

CHAPTER 5

OUTDOOR RECREATION

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Ohio's 312-mile Lake Erie shore is an important recreational resource for all Ohioans and tourists. Recreational tourism is a vital economic industry in the Lake Erie region. According to the Great Lakes Commission (2014), visitors to Ohio's Lake Erie region spend more than \$10.7 billion annually, which is nearly 30 percent of the state's total tourism dollars. Lake Erie tourism also supports more than 100,000 jobs in northern Ohio and generates \$750 million in state and local taxes.

Natural resource-based and outdoor recreation opportunities on Lake Erie (and within the watershed) range from passive (low-impact) activities, such as hiking, biking, geocaching, wildlife viewing, sightseeing, fishing and paddling, to active (high-impact) activities, like boating, waterskiing, jet skiing, windsurfing, swimming, disc golfing and participating in field/court sports. Passive-use recreational areas emphasize open green spaces and natural aspects of parks and preserves. These areas require minimal levels of infrastructure development and include restorative and tranquil amenities that have minimal impacts on the surrounding lands and ecosystem. Amenities may include picnic areas, benches, trails, paddling accesses and ornamental gardens. Nature-based parks and preserves can be environmentally important or sensitive spaces where plants and wildlife can establish a foothold. Parks that are mostly intended for passive recreation typically do not afford facilities or equipment for exercise, sports or play. Conversely, active recreation involves high-impact and physically-challenging recreational activities and requires intensive amenity development and upkeep. Such recreational areas often include facilities intended for organized team activities (e.g. baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, volleyball and other field/court sports). Active-use amenities may also include swimming pools, splash pads, boat ramps, marinas, golf courses and equipment for exercise or play. Parks with active-use amenities may also offer passive-use amenities.

RECREATIONAL LANDSCAPE

Ohio's coastal counties offer a diverse variety of outdoor recreational opportunities and spaces. There are 188 public access sites adjacent to Lake Erie, which comprise approximately 60.5 miles of shore (about 19 percent of Ohio's entire Lake Erie coast) and account for nearly 22,270 acres of protected land (see the Protected Lands map on page 144). Many additional publicly accessible locations are located on the major tributaries that flow into the lake and within the Lake Erie Watershed. Lake Erie-adjacent access sites and other recreational areas include state parks, county metropolitan parks (metroparks), municipal parks, nature preserves, wildlife areas, boating facilities, fishing accesses and scenic overlooks.

The Lake Erie shore and surrounding landscape varies greatly from west to east. The glacially-influenced landscape of the Lake Erie Watershed ranges from the low, flat topography of the lake plains, prevalent in northwest Ohio and along the edge of the shore, to rolling hills and elevated highlands in north-central and northeast Ohio (see the Topography and Landforms map on page 208). Much of northwest Ohio's low-lying landscape was once covered by the Great Black Swamp. Many nature preserves, wildlife areas and other protected lands in Lucas, Ottawa and Sandusky counties preserve remnant portions of historic coastal marshland and are accessible for wildlife viewing, bird watching, fishing, hunting and nature hiking.

Ohio has over a dozen natural islands in Lake Erie's Western Basin. South Bass, Middle Bass and Kelleys islands are popular getaway destinations and are renowned for their natural resources, cultural attractions and recreational opportunities. State parks on these three islands offer camping, hiking, wildlife viewing and boating facilities. South Bass Island and Kelleys Island state parks feature swimming beaches, while Middle Bass Island State Park provides seasonal dockage for island residents and transient dockage for visitors at its 190-slip marina. Approximately 87 percent of North Bass Island is state-owned and managed. The 451-acre North Bass Island State Park is accessible for bicycling, hiking, primitive camping (special permit required) and other low-impact activities.

Tributaries in northeast Ohio, such as the Cuyahoga, Chagrin and Grand rivers, originate in higher-relief upland areas. Many county metropark reservations and other recreational lands along these rivers, including Cuyahoga Valley National Park, feature remarkable geologic formations such as waterfalls and ledges, protect forest and swampland, and preserve historic canal lands. Downriver sections of the Vermilion, Black, Rocky, Cuyahoga, Chagrin and Grand rivers feature recreation-filled valleys that are best characterized by lush forests and impressively high, steep shale cliffs. Recreational opportunities include picnicking, hiking, biking, fishing, wildlife viewing, bird watching and paddling, among many other activities.

Bluffs along the lakeshore, particularly in Erie (east of Huron), Lorain, Cuyahoga, Lake and Ashtabula counties, generally increase in elevation west to east and can reach heights of 60 feet (see Bluff Classification maps on pages 180-183). Many lakefront parks provide beach, fishing and paddling access by way of a bluff-traversing staircase and/or walking path. Most sites afford scenic lake access and several land-based amenities and activities.



Lorain Harbor, Lorain, Lorain County



Headlands Beach State Park, Lake County

OUTDOOR RECREATION ACTIVITIES

Many recreational areas along the Lake Erie shore offer active and passive beach-related activities. Beaches provide easy water access for swimming, wading, fishing and paddling. Nearly 80 of Lake Erie's publicly-accessible sites include a beach (or multiple beach areas) for recreational and/or passive activities. Swimming is permitted at 37 sites (see the Public Access maps and amenity charts on pages 106 through 113). Recreational beaches may also include seasonal volleyball courts, beach-level boardwalks, playground equipment and designated areas for dogs.

While Ohio's Lake Erie shore features several recreational swimming beaches, many other beaches are managed to preserve the natural characteristics of the lakeshore, promote habitat conservation and support low-impact activities, such as nature-walking and wildlife viewing. A few beaches feature dunes and dune communities. **Dunes** form as the result of accumulated, wind-blown sand. A dune community is a unique habitat type that can support highly specialized plant and animal species. Headlands Dunes State Nature Preserve in Lake County is one of the last remaining and finest Lake Erie dune communities in Ohio. Smaller dune formations are located at Walnut Beach and Conneaut Township parks in Ashtabula County. The Lake Erie shore

also features the 7,300-foot barrier beach at Sheldon Marsh State Nature Preserve in Erie County. A **barrier beach** is a narrow strip of beach separated from the mainland by a marsh, bay or tributary. The barrier beach at Sheldon Marsh separates the waters of Lake Erie from the wetland areas of East Sandusky Bay. Smaller barrier beaches are also present at North Pond State Nature Preserve on Kelleys Island, Old Woman Creek State Nature Preserve in Erie County and Arcola Creek Park in Lake County.

Most recreational areas feature hiking, biking, walking and/or fitness trails. Trails range from dirt-surfaced or grass-mowed nature trails through woods, wetland areas and meadows, to paved multi-purpose trails and lakefront boardwalks. There are also many statewide, regional and local trails and bikeways that link communities and recreational areas. For an overview of the trails in the Lake Erie Watershed, see the Major Trail Networks map on page 114.

Lake Erie offers countless world-class fishing opportunities. Anglers can cast a line from one of many publicly-accessible piers and structures, enjoy a favorite fishing spot at a park, or launch a boat and navigate to an open water destination. Lake Erie yields a mix of fish species, including walleye, yellow perch, smallmouth bass, rainbow (steelhead) trout and white bass, among many others. According to Ohio Sea Grant, Lake Erie produces approximately 50 percent of all fish caught in the Great Lakes—more than lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron and Ontario combined. Walleye and yellow perch are Lake Erie's most popular fish, with 49 percent and 31 percent, respectively, of Ohio anglers targeting those species (see maps on pages 160 and 162).

Sport fishing in Ohio is a \$2.9 billion industry, with anglers spending around \$2 billion annually in the Lake Erie region. It is important to local, state and national economies. Coastal communities actively market available fishing resources and profit from angler visits. Local businesses, hotels, campgrounds, marinas, restaurants, bait and tackle stores, the charter boat industry and other businesses greatly benefit from the fishing opportunities Lake Erie provides. The lake's charter boat industry is the largest in North America and accounts for 40 percent of all Great Lakes charter boats.

A range of habitat types contribute to the abundance and diversity of Lake Erie's sport fishery. The lake is nationally-renowned for its walleye fishing and fittingly known as the "Walleye Capital of the World." Each spring, thousands of walleye run up the Maumee and Sandusky rivers to spawn, which attracts anglers nationwide. The Western Basin is one of the most productive natural spawning and nursery areas on the Great Lakes. Walleye may spawn over reefs, shoals of gravel, bedrock and other firm bottoms in the Western Basin. During the rest of the year, walleye are common throughout the Central Basin as well (see map on page 156).



Magee Marsh Wildlife Area, Ottawa and Lucas counties

Yellow perch are often found in Ohio's slow-moving tributaries, lakes and reservoirs but are particularly common in Lake Erie. Like walleye, yellow perch are abundant in the Western and Central basins. From fall through spring, steelhead trout fishing is common in the Central Basin, especially within the gravel/cobble-bottomed (when free of ice) Vermilion, Rocky, Cuyahoga, Chagrin, Grand and Ashtabula rivers (and Conneaut Creek). Lake Erie's bays, harbors and areas along the shore offer excellent bluegill, crappie and largemouth bass fishing. Anglers may also catch the occasional northern pike or muskellunge in vegetated areas.

In winter, many anglers enjoy ice fishing on Lake Erie. Ice fishing requires traversing the frozen lake to a desired "open water" location and casting a line into a drilled hole. Portable shelters, called ice shanties, are placed over the fishing hole for warmth and protection. Licensed ice fishing guides often assist anglers on Lake Erie. Guides help navigate to safe ice, set up ice shanties and locate fish. The area between Green and Rattlesnake islands, just west of South Bass Island, typically offers some of the safest ice on the lake. Walleye, white perch and yellow perch are common Lake Erie ice fishing catches.

