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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
TOTAL	8.89

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
	W Launch Large	W Launch Small	North Site	East Bend	South Site	Boat Rental	Washago Pond	Marina Point	Farm Center	Sunset Ridge		
Accessible route to entrance?	yes	no	-	-	-	no	no	yes	no	no	no	no
Accessible route to fishing area?	yes	no	no	no	no	no	no	yes	no	yes	no	yes
Landing for transition plate?	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	no	-
25% of railings no more than 34in above?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
Dispersed throughout platform?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	no	yes	yes	yes
Clear floor space at railing?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	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	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Clear floor space for turning?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	no	no	no	yes	yes	yes
Rank	4	2	3	3	3	2	1	3	3	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 Launch	Marina
Accessible route to facility entrance?	yes	yes	no	yes	no	no	no	yes	yes	no	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	yes	no
Controls/operating mechanisms accessible?	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cleats/securements accessible?	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Accessible route connecting accessible piers?	-	-	-	-	-	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
Controls/operating mechanisms accessible?	-	-	-	-	-	-	no	-	-	no	-
Cleats/securements accessible?	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rank	2	3	2	3	1	1	1	2	2	2	3

Golf Courses	Lake St. Clair	Kensington	Lower Huron	Hudson Mills	Stony Creek	Willow	Lake Erie	Wolcott	Indian Springs	Huron 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. Clair	Lower Huron	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

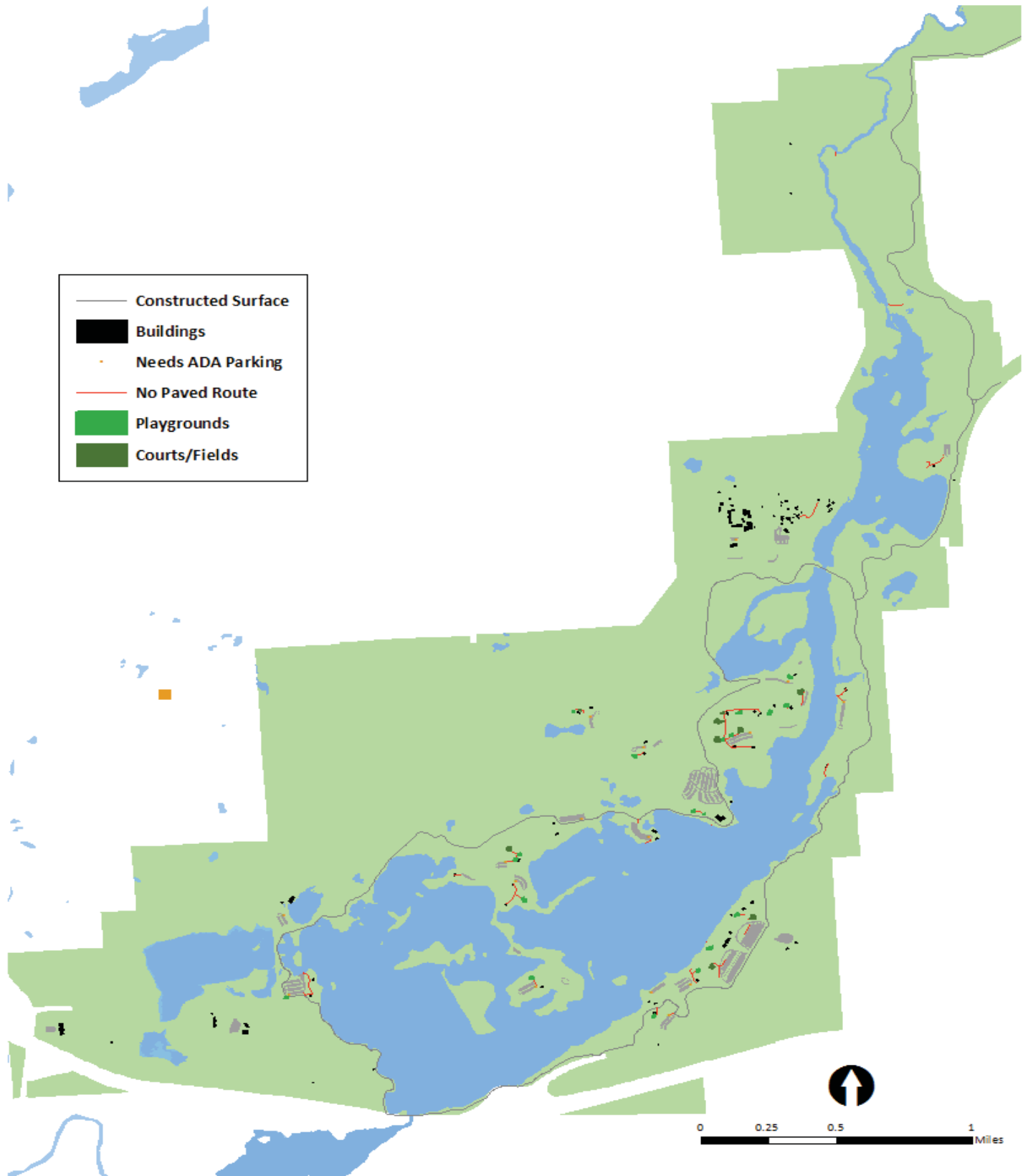
Large Play Areas	Kensington		Hudson Mills		Indian Springs			Huron Meadows
	Matindale Beach	Maple Beach	Activity Center 2-5	Activity Center 5-12	Meadow lark	Adventure Climbing	Adventure Play	Sunset Ridge
Is there a handicap van accessible parking space nearby, with sign?	yes	no	no	no	yes	no	no	no
Is there 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

