



2024 Reservation Plans

Hinckley, Brecksville, Bedford, and South Chagrin Reservations

November 21, 2024





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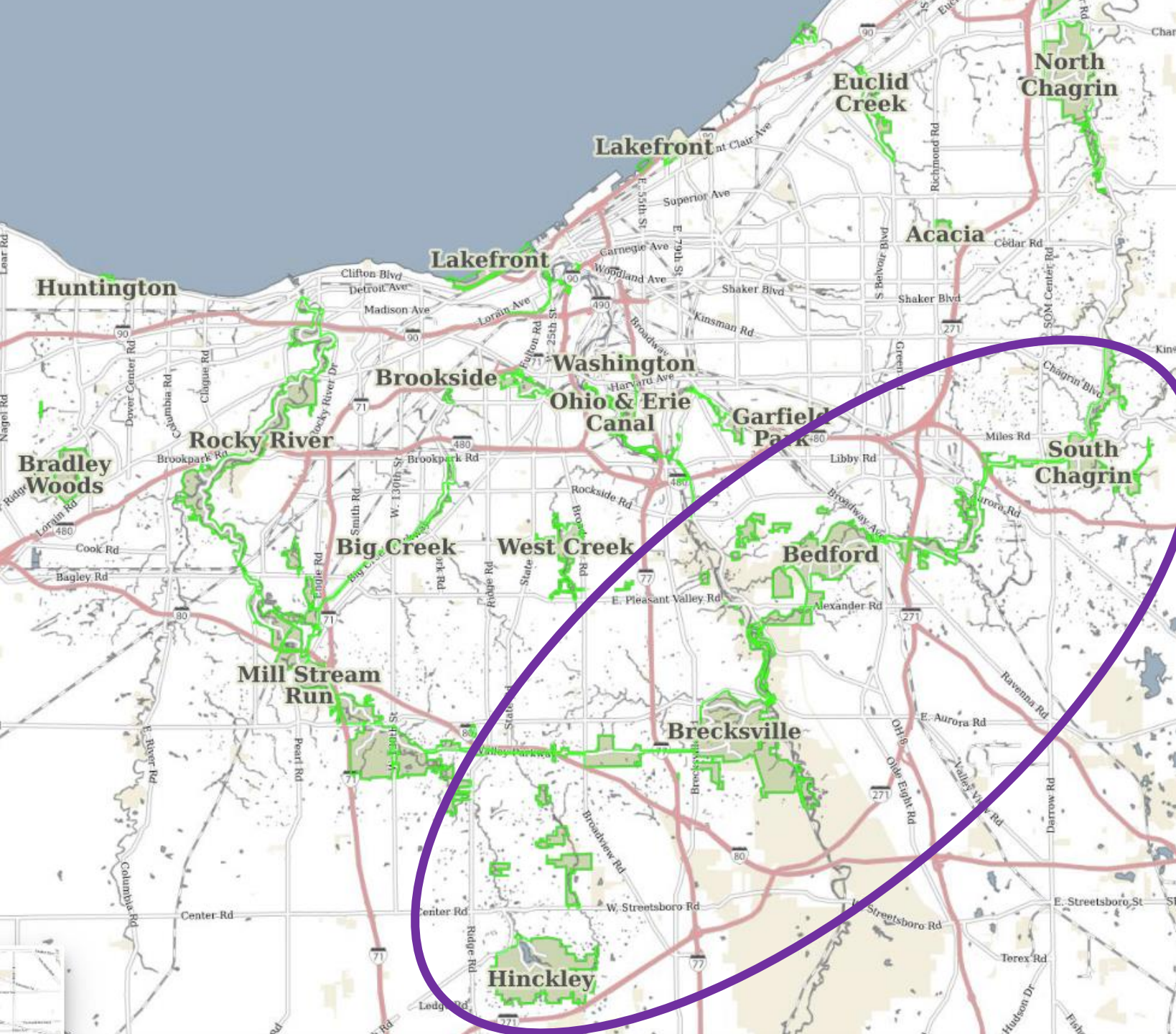
OUR MISSION

Protecting nature, connecting communities
and inspiring conservation of our world.