Boating offers a variety of recreational opportunities on Lake Erie, including fishing, swimming, water-skiing, entertaining and relaxation. Many boating facilities are located directly on Lake Erie, while many others are located within harbors or along rivers. Boating access sites include public facilities (managed and maintained by a variety of governmental agencies), commercial facilities and private facilities (such as yacht clubs). These facilities provide various amenities, such as ramps, transient dockage, fuel, electric hook-up, water hook-up and/or waste pump-outs. Of the 207 publicly-accessible boating access sites on Lake Erie—including sites that provide access to Lake Erie via connecting waterway—105 have a boat ramp, 177 have docking facilities and 74 have both (ramp and docks). These include 137 commercial facilities, 60 public facilities and five private sites. For maps and more information about Lake Erie public access and boating access, see pages 106-113 and 116-125.

Registrations are required for every recreational boat in Ohio, excluding paddle boards, sail boards, kite boards and belly boats. In 2016, more than 505,000 registrations were issued in Ohio, a 6.5 percent increase from the previous year. Nearly 89,000 registrations, or 18 percent, were issued in one of the eight coastal counties, a five percent increase from 2015. Cuyahoga County accounted for 30 percent of all coastal county registrations. Approximately one-third of all recreational boating activity in Ohio occurs on Lake Erie (ODNR Division of Watercraft, 2012). According to the National Marine Manufacturers Association, recreational boating in Ohio accounts for approximately 19,500 jobs and supports nearly 800 local businesses. Ohio boaters spend approximately \$3.6 billion annually (includes direct, indirect and induced spending).

Paddling is an increasingly popular activity in Ohio. In 2016, over 161,500 canoes and kayaks were registered in the state (15 percent increase from the previous year).



Walnut Beach Park, Ashtabula, Ashtabula County

There are four designated water trails totaling nearly 190 miles in the Lake Erie Watershed, including the East Sandusky Bay Water Trail, the Lake Erie Islands Water Trail, the Maumee River Water Trail and the Vermilion-Lorain Water Trail. The East Sandusky Bay Water Trail is a circular route with five access points on the East Sandusky Bay and Pipe Creek. The Lake Erie Islands Water Trail is comprised of five individual paddling routes. These include separate trails encircling each of Ohio's four largest islands—Kelleys, South Bass, Middle Bass and North Bass—and one trail following the Catawba Island/Marblehead Peninsula mainland shore. The 107-mile Maumee River Water Trail was dedicated in 2018 and includes 39 access locations between Maumee Bay and the Indiana state line. The Vermilion-Lorain Water Trail connects nine access points along the Vermilion and Black rivers and Lake Erie. For more information about paddling access and water trails, see pages 128 and 129.



Mouth of the Vermilion River, Vermilion, Erie County



Edgewater Park at Lakefront Reservation, Cleveland, Cuyahoga County

OHIO CLEAN MARINAS AND CLEAN BOATER PROGRAMS

The Ohio Clean Marinas Program is a proactive partnership between Ohio Sea Grant, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and marine trades associations. It is designed to encourage marina operators and boaters to use simple, innovative solutions to keep Ohio's coastal and inland waterway resources clean. Goals include responsible use and protection of the natural environment through education, awareness and applying best management practices. The program helps inform marina operators and boaters about environmental laws, rules and jurisdictions. Committed implementation of various conservation measures that improve environmental and economic aspects of operation may qualify a marina to become a certified "Clean Marina." The Clean Marinas Program is a voluntary program. Benefits include improved water quality and wildlife habitat; public recognition and enhanced image; attracting conscientious boaters; financial incentives, and; compliance assistance. Marinas that support the recreational boating industry contribute significantly to Lake Erie's coastal economy.

The Ohio Clean Marinas Program started in 2004. At the time, it was only available to marinas on Lake Erie. In 2015, the program was expanded statewide. Between 2005 and June 1, 2018, 78 marinas were certified as Ohio Clean Marinas, including 58 in the Lake Erie Watershed. Approximately 74 percent of all Clean Marinas are on Lake Erie (as of June 1, 2018). Erie and Ottawa counties have the most Clean Marinas, with 17 and 14, respectively. Once certified, Ohio Clean Marinas are eligible for recertification every five years. For more information about the Ohio Clean Marinas Program and a map showing certified Clean Marinas, see pages 126 and 127.

The Ohio Clean Boater Program is a component of the Ohio Clean Marinas Program. It is also designed to encourage marina operators and boaters to use simple, innovative solutions to keep Ohio's coastal and inland waterway resources clean. The program offers a list of best boater practices that aim to educate boaters on watercraft upkeep (fueling and engine maintenance, boat cleaning, painting and sanding), waste management, aquatic invasive species control and environmental hazards associated with boating. The Clean Boater Program is a voluntary program. Boaters committed to following best boater practices may pledge to become a "Clean Boater."

The maps and content in this chapter highlight multiple outdoor recreational opportunities and illustrate many public access spaces, motorized boating facilities, trails and paddling acceses along the Lake Erie coast and in the Lake Erie Watershed.

Learn more about the information presented in this chapter:

Lake Erie Public Access

Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Office of Coastal Management
coastal.ohiodnr.gov/gocoast and coastal.ohiodnr.gov/gorivers

Lake Erie Birding Trail

Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife
lakeeriebirding.ohiodnr.gov

Lake Erie Fishing

Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife
wildlife.ohiodnr.gov/fishing/fishing-lake-erie

Ohio Clean Marinas and Clean Boater Programs

Ohio Sea Grant College Program and Ohio Department of Natural Resources,
Division of Parks and Watercraft
ohioseagrant.osu.edu/clean
watercraft.ohiodnr.gov/cleanboating

Ohio State Parks

Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Watercraft
parks.ohiodnr.gov

Ohio Water Trails Program

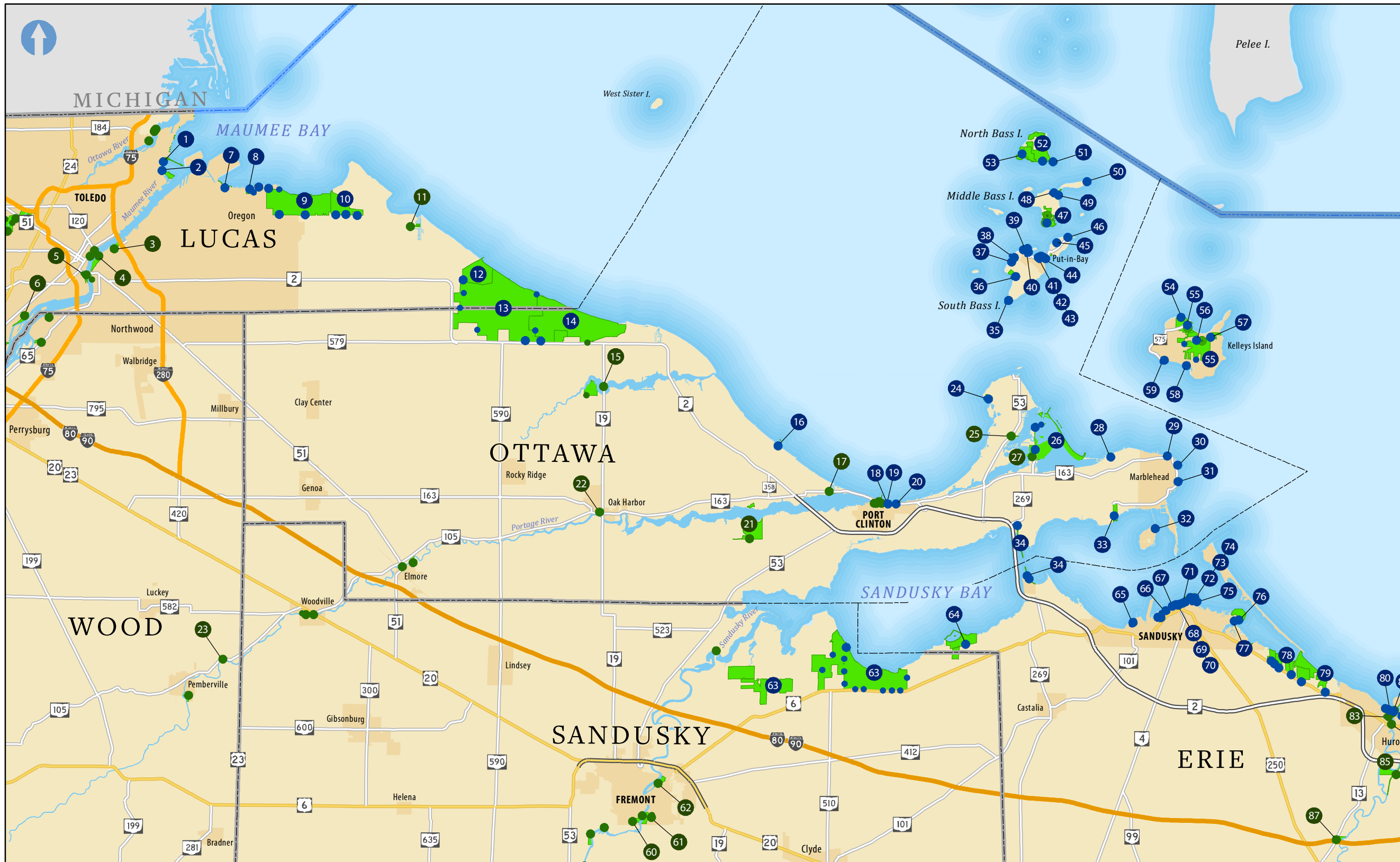
Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Parks and Watercraft
watercraft.ohiodnr.gov/watertrails

A complete list of chapter sources is found in the Appendix.



