible piers?	-	-	-	-	-	no	no	no	-	no	no	-
Clear pier space 60in?	no	yes	yes	yes	-	no	no	no	no	yes	no	-
Every 120in clear opening 60in?	-	yes	-	-	-	no	no	no	-	yes	yes	yes
Controls/operating mechanisms accessible?	-	-	-	-	-	-	no	-	-	no	-	-
Cleats/securements accessible?	-	-	-	-	-	-	no	-	-	no	-	-
Rank	2	3	2	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	3	2

Golf Courses	Lake St.	Kensington	Lower Huron	Hudson Mills	Stony Creek	Willow	Lake Erie	Wolcott	Indian Springs	Huron Meadows
	Clair		Huron		Creek				Springs	Meadows
Accessible route to entrance?	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no
Route to golf car rental?	yes	no	-	no	yes	yes	-	no	yes	yes
Route to bag drop?	yes	yes	-	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Route to weather shelter?	yes	-	no	-	yes	-	-	no	no	-
Route to toilet?	yes	-	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no	no
Route to practice putting green?	yes	yes	-	yes	yes	yes	-	no	yes	yes
Route to practice teeing ground?	yes	yes	-	yes	yes	yes	-	no	yes	yes
Route to teeing ground?	yes	no	-	yes	yes	yes	-	no	yes	yes
Route to driving range?	yes	no	-	yes	yes	yes	-	no	yes	yes
Accessible route 48in or 60in w/handrails?	yes	no	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Clear width of golf car passage 48in?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
If curb, 60in opening ever 75 yards?	yes	-	-	yes	yes	-	-	no	yes	yes
If one teeing ground, can golf car enter?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
If two teeing grounds, can golf car enter one?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	-	no	yes	yes
If three teeing grounds, can golf car enter two?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	-	no	yes	yes
Can golf car enter putting green?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Can golf car enter 5% and at least 1 practice/driving?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Can golf car enter shelter/clear floor space?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	-	yes	no	yes	yes
Rank	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	3

Pools	Lake St.	Lower	Willow	Lake Erie
Accessible route to entrance?	yes	yes	yes	-
Accessible route from entrance to pool?	yes	yes	yes	yes
300 ft or more: sloped entry/lift + lift/stairs?	yes	-	yes	-
Less than 300 ft: sloped entry/lift?	-	yes	-	-
Wave pool/lazy river: sloped entry/lift/transfer?	-	yes	-	yes
Wading pool: sloped entry?	-	-	-	-
Spa: lift/transfer?	-	-	-	-
Catch pool: accessible route to edge?	yes	yes	yes	-
Sloped entry at least 36in wide?	yes	yes	yes	yes
Surface stable and firm?	yes	yes	yes	yes
Sloped entry depth 24-30in?	yes	yes	yes	yes
Running slope no more than 1:12?	yes	no	yes	yes
If not, landings?	-	-	-	-
Handrails on both sides of steps?	yes	yes	yes	-
Width 20-24in?	yes	no	no	-
Rank	4	3	3	4



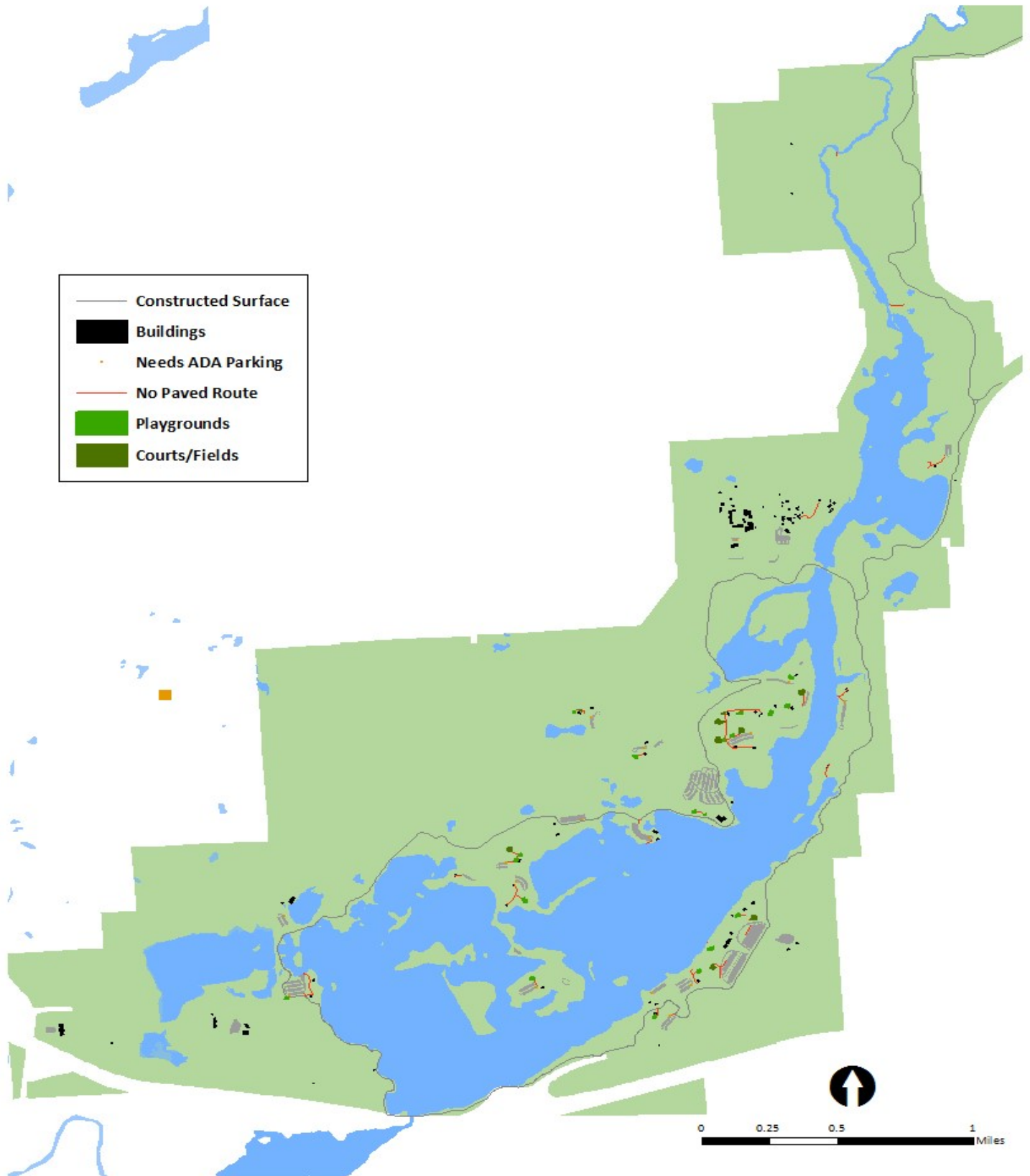
Large Play Areas	Kensington		Hudson Mills		Indian Springs			Huron Meadows
	Matindale Beach	Maple Beach	Activity Center 2-5	Activity Center 5-12	Meadow lark	Adventure Climbing	Adventure Play	Sunset Ridge
Is there a handicap van accessible parking space nearby, with sign?	yes	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no
Is there an accessible route to the playground?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Does the play surface comply with standards, including being maintained and even?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Is there a ramped transition from accessible route into the mulch play area?	no	no	yes	yes	no	no	no	yes
Does the play structure have a transfer station or ramp to allow access onto the structure?	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	-	yes
Does it appear the structure was designed for accessibility? Accessible elements must be dispersed at upper and lower levels.	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	yes
Rank	3	3	3	3	3	2	3	3

Large Play Areas	Lower Huron	Willow	Lake Erie		Stony Creek	Wolcott Mill	Lake St. Clair
	Ellwoods	Tot Lot	Great Wave	Cove Point	Eastwood Beach	Farm Center	Tot Lot
Is there a handicap van accessible parking space nearby, with sign?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes
Is there an accessible route to the playground?	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Does the play surface comply with standards, including being maintained and even?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes
Is there a ramped transition from accessible route into the mulch play area?	no	yes	no	no	yes	yes	no
Does the play structure have a transfer station or ramp to allow access onto the structure?	no	no	yes	yes	yes	no	no
Does it appear the structure was designed for accessibility? Accessible elements must be dispersed at upper and lower levels.	no	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no
Rank	2	3	3	3	4	2	2