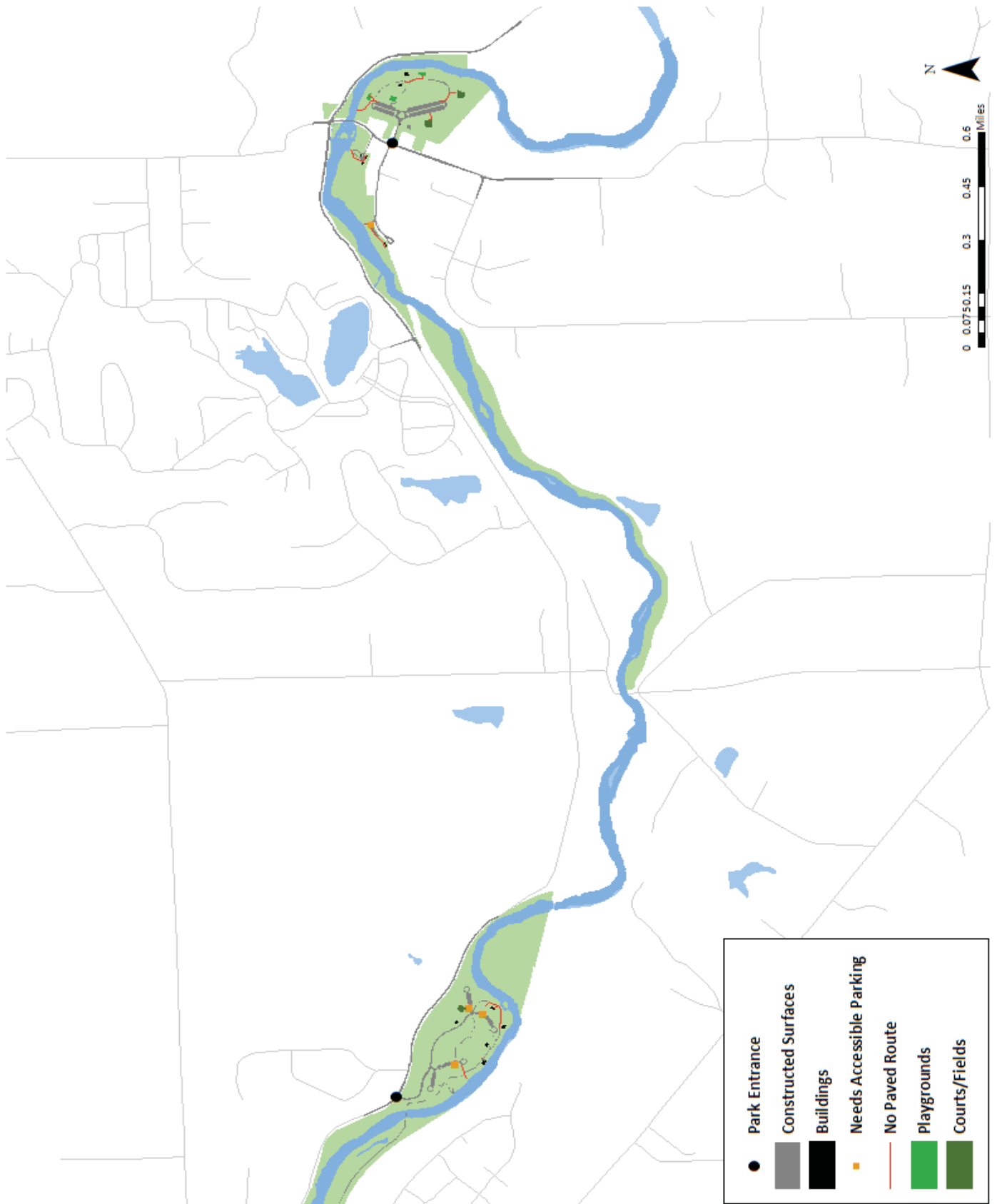
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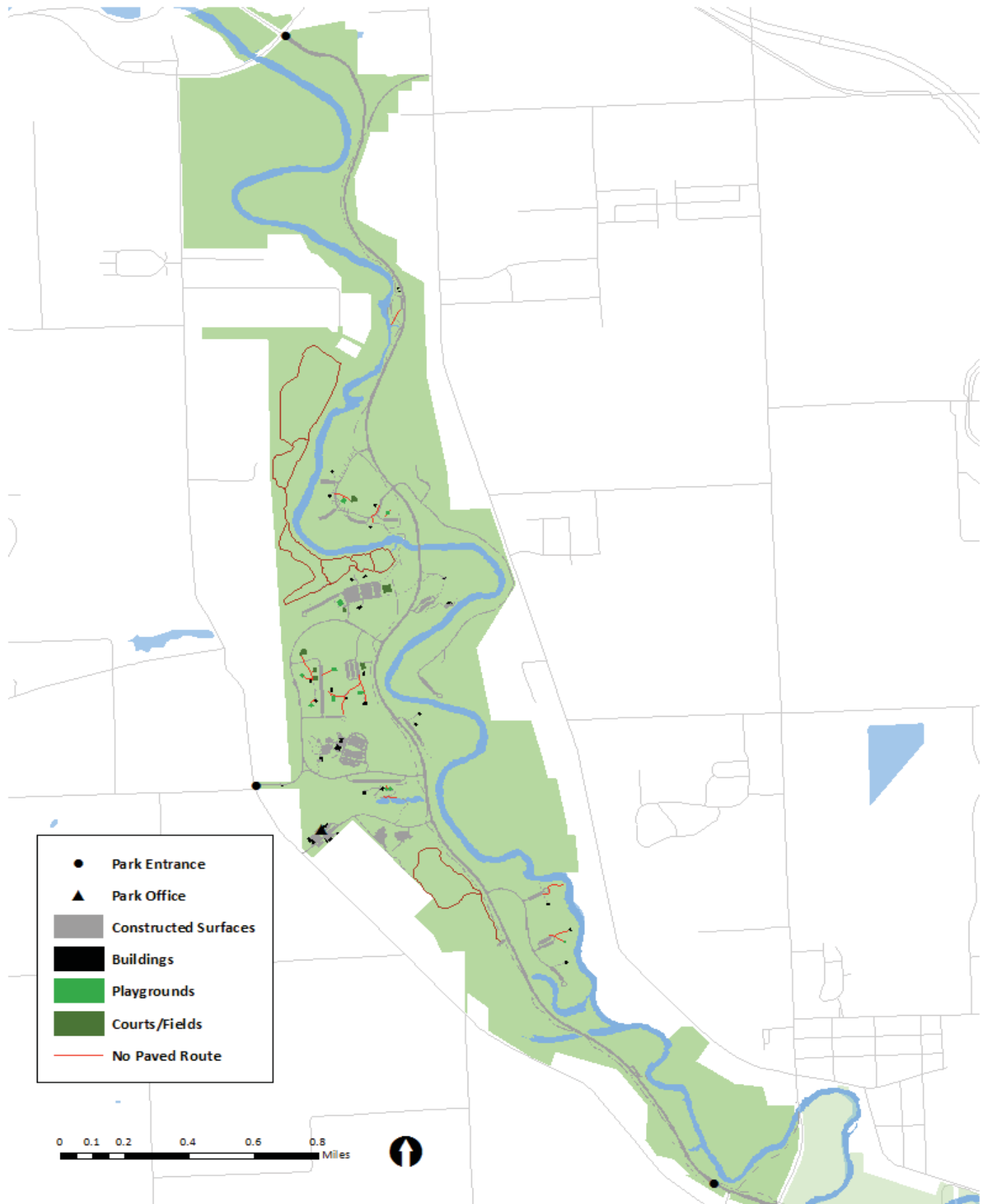
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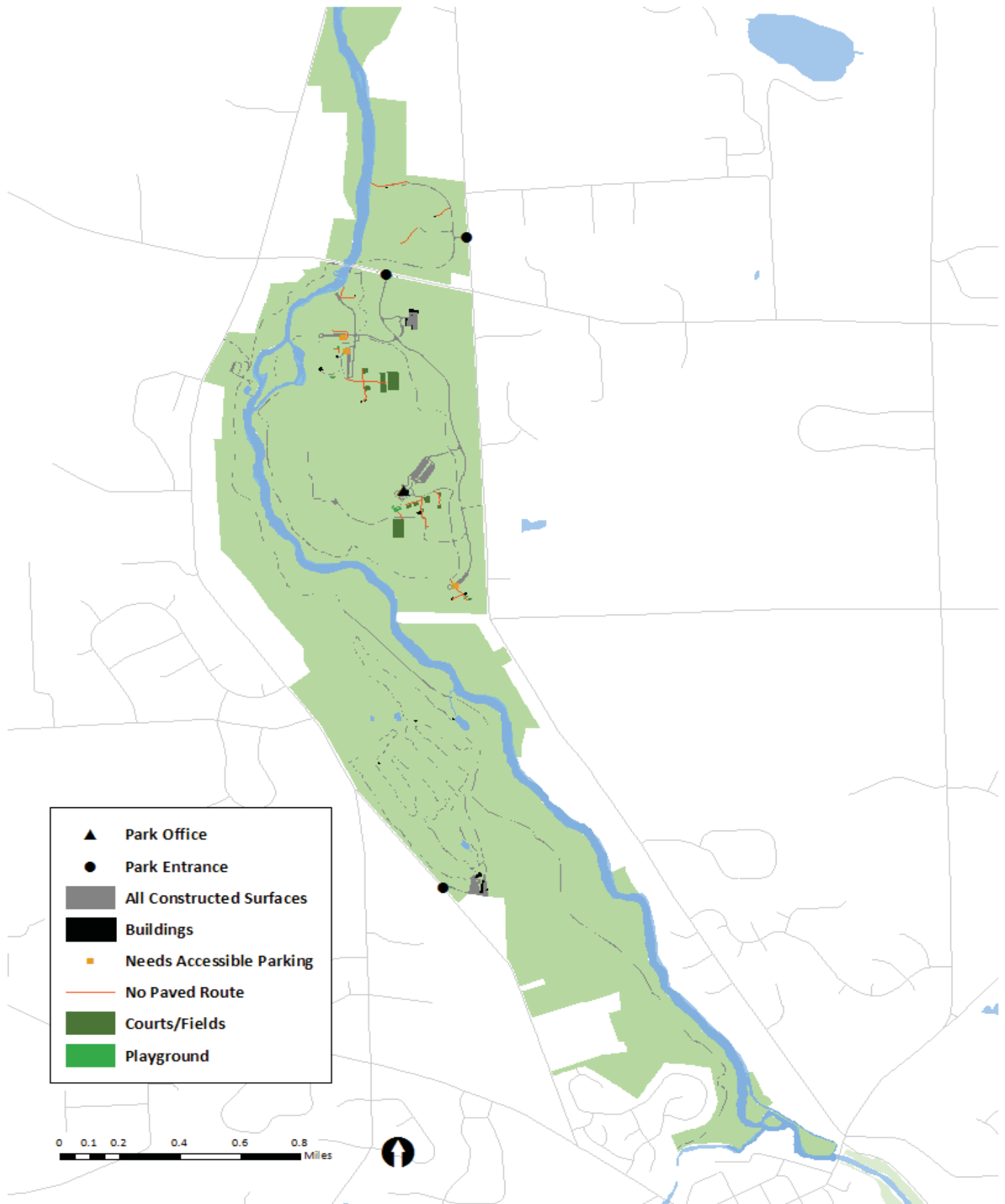