Middle Bass Island East Point Preserve, Ottawa County

LAKE ERIE PUBLIC ACCESS (WEST)





Ohio's 312-mile Lake Erie shore offers a diverse range of publicly accessible facilities, amenities and activities. The following maps (see also the "East" section on the next page) show the locations of parks, nature preserves, wildlife areas, beaches, boating facilities and scenic overlooks that provide recreational and/or scenic access to the Lake Erie coast. Access sites adjacent to Lake Erie's major rivers are also included. All public accesses (lake and river) are managed/protected by federal, state, county, municipal, township or non-profit entities.

In total, there are 188 public access sites on Lake Erie, which comprise approximately 60.5 miles of shore (about 19 percent of Ohio's entire Lake Erie coast) and account for nearly 22,270 acres of protected land. Erie County has the most public access on Lake Erie with 43 sites, followed by Ottawa County (38), Lucas County (28), Lake County (27), Cuyahoga County (23), Lorain County (15), Ashtabula County (13) and Sandusky County (1).

Note: Totals include 27 locally-verified public road right-of-way access sites. Right-of-way sites are public spaces that extend to the lake from a roadway terminus.

All access areas (lake and river) are represented with green polygons. Blue and dark green dots pinpoint the locations of entrances to Lake Erie and river access sites, respectively. Dot sizes vary based on the type of entryway, i.e. main entrances, alternate entrances and pedestrian entryways. Due to map scale, an entrance symbol may completely cover a polygon representing a smaller access site.

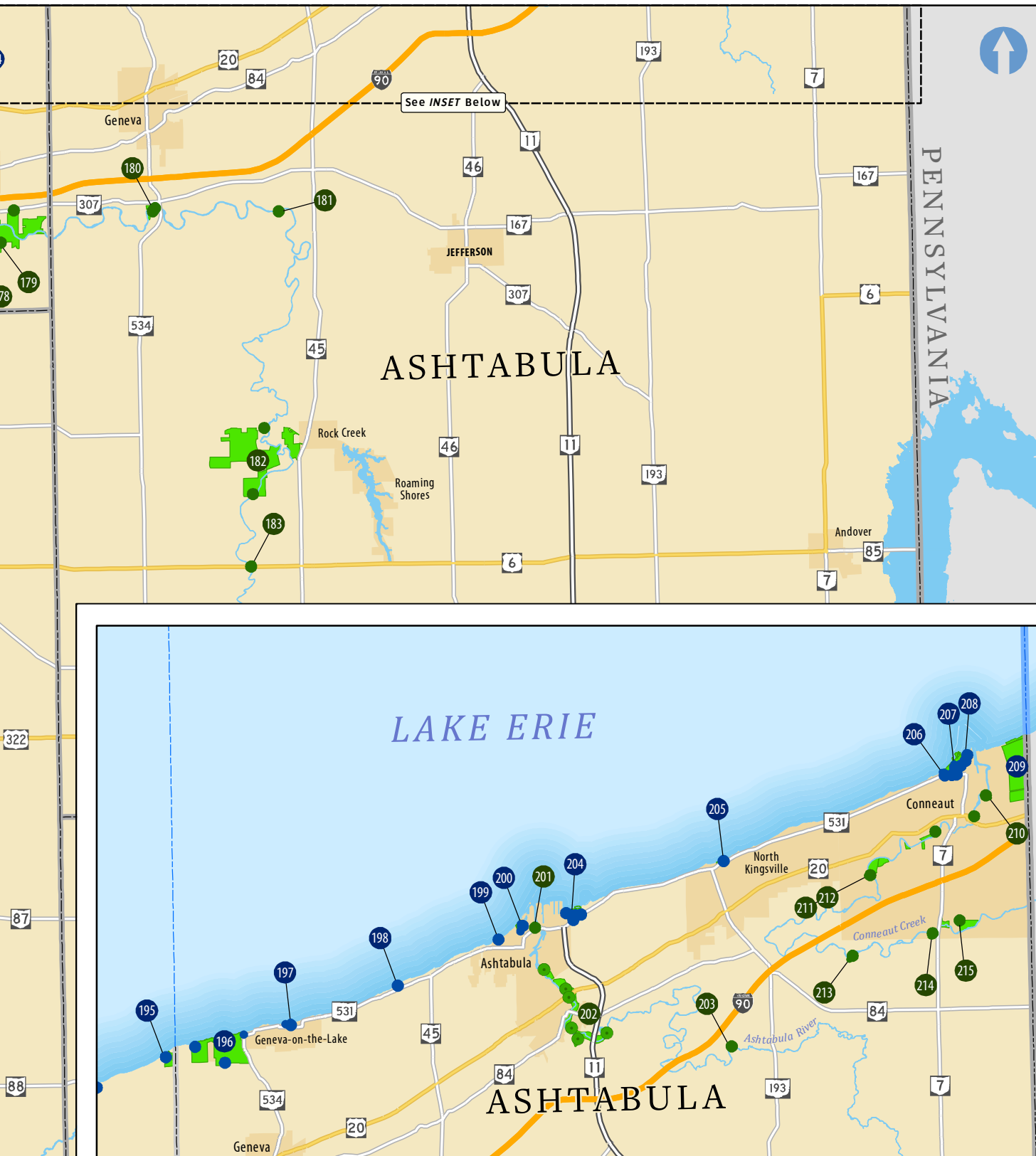
Coastal access sites are labelled sequentially from west to east with blue identification label symbols, while river accesses are labelled sequentially in an upriver direction (from river mouth to headwaters) with dark green label symbols. Identification labels point out 145 (of 188) Lake Erie public access sites and 73 river access sites. The corresponding map keys and amenity charts are found on pages 110 through 113. The charts include the following amenities/activities: (1) swimming beach; (2) picnic area; (3) hiking/walking trails; (4) bicycling/multi-use trails; (5) fishing access; (6) boat launch; (7) marina; (8) small boat access; (9) camping; (10) wildlife viewing; (11) hunting, and; (12) restrooms.

Many sites provide access to the water by way of staircase(s) and/or walking path(s) that traverse a bluff, or via the natural terrain or re-graded bluff. Several access sites do not allow access to the water. Restricting access is often a safety precaution.

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LAKE ERIE PUBLIC ACCESS (EAST)





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Nearly 80 Lake Erie public access sites include a beach (or multiple beach areas) for recreational and/or passive activities. Beaches provide easy lake access for swimming, wading, fishing and paddling. The amenity charts list the 37 recreational beaches that allow swimming. Many non-swimming beaches (not listed in the charts) are managed to preserve the natural characteristics of the lakeshore, promote habitat conservation, support dune communities and allow low-impact activities, such as nature-walking and wildlife viewing.

Many access sites feature hiking, biking, walking and fitness trails. Trails range from dirt-surfaced and grass-mowed nature trails through wooded areas, wetlands and meadows, to paved multi-purpose trails and lakefront boardwalks. There are also many statewide, regional and local trails and bikeways that link coastal and river sites. For an overview of the trails in the Lake Erie Watershed, see the Major Trail Networks map on page 114.

Boating amenities range from paved ramps and marina facilities for motorized watercraft to small paddling accesses for kayaks and rowboats. Many river sites provide boaters access to Lake Erie. For a comprehensive list of all boating access facilities, including commercially-owned and privately-owned ramps and marinas, see the Motorized Boating Access maps on pages 116 and 118. A map showing paddling access locations and hazards is found on page 128.

Fishing access is permitted at most coastal and river access sites. Many fishable beach areas, river banks, piers and other structures are publicly accessible. Lake Erie (as well as the Maumee and Sandusky rivers) is nationally-renowned for walleye fishing. It is also noted for yellow perch. The Vermilion, Rocky, Cuyahoga, Chagrin, Grand and Ashtabula rivers, and Conneaut Creek, are recognized for steelhead trout fishing. Lake Erie's bays, harbors and shore areas offer excellent bluegill, crappie and largemouth bass fishing.

The wetlands, shore areas, marshes, estuaries, grasslands and forests that make up the Lake Erie ecosystem provide essential habitat for a variety of avian, aquatic and terrestrial species. Lake Erie is located at the intersection of the Mississippi and Atlantic migratory bird flyways. Many public accesses are prime for year-round wildlife viewing (see also the Lake Erie Birding map on page 130 and the Important Bird Areas map on page 152).

Public access and amenity information was collected and inventoried by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Office of Coastal Management (OCM). This information is presented in two OCM publications: *Ohio's Lake Erie Public Access Guidebook, Coast Edition* (2014) and *Ohio's Lake Erie Public Access Guidebook, Rivers Edition* (2013). It is also available on the OCM website. These publications provide a comprehensive list of public access sites and an expanded list of available amenities and services.