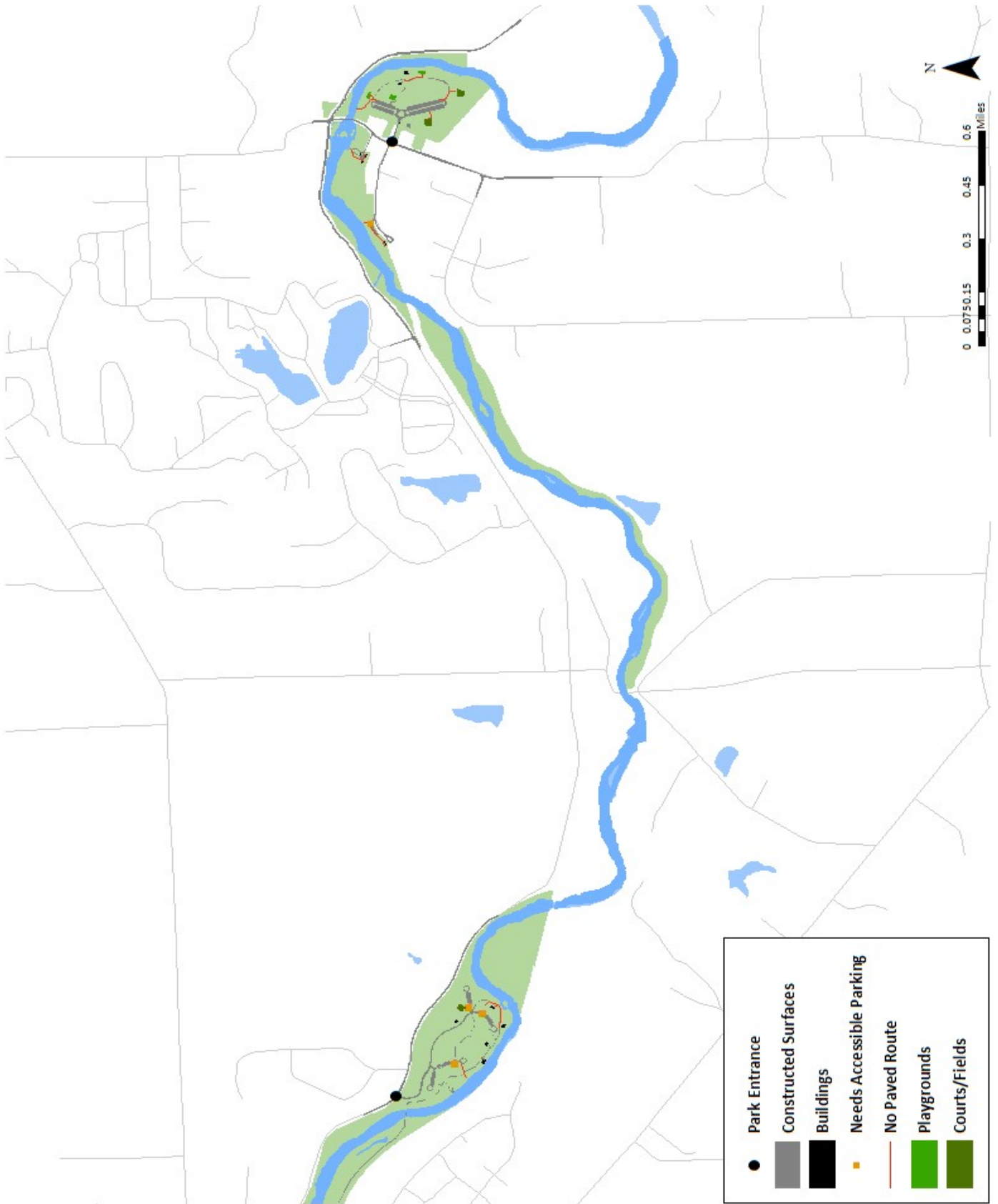
Lake St. Clair



### Kensington

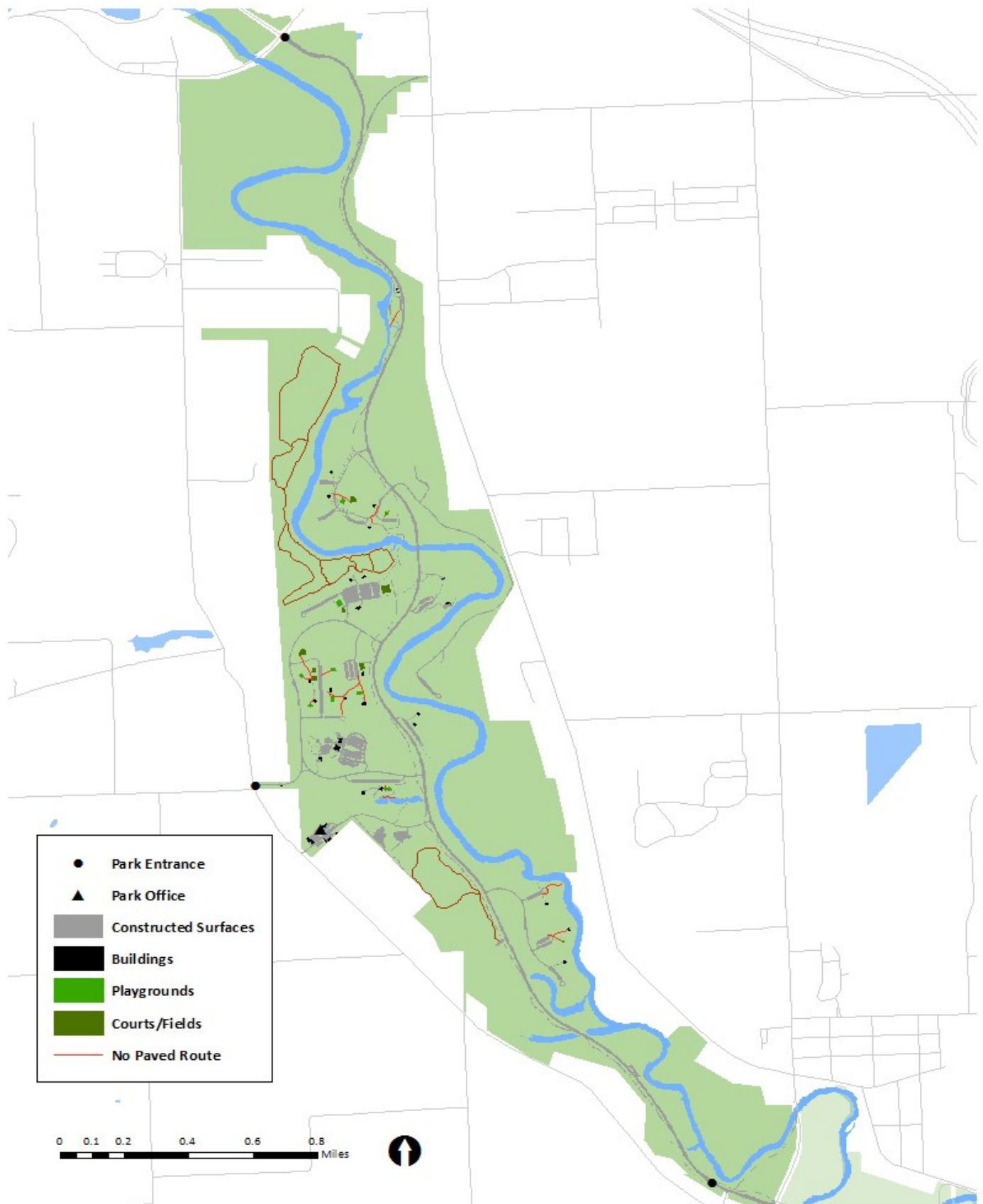


Dexter-Huron/Delhi

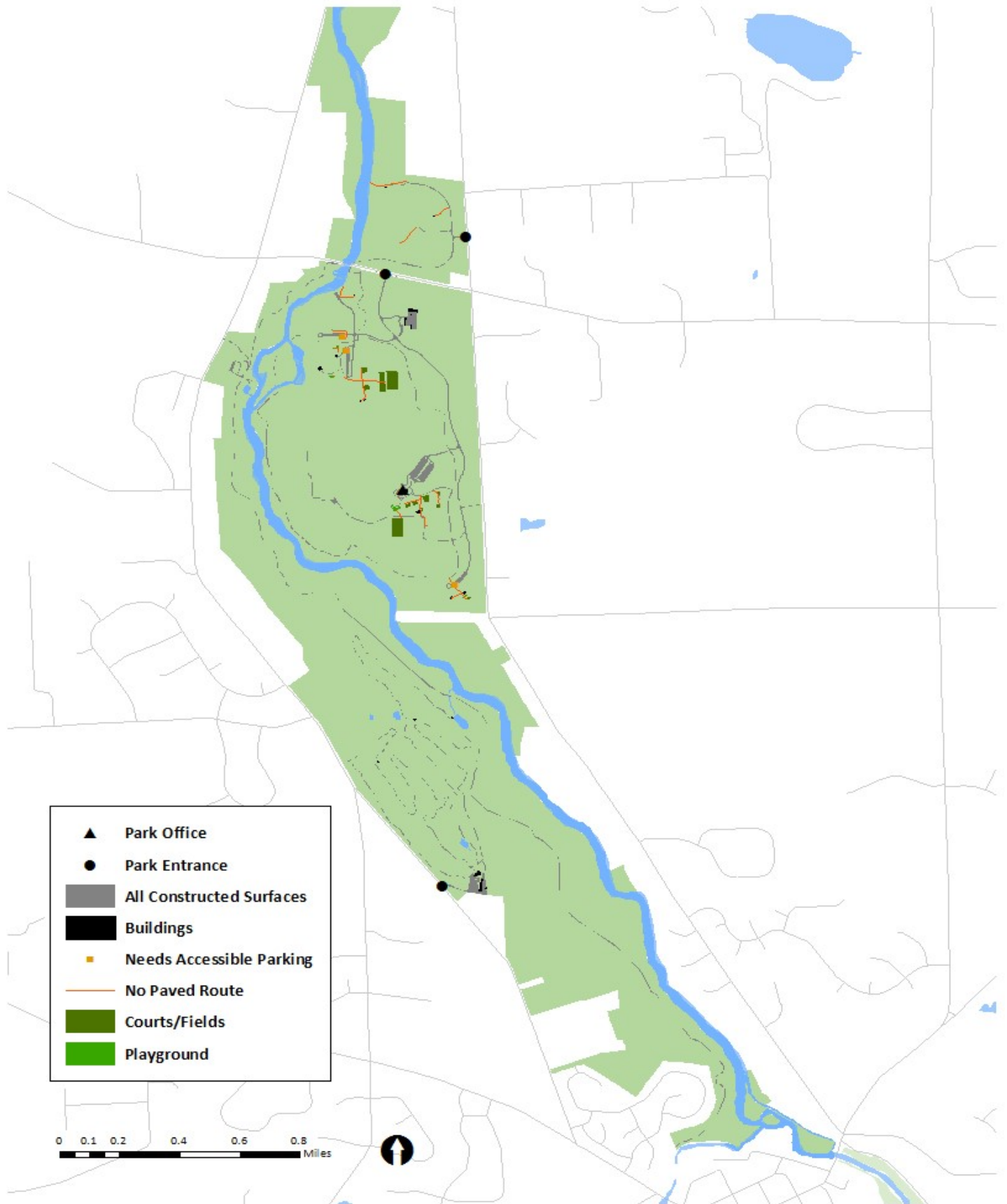




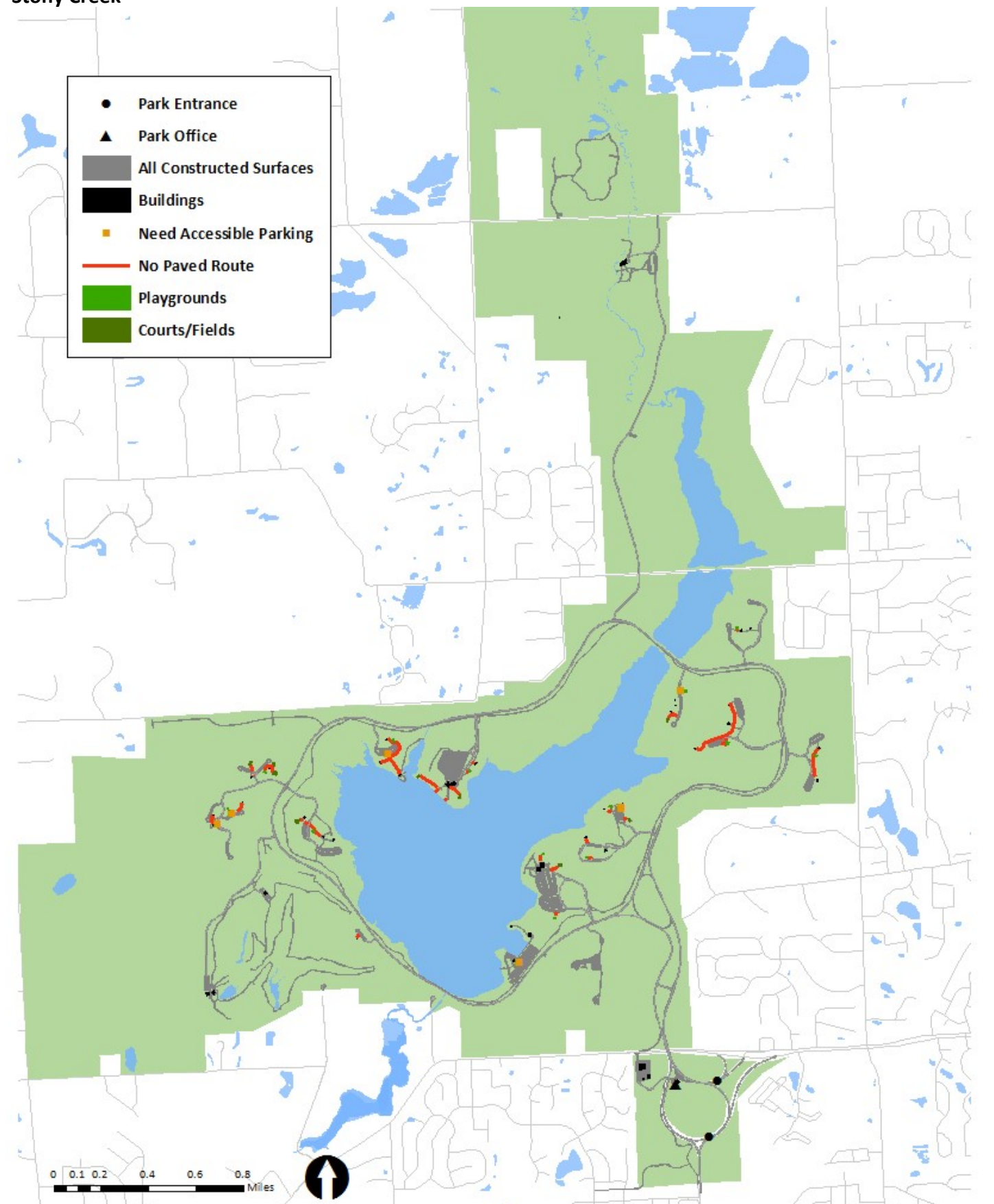
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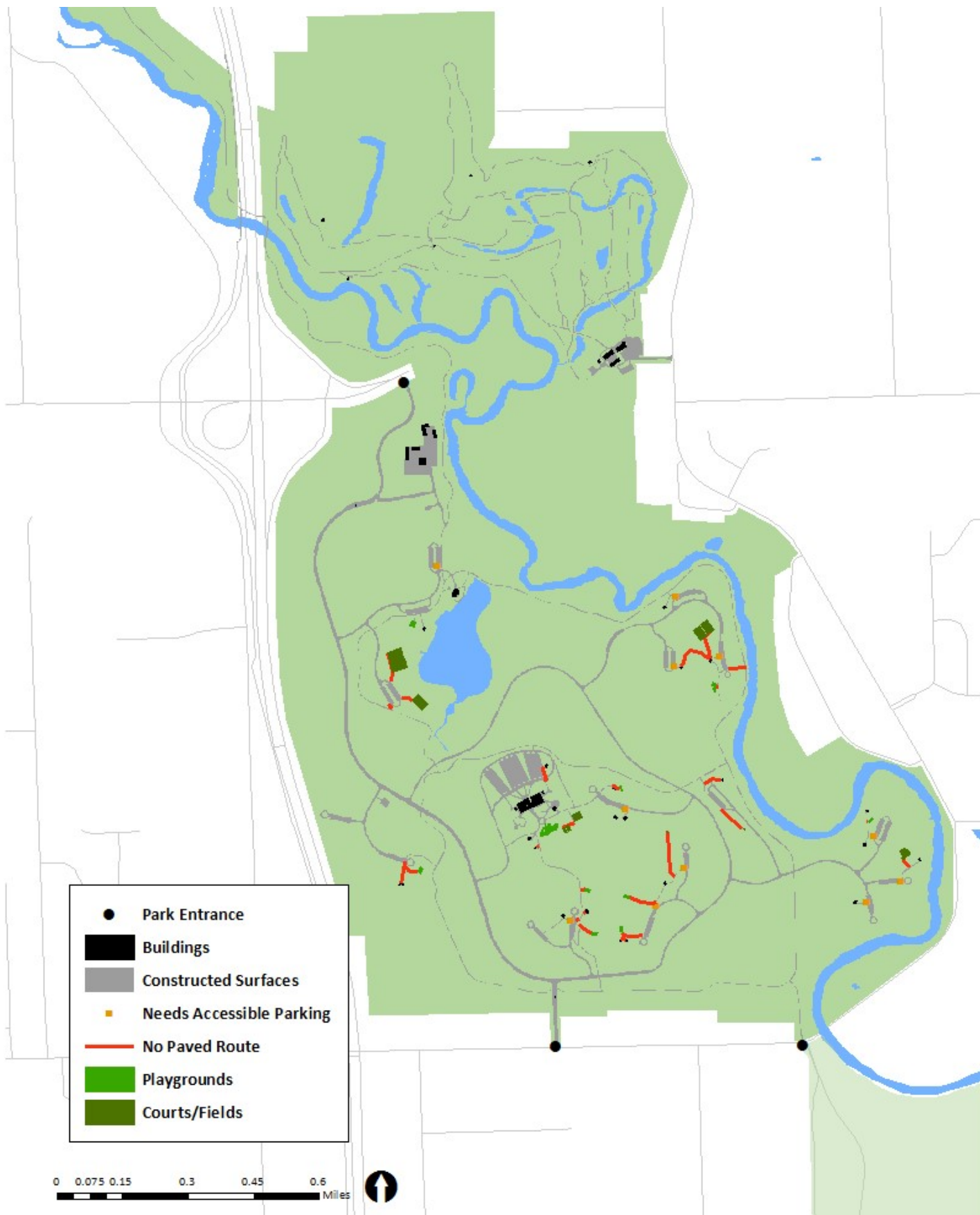