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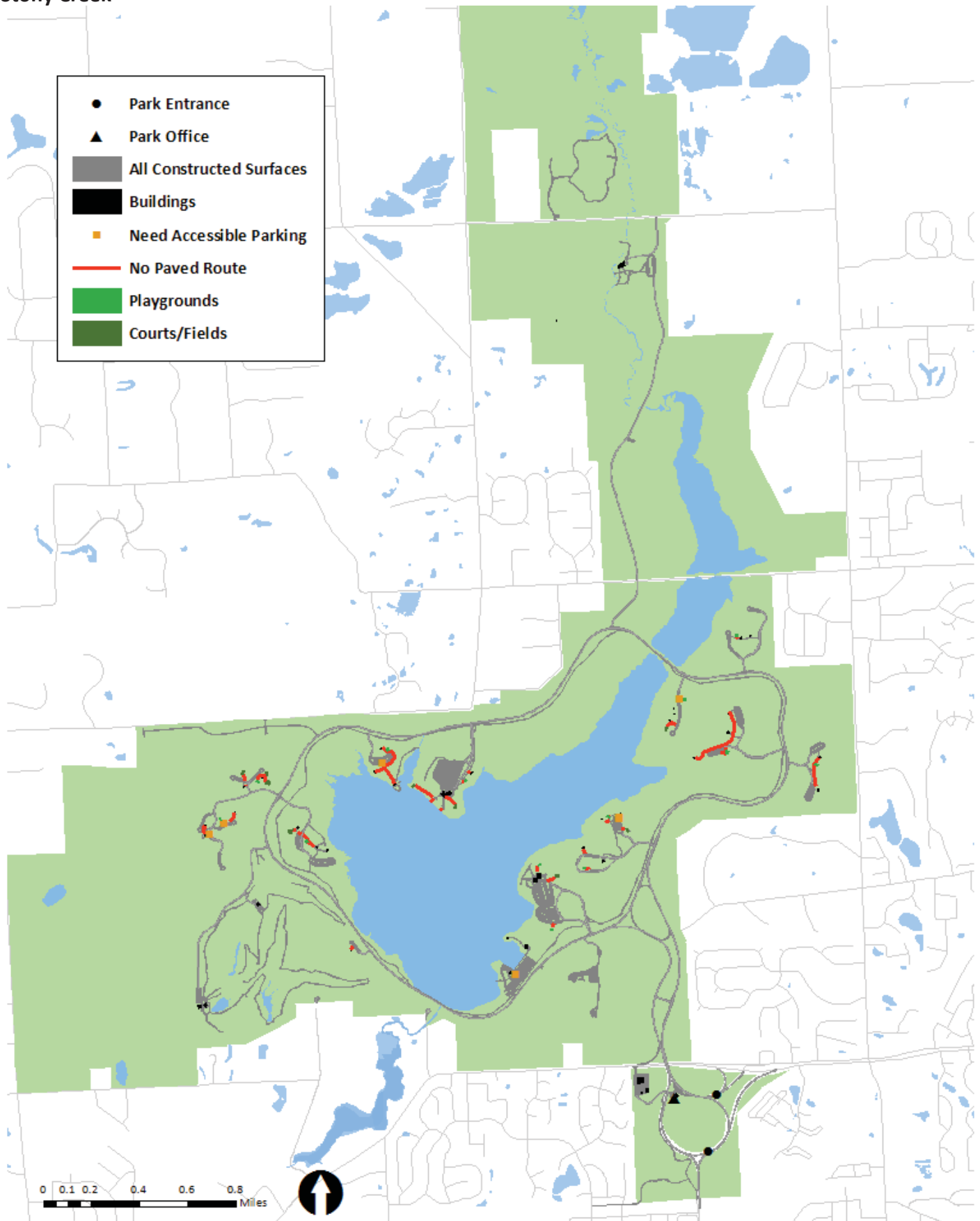
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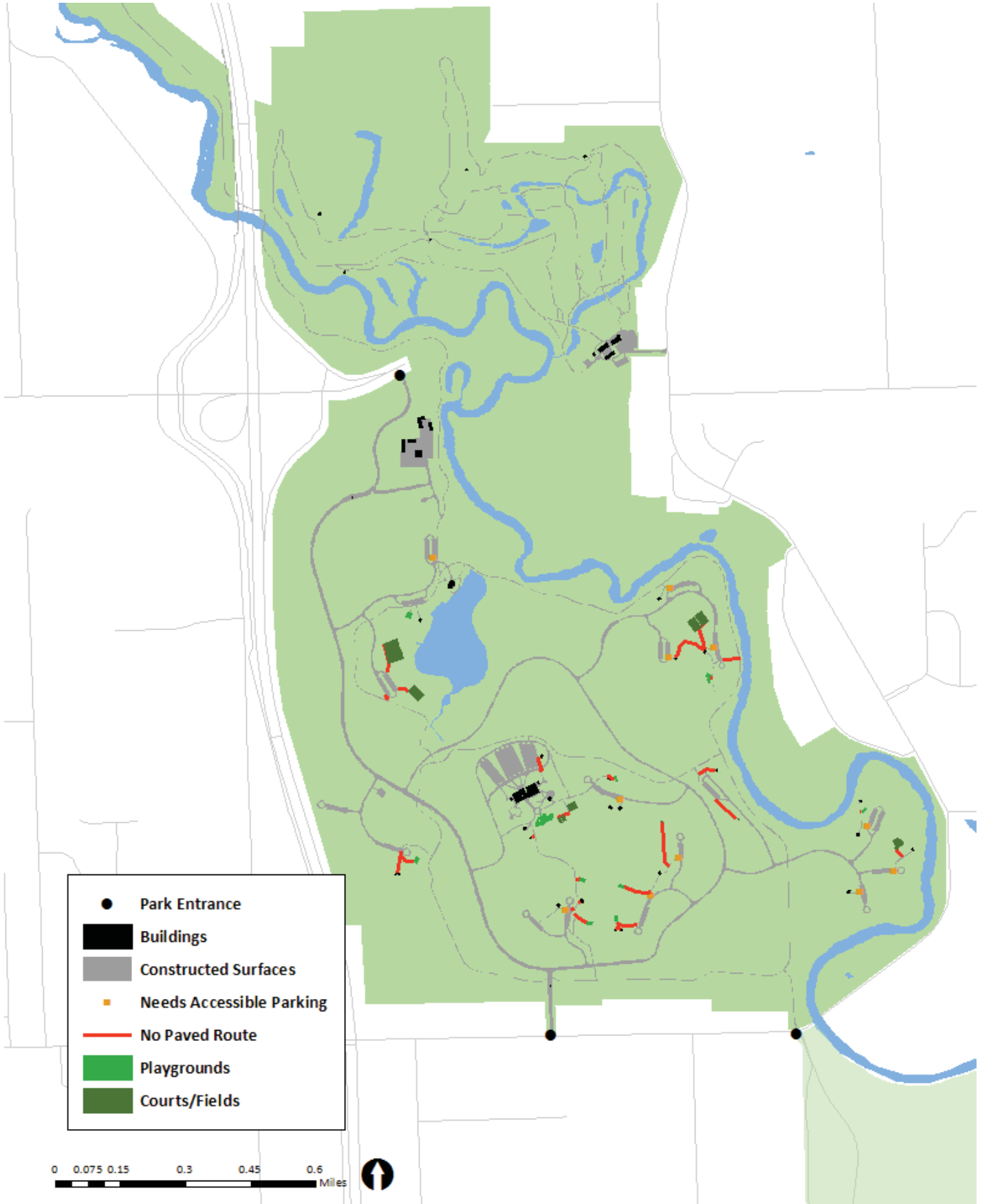