LAKE ERIE PUBLIC ACCESS










East Harbor State Park, Ottawa County

Public Access Amenities Legend			
	Swimming Beach		Marina
	Picnic Area		Small Boat Access
	Hiking/Walking Trails		Camping
	Bike/Multi-Use Trails		Wildlife Viewing
	Fishing Access		Hunting
	Boat Launch		Restrooms



West Harbor, Ottawa County

Map ID	Public Access Site	Waterbody												
1	Cullen Park	Maumee Bay			•	•	•	•				•		
2	Bayview Park	Maumee Bay		•	•	•	•					•		
3	Toledo Skyway Marina	Maumee River			•		•		•					
4	International Park	Maumee River		•	•	•	•			•				
5	Middlegrounds Metropark	Maumee River		•	•	•	•			•				•
6	Walbridge Park	Maumee River		•	•	•		•		•		•		•
7	Bayshore Fishing Access and Oregon Boat Ramp	Maumee Bay			•		•	•				•	•	•
8	South Shore Veterans Park	Maumee Bay		•	•	•	•							•
9	Maumee Bay State Park	Maumee Bay	•	•	•	•	•		•	•	•	•		•
10	Mallard Club Marsh Wildlife Area	Maumee Bay					•					•	•	
11	Cooley Canal Boat Ramp	Cooley Canal					•	•		•				
12	Metzger Marsh Wildlife Area	Lake Erie					•	•				•	•	•
13	Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge	Lake Erie		•	•							•	•	•
14	Magee Marsh Wildlife Area	Lake Erie			•		•			•		•	•	•
15	Toussaint Wildlife Area	Toussaint River					•			•		•	•	
16	Camp Perry Beach	Lake Erie	•	•			•							•
17	Portage River Wildlife Area	Portage River					•	•						•
18	Waterworks Park	Lake Erie		•	•		•							
19	Port Clinton Lakefront Preserve	Lake Erie			•							•		
20	Port Clinton City Beach	Lake Erie	•	•	•		•							•
21	Little Portage Wildlife Area	Portage River			•		•	•		•		•	•	
22	Oak Harbor Interurban Overlook & Kayak Launch	Portage River					•			•				
23	Lovers Portage River Fishing Access	Portage River					•			•		•		
24	Catawba Island State Park	Lake Erie	•	•			•	•		•				•
25	West Harbor Public Boat Launching Ramp	West Harbor					•	•		•				
26	East Harbor State Park	Lake Erie	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•
27	Great Egret Preserve	West Harbor			•		•			•		•		
28	Mazurik Access Area	Lake Erie			•		•	•		•			•	•
29	Lucien M. Clemons Park	Lake Erie								•				
30	Marblehead Lighthouse State Park	Lake Erie		•	•		•			•				•
31	Lake Point Park	Lake Erie		•	•		•							•
32	Johnson's Island Confederate Soldier Cemetery	Sandusky Bay												
33	Dempsey Fishing Access	Sandusky Bay			•		•	•		•			•	•
34	Sandusky Bay Bridge Access (North and South)	Sandusky Bay					•							•
35	South Bass Island Lighthouse	Lake Erie			•							•		
36	South Bass Island State Park	Lake Erie	•	•			•	•		•	•	•		•
37	Alfred Parker Park	Lake Erie		•										
38	West Shore Ice Ramp (South)	Lake Erie					•	•		•				
39	Stone Laboratory Peach Point Campus	Lake Erie		•	•		•							
40	Oak Point State Park	Lake Erie		•	•		•							•
41	DeRivera Park (including "B" Dock)	Lake Erie		•	•		•		•					•
42	Put-in-Bay Village Marina ("A" Dock and "C" Dock)	Lake Erie							•					
43	Put-in-Bay Public Boat Launch	Lake Erie					•	•						
44	Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial	Lake Erie			•							•		•
45	Massie Cliffs Preserve	Lake Erie					•			•		•		
46	Scheeff East Point Nature Preserve	Lake Erie			•		•			•		•		
47	Middle Bass Island State Park	Lake Erie		•	•		•	•	•	•	•	•		•
48	Petersen Woods	Lake Erie					•			•		•		
49	Kuehnle Wildlife Area	Lake Erie					•			•		•		
50	Middle Bass Island East Point Preserve	Lake Erie			•		•			•		•		
51	Honey Point Wildlife Area	Lake Erie					•			•		•	•	
52	North Bass Island State Park	Lake Erie			•	•	•			•	•	•		•
53	Fox's Marsh Wildlife Area	Lake Erie					•			•		•	•	
54	North Shore Alvar State Nature Preserve	Lake Erie			•							•		

Map ID	Public Access Site	Waterbody												
55	Kelleys Island State Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●	●		●	●	●	●	●
56	North Pond State Nature Preserve	Lake Erie			●					●		●		
57	Scheele Preserve	Lake Erie		●	●					●		●		
58	Inscription Rock State Memorial	Lake Erie												
59	Hancock-Wood Electric Scenic Overlook	Lake Erie		●										
60	Rodger Young Park	Sandusky River		●	●	●	●							●
61	Robert L. Walsh Memorial Park	Sandusky River		●	●	●	●					●		●
62	Darr-Root Fishing Access	Sandusky River					●	●		●				
63	Pickering Creek Wildlife Area	Sandusky Bay		●			●					●	●	
64	Willow Point Wildlife Area	Sandusky Bay					●					●	●	
65	Lions Park	Sandusky Bay		●	●	●	●							●
66	Shelby Street Public Boat Launch	Sandusky Bay		●	●	●	●	●						●
67	Paper District Marina	Sandusky Bay		●	●	●	●		●					●
68	Chesapeake Walkway	Sandusky Bay			●		●							
69	Jackson Street Pier	Sandusky Bay			●		●							●
70	Schade-Mylander Plaza	Sandusky Bay			●		●							
71	Shoreline Park	Sandusky Bay		●	●	●	●							●
72	Sandusky Bay Pavilion	Sandusky Bay		●			●							
73	Meigs Street Pier	Sandusky Bay			●		●							
74	Battery Park and Springer's Wharf	Sandusky Bay		●	●	●	●		●					●
75	Washington Street Pier	Sandusky Bay			●		●							
76	Pipe Creek Wildlife Area	East Sandusky Bay			●		●					●	●	
77	Big Island Preserve and Canoe Launch	East Sandusky Bay		●	●		●			●		●		
78	East Sandusky Bay MetroPark	East Sandusky Bay		●	●					●		●	●	●
79	Sheldon Marsh State Nature Preserve	Lake Erie			●							●		●
80	Lake Front Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●			●				●
81	Lighthouse Pier and Huron Rotary Centennial Park	Lake Erie			●		●					●		
82	Nickel Plate Beach	Lake Erie	●	●			●			●				●
83	Huron Municipal Boat Basin	Huron River		●	●		●	●	●			●		●
84	Huron River Boat Access	Huron River			●		●	●		●		●		●
85	Dupont Marsh State Nature Preserve	Huron River		●	●							●		●
86	Huron River Path MetroPark	Huron River		●	●	●						●		●
87	The Coupling MetroPark	Huron River		●	●		●			●		●		
88	Old Woman Creek State Nature Preserve & NERR	Lake Erie		●	●							●		●
89	Joppa Road Access	Lake Erie					●							
90	Risden Road Access	Lake Erie												
91	Sherod Park and Coen Road Access	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●					●		●
92	Main Street Beach	Lake Erie	●		●		●			●		●		
93	Wakefield MetroPark	Lake Erie	●				●			●		●		
94	Harbour Town Municipal Boat Docks	Vermilion River		●	●		●							●
95	South Street Launch Ramp	Vermilion River		●	●		●	●		●		●		●
96	Vermilion River Reservation	Vermilion River		●	●	●	●			●		●		●
97	Schoepfle Garden	Vermilion River		●	●		●			●		●		●
98	Nokomis Park	Lake Erie	●				●							
99	Showse Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●			●		●		●
100	Brownhelm Township Lakefront Park	Lake Erie		●										
101	Waverly Place Park	Lake Erie												
102	Lakeview Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●			●		●		●
103	Lorain Public Boat Ramp	Lake Erie					●	●						
104	Lorain Public Fishing Pier	Lake Erie			●		●							
105	Black River Landing	Black River		●	●							●		●
106	Black River Wharf Boat Launch	Black River		●	●		●	●		●		●		●
107	French Creek Reservation	Black River		●	●	●	●			●		●		●
108	Black River Reservation	Black River		●	●	●	●			●		●		●



Cullen Park, Toledo, Lucas County



Conneaut Township Park, Conneaut, Ashtabula County

LAKE ERIE PUBLIC ACCESS












Mazurik Access Area, Ottawa County

Public Access Amenities Legend			
	Swimming Beach		Marina
	Picnic Area		Small Boat Access
	Hiking/Walking Trails		Camping
	Bike/Multi-Use Trails		Wildlife Viewing
	Fishing Access		Hunting
	Boat Launch		Restrooms