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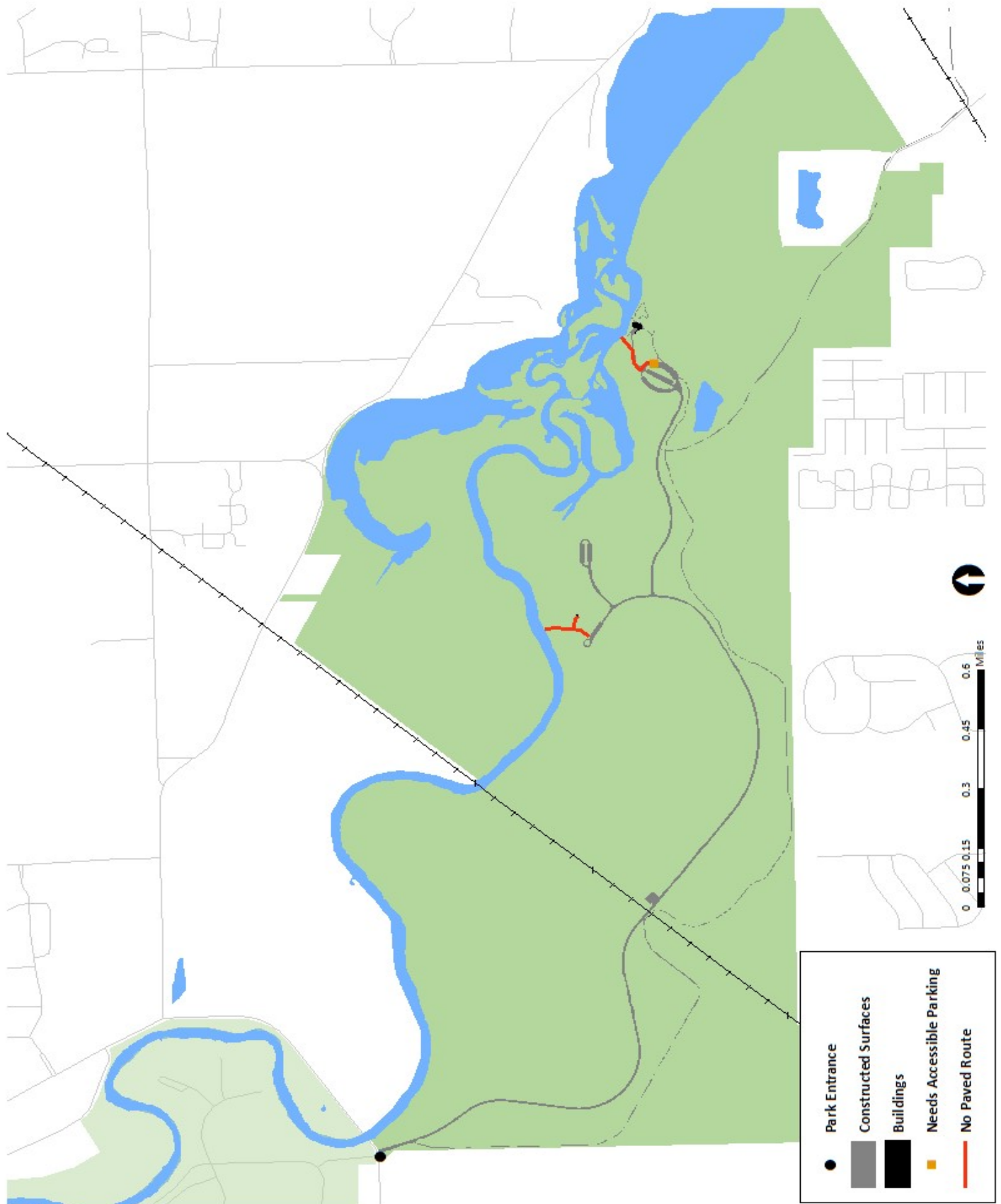
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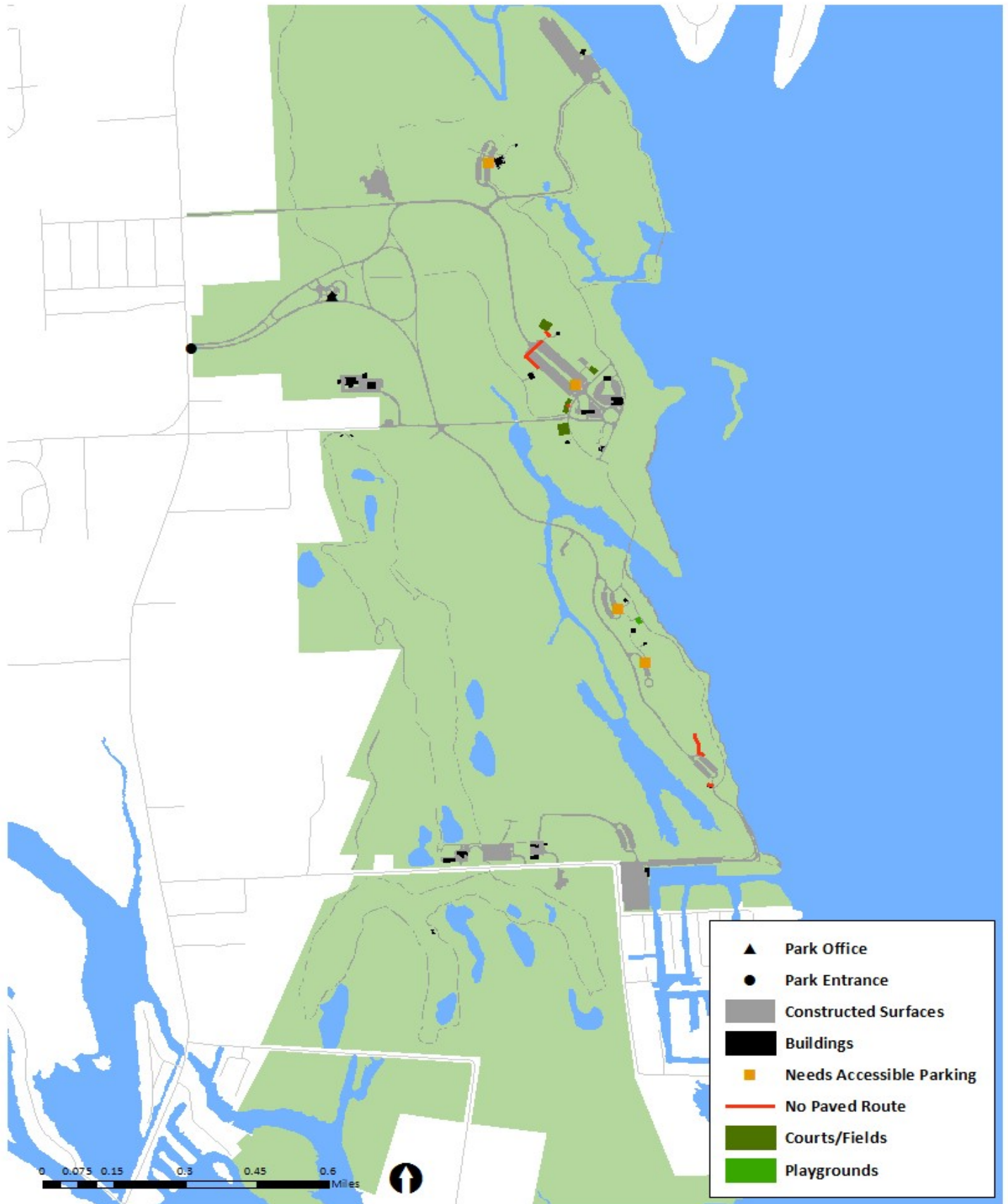
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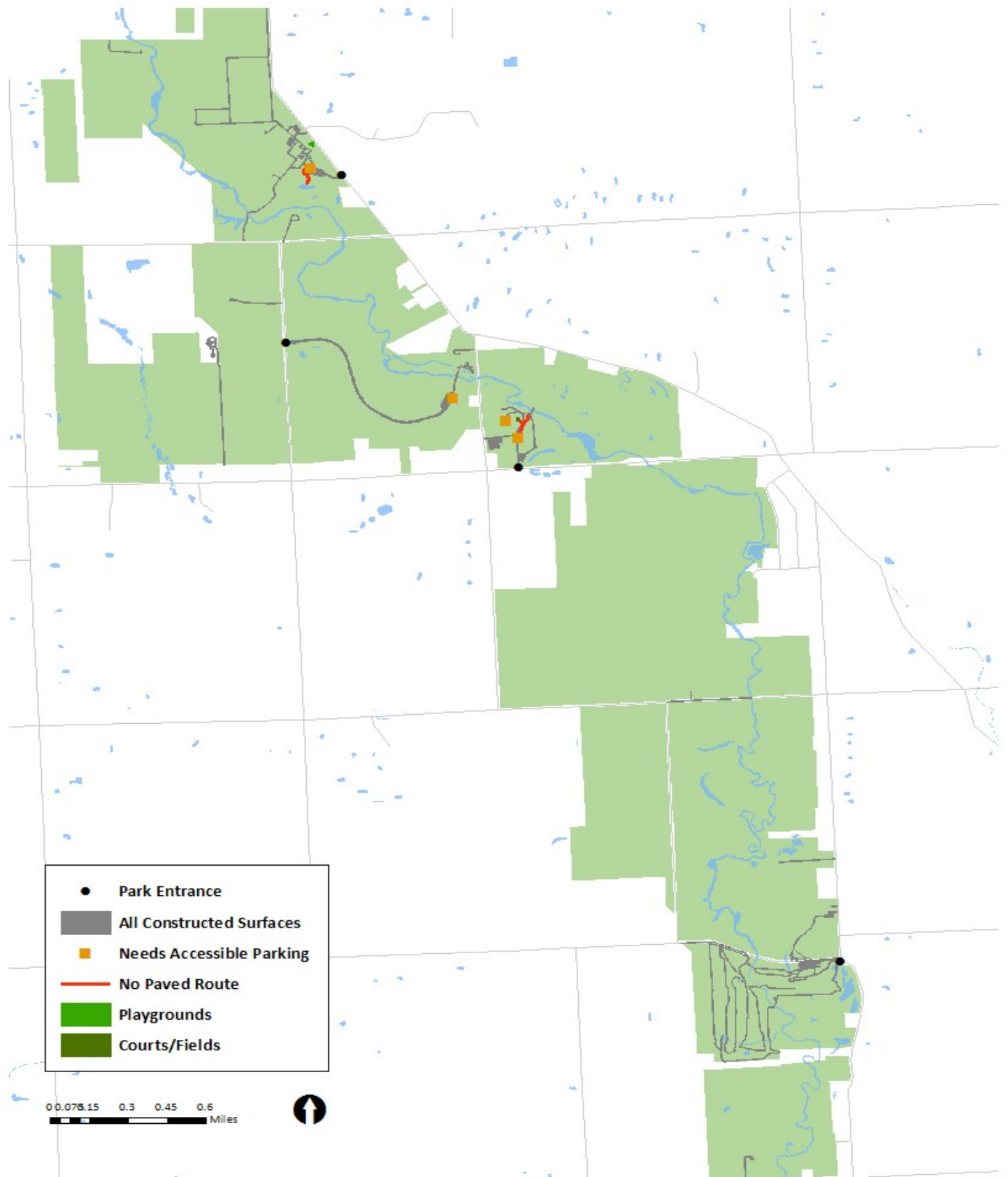
### Oakwoods