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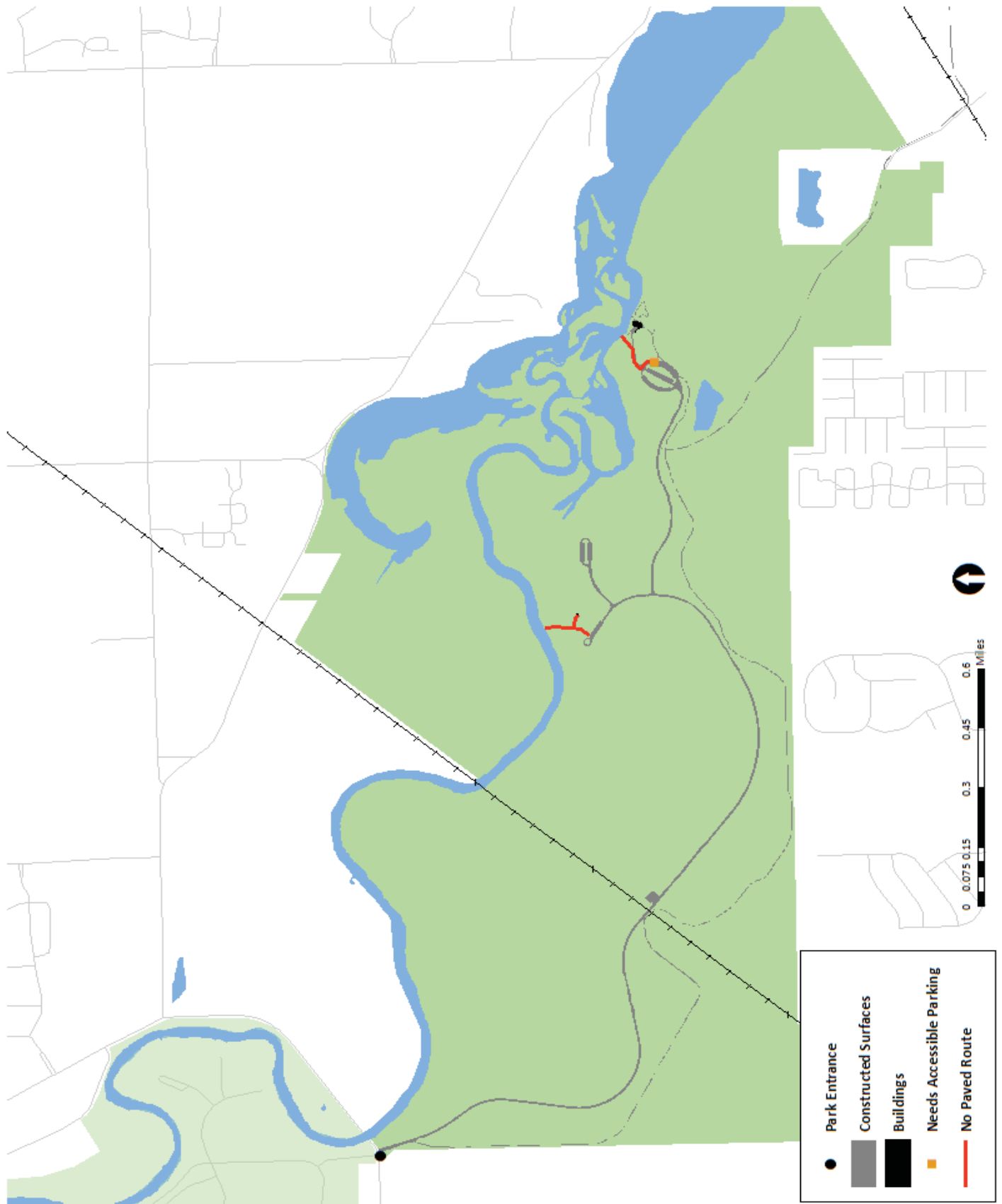
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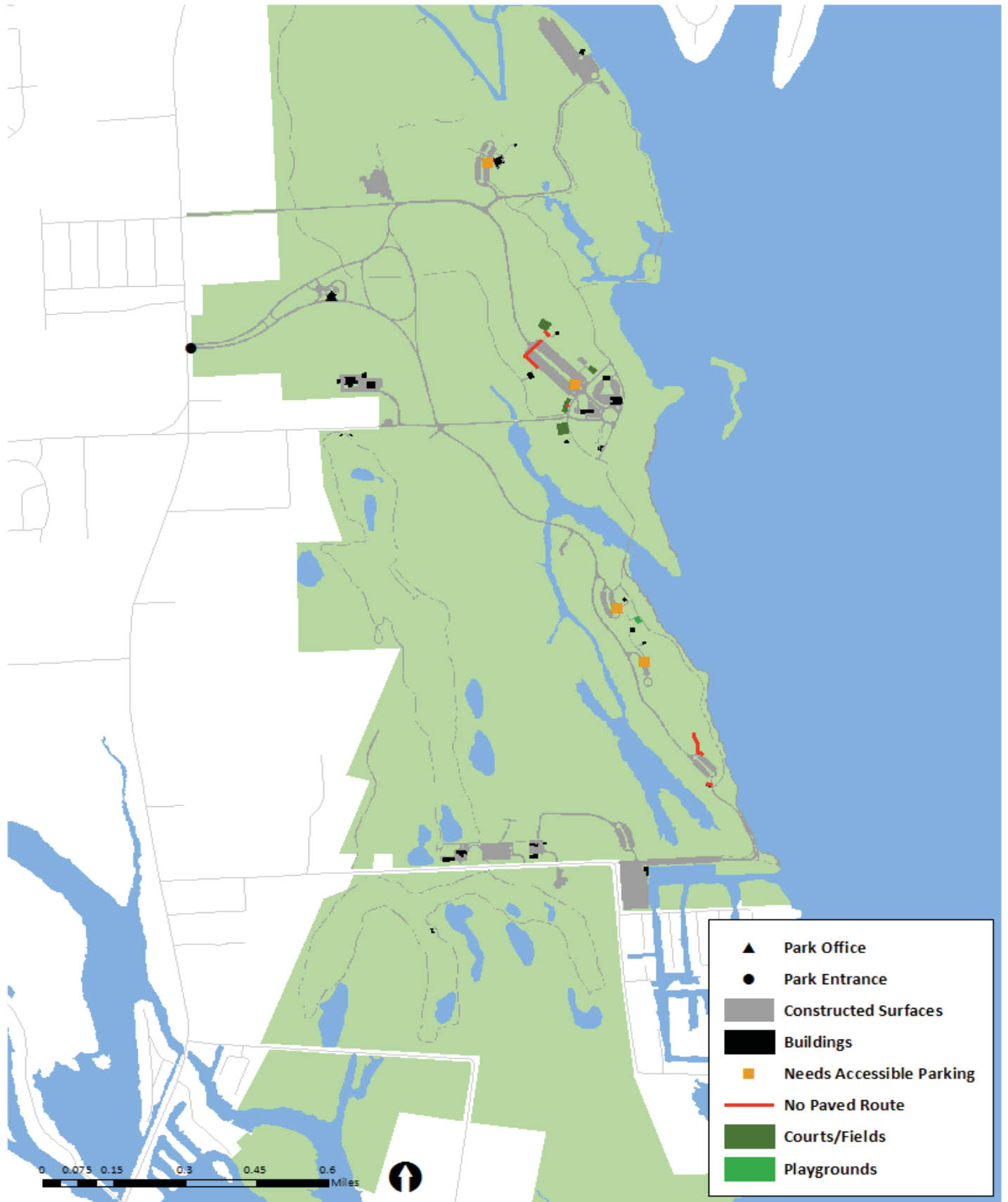