Black River Reservation, Elyria, Lorain County

Map ID	Public Access Site	Waterbody												
109	Cascade Park	Black River		•	•		•			•				•
110	Lakeside Landing, including East Side Launch Ramp	Lake Erie		•	•		•	•		•		•		•
111	Century Park	Lake Erie	•	•	•		•							•
112	Lakewood Beach Park	Lake Erie	•	•	•		•			•				
113	Sheffield Lake Community Park	Lake Erie	•	•	•		•	•		•				
114	West Shore Park	Lake Erie		•			•							
115	Shell Cove Park	Lake Erie		•										
116	Miller Road Park, including Avon Lake Boat Launch	Lake Erie	•	•	•		•	•		•		•		•
117	Veterans Memorial Park	Lake Erie	•	•	•		•							•
118	Lakeside Cemetery	Lake Erie												
119	Huntington Reservation	Lake Erie	•	•	•	•	•			•		•		•
120	Cahoon Memorial Park	Lake Erie		•	•									•
121	Columbia Park	Lake Erie	•	•	•		•							
122	Bradstreet's Landing	Lake Erie		•	•		•			•				•
123	Rocky River Park	Lake Erie		•	•							•		•
124	Rose Point	Lake Erie												
125	Rocky River Reservation	Rocky River		•	•	•	•	•	•	•		•		•
126	Olmsted Falls East River Park	Rocky River		•	•									•
127	Lakewood Park	Lake Erie		•	•	•						•		•
128	Lakefront Reservation - Edgewater Park	Lake Erie	•	•	•	•	•	•		•		•		•
129	Lakefront Reservation - Wendy Park	Lake Erie		•	•		•			•		•		•
130	Settlers Landing Park	Cuyahoga River			•									
131	Lakefront Reservavtion - Rivergate Park	Cuyahoga River			•					•				•
132	Ohio & Erie Canal Reservation	Cuyahoga River		•	•	•	•					•		•
133	Cuyahoga Valley National Park	Cuyahoga River		•	•	•	•			•		•		•
134	LaDue Wildlife Area	Cuyahoga River			•		•	•		•		•	•	
135	Eldon Russell Park	Cuyahoga River		•	•		•			•		•		•
136	Headwaters Park	Cuyahoga River		•	•	•	•	•		•		•		•
137	North Coast Harbor	Lake Erie			•	•			•					•
138	East Ninth Street Pier	Lake Erie			•		•		•					
139	Voinovich Bicentennial Park	Lake Erie			•		•							
140	Lakefront Reservation - East 55th Street Marina	Lake Erie		•	•	•	•		•					•
141	Lakefront Reservation - E. 72nd St. Fishing Access	Lake Erie		•	•	•	•							•
142	Lakefront Reservation - Gordon Park	Lake Erie		•	•	•	•	•				•		•
143	Cleveland Lakefront Nature Preserve	Lake Erie			•							•		
144	Euclid Creek Reservation	Lake Erie	•	•	•	•	•	•		•				•
145	Euclid Park	Lake Erie			•		•							•
146	Sims Park	Lake Erie		•	•		•					•		•
147	Lakefront Lodge	Lake Erie		•	•		•					•		•
148	Quentin Road Park	Lake Erie		•										
149	Eastlake Fishing Pier	Lake Erie		•			•					•		•
150	Erie Road Park	Chagrin River		•			•	•		•				
151	Chagrin River Park	Chagrin River		•	•	•	•			•		•		•
152	Hach-Otis Sanctuary State Nature Preserve	Chagrin River			•							•		
153	Pleasant Valley Park	Chagrin River			•		•			•				•
154	North Chagrin Reservation	Chagrin River		•	•	•	•					•		•
155	South Chagrin Reservation	Chagrin River		•	•	•	•					•		•
156	River Run Park	Chagrin River		•	•		•					•		•
157	Riverside Park	Chagrin River		•								•		
158	Whitesburg Nature Preserve	Chagrin River			•		•					•		
159	West Geauga Commons	Chagrin River		•	•									•
160	The Rookery	Chagrin River		•	•							•		•
161	Bass Lake Preserve	Chagrin River		•			•	•		•		•		•
162	Willoway Beach Park	Lake Erie		•										

Map ID	Public Access Site	Waterbody												
163	Sunset Park	Lake Erie		●			●							
164	Osborne Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●							●
165	Overlook Beach Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●							●
166	Mentor Beach Park	Lake Erie		●			●							●
167	Mentor Lagoons Nature Preserve	Lake Erie		●	●	●	●	●	●	●		●		●
168	Headlands Beach State Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●							●
169	Headlands Dunes State Nature Preserve	Lake Erie	●		●							●		
170	Grand River Landing	Grand River		●			●	●		●		●		●
171	Beaty Landing	Grand River		●	●	●	●			●		●		●
172	Helen Hazen Wyman Park	Grand River		●	●		●					●		●
173	Mason's Landing Park	Grand River		●	●		●			●		●		●
174	Indian Point Park	Grand River		●	●	●	●			●		●		●
175	Baker Road Park	Grand River		●	●		●				●	●		
176	River Road Park	Grand River		●	●		●				●	●		
177	Hidden Valley Park	Grand River		●	●	●	●			●		●		●
178	Riverview Park	Grand River		●	●	●	●				●	●		●
179	Hogback Ridge Park	Grand River		●	●	●	●					●		●
180	Harpersfield Covered Bridge Metropark	Grand River		●			●			●				●
181	Tote Road Park	Grand River		●			●			●				
182	Morgan Swamp Preserve	Grand River			●							●		
183	Grand River Jersey Farm Canoe Access	Grand River			●		●			●				
184	Fairport Harbor Short Pier	Lake Erie					●							
185	Fairport Harbor Port Authority Boat Access	Lake Erie		●				●	●	●				●
186	Fairport Harbor Lakefront Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●			●		●		●
187	Painesville Township Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●					●		●
188	Lake Erie Bluffs	Lake Erie	●	●	●	●	●			●	●	●		●
189	Perry Township Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●	●			●			●
190	North Perry Village Park	Lake Erie		●										
191	Lakeshore Reservation	Lake Erie	●	●	●	●	●					●		●
192	Bill Stanton Community Park	Lake Erie		●	●									●
193	Tuttle Park	Lake Erie		●										●
194	Madison Township Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●	●		●				●
195	Arcola Creek Park	Lake Erie		●	●		●			●		●		●
196	Geneva State Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●	●
197	Geneva Township Park	Lake Erie		●	●	●	●							●
198	Saybrook Township Park	Lake Erie		●	●									●
199	Highland Beach	Lake Erie			●		●							
200	Walnut Beach Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●					●		●
201	Ashtabula Transient Docks	Ashtabula River		●	●									
202	Indian Trails Park	Ashtabula River		●	●	●	●			●		●		●
203	Benetka Road Covered Bridge	Ashtabula River					●							
204	Lakeshore Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●	●		●		●		●
205	Al Cummings Sunset Park	Lake Erie		●	●							●		
206	Conneaut Township Park	Lake Erie	●	●	●		●							●
207	Conneaut Port Authority Access	Lake Erie		●	●		●	●				●		●
208	Broad Street Extension	Lake Erie					●					●		
209	Turkey Creek Metropark	Lake Erie					●						●	
210	Woodworth Road Public Boat Ramp	Conneaut Creek					●	●						
211	Creek Road Access	Conneaut Creek					●			●				
212	Creek Road Covered Bridge	Conneaut Creek			●		●			●		●		
213	State Road Covered Bridge	Conneaut Creek			●		●			●		●		
214	Lakeville Park	Conneaut Creek					●			●				
215	Conneaut Creek Metropark	Conneaut Creek					●					●	●	