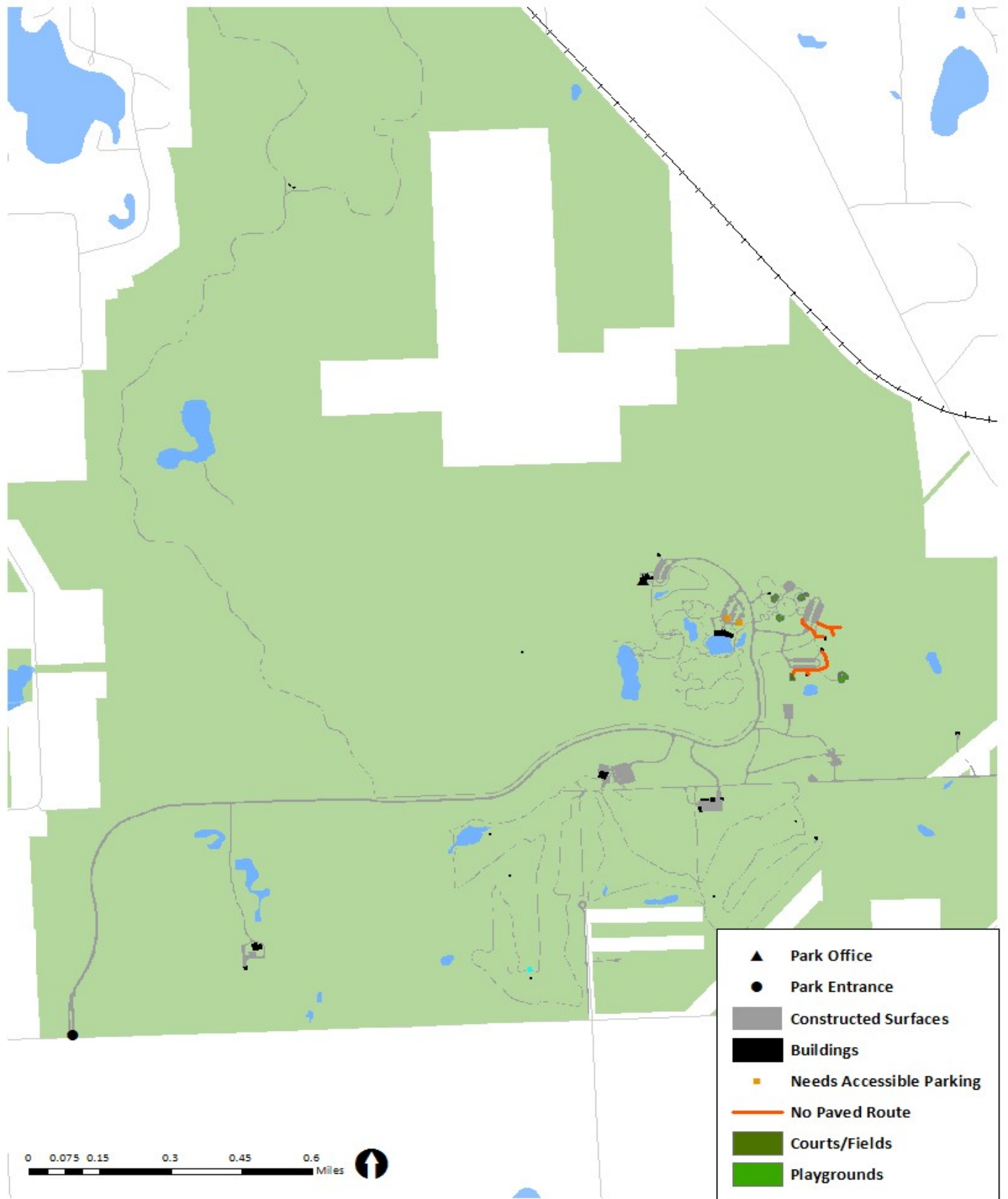
### Lake Erie



### Wolcott Mill



### Indian Springs





### Huron Meadows





## Community Needs Assessment Survey

Your input is an important part of Huron-Clinton Metroparks ongoing efforts to provide quality parks, recreation, and other services for residents of southeast Michigan. This survey will take only 10-15 minutes to complete. When you are finished, please return your survey in the enclosed postage-paid, return-reply envelope. You may also complete the survey on-line at [www.HCMetroparks.org](http://www.HCMetroparks.org).

1. How many times have you or other members of your household visited parks and facilities that are operated by Huron-Clinton Metroparks during the past year?

- (1) More than 6 times       (3) Once or twice  
 (2) 3-6 times               (4) None - have not visited in the past year *[Skip to Question 2.]*

1a. Which of the following best describes the type of vehicle permit you purchased?

- (1) Daily permit               (3) Did not purchase a vehicle permit  
 (2) Annual permit             (9) Don't remember

2. Parks and facilities that are operated by Huron-Clinton Metroparks are listed below. Please check ALL of the parks and facilities that you and other members of your household have visited during the past year. *[Check all that apply.]*

**PARKS**

- (01) Delhi Metropark
- (02) Dexter-Huron Metropark
- (03) Hudson Mills Metropark
- (04) Huron Meadows Metropark
- (05) Indian Springs Metropark
- (06) Kensington Metropark
- (07) Lake Erie Metropark
- (08) Lake St. Clair Metropark
- (09) Lower Huron Metropark
- (10) Oakwoods Metropark
- (11) Stony Creek Metropark
- (12) Willow Metropark
- (13) Wolcott Mill Metropark

**GOLF COURSES**

- (14) Hudson Mills Golf Course
- (15) Huron Meadows Golf Course
- (16) Indian Springs Golf Course
- (17) Kensington Golf Course
- (18) Lake Erie Golf Course
- (19) Stony Creek Golf Course
- (20) Willow Golf Course
- (21) Wolcott Mill Golf Course

**EDUCATIONAL/HISTORIC FACILITIES**

- (22) Hudson Mills Activity Center
- (23) Indian Springs Environmental Discovery Center
- (24) Kensington Farm Center
- (25) Kensington Nature Center
- (26) Lake Erie Marshlands Museum
- (27) Lake St. Clair Nature Center
- (28) Oakwoods Nature Center
- (29) Stony Creek Nature Center
- (30) Wolcott Mill Farm Center
- (31) Wolcott Mill Historic Center

**WATER FACILITIES**

- (32) Lower Huron Turtle Cove
- (33) Kensington Splash 'n Blast
- (34) Indian Springs Spray Pad
- (35) Lake St. Clair Squir Zone
- (36) Lake St. Clair Pool
- (37) Stony Creek water slide
- (38) Willow Pool
- (39) Lake Erie Wave Pool

**OTHER**

- (40) Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- (41) Other: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Which of the parks and facilities from the list in Question 2 does your household use MOST OFTEN? *[Write-in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 2, or circle "NONE".]*

1st: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd: \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd: \_\_\_\_\_ 4th: \_\_\_\_\_ NONE

4. Prior to receiving this survey, were you aware of the difference between the Huron-Clinton Metroparks system (which consists of the 13 parks listed in Question 2, covering over 25,000 acres in Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Livingston, and Washtenaw counties) and other park systems operated by the State of Michigan, counties, and cities in Southeast Michigan?

- (1) Yes       (2) No

5. **FACILITY NEEDS.** Please indicate if you or other members of your HOUSEHOLD have a need for each of the facilities listed below by circling either "YES" or "NO".

If "YES", please rate how well the needs of your household are currently being met in Southeast Michigan using a scale of 1 to 5, where "5" means ALL (100%) of your needs are being met and "1" means NONE (0%) of your needs are being met.

Facility	Do You Have a Need for this Facility?		If YES, how well are your needs being met in Southeast Michigan?				
	Yes	No	100% Met	75% Met	50% Met	25% Met	0% Met
01. Beaches	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
02. Boat Docks	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
03. Boat Ramps	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
04. Camping Areas - RVs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
05. Camping Areas - Group Sites	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
06. Camping Areas - Primitive Sites	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
07. Canoe/Kayak Launch Sites	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
08. Canoe/Kayak Rentals	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
09. Disc Golf	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
10. Fishing Banks or Docks	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
11. Golf courses	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
12. Golf driving ranges	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
13. Marinas	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
14. Nature Centers	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
15. Picnic Shelters	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
16. Picnic Tables	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
17. Playgrounds	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
18. Splash Pad (water play area)	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
19. Outdoor swimming pools	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
20. Waterslides	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
21. Trails – Mountain biking	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
22. Trails - Paved, Multi-use	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
23. Trails - Unpaved, Hiking	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
24. Trails - Unpaved, Equestrian	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
25. Other (specify): _____	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
26. Other (specify): _____	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1

6. Which FOUR of the Metropark facilities listed in Question 5 do you and other members of your household currently USE MOST? [Write-in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 5, or circle "NONE".]