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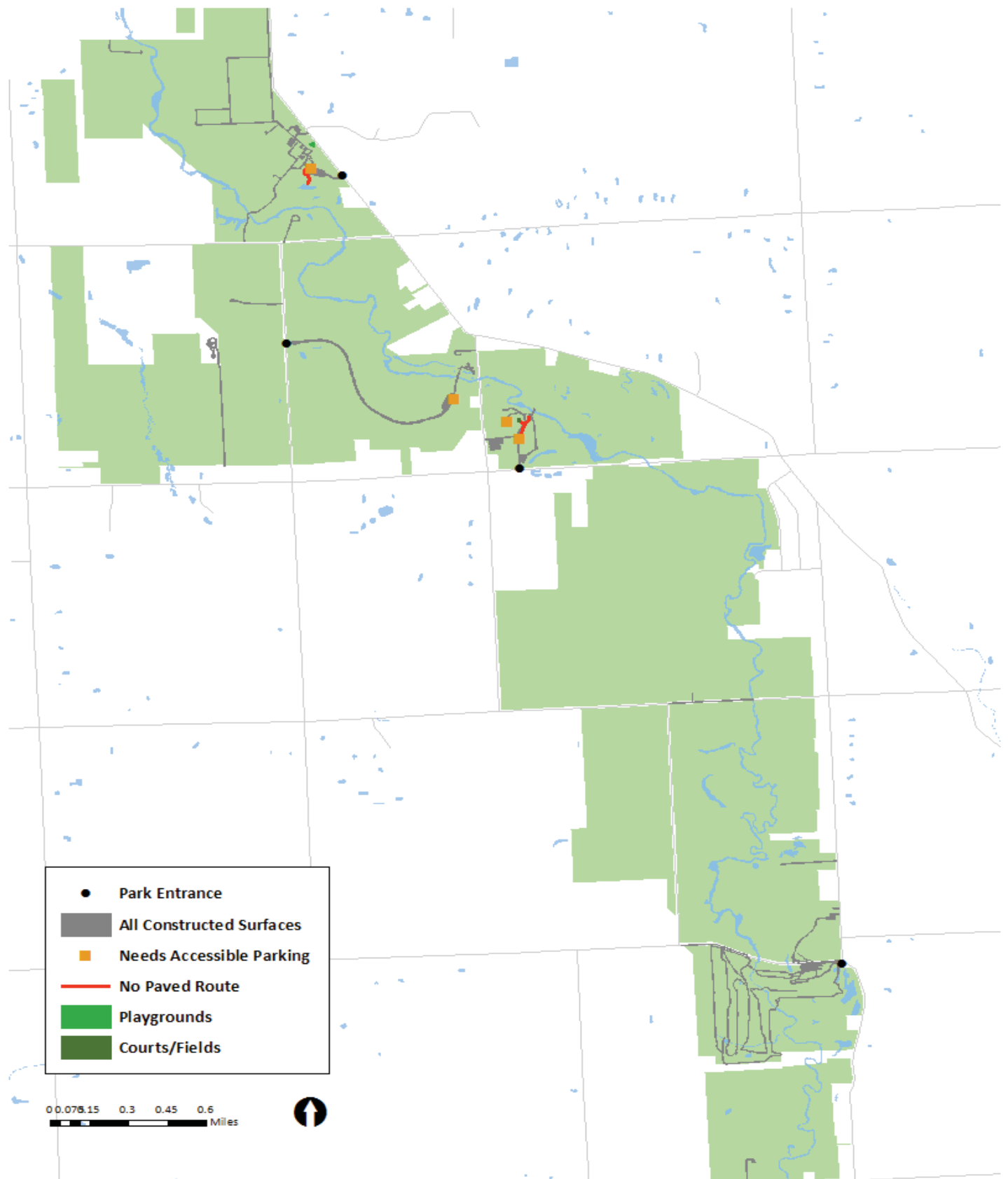
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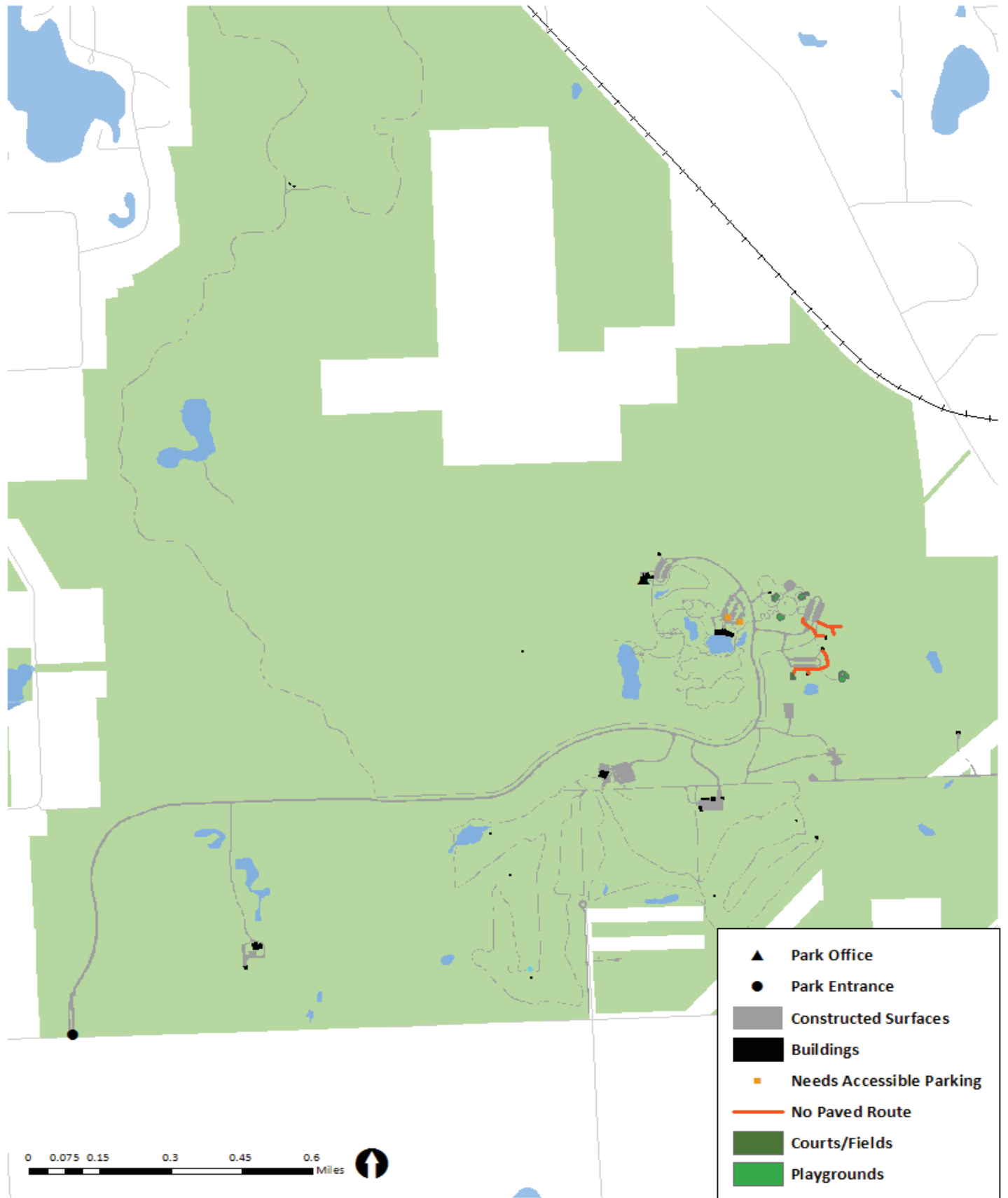
Lake Erie