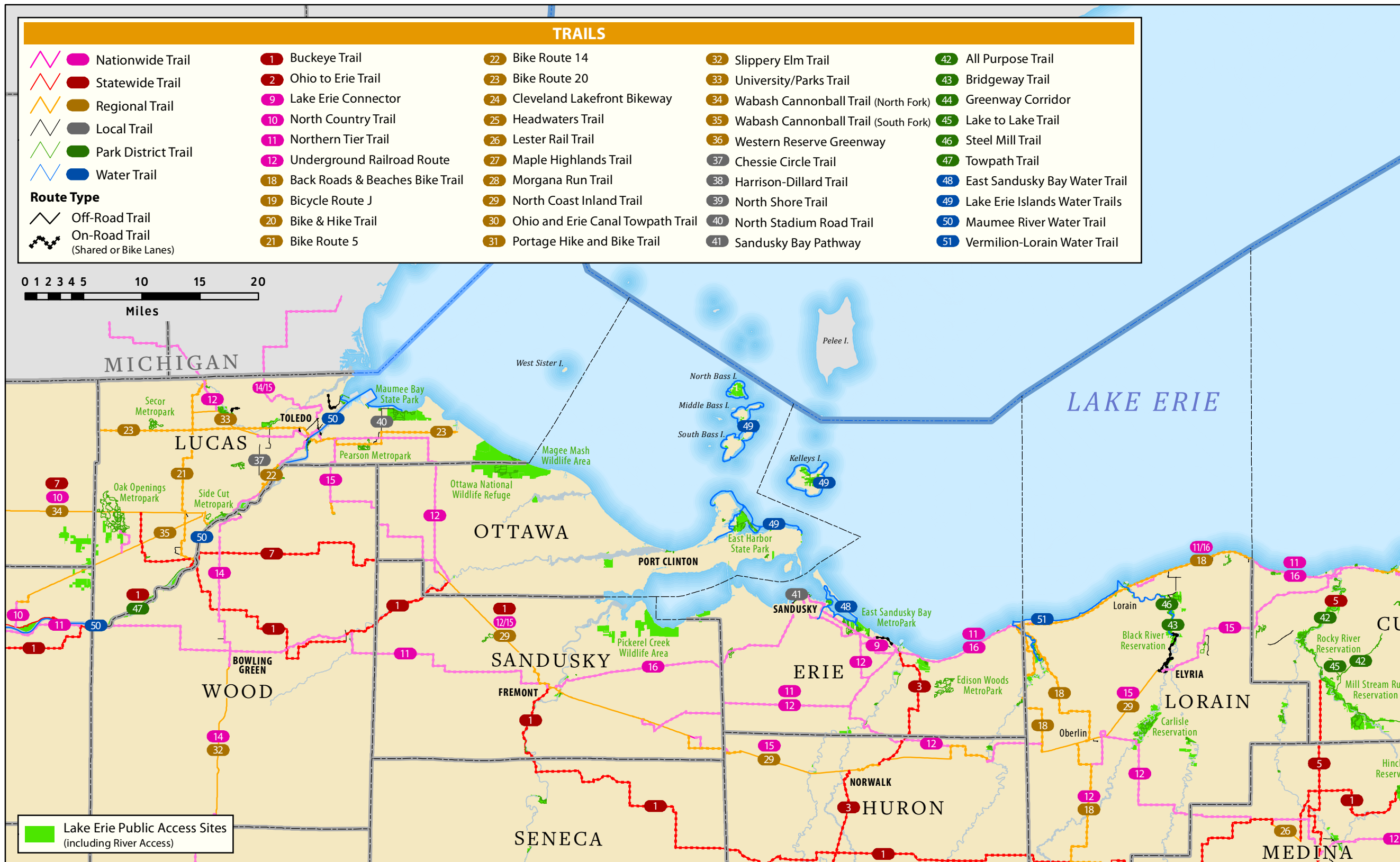


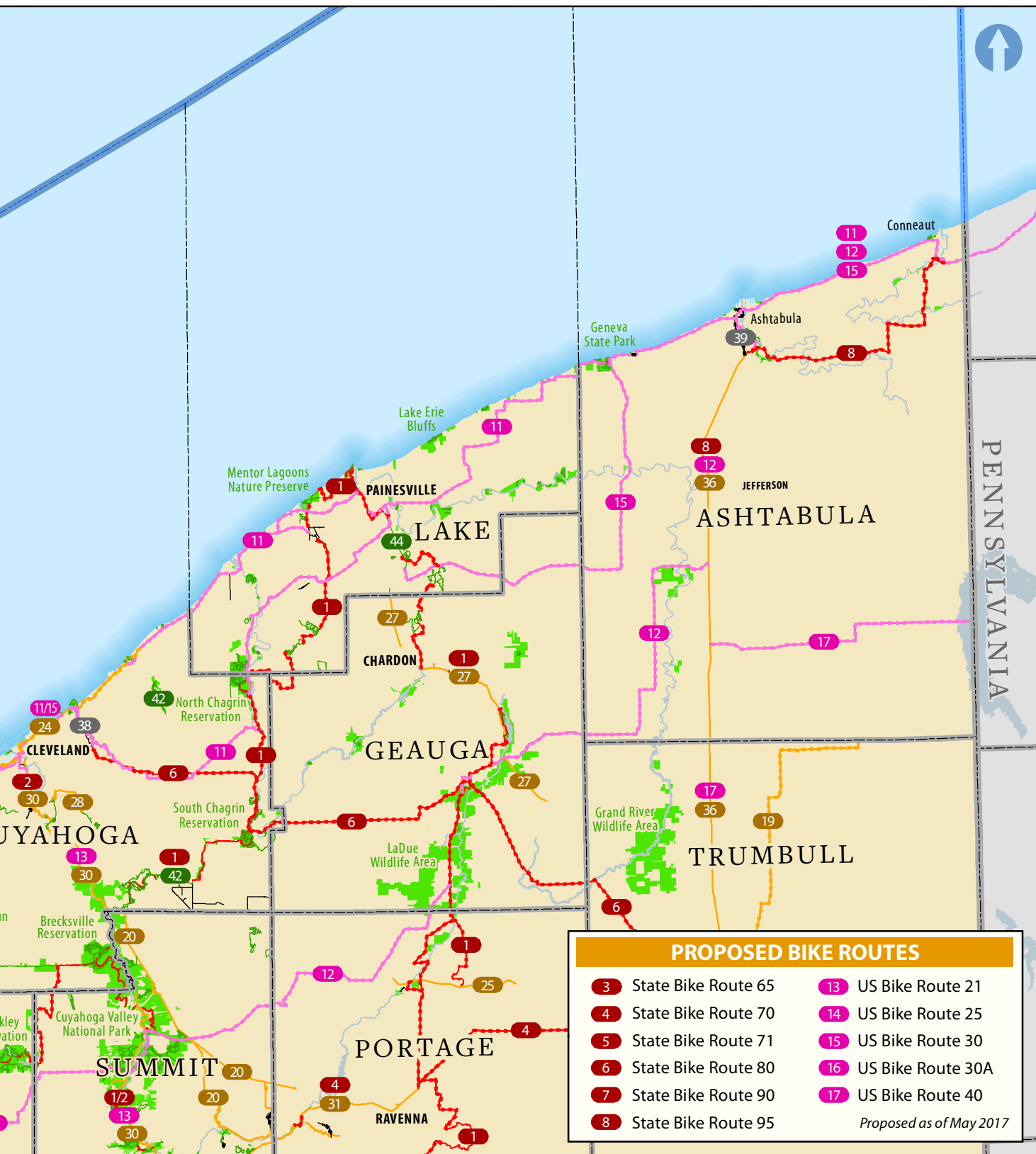
Nickel Plate Beach, Huron, Erie County



Lakewood Park, Lakewood, Cuyahoga County

MAJOR TRAIL NETWORKS





Many hiking, biking, multi-use and paddling trails are featured on this map. Trails range from dirt-surfaced or grass-mowed nature trails through woods, wetland areas and meadows, to paved multi-purpose trails and on-road bike lanes and routes. Designated water trails are also included.

Trails are color-coded to represent “Nationwide,” “Statewide,” “Regional,” “Local” and “Park District” trails (and water trails). In instances where multiple routes follow the same physical trail, the line color is assigned in reverse-hierarchical order. For example, a regional trail that also carries a nationwide and/or statewide route is symbolized with an orange line to represent it as a regional trail.

This map features various long-distance, nationwide bicycling routes that connect multiple states. The Lake Erie Connector, Northern Tier Trail and the Underground Railroad Route are part of the Adventure Cycling Route Network, a nearly 47,000-mile system of bicycling routes that traverse some of the most scenic and historically significant roads in the U.S. and Canada. Proposed U.S. Bicycle Route System corridors are also included.

The Buckeye Trail is a statewide looping hiking trail that meanders more than 1,400 miles through Ohio. Much of the trail follows rural roads. Where possible, the trail is routed off-road and/or through parkland. In Cuyahoga Valley National Park, the Bedford Section (not called out on map) of the Buckeye Trail branches north and navigates to its northernmost terminus at Headlands Dunes State Nature Preserve on Lake Erie.

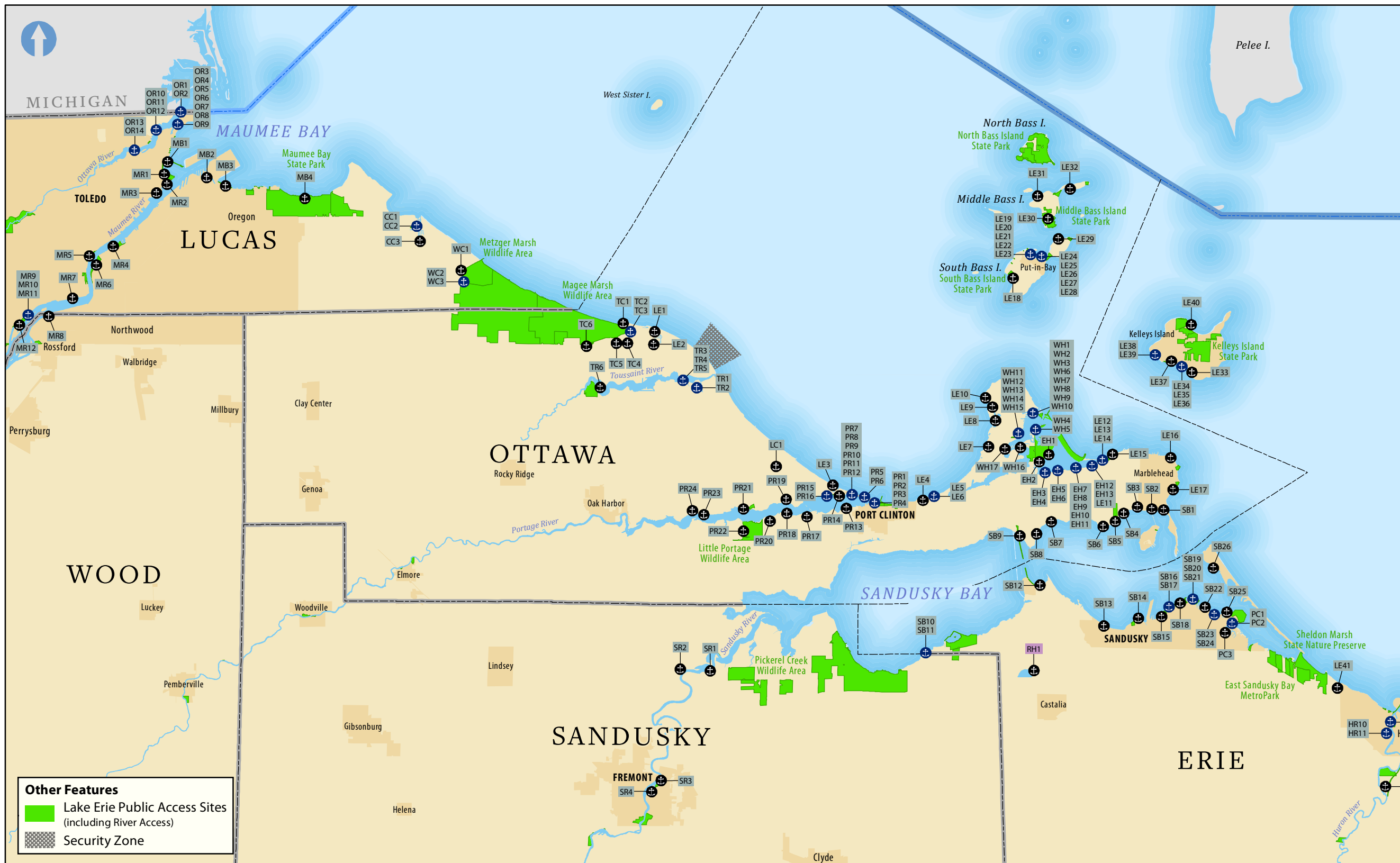
Regional trails included on the map are multi-use routes that connect parks, communities and counties. Many regional trails, e.g. the North Coast Inland Trail, Wabash Cannonball trails and the Western Reserve Greenway, follow defunct railroad rights-of-way. The Cleveland Lakefront Bikeway and a portion of the Back Roads & Beaches Bike Trail parallel the Lake Erie shore and link many public access sites. Both consist of off-road paved trails, bike lanes and road routes. The Ohio and Erie Canal Towpath Trail parallels the Cuyahoga River in Cuyahoga and Summit counties and follows the historic route of the former Ohio & Erie Canal from Cleveland to New Philadelphia in Tuscarawas County. It connects and traverses many protected lands in Cuyahoga, Summit and Stark counties.