1st: \_\_\_\_ 2nd: \_\_\_\_ 3rd: \_\_\_\_ 4th: \_\_\_\_ NONE

7. Regardless of their current availability in Southeast Michigan, which FOUR of the facilities from the list in Question 5 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? [Write-in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 5, or circle "NONE".]

1st: \_\_\_\_ 2nd: \_\_\_\_ 3rd: \_\_\_\_ 4th: \_\_\_\_ NONE

8. **PROGRAM NEEDS.** Please indicate if you or other members of your HOUSEHOLD have a need for each of the programs listed below by circling either "YES" or "NO".

If "YES", please rate how well the needs of your household are currently being met by existing programs/activities in Southeast Michigan using a scale of 1 to 5, where "5" means ALL (100%) of your needs are being met and "1" means NONE (0%) of your needs are being met.

Programs/Activities	Do You Have a Need for this Program?		If YES, how well are your needs being met in Southeast Michigan?				
	Yes	No	100% Met	75% Met	50% Met	25% Met	0% Met
01. Art/photography	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
02. Astronomy programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
03. Bird/wildlife watching programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
04. Boating classes	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
05. Camping	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
06. Concerts	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
07. Environmental education programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
08. Farm educational programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
09. Farmers market	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
10. Fishing programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
11. Golf lessons	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
12. Golf tournaments	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
13. Guided motorized boat tours	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
14. Guided canoe/kayak tours	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
15. Guided nature hikes	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
16. Homeschool programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
17. Movies in the park	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
18. Natural/cultural history programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
19. Pet-friendly programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
20. Running clubs/programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
21. Scouting	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
22. Walking clubs/programs	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
23. Other (specify): _____	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1
24. Other (specify): _____	Yes	No	5	4	3	2	1

9. In which FOUR of the programs listed in Question 8 do you and other members of your household currently participate MOST that are offered by Huron-Clinton Metroparks? [Write-in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 8, or circle "NONE".]

1st: \_\_\_\_ 2nd: \_\_\_\_ 3rd: \_\_\_\_ 4th: \_\_\_\_ NONE

10. Regardless of their current availability in Southeast Michigan, which FOUR of the programs from the list in Question 8 are MOST IMPORTANT to your household? [Write-in your answers below using the numbers from the list in Question 8, or circle "NONE".]

1st: \_\_\_\_ 2nd: \_\_\_\_ 3rd: \_\_\_\_ 4th: \_\_\_\_ NONE



14. Please CHECK ALL the ways you learn about Huron-Clinton Metroparks facilities, programs, and services. [Check all that apply.]

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|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (01) Program guides published by Metroparks | <input type="checkbox"/> (07) School flyers/newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (02) Metroparks website                     | <input type="checkbox"/> (08) E-mail blasts            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (03) Banners posted at Metroparks           | <input type="checkbox"/> (09) Newspaper articles       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (04) Social media                           | <input type="checkbox"/> (10) Mailings                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (05) Flyers at facilities                   | <input type="checkbox"/> (11) Other: _____             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (06) From friends and neighbors             |  |

15. What is your age? \_\_\_\_\_ years old

16. Counting yourself, how many people in your household are:

- |                    |                   |                   |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| Under age 5: _____ | Ages 15-19: _____ | Ages 35-44: _____ | Ages 65-74: _____ |
| Ages 5-9: _____    | Ages 20-24: _____ | Ages 45-54: _____ | Ages 75+: _____   |
| Ages 10-14: _____  | Ages 25-34: _____ | Ages 55-64: _____ |                   |

17. What is your home zip code? \_\_\_\_\_

18. Your gender:  (1) Male  (2) Female

19. Are you or any member of your household of Hispanic/Latino ancestry?  (1) Yes  (2) No

20. Which of the following best describes your race? [Check all that apply.]

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) African American/Black         | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Caucasian/White |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) American Indian/Alaskan Native | <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Other: _____    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Asian/Pacific Islander         |  |

21. How long have you lived in Southeast Michigan? \_\_\_\_\_ years

22. What is your household income?

- |  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Under \$25,000    | <input type="checkbox"/> (3) \$50,000-\$99,999   | <input type="checkbox"/> (5) \$150,00 or more |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) \$25,000-\$49,999 | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) \$100,000-\$149,999 |   |

23. In which county do you live?

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24. Do you have any other comments or suggestions for improving programs and/or facilities operated by Metroparks in Southeast Michigan? If so, please write them in the space below.

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**This concludes the survey – Thank you for your time!**

Please return your completed survey in the enclosed return-reply envelope addressed to:  
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Your responses will remain completely confidential. The address information to the right will ONLY be used to help identify areas with special interests. Thank you!

**Stony Creek**

Project	Description	Cost	Funding Source	Timeframe	Goals / Objectives
Park Office redevelopment	Redevelop Park Office. Determine feasibility of relocating to main park and removing existing bridge. Combine with tollbooths if possible.	TBD	General Fund	2023-2027 Rec Plan	1.2, 1.3, 3.1
Ridgewood Campground improvements	Determine feasibility of developing yurts for rent. Consider relocation to another area of the park to take advantage of municipal water access to develop comfort station with shower facilities.	TBD	General Fund	2023-2027 Rec Plan	1.3

**Lake St. Clair**

Project	Description	Cost	Funding Source	Timeframe	Goals / Objectives
Park Office and Food Bar redevelopment	Redevelop and possibly separate the Park Office and Food Bar (Beachside Grill).	\$3,000,000	General Fund	2023-2027 Rec Plan	1.3, 2.3

**Lower Huron**

Project	Description	Cost	Funding Source	Timeframe	Goals / Objectives
Turtle Cove renovations	Develop new slide feature to enhance the existing water park. Incorporate additional shade structures and rental shelters.	\$3,000,000	General Fund	2023-2027 Rec Plan	1.3
Install comfort station at Walnut Grove Campground	Develop comfort station to include shower facility for campers.	\$400,000	General Fund	2023-2027 Rec Plan	1.3, 2.3
Provide electric service to Walnut Grove Campground	Bring electricity to some or all campsites.	\$150,000	General Fund	2023-2027 Rec Plan	1.3

**Lake Erie**

Project	Description	Cost	Funding Source	Timeframe	Goals / Objectives
Marina redevelopment	Determine future use of area and demand for the facility.	TBD	General Fund	2023-2027 Rec Plan	1.3
Wave Pool and Food Bar redevelopment	Determine future use of area. Redevelop with modern water feature(s) based on demand.	TBD	General Fund	2023-2027 Rec Plan	1.3

**Hudson Mills**

Project	Description	Cost	Funding Source	Timeframe	Goals / Objectives
Implement Activity Center selective redevelopment plan	Evaluate outdoor space for opportunities. Develop water feature to replace former inflatable water slide. Determine need for tennis court and replace with another amenity if necessary. Make accessibility improvements to restrooms. Incorporate additional revenue-generating opportunities such as event space rentals	TBD	General Fund	2023-2027 Rec Plan	1.3, 2.2

**Huron Meadows**

Project	Description	Cost	Funding Source	Timeframe	Goals / Objectives
Develop paved hike-bike trail around Maltby Lake	Park currently lacking any paved trails.	TBD	General Fund	2023-2027 Rec Plan	1.3, 2.3



**Lake St. Clair**

Number	Name—Grants	Year	Type	Status	Amount	Current Condition
TF87-085	Metro Beach Nature Center	1987	Development	Closed	\$ 225,000.00	Nature Center plans renovations to updated standards
CM00-067	Metro Beach Pointe Shoreline Trail	2000	Development	Closed	\$ 450,000.00	General maintenance to railing/benches
TF12-057	Lake St. Clair Metropark Land Acquisition	2012	Acquisition	Closed	\$ 94,000.00	No conversion, boundary maintained within park

**Kensington**

Number	Name	Year	Type	Status	Amount	Current Condition
26-00169	Kensington Metropark #2	1969	Acquisition	Closed	\$ 45,937.50	Still maintained as park
26-00146	Kensington Metropolitan Park	1969	Acquisition	Closed	\$ 42,000.00	Still maintained as park
26-00617	Kensington Hike-Bike Trail	1975	Development	Closed	\$ 50,000.00	General maintenance
26-00856	Kensington Hike/Bike Trail	1977	Development	Closed	\$ 50,000.00	General maintenance
26-01319	Kensington Hike-Bike Trail	1984	Development	Closed	\$ 127,500.00	General maintenance
BF89-614	Nature Center Kensington	1989	Development	Closed	\$ 300,000.00	Facility upgrades to meet standards
TF08-033	Kensington Metropark - Milford Trail Connector	2008	Development	Closed	\$ 315,000.00	General maintenance
TF11-018	Kensington Metropark Nature Center Pond Overlook	2011	Development	Closed	\$ 94,000.00	Additional amenities added to support grant

**Delhi**

Number	Name—Grant	Year	Type	Status	Amount	Current Condition
BF98-088	Delhi Metropark Children's Play Area	1998	Development	Closed	\$ 36,400.00	General upkeep, ADA parking improvements

**Lower Huron**

Number	Name	Year	Type	Status	Amount	Current Condition
26-00025	Lower Huron Metropark Woods Creek Picnic Area	1965	Development	Closed	\$ 18,700.00	General maintenance, no conversion
BF93-153	Lower Huron and Willow Metroparks	1993	Development	Closed	\$ 170,000.00	General maintenance, no conversion
TF00-069	Lower Huron Metropark Fishing Access Boardwalks	2000	Development	Closed	\$ 180,000.00	General maintenance, no conversion

**Hudson Mills**

Number	Name	Year	Type	Status	Amount	Current Condition
26-01146	Hudson Mills Hike-Bike Trail	1980	Development	Closed	\$ 78,500.00	General maintenance
TF03-023	Hudson Mills Metropark Hike/Bike Trail	2003	Development	Closed	\$ 361,000.00	General maintenance
TF10-040	Hudson Mills Hike/Bike Trail Development	2010	Development	Closed	\$ 500,000.00	General maintenance
TF14-0129	Hudson Mills Metropark Property Acquisition	2014	Acquisition	Active	\$75,000.00	Appraisal Needed

**Stony Creek**

Number	Name	Year	Type	Status	Amount	Current Condition
26-00022	Stony Creek West Branch - Winter Cove	1965	Development	Mitigation Com	\$ 198,050.00	Structure renovations to meet standards, additional trail facilities, basketball court
26-00059	Stony Creek Enlargement #1	1967	Acquisition	Mitigation Com	\$ 144,049.00	DEQ conservation easement remains public recreation
26-00070	Stony Creek Metropolitan Park #2	1967	Development	Mitigation Com	\$ 142,230.00	Upgraded boat launch complex per modern standards, additional
26-00618	Stony Creek Hike-Bike Trail	1975	Development	Mitigation Com	\$ 50,000.00	General maintenance
26-00857	Stony Creek Hike/Bike Trail	1977	Development	Mitigation Com	\$ 50,000.00	General maintenance

**Willow**

Number	Name	Year	Type	Status	Amount	Current Conditions
BF89-196	Willow Metropark - Wayne County	1989	Development	Closed	\$ 225,000.00	Renovations and repurposing of buildings being planned, no conversion will take place
BF90-170	Willow Metropark Hike/Bike Trail	1990	Development	Closed	\$ 225,000.00	General maintenance

**Lake Erie**

Number	Name	Year	Type	Status	Amount	Current Condition
26-01383	Lake Erie Metropark Play Area	1985	Development	Closed	\$ 175,000.00	Renovated tot lot playground and additional amenities added to wave pool along with minor upgrades to pool
BF90-197	Lake Erie Metropark Wildfowlers Museum - Ph. 2	1990	Development	Closed	\$ 750,000.00	Continued use as museum/nature center
BF93-152	Lake Erie MP - Trail	1993	Development	Closed	\$ 115,500.00	General maintenance –no conversion
TF95-088	Shoreline Trail	1995	Development	Closed	\$ 375,000.00	General maintenance—no conversion
TF99-117	Lake Erie Metropark Marina Point Fishing Site	1999	Development	Closed	\$ 180,000.00	Continued use –no conversion
TF01-041	Lake Erie Metropark Hike-Bike/Shoreline Trail	2001	Development	Closed	\$ 199,800.00	General maintenance– no conversion

**Wolcott Mill**

Number	Name	Year	Encumbered through	Type	Amount	Current Condition
26-00857	Conversion Mitigation—Stony Creek	2012	Perpetuity	Mitigation	-	No conversion of use
-	USFWS Partners for Fish and Wildlife Native Prairie Restoration*	2008	2018	Restoration	\$16,653	Maintained
-	EPA GLRI Floodplain Restoration*	2016	unknown	Restoration	\$352,147	Ongoing, maintained
-	DEQ Section 9 Grant /USFWS Floodplain Restoration*	2015-16	2025	Restoration	\$290,960	Ongoing, maintained
-	DTE Community Forests Grant Forest Restoration*	2016	2019	Restoration	\$6,186	Maintained

\*These grants were not awarded through the LWCF, Trust Fund, Clean Michigan, or Recreation Bond programs.