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.

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 Squirt 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

11. Have you or other members of your household used any of the trails operated by Huron-Clinton Metroparks during the past year?

___(1) Yes ___(2) No [Skip to Question 12.] ___(9) Don't remember [Skip to Question 12.]

11a. Which of the following activities did you or other members of your household participate in on trails operated by Huron-Clinton Metroparks during the past year? [Check all that apply.]

- ___(01) Walk on nature trails
- ___(02) Walk on paved trails
- ___(03) Walk/run dog on paved trails
- ___(04) Run on paved trails
- ___(05) Hike on rustic trails
- ___(06) Cycle on paved trails
- ___(07) Cycle on mountain bike trails
- ___(08) Cycle on roadways
- ___(09) In-line skate on paved trails
- ___(10) Go horseback riding

12. Please CHECK ALL the reasons that prevent you or other members of your household from using parks and facilities operated by Huron-Clinton Metroparks more often. [Check all that apply.]

- ___(01) Facilities are not well maintained
- ___(02) Not interested in the program/facilities offered
- ___(03) Facilities lack the right equipment
- ___(04) Security is insufficient
- ___(05) Lack of quality programs
- ___(06) Location is not convenient
- ___(07) Class full
- ___(08) Program times are not convenient
- ___(09) Use services/facilities provided by other organizations
- ___(10) Cost/fees are too high
- ___(11) Poor customer service by staff
- ___(12) I do not know locations of facilities
- ___(13) Not accessible for people with disabilities
- ___(14) I do not know what is being offered
- ___(15) Facility operating hours not convenient
- ___(16) Registration for programs is difficult
- ___(17) Lack of parking by facilities and parks
- ___(18) Lack of transportation
- ___(19) No time to visit parks
- ___(20) Don't visit parks of any kind
- ___(21) Other: _____
- ___(99) None

13. Please indicate how supportive you would be of having Metroparks use your tax dollars to fund renovations to each of the following.

How supportive would you be of funding:	Very Supportive	Somewhat Supportive	Not Supportive	Don't Know
01. Aquatic Facilities (Swimming Pools, Wave Pools, Lazy Rivers)	3	2	1	9
02. Boardwalks	3	2	1	9
03. Boat Ramps	3	2	1	9
04. Campgrounds	3	2	1	9
05. Canoe/Kayak Launches	3	2	1	9
06. Nature Centers	3	2	1	9
07. Picnic Shelters	3	2	1	9
08. Playgrounds	3	2	1	9
09. Restrooms	3	2	1	9
10. Splash Pads (Water Playground)	3	2	1	9
11. Trails - Paved, Multi-use	3	2	1	9
12. Trails - Unpaved	3	2	1	9
13. Other (specify): _____	3	2	1	9

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.]

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| <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?

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|--|--|---|
| <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?

- | | | |
|---|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> (1) Livingston | <input type="checkbox"/> (4) Washtenaw | <input type="checkbox"/> (7) Other: _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (2) Macomb | <input type="checkbox"/> (5) Wayne – inside the City of Detroit | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> (3) Oakland | <input type="checkbox"/> (6) Wayne – outside the City of Detroit | |

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.

This concludes the survey – Thank you for your time!

Please return your completed survey in the enclosed return-reply envelope addressed to:
ETC Institute, 725 W. Frontier Circle, Olathe, KS 66061

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	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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HURON-CLINTON METROPOLITAN AUTHORITY
 NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
 Counties of Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne. The residents of the Counties of Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne.
 PLEASE TAKE NOTICE: The Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority will hold a Public Hearing on the proposed Community Recreation Plan of the Authority for the years 2018 through 2022 at Lake Erie Metropark, 32481 West Jefferson, Brownstown, MI 48173 on Thursday, Sept. 14, 2017. The Public Hearing will be at 10:30 am, EST. The Purpose of the Public Hearing is for the Authority to receive input and comment on the proposed Community Recreation Plan for consideration in the final Community Recreation Plan. A copy of the proposed Community Recreation Plan will be available for public review at the Authority's offices, 13000 High Ridge Drive, Brighton, MI 48114, during normal business hours 8am-4pm prior to the date of the hearing. After the public hearing, the Authority may vote to consider adopting the 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan at the same meeting on Sept. 14, 2017.

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

RESOLUTION

2018 – 2022 Community Recreation Plan
For the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority
Livingston, Macomb, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne counties

Upon motion made by Commissioner Marans

Supported by Commissioner Williams

At a meeting of the Board of Commissioner of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority held on September 14, 2017, the Board adopted Resolution 2017-08:

WHEREAS, the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority (“Authority”) has undertaken a planning process to determine the recreation and natural resource conservation needs and desires of its residents during a five-year period covering the years 2018 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 developing a 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 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 30 days, and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on September 13, 2017 at Lake Erie Metropark in Brownstown Township, 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 Community Recreation Plan, and

WHEREAS, the Authority has developed the plan as a guideline for improving recreation and enhancing natural resource conservation for the Huron-Clinton Metroparks, and

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

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

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

ABSTAIN: Commissioners: _____

NAYS: Commissioners: _____

ABSENT: Commissioners: Parker (absent from vote)

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the Resolution adopted by the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority on September 14, 2017.