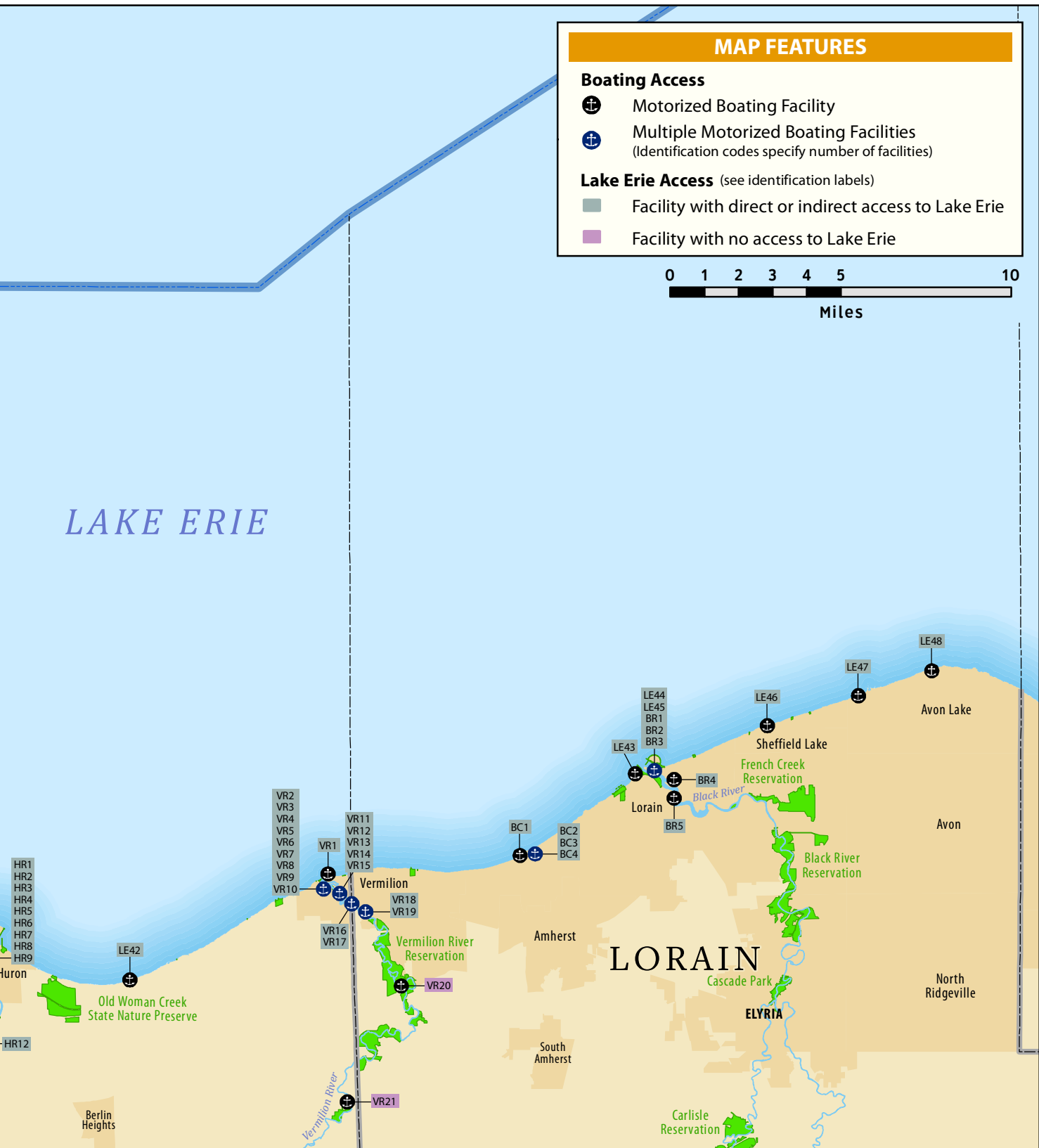
The local trails included in this map comprise of municipally-maintained multi-use routes. These trails, including the North Shore Trail and the Sandusky Bay Pathway, are entirely located in one community (Ashtabula and Sandusky, respectively). Park district trails comprise of hiking, biking, multi-use and bridle routes that are located entirely within the boundaries of a park, nature preserve or wildlife area.

Proposed State Bicycle Route System corridors are also included.

For information about water trails, see the Paddling Access map on page 128.

MOTORIZED BOATING ACCESS (WEST)





Boating access along Ohio’s Lake Erie shore ranges from unpaved paddling access points to concrete ramps and marinas intended for motorized watercraft. The following maps (see also the “East” section on the next page) show the locations of 319 boat launch and/or dock facilities for motorized watercraft. Many boating facilities are located directly on Lake Erie, while many others are located within harbors or along rivers. Sites with purple identification labels highlight accesses that do not provide access to Lake Erie. A map showing paddling access locations and hazards is found on page 128.

Motorized boating access sites are represented with both black circle/white anchor symbols and navy blue circle/white anchor symbols. Black circles pinpoint the locations of individual boating facilities, whereas due to map scale, navy blue circles are used to represent a cluster of multiple boating facilities within a general geographic location. The exact number of sites (per navy blue circle) is inferred in the accompanying identification label.

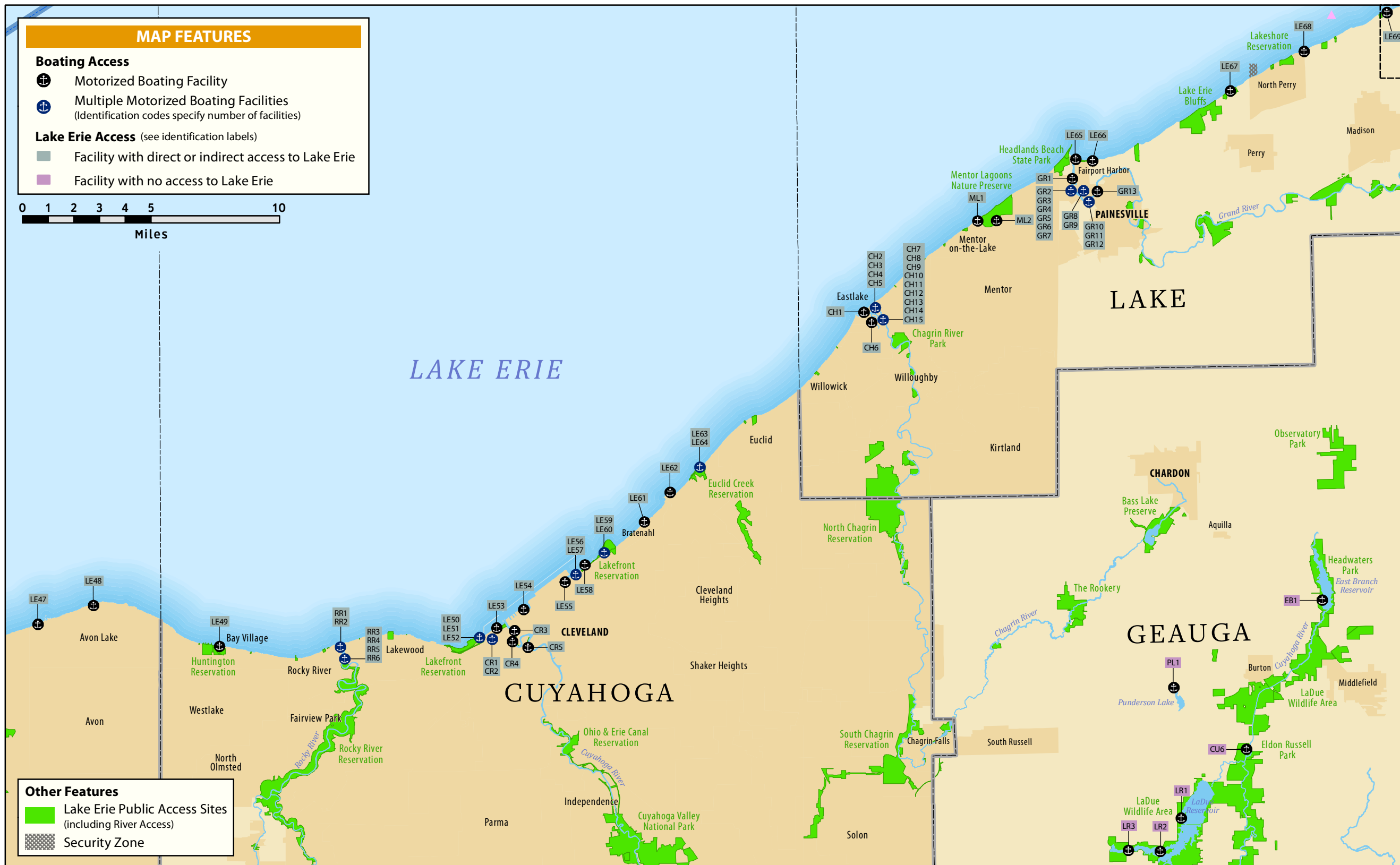
Boating access sites that are located directly on Lake Erie are labelled sequentially from west to east, “LE1” through “LE77.” Facilities that are located along a tributary are labelled sequentially in an upriver direction (from river mouth to headwaters) using an identification code unique to the waterway (e.g. Maumee River: “MR1” through “MR12”). Facilities that are located within a harbor, along a canal or on an inland lake/reservoir are labeled sequentially using an identification code unique to the waterbody (e.g. LaDue Reservoir: “LR1” through “LR3”).

