

WOODLAND HILLS

Woodland Hills is one of the last vestiges of Beech-Maple forest left in our area. It is a passive park lending itself to quiet activities only, such as nature walks, bird watching, and nature photography. The 1.7 miles of trails on 74 acres meander across and are adjacent to a creek tributary to the Rouge River. They take you on a journey through areas of tangled brush, open field, young forest, mature forest, and wetlands. The park is home to a diverse variety of animal and plant life. Respect and care of this natural oasis will preserve it into the future for generations to come.



FLORA & FAUNA

As you walk the nature trails, you will pass through various habitats that are home to many species of plants and animals. The thick brushy areas at the front of the park along Beech-Maple Trail have a variety of fruits and berries such as crabapple, serviceberry, and black raspberry. These provide food and cover for many bird species that live in the park year round, as well as those that see them as they pass through during migration. Many varieties of spring and fall warblers can be seen in this area during May and September.

The forest area in the center of the park contains a large stand of Beech, Maple, Black Cherry, and Oak trees. The mature trees provide nesting areas for Great Horned Owls, Screech Owls, Cooper's Hawks and Red-Tailed Hawks.

The wetland pond provides a nesting area for waterfowl such as ducks and amphibians, mostly toads and frogs. Blue and Green Herons, as well as Egrets, can be seen hunting at the pond. The pond also is a great source of drinking water for all the inhabitants of Woodland Hills.

DEFINITION OF A NATURE PARK

Woodland Hills is a sanctuary for native plants, animals and their habitats, and for unique natural features. Your nature park is managed primarily for the protection of these species and features. It also provides educational, scientific, recreational and aesthetic benefits for the park visitors.

The trails in this park are of a "rustic" nature to preserve the uniqueness of the area. Please be careful as you walk, as there are exposed tree roots in some areas, and steep grades may be slippery at certain times during wet and or icy weather. All trails are either wood-chipped or dirt.

PARK GUIDELINES

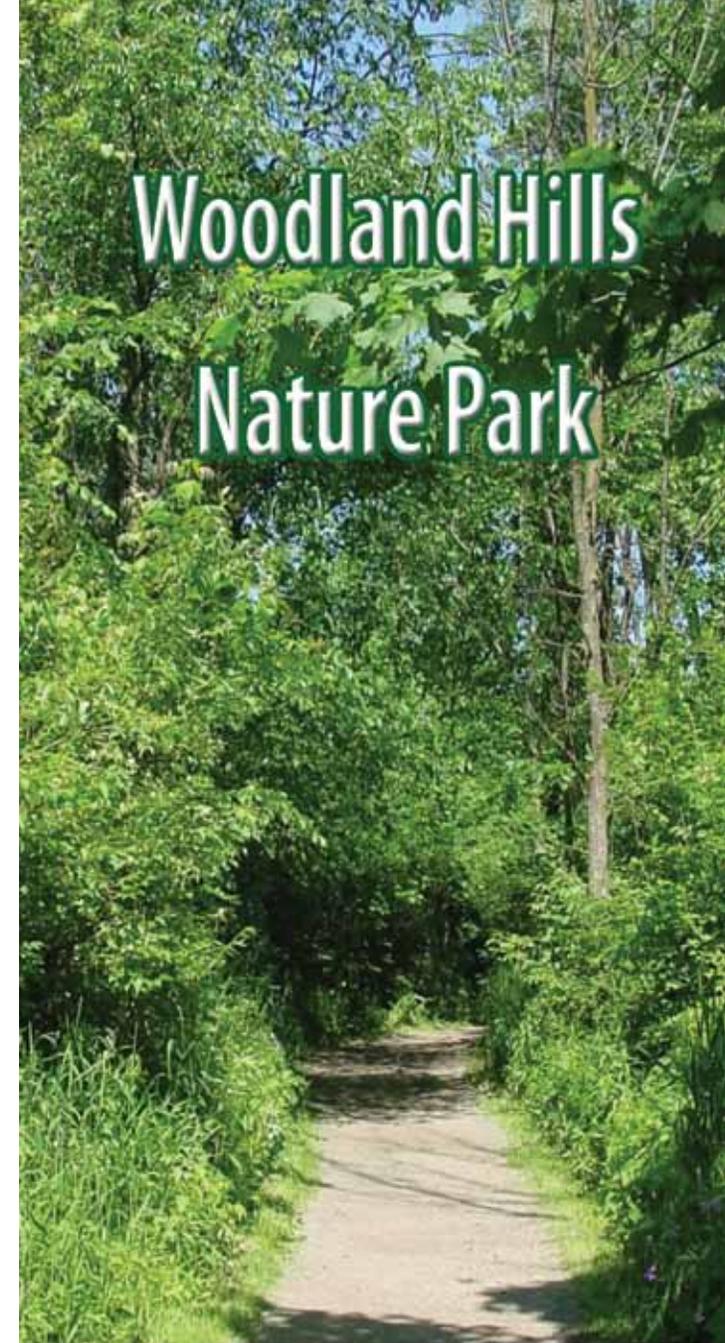
All forms of life are protected at Woodland Hills. It is yours to protect and respect as you view the wonders of our natural world. Please do not pick, collect, disturb, remove, harass, feed, injure or kill any plant or animal found within.