Bernard Parker, Secretary

Public Meeting Minutes

**Minutes
PUBLIC HEARING
2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan
Board of Commissioners
Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority
Thursday, September 14, 2017**

A Public Hearing for the 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan for the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority's Board of Commissioners was on Thursday, Sept. 14, 2017 at the Pool Area Food Bar at the Lake Erie Metropark. The hearing convened in pursuance to a legal notice placed in the Detroit Free Press and Detroit News.

Commissioners Present:	Timothy J. McCarthy Robert W. Marans Kurt L. Heise John Paul Rea Steve Williams Jaye Quadrozzi
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Staff Officers:	
Acting Director/Chief of Police	Michael Reese
Deputy Director	David Kirbach

Absent:	
Commissioner	Bernard Parker
Chief Financial Officer	Michelle Cole

Motion by Commissioner Williams, support from Commissioner Heise that the Board of Commissioners open the Public Hearing for the 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan.

Chairman McCarthy requested a roll call vote.

ROLL CALL VOTE

Voting yes: Commissioners' Quadrozzi, Marans, Williams, Rea, Heise, McCarthy
Voting no: None
Absent: Commissioner Parker

Motion carried unanimously.

1. Chairman's Statement

None.

2. Review of 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan

Manager of Planning Nina Kelly reviewed the process involved in developing the Community Recreation Plan including staff and public input, reviewed the required segments from the DNR and said that it was properly advertised in the Detroit News and Free Press. Ms. Kelly also said there were 2,000 visits to the Planning page on the Metroparks website, that staff also received general comments and that the Plan is essentially the same as the one presented to the Board at the July 13, 2017 Board meeting.

Minutes
Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority
Board of Commissioners
Thursday, September 14, 2017

A regular meeting of the Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority's Board of Commissioners was held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, September 14, 2017 at the Pool Food Bar at Lake Erie Metropark.

Commissioners Present:	Timothy J. McCarthy Robert W. Marans Kurt L. Heise John Paul Rea Steve Williams Jaye Quadrozzi Bernard Parker (arrived at 11:04am)
Staff Officers:	
Acting Director/Chief of Police	Michael Reese
Deputy Director	David Kirbach
Absent:	
Chief Financial Officer	Michelle Cole
Other Attendees:	
Steve Mann	Miller, Canfield, Paddock and Stone, PLC

Chairman McCarthy called the Sept. 14, 2017 meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

1. Chairman's Statement

None.

2. Public Participation

None.

3. Approval – Aug. 10, 2017 Regular and Closed Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners' approve the Aug. 10, 2017 meeting minutes as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval – September 14, 2017 Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Rea, support from Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners' approve the September 14, 2017 agenda as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

5. Approval – September 14, 2017 Consent Agenda

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Heise that the Board of Commissioners' approve the consent agenda consisting of the following:

- a. Approval – August 2017 Financial Statements and Payment Registers
- b. Approval – August 2017 Appropriation Adjustments
- c. Purchases
 1. Phragmites Invasive Species Control, Various Locations
 2. Tasers, Police Department
- d. Report – Purchases over \$10K
- e. Approval/Resolution – Exemption of Taxes Subject to Capture, Independence Twp.
- f. Approval/Resolution – MNRTF Land Acquisition Project Agreement Extension
- g. Bids – Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation, Stony Creek Metropark
- h. Bids – 30-Ton Chiller Replacement, Indian Springs Metropark

- i. Bids – ADA Access Improvements/Bridge Approach Replacement, Lower Huron/Willow
- j. Bids – Salt Storage Structure, Willow Metropark
- k. Approval – Revised Kronos Contract

Motion carried unanimously.

Regular Agenda

6. Reports

A. Administrative Department

1. Approval – 2017 Audit Services Agreement

Motion by Commissioner Marans, support from Commissioner Williams that the Board of Commissioners' approve engaging Yeo & Yeo, P.C. to conduct the Metroparks financial statement audit for the years 2017 and 2018 at a cost of \$27,000 and \$28,000 as recommended by Rebecca Franchock and staff.

Discussion: Commissioner McCarthy said Abraham and Gaffney has been the Metroparks auditor for three years and at the July 13, 2017 meeting, the Board agreed to extend the contract for Abraham & Gaffney. Since that time, the firm has split up and Alan Panter, who has been working with the Metroparks, went to Yeo & Yeo. The Metroparks will still be dealing with the same people. The Board approved a two-year extension and fee structure with Abraham and Gaffney; Yeo & Yeo will adhere to the same fee structure.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Appointment – NexVortex SIP/VOIP Phone Service Agreement

Motion by Commissioner Marans, support from Commissioner Williams that the Board of Commissioners' approve a contract with NexVortex for a period of three years to provide Session Initiation Protocol/Voice Over Internet Protocol (SIP/VOIP) phone service throughout the Metroparks system in the amount of \$4,898.20 monthly for 36 months as recommended by Information Technology Manager Robert Rudolph, Jr. and staff.

Discussion: Information Technology Manager Robert Rudolph updated the Board on the project background including pricing, cost reductions and annual savings.

Commissioner Marans asked if NexVortex was the only company that bid on the project. Mr. Rudolph said NexVortex was the only company that offered a free trial.

Commissioner Heise asked if there was training for staff. Mr. Rudolph said there will not be a change in equipment and that staff will still be using the current ShoreTel system.

Commissioner Williams asked if the direct dial numbers would be able to give a physical address when someone dials 911. Mr. Rudolph said yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval – Foundation Member Appointment

Discussion: Commissioner McCarthy said the Foundation is dealing with a 501(c)(3) issue (Foundation is filed under the wrong category). He said he would like to meet with the attorneys and bring a recommendation to the Board at the October meeting on the Foundation.

Commissioner McCarthy asked for a motion to table the Foundation item.

Commissioner Marans asked if the Board would have a chance to discuss the purpose of the Foundation and how it has been operating the last several years. Commissioner McCarthy said yes and that staff would bring a presentation for review.

Commissioner Rea said a comprehensive review of the Foundation would be beneficial for everyone as several questions have come up during his on-boarding process.

Motion by Commissioner Williams, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners table the Foundation item for one month.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Reports

B. Planning Department

1. Approval – Master Plan, Hudson Mills Metropark

Motion by Commissioner Marans, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners' approve the Hudson Mills Master Plan as recommended by Manager of Planning Nina Kelly and staff.

Discussion: Manager of Planning Nina Kelly updated the Board on the master plan, the over view of the public input process, the additional public meetings that were held and said the plan was revised, which included the golf course remaining open.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval/Resolution – 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan

Motion by Commissioner Marans, support from Commissioner Williams that the Board of Commissioners' approve Resolution 2017-07 adopting the 2018-2022 Metroparks Community Recreation Plan as recommended by Manager of Planning Nina Kelly and staff.

Discussion: Manager of Planning Nina Kelly briefly reviewed the Plan, requested approval for the Plan and said once completed, staff would send it to SEMCOG, the five counties and the DNR.

Commissioner Rea applauded the efforts of the Planning Department as he has had the pleasure of writing these documents in other capacities and that it is truly a showcase document.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval – Clinton River Area Mountain Bike Association (CRAMBA) MOU

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners' approve a Memorandum of Understanding with the Clinton River Area Mountain Bike Association (CRAMBA-IMBA) as recommended by Manager of Planning Nina Kelly and staff.