**Indian Springs**

Number	Name	Year	Type	Status	Amount	Current Conditions
26-01490	Indian Springs Nature Trail	1992		Closed	\$ 65,000.00	Amenities added
TF07-028	Indian Springs Metropark Land Acquisition	2007	Acquisition	Closed	\$ 1,426,000.00	Continued use for hiking and nature observation

**Huron Meadows**

Number	Name	Year	Type	Status	Amount	Current Conditions
26-00201	South Metropolitan Parkway (Huron Meadows)	1970	Acquisition	Closed	\$ 7,000.00	Maintained within park boundary—no conversion
TF99-118	Maltby Lake Access and Play Area	1999	Development	Closed	\$ 180,000.00	General maintenance

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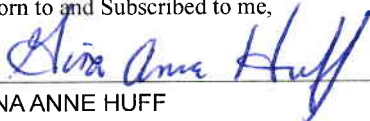
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My commission expires March 9, 2023

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Acting in the County of Macomb

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING  
HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN  
AUTHORITY  
Counties of Livingston, Macomb, Oakland,  
Washtenaw and Wayne**

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Amy McMillan, Director  
Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority

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**Public Input**

**Draft Community Recreation Plan 2018-2022 Public Review and Comment Summary**

The draft Community Recreation Plan was presented to the Board of Commissioners at the July 13, 2017 meeting. Following that meeting, the draft was posted to the planning department web page of the Metroparks website from July 14 – August 25, 2017 for public review and comment. A total of 2,112 website users who visited the planning department web page during this time period had the opportunity to review the plan online. Specific chapters downloaded by website visitors ranged between 224 to 275 downloads. Hard copies of the draft Community Recreation Plan were also made available for public review at each of the thirteen metroparks and administration office.

Comments received during the public review period included representatives from the Motor City Mountain Bike Association (MCMBA) recommending the development of mountain bike trails at Kensington Metropark. The MCMBA expressed the desire for progress on developing mountain bike trails based on the positive response for mountain biking throughout the planning process. In addition, proximity of Kensington to existing mountain bike trail systems would provide the opportunity for it to become a local hub. Following the benchmark of mountain bike facilities at Stony Creek, a similar model at Kensington could create a revenue generator with low cost improvements performed in partnership with the MCMBA.

In addition, representatives from the Huron River Watershed Council (HRWC) had written comments on the Plan to include the existence of water trail facilities and future development taking into account the Natural River designation and universal design for accessibility. The HRWC were also interested in water quality initiatives, specifically in the reduction of PAH sealants for paving projects and supporting the HCMA on future dam related studies planned along the Huron River.

Upon compiling the input, the Planning staff discussed with staff management and refined the plan as appropriate.



**Resolution of Adoption**

**HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY  
13000 HIGH RIDGE DRIVE, BRIGHTON, MICHIGAN 48114**

**2018-2022 AMENDED COMMUNITY RECREATION PLAN**

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**Resolution No. 2020-01**

Motion made by: Commissioner McCarthy

Supported by: Commissioner Rea

**AT A MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY HELD ON JANUARY 9, 2020, THE BOARD ADOPTED THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:**

WHEREAS, the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority ("Authority") has undertaken a planning process to determine the recreation programming needs and desires of its residents during a three-year period covering the years 2020 through 2022, and

WHEREAS, the Authority is made up of representatives from Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties; and

WHEREAS, the Authority began the process of amending the 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan in accordance with the most recent guidelines developed by the Department of Natural Resources and made available to local communities; and

WHEREAS, residents of Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties were provided with a well-advertised opportunity during the development of the amended draft plan to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the recreation and natural resource conservation plan; and

WHEREAS, the public was given a well-advertised opportunity and reasonable accommodations to review the draft plan for a period of at least two weeks; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on January 9, 2020 at the Administrative Office in Brighton, Michigan to provide an opportunity for all residents of the planning area to express opinions, ask questions, and discuss all aspects of the 2018-2022 Amended Community Recreation Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has amended the plan as a guideline for improving recreation programming for the Huron-Clinton Metroparks; and

WHEREAS, after the public hearing, the Authority voted to adopt said 2018-2022 Amended Community Recreation Plan.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority hereby adopts the 2018-2022 Amended Community Recreation Plan.

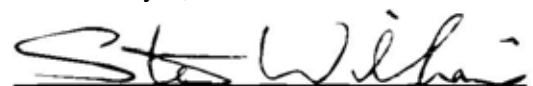
AYES: Commissioners: Quadrozzi, McCarthy, Rea, Williams, Heise, Parker, Marans

NAYS: Commissioners: None

ABSTAIN: Commissioners: None

ABSENT: Commissioners: None

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the resolution adopted by the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority on January 9, 2020.



Steven Williams, Secretary

**Public Meeting Minutes**

**PROPOSED MINUTES  
PUBLIC HEARING  
AMENDED 2018-2022 COMMUNITY RECREATION PLAN  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS MEETING  
HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY  
THURSDAY, JANUARY 9, 2020**

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The Public Hearing of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority's Board of Commissioners for the Amended 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan was held on Thursday, Jan. 9, 2020 at the Administrative Office, 13000 High Ridge Drive, Brighton, MI 48114. The hearing convened in pursuance to a legal notice placed in the Detroit Free Press and Detroit News.

Commissioners Present:

Robert W. Marans  
Jaye Quadrozzi  
Bernard Parker  
Kurt Heise  
Steven Williams  
John Paul Rea  
Timothy J. McCarthy

Staff Leadership:

Director  
Deputy Director  
Chief of Finance

Amy McMillan  
David Kirbach  
Rebecca Franchock

**1. Call or Order**

Chairman Marans called the Jan. 9, 2020 Public Hearing for the 2020 Budget to order at 10:30 am.

**2. Chairman's Statement**

None.

**3. 2019 Budget Review**

Chief of Planning and Development Nina Kelly updated the Board on details of the amended Community Recreation Plan that included items added/removed from the plan and the addition of the recreation programming plan.

Commissioner McCarthy asked if staff received public input. Ms. Kelly said no, most likely due to the time of the year. She said staff worked with the marketing department and the story was picked up by a couple of media outlets.

Commissioner Marans asked how the plan would be publicized once it was approved. Ms. Kelly said she would work with marketing to have information posted on the website, social media and sent to partners and stakeholders.

**4. Motion to Open Public Hearing**

Motion by Commissioner Parker, support from Commissioner Heise that the Board of Commissioners' open the public hearing on the Amended 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan.

Motion carried unanimously.

**5. Public Participation**

None.

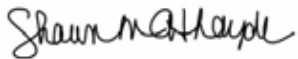
**6. Motion to Close Public Hearing**

Motion by Commissioner McCarthy, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners' close the public hearing on the Amended 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan.

Motion carried unanimously.

The public hearing adjourned at 10:42 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Shawn Athayde  
Recording Secretary

PROPOSED

**Proposed Minutes  
Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority  
Board of Commissioners  
Thursday, January 9, 2020**

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A regular meeting of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority's Board of Commissioners was held on Thursday, January 9, 2020, after the Public Hearing at the Administrative Office.

Commissioners Present:

Robert W. Marans  
Jaye Quadrozzi  
Bernard Parker  
Kurt Heise  
Steve Williams  
Timothy J. McCarthy  
John P. Rea

Staff Officers:

Director  
Deputy Director  
Chief of Finance

Amy McMillan  
Dave Kirbach  
Rebecca Franchock

Other Attendees:

Miller Canfield

Steve Mann

**1. Call to Order**

Chairman Marans called the meeting to order at 10:42 a.m.

**2. Chairman's Statement**

None.

**3. Public Participation**

None.

**4. Approval – Dec. 12, 2019 Work Session, Public Hearing, Closed Session, Regular Meeting Minutes**

Motion by Commissioner McCarthy, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners approve the Dec. 12, 2019 Work Session, Public Hearing, Closed Session, Regular Meeting Minutes as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

**5. Approval – January 9, 2019 Full Agenda**

Motion by Commissioner McCarthy, support from Commissioner Heise that the Board of Commissioners approve the January 9, 2020 agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**6. Approval – January 9, 2020 Consent Agenda**

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Williams that the Board of Commissioners approve the January 9, 2020 consent agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

**7. Reports**

**A. Administrative**

**1. Report – December 2019 Marketing Update**

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Williams that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the December 2019 Marketing Update as submitted.

Motion carried unanimously.

## 7. Reports

### A. Administrative

#### 2. Approval – 2020 Marketing Plan

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Williams that the Board of Commissioners' approve the 2020 Marketing Plan, Goals and Strategies and budgetary parameters as recommended by Chief of Marketing and Communications Danielle Mauter and staff.

*Discussion:* Chief of Marketing and Communications Danielle Mauter updated the Board on marketing and communications and explained where the Metroparks were at going into year two of the marketing plan. She reviewed the goals and objectives for 2019 and the 2020 marketing plan goals highlighting – increasing brand awareness, working toward better internal collaboration, increasing attendance for family events, golf outings and at aquatic facilities, increasing Instagram, Twitter and Facebook followers as well as developing a more comprehensive understanding of the visitor experience at the Metroparks.

Commissioner McCarthy asked what keeps the Metroparks from being at 100 percent in the second objective for goal 16 – develop a more comprehensive understanding of the visitor experience of the Metroparks. Ms. Mauter said not starting to capture evaluations until May last year was a hindrance and that once the Point-of-Sale (POS) system is in place, it will help staff gather data.

Ms. Mauter continued to review the 2020 marketing plan and highlighted strategy changes for 2020 that included more relationship-building opportunities, better internal communications, localizing media and marketing, changing earned media, social media re-focus and adding “pop-up” and special pricing promotions. She also said with 2020 being a presidential election year and the advertising market would be crowded with a lot of political spots.

Commissioner Williams said he liked the idea of localized emails for events.

Commissioner McCarthy asked if staff planned to continue services with Truscott Rossman. Director McMillan said staff would continue to use Truscott Rossman on an as needed basis.

