

WELCOME!

Richard M. Nixon County Park, located in Springfield Township, features a 14,000 square foot Nature Center. Nestled on 213 acres in meadow, woodland and aquatic habitats, Nixon County Park supports a wide variety of plant & animal life. The landscape of the park provides ample opportunities for teaching many of the natural sciences.

HISTORY

Donated in 1968, through a gift of land from the Bob Hoffman family, the park was named in honor of the newly elected U.S. president. The original Nature Center, which highlights Pennsylvania natural history, was constructed in 1978 and was opened to the public in 1980. An addition was built in 1992 to house a worldwide collection of specimens donated by William Koller, of York, PA. All the outstanding animal exhibits were presented as gifts to be used for educational purposes.

NATURE CENTER

The nature center features a display honeybee hive, live reptiles, children's touch room, bird feeder observation windows, an extensive preserved insect collection, and interactive educational displays focused on PA natural history. In addition, three life size dioramas showcase over 75 taxidermy specimens representing over 15 different countries around the world.

NATURE CENTER HOURS

Tuesday - Saturday: 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Sundays: 12 pm to 4:30 pm

Park Grounds: dawn to dusk (daily)

PARK AMENITIES

Hiking—There are over six miles of trails in this park. Because the park is designed primarily for quiet observation of nature and education, you are asked to keep other activities to a minimum.

Nature Play Area—The “Exploration Forest” is located just past the pond and includes woods, trails, and a small creek.

Picnicking—There are no picnic facilities at the park, however, you are welcome to relax on the front lawn, or benches, and eat lunch. Grills and other open fires are not permitted.

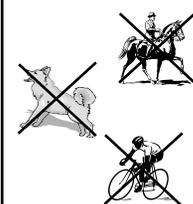
Restrooms—Restrooms are currently only available during nature center open hours.

SPECIAL EVENTS/PROGRAMS

Educational Speakers and Walks—Check the program guide for a full listing of programs. There is typically a free public program every Sunday April-October.

Special Events—Check the website, Facebook, or program guide for full details. Look for Maple Sugaring Days and Reptile Week each year, as well as a variety of special “drop-in” programs featuring themed self-serve displays.

Education Programs—Full-time naturalists staff the Center and offer guided nature walks and programs to pre-scheduled school, scout, senior, and social groups. Any organized group of 10 or more must pre-schedule, even if touring on their own.



Pets/horses are not permitted in the park.

Bikes are not permitted on trails.

RICHARD M. NIXON COUNTY PARK



YORK COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Nixon Park Address:

5922 Nixon Drive, York, PA 17403

Directions to Nixon Park:

- I-83 to Exit 14 (Leaders Heights)
- Take Leader Heights Road west to S. George Street. (Follow signs from here)
- Turn left on S. George Street. Turn right on Valley Rd in Jacobus
- Turn right on Nixon Drive. At stop sign, turn left, continuing on Nixon Drive

ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS:

John Rudy County Park
400 MUNDIS RACE ROAD

YORK, PA 17406-9721

PHONE: (717) 840-7440

Email: parks@yorkcountypa.gov

OPEN - Mon. to Fri. 8:00 am—4:30 pm

(closed daily 12:30 pm—1:00 pm)