Discussion: Ms. Kelly reviewed the history between the Metroparks and CRAMBA and said the group would like to enter into an official agreement with the Metroparks for the maintenance and improvements of the biking trails at Stony Creek. She also said working with the group may help bring in additional funding for mountain bike trails at Stony Creek. Ms. Kelly introduced Steve Vigneau, the chairperson with CRAMBA who explained what CRAMBA is and what they do.

Commissioner Marans asked if there were other mountain biking chapters in Michigan. Mr. Vigneau said yes, there were two other organizations in the area – the Motor City Mountain Bike Association and the Potawatomi Mountain Bike Association. Mr. Vigneau said that all the groups work together and divide the trail networks into sections since there are so many throughout the state.

Commissioner Marans also asked if the Metroparks had relationships with these other groups. Ms. Kelly replied yes and that Motor City Mountain Bike Association gave comments for the Community Recreation Plan.

Commissioner McCarthy asked if Miller Canfield has reviewed the MOU. Ms. Kelly said yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Reports

C. Engineering Department

1. Approval – Cell Tower Renewal Agreement, Wolcott Mill Metropark

Discussion: Commissioner McCarthy said when he met with staff he asked if the Metroparks were getting the right amount of money for these cell tower agreements.

Mr. McCarthy would like a consultant to do research on market prices to see if the Metroparks are getting adequately paid.

Motion by Commissioner Williams, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners table the Cell Tower Renewal Agreement item for one month.

Commissioner Marans asked if we had a consultant that deals with real estate. Deputy Director Kirbach said yes.

Commissioner Heise asked if there was more than one location and if there was more than one carrier. Manager of Engineering Mike Brahm-Henkel said yes, there are two cell tower locations with multiple carriers on each tower.

Commissioner Heise asked if the Metroparks was receiving rent for these towers. Mr. Brahm-Henkel said yes.

Commissioner Rea said staff should explore the opportunities for additional easements along with lump sum payments as this is a growing industry.

Motion carried unanimously.

2. Approval – Cell Tower Renewal Agreement, Stony Creek Metropark

I Motion by Commissioner Williams, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners table the Cell Tower Renewal Agreement item for one month.

Motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval – SEMCO Gas Installation Agreement, Stony Creek Metropark

Motion by Commissioner Williams, support from Commissioner Marans that the Board of Commissioners' (1) approve the SEMCO Natural Gas Service Installation Agreement in the amount of \$95,524.20; and (2) authorize staff to transfer funds from the Lake St. Clair Unallocated Capital account to the Stony Creek Unallocated Capital account to cover the cost of the project as recommended by Manager of Engineering Mike Brahm-Henkel and staff.

Discussion: Manager of Engineering Mike Brahm-Henkel updated the Board on the project; said this was an unbudgeted project; that funding was available and that the gas service installation and standby generator were necessary for the new Stony Landing building and Eastwood Beach facilities.

Motion carried unanimously.

4. Approval – Change Order, EIFS System Repairs, Lake St. Clair Metropark

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners' (1) approve a change order to contract No. 702-17-297 in the amount of \$28,000; and (2) approve a fund transfer from the General Repairs account and General Aquatic Repairs account as recommended by Manager of Engineering Mike Brahm-Henkel and staff.

Discussion: Mr. Brahm-Henkel said the additional work is to include structural framing to the existing bathhouse rollup door, which is a safety issue and needs to be addressed. The remainder of the work is for additional patching with armor mesh to repair additional cracks and squirrel holes that were identified during construction.

Motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner Parker arrived at 11:04 a.m.

7. Closed Session

At the regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners' held on Sept. 14, 2017 there was a motion by Commissioner Marans, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners adjourn to a closed session for the purpose of discussing material, which is exempt from discussion or disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, this is a permissible purpose for closed session pursuant to Section 8(h) of the Open Meetings Act.

ROLL CALL VOTE

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

Voting no: None

Motion carried unanimously.

The regular meeting adjourned at 11:05 a.m.

Commissioner McCarthy reconvened the regular meeting at 12:32 p.m.

Motion by Commissioner Quadrozzi, support from Commissioner Heise that the Board of Commissioners' approve the separation agreement as discussed in closed session.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. Other Business

Commissioner McCarthy said the Board needed to hire a permanent director and suggested retaining an executive search firm who could advertise the position, review resumes and bring candidates before the Board for interviews before permanently making a recommendation to fill the position. Mr. McCarthy said he was looking for recommendations from Board members.

Commissioner Quadrozzi said she liked the idea and would like a firm that has experience with our type of organization.

Commissioner Marans said he has been dealing with this issue at Washtenaw County and that Mparks staff gave him recommendations on people/organizations that handle these searches. He suggested looking into hiring Kerry Laycock as he has experience, is competent and is local.

Commissioner Parker said it would most likely be early next year before a candidate is found. He said he would like to begin the process now and would like to have an executive committee formed in order to begin the process.

Commissioner Heise said he agreed with hiring a search firm and doing a national search. He said he would like to see the position hired by January 2018.

Commissioner McCarthy said an RFP was not needed for a professional agreement and that the Board would work with HR to conduct research for a firm, summarize the costs and qualifications and then bring a recommendation to the Board.

Commissioner McCarthy said the Board may also need to have additional special meetings for the purpose of reviewing organizations. He also said committees don't work well and that the meetings would have to be conducted in a public meeting.

Commissioner Marans asked if there is agreement amongst the Board on the qualifications and if there is a job description. He said that the documents Kerry Laycock prepared is applicable and that he would distribute the information he has collected on search firms with all the Board members.

Commissioner McCarthy said the Board should proceed with the process.

Commissioner Williams said he would like to hire a search firm and have more input than on just the final few candidates. He also said background checks should be conducted well before the end of the process as it will help vet better candidates.

9. Staff Leadership Update

Acting Director Reese introduced Kim Fix as the new Community Outreach Coordinator. Ms. Fix introduced herself and updated the Board on her background.

Deputy Director Dave Kirbach let the Board know that the Mill Creek Outdoor Adventures bought Skips Canoe Livery and that they are abiding by all the rules and regulations regarding operating the business.

10. Commissioner Comments

Commissioner Rea thanked staff at Wolcott Mill Metropark for the recent Harvest Festival and Farm Days event that he attended with his family. Mr. Rea also said there has been several discussions with the Macomb County Executive and the Public Works Commissioner regarding Lake St. Clair. He said there may be enhancements and improvements in the near future, which will help eliminate lengthy beach closures as experienced this summer.

Commissioner Quadrozzi commented on Skip's Canoe contract and said she would like to see if the Metroparks could have the company do a pickup service for canoers and kayakers even if they are not renting from Skips Canoe.

11. Motion to Adjourn

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

The meeting adjourned at 12:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Shawn M. Athayde
Recording Secretary

3. Public Participation

Toni Spear, Dexter, thanked staff that took part in putting together the Recreation Plan. She said there were a lot of public comments about trails and the importance of trails to communities and financing for trails. Ms. Spears said people from all over the area visit Hudson Mills and not just people from Washtenaw County and the Dexter area. She said stewardship and rapid response is also an important aspect in the Recreation Plan.

4. Motion to Close Public Hearing

Motion by Commissioner Heise, support from Commissioner Rea that the Board of Commissioners' close the public hearing.

Motion carried unanimously.

The public hearing on the 2018-2022 Community Recreation Plan adjourned at 10:38 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



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