Commissioner McCarthy said he recently read an article in the Detroit Free Press that said seniors had to buy permits in person. He asked if that issue could be fixed when the new POS system was in place and asked when the POS system would be in place. Ms. McMillan said the POS system (RecTrac) would be in place before the start of the summer season and once it is in place, seniors would have to buy a senior permit in person the first time and then would be able to renew online after that.

Commissioner Quadrozzi asked how staff determined the number of cars to achieve as a goal for 2020. Ms. Mauter said the staff used the same benchmark data used for 2019 from the Detroit Riverfront Conservancy in terms of their 1 percent attendance at events, which translated to 30,000 roughly vehicles for the Metroparks.

Commissioner Quadrozzi said that a 30 percent increase for attendance at interpretive services programs seemed high and asked how that goal was determined. Ms. Mauter said she worked with Jennifer Jaworski, chief of interpretive services, on determining the goal and that 30 percent goal was for regular program series that bring in repeat visitors.

Commissioner Parker said the increases set for interpretive centers seemed low, as did the overall goals. He also said didn't see any goals for targeting urban areas and asked why. Ms. Mauter said goals for urban areas were included in the strategic section of the plan.

Commissioner Parker said he would like to see targeted goals for urban areas.

Ms. McMillan said staff does reach out to local churches in the Southern District where the business has dropped off over the years. She said a way staff can measure how impactful local campaigns are by looking at the zip code scanning data from year-to-year to see where there was a market increase. The new POS system will also help staff determine the areas patrons are and are not coming from.

Commissioner Marans suggested adding footnotes to next year's plan on how marketing staff determined the goals and what departments were involved. He also said he sees the election year as an advantage and asked staff if they have reached out to candidates to handout Metroparks literature when campaigning. Ms. Mauter said staff would look into having candidates' handout literature.

Commissioner Parker voted no.

Motion carried.

## 7. Reports

### A. Administrative Department

#### 3. Approval – Purchasing Policy

Motion by Commissioner McCarthy, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners approved the Purchasing Policy as recommended by Director Amy McMillan and staff.

*Discussion:* Director McMillan said she did not receive any comments from the Board regarding the purchasing policy. She said the proposed policy would be the foundation for purchasing going forward and that several items were added to the policy as a result of discussions held with board members over the course of the last year (professional services and tie bid language).

Ms. McMillan said language for local vendor preference is the only place in the policy that addresses local preference. Staff reviewed several other organization's policies that address local preference and have not found one that fits the Metroparks yet. She said there were also questions as to what "local" means to the Metroparks – bids from all five counties and which vendor is most local or does local mean the person or business. Ms. McMillan said staff hasn't received a consensus on language for diversity, equity and inclusion (DEI) regarding women and minority-owned businesses and was not added to the proposed policy. However, staff could bring an amended purchasing policy to the Board at a later time with language for both local preference and DEI.

Commissioner Heise said the proposed policy is better than the current one and can always be amended once the board see how it works.

Commissioner Rea said he was impressed with the language and guidelines.

Commissioner Parker said he was disappointed that language for local advantage was not included as he has been talking about it for a long time. He said he understands that staff hasn't developed the correct language, but you can't change something that isn't included.

Commissioner Marans asked if it was a working document. Ms. McMillan said yes, and that staff could come back to the Board with more examples for local preference language.

Commissioner Williams said he agrees with Commissioner Parker; however, he would vote in favor of the policy.

Commissioner Parker made a motion to have an amendment in 90 days for language on a local advantage program.

No support.

Commissioner Parker voted no.

Motion carried.



## 7. Reports

### A. Administrative Department

#### 4. Approval – Metroparks Branded TV/video Commercials Production, Winter Season

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Williams that the Board of Commissioners approve the Metroparks TV production estimate from Factory Detroit, Inc., in the amount not to exceed \$75,000 to include video shoot, post production and contingency as recommended by Chief of Marketing and Communications Danielle Mauter and staff.

*Discussion:* Ms. Mauter said Factory Detroit would shoot video, weather permitting, as they did for the summer and fall.

Motion carried unanimously.

### B. Planning Department

#### 1. Approval/Resolution – Amended 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan

Motion by Commissioner McCarthy, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners the resolution adopting the 2018-2022 Amended Metroparks Community Recreation Plan as recommended by Chief of Planning and Development Nina Kelly and staff.

*Discussion:* Chief of Planning and Development Nina Kelly acknowledged staff that worked on the amended plan.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 2. Report – 2020 Recreation Programming Work Plan

Motion by Commissioner McCarthy, support from Commissioner Heise that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the report on the 2020 Recreation Programming Work Plan as recommended by Chief of Planning and Development Nina Kelly and staff.

*Discussion:* Ms. Kelly introduced Janet Van De Winkle, grant writer and recreation programs coordinator, who presented the recreation programming work plan.

Ms. Van De Winkle reviewed the implementation plan and goals that included continuing and developing partnerships, grow the value of the annual permit, increase revenue streams from programming and adding a signature event in each district. She highlighted the signature events planned for Hudson Mills, Lake Erie and Lake St. Clair Metroparks. Ms. Van De Winkle said MOUs with partner organizations and sponsorship packages would be completed by the end of January.

Commissioner Heise asked if staff had specific businesses identified to work with on the signature events. Ms. Van De Winkle staff has several businesses in mind but would like recommendations from board members as well.

Ms. Van De Winkle reviewed recreation programming that included swim lessons at Lake St. Clair, movies in the park, the Great American Campout in June, a kid's concert series, the Detroit Institute of Arts Inside/Out program, field trips with the Detroit Public School Community District and a marina harvest festival at Lake St. Clair.

Commissioner Williams said the swimming lessons were a good idea and asked if staff was intentionally starting with a small group. Ms. Van De Winkle said yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### 3. Report – Planning and Development Monthly Update

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Williams that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Planning and Development monthly update as recommended by Chief of Planning and Development Nina Kelly and staff.

Motion carried unanimously.

**7. Reports**

**C. Engineering Department**

**1. Report – Prioritized Plan for 2020 Capital Improvements/Major Maintenance Projects**

Motion by Commissioner Williams, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners receive and file the Prioritized Plan for 2020 Capital Improvements/Major Maintenance Projects as recommended by Chief of Engineering Services Mike Henkel and Staff.

Discussion: Chief of Engineering Mike Henkel said staff would have a quarterly report on capital projects and major maintenance items and that currently, there were 35 capital projects and 57 major maintenance projects scheduled for 2020.

Motion carried unanimously.

**8. Closed Session**

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support by Commissioner McCarthy that the Board of Commissioners adjourn the regular meeting and enter into a closed session for the purpose of consulting with attorneys to consider material exempt from discussion or disclosure by State law pursuant to Section 8 (h) of the Open Meetings Act.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**

Voting yes: Quadrozzi, Rea, Williams, Parker, McCarthy, Heise, Marans

Voting no: None

Absent:

Motion carried unanimously.

The regular meeting adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

Commissioner Marans reconvened the regular meeting at 12:56 p.m.

**9. Other Business**

None.

**10. Staff Leadership Update**

Ms. McMillan said staff would have a report for the Board on Wolcott Mill at the February meeting and she is planning a staff retreat and if the Board wanted to hold a retreat to let her know.

**11. Commissioner Comments**

Commission Williams wished everyone a happy new year.

**12. Motion to Adjourn**

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners adjourn the regular meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Shawn M. Athayde  
Recording Secretary

**Recreation Programming Plan  
Public Input**

# Public Input Summary

Over the duration of the Recreation Programming Plan planning process, the Metroparks Planning and Development Department ensured a variety of opportunities for public input and feedback. The process could be followed at meetings and input on questionnaires, comment cards, and online comments based on the draft plan posted on the Huron-Clinton Metroparks Planning Department Website and hard copies made available at each Metropark and Community Centers:

## **Overview of Input Opportunities**

**Public Survey Movie Nights (August 10, 17, 24)** – located at the Willow, Kensington and Stony Creek. Stakeholders and members of the public had the opportunity to provide input on programming and activities in the parks. The public from all areas strongly preferred Hiking/Running/Walking (ie. Walking Groups, Marathons) and Special Events (ie. Fireworks, Movies in the Park, Summer Concert Series) as their favorite types of programming within the Metroparks.

**Public Input Surveys** – online surveys were developed to gather information to consider opportunities to grow and improve recreation programming. The surveys were made available for the duration of the planning process. The public could find the surveys on links located on hard copy flyers, social media blasts, metroparks website, as well as hard copy questionnaires made available by community partners (libraries, local government offices, and community recreational resource partners).

**Huron Clinton Metroparks Planning Department Website** – the public could email comments on the Amended Community Recreation Plan Draft for a two week period.

<https://www.metroparks.com/about-us/planning-department/>.

The website also posted information on the public hearing on the proposed amendments to the Community Recreation Plan held on Thursday, January 9, 2020. The public hearing was held prior to the scheduled Board of Commissioners meeting at the Huron-Clinton Metroparks Administrative Office, 13000 High Ridge Drive, Brighton, Michigan 48114.

**Public Review of Draft Amendment Community Recreation Plan**- A press release of the electronic version linked to the website along with hard copies of the Draft Amendment Community Recreation Plan were made available for public review at each of the thirteen metroparks and in local community centers located in each of the three Metropark districts.

## Public Survey Movie Nights (August 10, 17, 24)

A strong majority of respondents from public participation opportunities listed movies at the park as a top choice for programs they were most interested in attending. Similarly, other top choices from this audience were Music in the park and Kid friendly events and activities. Fireworks was a top choice overall mainly due to its popularity among respondents from the Southern and Eastern Districts. Swimming was not a top choice for respondents overall but was in the top 3 selections for respondents from both the Eastern and Southern Districts as well. In the Western District only, Nature hikes and walks made the top 3 programs.

- 77 total people took the survey at the movie nights in the parks.
- Overall, the top responses to the open-ended question “What types of programs or events are you most interested in attending?” were:
  - Movies at the Park, Movie Night, Kids Movies (22)
  - Fireworks (15)
  - Music in the Park, Concerts, Band, Mexican Music (12)
- 27 people who live in Western District Zip codes took the survey, their top responses were:
  - Movies at the Park, Movie Night, Kids Movies (7)
  - Nature Hikes, Nature Walks, See Woods (6)
  - Music in the Park, Concerts, Band, Mexican Music (5)
  - Kid Friendly, Kids Activities, Kid Sports, Kid Events, Kids Night (5)
- 19 people who live in Southern District Zip codes took the survey, their top responses were:
  - Fireworks (7)
  - Movies at the Park, Movie Night, Kids Movies (6)
  - Swimming (3)
  - Kid Friendly, Kids Activities, Kid Sports, Kid Events, Kids Night (3)
- 17 People who live in Eastern District Zip codes took the survey, their top responses were:
  - Fireworks (5)
  - Movies at the Park, Movie Night, Kids Movies (3)
- 14 people who live in other areas took the survey, their top responses were:
  - Movies at the Park, Movie Night, Kids Movies (6)
  - Music, Concerts, Band, Mexican Music (5)
  - Swimming (3)

## Recreation Programming Plan Public Input Survey (Questionnaire)

An online survey was developed to gather information to consider opportunities to grow and improve recreation programming. The survey was made available for 7 weeks during the planning process online as well as hard copies available at park offices for distribution.

A total of 2,876 respondents participated in the online survey. The public from all areas strongly preferred Hiking/Running/Walking (ie. Walking Groups, Marathons) and Special Events (ie. Fireworks, Movies in the Park, Summer Concert Series) as their favorite types of programming within the Metroparks.