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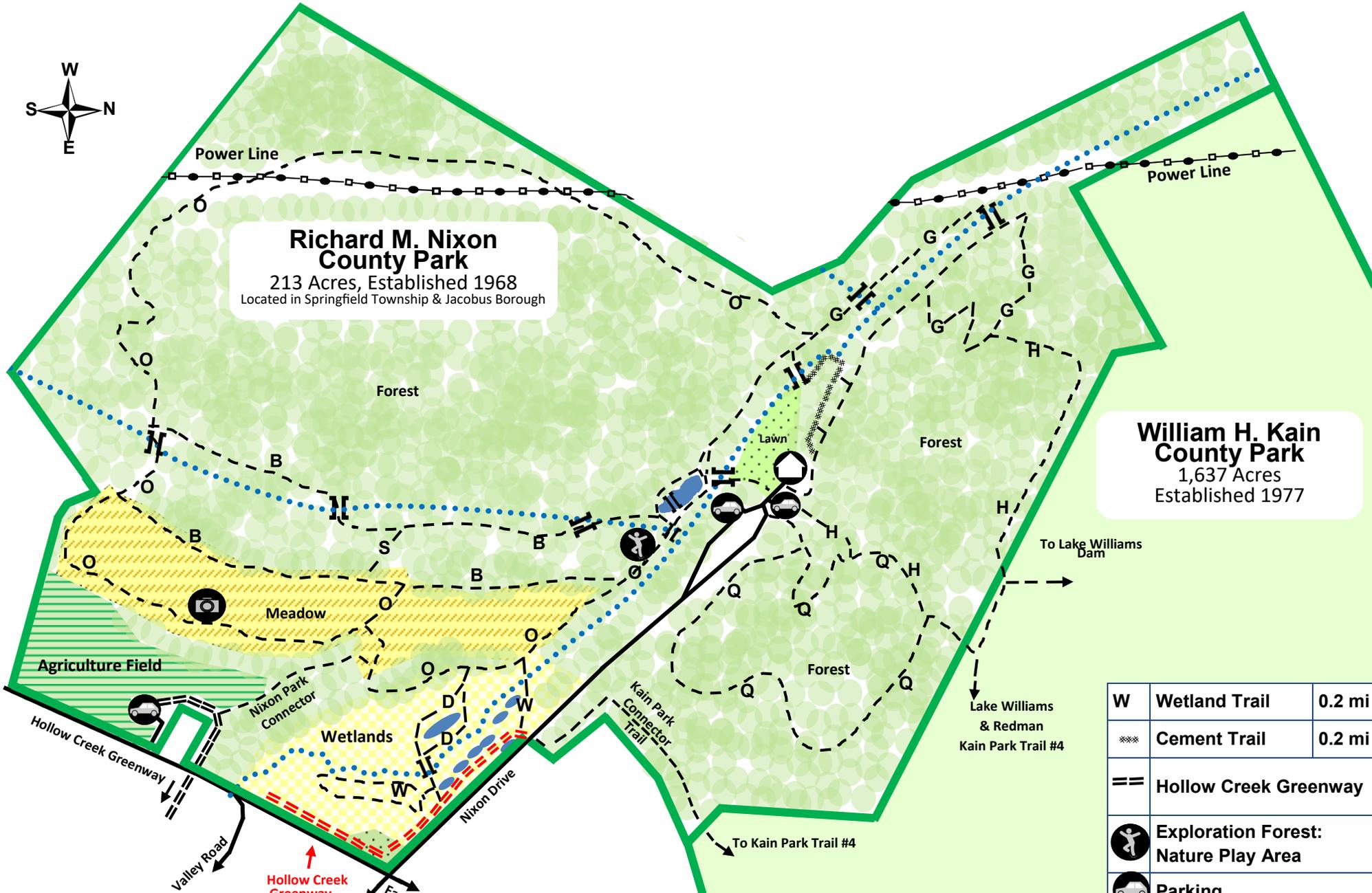
In accordance with Americans with Disabilities Act, those individuals needing accommodation for access within the York County Parks, please call the County of York at (717) 771-9214.





Richard M. Nixon County Park
 213 Acres, Established 1968
 Located in Springfield Township & Jacobus Borough

William H. Kain County Park
 1,637 Acres
 Established 1977



Hollow Creek Greenway under construction—not open to bikes or horses

W	Wetland Trail	0.2 mi
***	Cement Trail	0.2 mi
==	Hollow Creek Greenway	
	Exploration Forest: Nature Play Area	
	Parking	
	Nature Center	
	Stream	
	Observation Platform	
	Bridge	

MAP KEY		
O	Old Field Loop	1.5 mi
Q	Quiet Walk Loop	0.6 mi
B	Bird Hollow Loop	1 mi
S	Shortcut Trail	0.2 mi
G	Geology Trail	1 mi
H	Hardwood Trail	0.7 mi
D	Dragonfly Loop	0.1 mi