- The park is open 8:00 a.m. to dusk.
- Motorized vehicles are allowed in parking areas only.
- Alcoholic beverages are prohibited.
- Dogs and other pets are prohibited.
- Remote control aircraft and model rockets are prohibited.
- Bicycles, roller blades, and skateboards are not allowed on trails.
- Please stay on designated trails at all times.
- It is unlawful to release any live trapped animal, wild or domestic, in any city parkland.
- Please help keep the park clean by depositing all litter in trash receptacles.
- Please call to report any vandalism or maintenance issues in the park.

Department of Special Services
Monday - Friday • 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.
248.473.1800 • www.fhgov.com



Farmington Hills Nature Center
Heritage Park ~ 248.477.1135



FARMINGTON HILLS
Michigan

DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL SERVICES

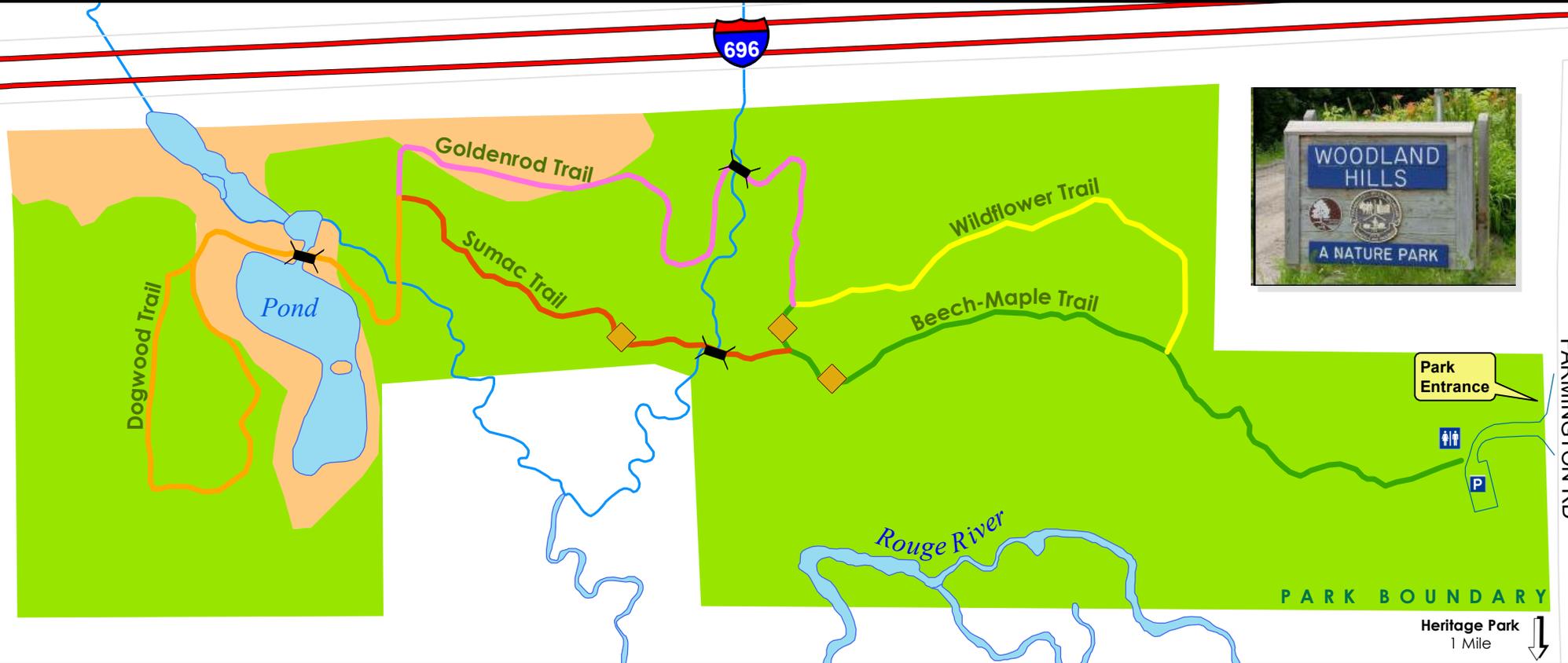


Woodland Hills

Woodland Hills is a sanctuary for native plants and animals to thrive within their natural habitat. The park is managed primarily for the protection of these species and features. It also provides educational, scientific, recreational and aesthetic benefits for the community of Farmington Hills.

Please enjoy the primitive trails and appreciate the beauty of Michigan's native plants and animals. Please be careful as you walk as you will find exposed tree roots, rocks, and steep grades that may be slippery during wet or icy weather.

For more information about nature programs and activities, please call the Farmington Hills Nature Center, 248-477-1135.



SOURCES: City of Farmington Hills GIS, 2010
Oakland County GIS, 2010

Trail Legend (All trails wood-chipped or dirt)

- Parking
- Steep Grades
- Wooded
- Restrooms
- Bridge
- Meadow

- Beech-Maple Trail .4 mi
- Sumac Trail .2 mi
- Dogwood Trail .4 mi
- Wildflower Trail .2 mi
- Goldenrod Trail .3 mi