## Website and Email Comments

*January 5, 2020*

*Hello:*

*Just read the article on Huron-Clinton Metropark in the Rochester Post. I have been using the Stony Creek Metropark for over 55 years along with my husband. We were wondering what happened to the construction project that was first started and then demoed at the Boat Launch.*

*Input on amendments to follow.*

*Thank you,*

*Jackie*

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*January 8, 2020*

*Dear Ms. Kelly:*

*Thank you for your response to my question regarding the construction project at the Stony Creek Metropark Boat Launch. I hope in the future that construction failures of that nature are: 1. Not repeated and 2. Fully disclosed to the public as our tax dollars are underwriting these projects. After enduring all the inconvenience and mess of that construction project, a notice should have been posted at the site stating specifically why the project was scrapped.*

*The comments below pertain only to Stony Creek Metropark as that is the park we visit most often.*

1. *There are too many lawn mowers that seem to run constantly. They create noise pollution as well as air pollution. The grass just does not need to be cut that short and that often. The mowers also leave gravel in the bike trails that is not cleaned up afterwards creating a hazard for people riding in the bike lane. Over the years, we've noticed an increase in the use of weed killers especially right by Stony Creek Lake. There are no good reasons to use any type of pesticide in a public park.*
2. *So much of the park is now under some sort of "construction". Few areas in the park are natural. Not all areas need to be manicured. We understand the need to eradicate the non-native invasive species but many areas that used to be covered with wildflowers and butterflies, no longer exist. There is also a favorite spot where a natural bog has been for years that is now disappearing. I believe it's from all the dredging and mowing nearby. You no longer hear frogs or see the turtles that have lived in this wet land for as long as I can remember. This was also a favorite spot for indigo buntings.*
3. *Park funds should be used to maintain native habitats and native species. Less construction of giant slides (what an eye sore), restaurants, etc. and more planting of native trees and flowers.*
4. *Enforcement of the 10 mph speed limit on the trail is a tall order but there should be an effort made to have some sort of monitoring system to keep rouge bike riders in check who create a dangerous situation to walkers.*
5. *The shooting range located just outside the Stony Creek Nature Center is scary at best. Nothing like having a relaxing walk amongst the gunfire. There should be a long term goal to purchase that property and extend the park.*

*Overall, the Metroparks are a unique and wonderful experience. We are fortunate in Michigan for the foresight earlier planners had in creating this park system for all to enjoy. Thank you for the opportunity to air our opinions and concerns.*

*Jackie McConachie*

*David Hafner*

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*Hi Nina,*

*I understand that you are looking for public input for your Community Recreation Plan for the Huron-Clinton Metroparks. Attached for your information is a short write-up about the sport of pickleball which is growing around the country, and why it is important to your community. Many of us local pickleball players believe having pickleball courts at Stony Creek Metro Park would be a very popular idea for the community.*

*If you have any questions or would like to discuss, please feel free to contact me.*

Thanks,

Paul Gonzales

Certified Pickleball Professional in Adult Development

PPR/USAPA

**Draft Amended Community Recreation Plan Hard Copy**

The following press release was distributed providing notice of the public hearing and draft copy of the amended plan. The press release was distributed to a list of publications with 4 of them picking up the article. A total of 3 people were recorded as reviewing the hard copy plans along with no comments received.

**Community Recreation Plan PR 12.23.19**

Total Online News Articles: 26,426 | Total Online News Feeds: 1823,957

Total Number of Clips: 1

- Huron-Clinton Metroparks seeks input on changes to community recreation plan**  
Huron-Clinton Metroparks Authority will hold a public hearing on the proposed amendments to its Community Recreation Plan on Thursday, January 9, 2020. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive input and comments on the proposed amendments to the current Community Recreation Plan. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive input and comments on the proposed amendments to the current Community Recreation Plan. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive input and comments on the proposed amendments to the current Community Recreation Plan.
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Amendments are being proposed to the Huron-Clinton Metroparks Authority's Community Recreation Plan. The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority will hold a public hearing on the proposed amendments to the Community Recreation Plan on Thursday, January 9, 2020. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive input and comments on the proposed amendments to the current Community Recreation Plan, which include the addition of a Recreational Programming Plan. The Huron-Clinton Metroparks Authority is seeking input and comments on the proposed amendments to the current Community Recreation Plan.
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:  
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**Huron-Clinton Metroparks proposes amendments to their Community Recreation Plan**

**December 23, 2019** - The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed amendment to its Community Recreation Plan on Thursday, January 9, 2020. The public hearing will be part of the schedule Board of Commissioners meeting at the Administrative Office, 13000 High Ridge Drive, Brighton, Michigan 48114. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive input and comments on the proposed amendments.

Proposed amendments to the current Community Recreation Plan include the addition of a Recreational Programming Plan. The Metroparks' Community Recreation Plan is being amended to address improvements in the way future recreational programming is developed, executed and evaluated.

A copy of the proposed Amended Community Recreation Plan is available online at <https://www.metroparks.com/about-us/planning-department/> and input and comments will be accepted via email to Nina Kelly at [nina.kelly@metroparks.com](mailto:nina.kelly@metroparks.com). If you would rather view the plan in person, printed copies will be available, for a two-week public review, at the following locations:

- Brownstown Township Parks & Recreation: 21311 Telegraph Rd., Brownstown Twp., MI 48183
- Dexter District Library: 3255 Alpine Rd., Dexter, MI 48130
- Hamburg Township Library: 10411 Merrill Rd., Whitmore Lake, MI 48189
- Hudson Mills Metropark Office: 8801 N. Territorial Rd., Dexter, MI 48130
- Huron-Clinton Metroparks Administrative Office: 13000 High Ridge Dr., Brighton, MI 48114
- Indian Spring Metropark Environmental Discovery Center: 5700 Indian Trail Rd., White Lake, MI 48386
- Kensington Metropark Nature Center: 4570 Huron River Pkwy., Milford, MI 48380
- Lake Erie Metropark Office: 32481 W. Jefferson Ave., Brownstown Twp., MI 48173
- Lake St. Clair Metropark Office: 313000 Metro Parkway, Harrison Township, MI 48045
- Lower Huron Metropark Office: 40151 E. Huron River Dr., Belleville, MI 48111
- Oakwoods Metropark Nature Center: 32911 Willow Rd., New Boston, MI 48164
- Stony Creek Metropark Office: 4300 Main Park Rd., Shelby Township, MI 48316
- Wolcott Mill Metropark Farm Center Office: 65775 Wolcott Rd., Ray, MI 48096



**Recreation Programming Plan  
Forms**

### Fees and charges policy and schedules (5.1.1)

The Huron-Clinton Metroparks require vehicle passes for vehicular entry at each Metropark. Rates for annual and daily vehicle passes, boat passes, and combo passes are set by the Metroparks Board of Commissioners. Annual passes are valid from the time of purchase through December 31<sup>st</sup> of that year, and all passes allow access to all 13 Metroparks. There are discounts for seniors age 62+ and Disabled Veterans have free park entry with a state-issued Disabled Veteran license plate. Entry for pedestrians, inline skaters, and bicyclists is free of charge.

There are numerous free activities at each Metropark and there are activities, rentals, and interpretive programs available for a fee. Fees sorted by activity are on the Metroparks website at <https://www.metroparks.com/activities/> where users can find pricing and reservation information at the Metropark of their choice. Alternatively, users can find which park they are planning to visit and click on the activity they are planning to do to see fees.

The Metroparks has Revenue Policies which are part of the Financial Policies and are approved by the Board of Commissioners. The Revenue Policies are as follows:

The Metroparks will strive to develop and maintain a diversified and reliable revenue stream to avoid becoming overly dependent on any single type of revenue. Efforts will be directed to optimize existing revenue sources while periodically reviewing potential new revenue sources.

Budgeted revenues will be estimated conservatively based on historical trends and other trends specific to a provided activity. The Metroparks will avoid using temporary/one-time revenues to fund ongoing expenditures.

The Metroparks will impose user fees whenever appropriate. User fees will be based on a survey of comparable fees charged by other public agencies and private enterprise and on market conditions. All Metropark fees and charges will be reviewed and approved by the Board of Commissioners on an annual basis.

## **Participant and Spectator Code of Conduct**

The Huron-Clinton Metroparks are home to many sporting facilities in our 13 Metroparks across Macomb, Oakland, Livingston, Washtenaw, and Wayne Counties. The Metroparks maintain these facilities but do not run or manage any sporting leagues. Therefore, the following code of conduct shall be followed by all users of sporting facilities in addition to their league's code of conduct.

### **Participants are expected to:**

1. Take direction from their coach, officials, and other league staff.
2. Act respectfully towards others before, during, and after practices or games.
3. Follow all Huron-Clinton Metroparks Rules and Regulations in addition to their team's or league's rules.
4. Notify Metroparks Police or 911 in case of emergency.

### **Spectators, including parents, are expected to:**

1. Be a role model for their child and other players by demonstrating positive support for everyone.
2. Support the decisions of the coach, officials, and other league staff.
3. Act respectfully towards others before, during, and after practices or games.
4. Notify Metroparks Police or 911 in case of emergency.

### **Infractions of the Code of Conduct may include, but are not limited to the following:**

- Unsportsmanlike conduct
- Offensive or negative language
- Disrespectful behavior
- Fighting or deliberate roughness
- Repeated delay of game or practice
- Damage to Metroparks property

### **Penalties for infractions are as follows:**

If Metroparks Police respond to a situation, warnings, tickets, and/or arrests will be made as necessary. No refunds will be given to players, spectators, or parents ejected due to poor behavior.

# Event/Program Development Form

## *FOR METROPARKS EVENTS*

### **Step 1: Marketing Needs**

***Program/Event Title:***

*Date:*

*Description:*

*Ages:*

*Time:*

*Cost:*

*Location:*

*Pre-registration requirement:*

*Pre-registration details:*

Contact:

- Phone:
- Email:

*Min number of participants: (please designate if there is a difference between min number of adults or children)*

*Max number of participants: (please designate if there is a difference between max number of adults or children)*

*Additional Notes:*

### **Step 2: Why is this a great idea and who's in charge?**

Person in charge:

Does someone else offer this idea within a 20 mile radius? Y or N

If yes, is there enough demand? Or will we offer this idea in a new/different way?

What goals does it meet from our Community Recreation Plan?

1.3 Redevelop targeted areas with innovative takes on current recreation trends to attract and retain a strong user base	
1.4 Create and strengthen partnerships to enhance recreational opportunities and to build a greater park visitor base that reflects the demographics of Southeast Michigan	
3.1 Enhance visitors' understanding of and appreciation for Metroparks natural features and cultural history through updated exhibits, programs, and signage.	
3.5 Support equitable access to the parks, and remove barriers to park use	
5.1 Increase focus on environmental sustainability throughout the Metroparks system, especially by expanding recycling waste, and through education	

### Step 3: Is it feasible?

What are your needs?

- Operations staff
- Planning and development staff
- Budget
- Marketing
- Survey needs
- Interpretive staff
- Police
- Maintenance

Is there a good fit for a sponsorship?

Identify areas in need of improvement to ensure the event or program is accessible to people of all abilities. (Parking, restrooms, physical access, etc) Is it possible to add a sensory-friendly element?

What metrics and methods would you use to evaluate the program's success?

# Event and Programming Evaluation

*{{Due one week after program/event to planning or interpretive}}*

**Did the program/event achieve the program objectives it was set out to do? (Please review the program objectives defined by program area in Recreation Programming Plan pg. 157)**

## **Participation:**

- Last three years participation
- Max capacity for program

**Cost:** What metrics do we use to determine cost recovery? (total costs, increased concessions, tolling)

**Staff time:** How many hours to plan, implement, recover, and evaluate? Include admin and maintenance

**Sponsors and Partners:** Revenue from sponsors? Partnership history to consider?

## **Public support:**

- Social media presence?
- Elected officials?
- Does the public know that we manage this event?

## **Other considerations:**

Were there any accessibility issues? Please specify those activities in terms of vision, hearing, and mobility barriers that may exist.

## **Survey data from the public:**

## **Feedback from staff:**

**Recreation Programming Plan  
Programs and Services Management  
Matrix**



















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