Reservation Plans

- Reservation Plans are a CAPRA-required component of the System Plan
- The plans move our six Core Goals to action.
 - They help connect expenditures to the System Plan
 - Tracking progress as we update the plans shows accountability
- Plans for each Reservation identify commitments to ongoing resource management and facility / infrastructure needs
- Plans are essential for the pursuit of grants and other outside funding



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Planning Process

Kick-off: March 28th

Park and Golf Initial Work Sessions

Initial Drafts & Discuss Area Plans: Thurs. May 30th

Area Concept Plans: Tues. July 23rd / Brecksville

Review Final Drafts: August 29th

Introduce to Board: September 19th

Community Open Houses: Sept. & Oct.

Review Input / Final Recommendations: late October

Present for Board Review: November 21st



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RESERVATION PLAN
OPEN HOUSES 2024

Cleveland Metroparks invites you to join our staff for Community Open Houses as part of the 2024 Reservation Plan updates!

Each meeting will take place from 5:30 - 7 p.m. with a short presentation at 6:00.

Park Reservation Open Houses:

Bedford
Tuesday, September 24
Egbert Picnic Area
Gorge Parkway
Walton Hills, OH 44146

Hinckley
Tuesday, October 1
Redwing Picnic Area
1856 Metropolitan Park W
Hinckley, OH 44233

South Chagrin
Thursday, October 10
Look About Lodge
37374 Miles Road
Bentleyville, OH 44022

Brecksville
Tuesday, October 15
Trailside Program Center
9000 Chippewa Road
Brecksville, OH 44141

All Reservations
Thursday, October 17
Virtual - 6:00 p.m.
Register at
clevelandmetroparks.com/2024plans



Engagement

Four in-person meetings had an average of 50 attendees. 38 people registered for the online option.

Elected officials in the 20 communities surrounding the parks received invitations to the meetings and helped us promote the events to residents.

Meetings were attended by elected officials including the mayors of Maple Heights, Bedford, and Brecksville.

Staff documented over 100 comments related to the park plans.

Common Themes

Attendees know the parks well and had suggestions including:

- Parking congestion in some areas
- Request for access or programs in areas not accessible by trails
- Appreciation of maintaining park infrastructure
- Balance any new attractions to avoid congestion / excessive new demand
- Equestrian users appreciate the access and the trails are well used; address missing link at Richmond Road
- Ideas for scooter loans, binocular rentals, and wildlife guides to help expand accessibility
- Buckeye Trail representatives complimented park managers and appreciate attention to trail maintenance

What We Heard – Hinckley Reservation

- Questions about Cleveland Metroparks land protection vs. trail corridors
- Favorable input about the dam and pending dredging; excitement about improvements to the spillway area
- Interest in completing a loop trail along the lake
- Boathouse –
 - Good memories of current structure
 - Like the idea of a structure at a new location as a local destination and for event rentals
- Equestrians had suggestions related to trailer parking and bridle trails



What We Heard – Brecksville Reservation

- Enthusiasm for connecting neighboring residents and hotel guests to the park, the Towpath Trail, and Cuyahoga Valley National Park
- Equestrian users appreciate current use of Brecksville Stable; inquired about any opportunities to expand uses or potential for overnight camping permits
- Proposed upgrades at Stuhr Woods welcomed
- A lodge at Meadows appeals to people and could be incorporated into Fall Fest event
- Support for trail improvements along Chippewa Creek



What We Heard – Bedford Reservation

- Support for improved access around Frazee House and connections provided by the proposed Sagamore Connector
- Interest in access to areas north of Button and east of Dunham – discussed potential program hikes
- Astorhurst connector trails are desired
- Community partners are excited about Viaduct Park plans
- Equestrians requested bridle trail link along Richmond Road



What We Heard – South Chagrin Reservation

- Attendees support new trails and site restoration work proposed at Esther and Nathan Rzepka Park
- Expanded functions for the Polo Field are supported while maintaining equestrian uses
- Solon to Chagrin Falls Trail completion is eagerly anticipated
- Support for all purpose trail connection from Miles Road to Polo Field while maintaining separate bridle trail
- Excitement for the proposed Arbor Picnic Area play space



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- Brookside
- Garfield Park
- Ohio & Erie Canal
 - Rivergate
 - Towpath Trail
 - Cleveland Foundation Centennial Lake Link Trail
- Washington Park
- West Creek