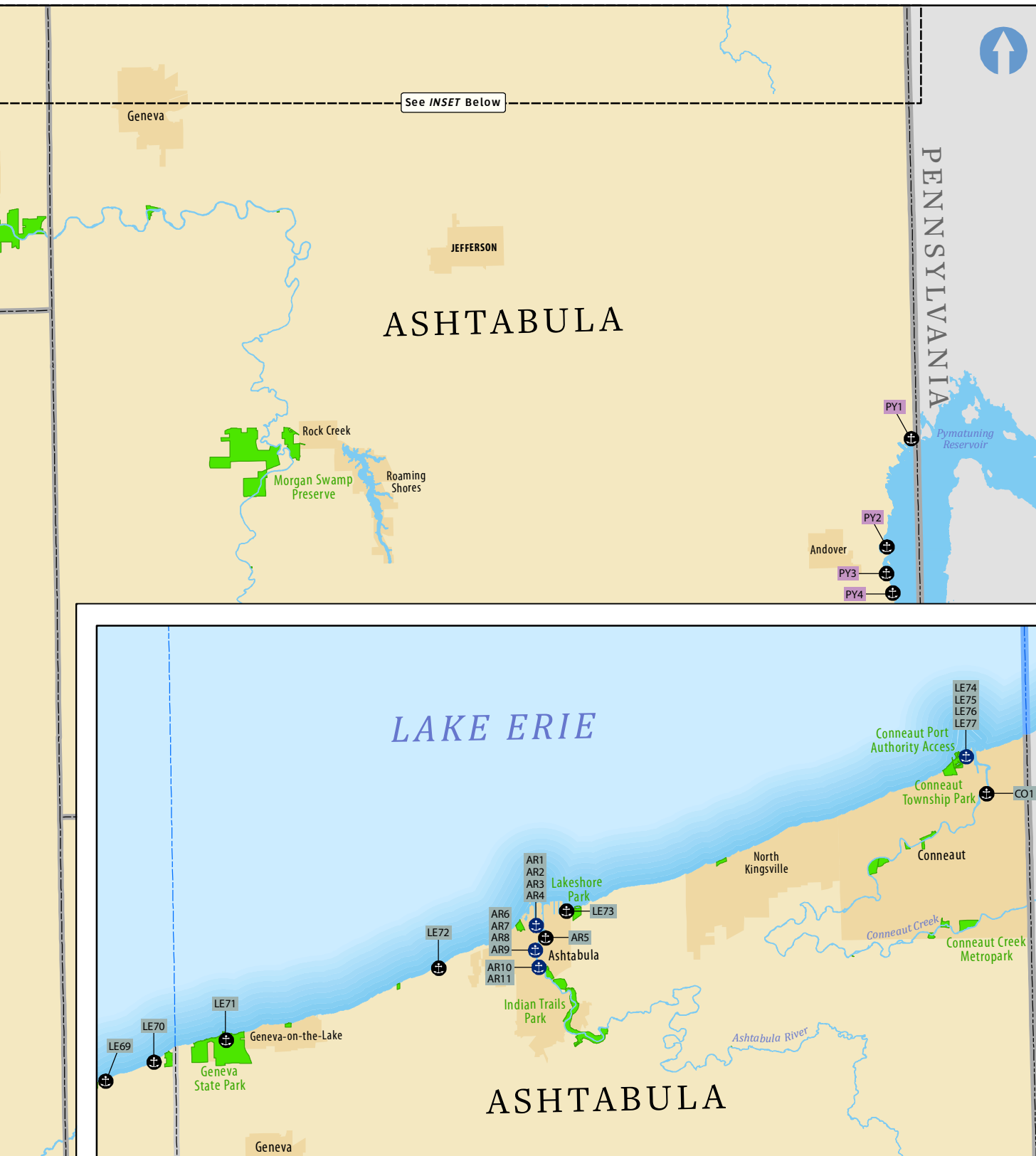
Boating access sites include public facilities (state-, county-, municipal-, township-, port authority- and park district-managed and maintained), commercial facilities and private facilities (yacht clubs, etc.). Many boating facilities provide various amenities, such as ramps, transient dockage, fuel, electric hook-up, water hook-up and waste pump-outs. The corresponding map keys and a services charts, found on pages 120 through 125, lists each access facility and the waterbody it directly accesses, its management type and details the following services and amenities: (1) publicly accessible; (2) launch facility; (3) dock facility; (4) transient dockage, and; (5) boat fuel.

The “Publicly Accessible” column indicates if the boating facility or any of its amenities are available to the public. Of the 207 publicly accessible boating access sites on Lake Erie—including sites that provide access to Lake Erie via connecting waterway—105 have a boat ramp, 177 have docking facilities and 74 have both (ramp and docks). These include 137 commercial facilities, 60 public facilities and five private sites. The public boating access sites include state (13 sites), county (two sites), municipal (32 sites), township (two sites), port authority (three sites) and park district (eight sites) facilities. Public sites are also featured on the Lake Erie Public Access maps in this chapter. For a complete inventory of additional boating resources and amenities, see the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), Division of Parks and Watercraft website.

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MOTORIZED BOATING ACCESS (EAST)





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Security Zones: There are two U.S. Coast Guard-established security zones in Ohio's Lake Erie waters (see crisscross-hatched areas on map). One security zone is located in an area adjacent to the Davis-Besse Nuclear Power Station in Ottawa County, while the other is located in an area adjacent to the Perry Nuclear Generating Station in Lake County. These zones are not marked with buoys. Entering, transiting or anchoring within a security zone is prohibited. The U.S. Coast Guard, state or local law enforcement officials or power plant security personnel will likely direct boaters out of the area. ***Refusal to exit a security zone is subject to criminal penalties.***

The **Davis-Besse Security Zone** encompasses the portion of Lake Erie beginning at: 41° 36.3' N, 083° 04.9' W; then north to 41° 37.0' N, 083° 03.9' W; then east to 41° 35.9' N, 083° 02.5' W; then southwest to 41° 35.4' N, 083° 03.7' W, then back to the starting point (41° 36.3' N, 083° 04.9' W).

The **Perry Security Zone** encompasses the portion of Lake Erie beginning at: 41° 48.187' N, 081° 08.818' W; then north to 41° 48.7' N, 081° 08.818' W; then east to 41° 48.7' N, 081° 08.455' W; then south to 41° 48.231' N, 081° 08.455' W; then west along the shoreline back to the starting point (41° 48.187' N, 081° 08.818' W).

Boat Registration: Registration is required for every recreational boat in Ohio, excluding paddle boards, sail boards, kite boards and belly boats. Boats can be registered online, through the mail or through a registration agent. Boat registration agents include private businesses, title offices and the following ODNR field offices in the Lake Erie Watershed: the Cleveland Watercraft Office; Geneva State Park Office; Maumee Bay State Park Office and the Sandusky Watercraft Office.

From 2010 to 2016, the number of boat registrations in Lake Erie's eight coastal counties totaled nearly 580,700. Combined, registrations increased 12 percent in this seven-year span. Cuyahoga County accounts for 30 percent of the total registrations in coastal counties.






Motorized boating access and amenity information was collected and inventoried by the ODNR Division of Parks and Watercraft. For more information about Lake Erie boating, see the Division of Parks and Watercraft website.

These maps are not intended for navigational use.

MOTORIZED BOATING ACCESS








Lakeside Landing, Lorain, Lorain County

Boating Facility Amenities Legend			
	Publicly Accessible		Transient Dockage
	Launch Facility		Boat Fuel
	Dock Facility		



Put-in-Bay Harbor, Ottawa County

Map ID	Motorized Boating Facility	Waterbody	Admin Type					
OR1	Bush Marina	Ottawa River	Commercial	●		●		
OR2	Jocketts Marina	Ottawa River	Commercial	●		●	●	●
OR3	Riverview Yacht Club	Ottawa River	Club			●	●	●
OR4	Brenner Docks	Ottawa River	Commercial			●		
OR5	Jolly Roger Sailing Club	Ottawa River	Club			●		
OR6	Point Place Boat Club	Ottawa River	Club			●	●	
OR7	Ottawa River Yacht Club	Ottawa River	Club			●	●	●
OR8	Chets Marina	Ottawa River	Commercial	●		●		
OR9	River Run Marina	Ottawa River	Commercial	●		●		
OR10	President Drive Launch	Ottawa River	Municipal	●	●			
OR11	Belpre Drive Launch	Ottawa River	Municipal	●	●			
OR12	Hammond Drive Launch	Ottawa River	Municipal	●	●			
OR13	Anchor Inn	Ottawa River	Commercial	●		●	●	
OR14	The Oarhouse Bar & Grill	Ottawa River	Commercial	●		●	●	
MR1	Bayview Yacht Club	Maumee River	Club			●	●	●
MR2	Toledo Yacht Club	Maumee River	Club			●		
MR3	Brenner 75 Marine	Maumee River	Commercial			●	●	●
MR4	Toledo Skyway Marina	Maumee River	Municipal	●		●	●	
MR5	Portside Docks	Maumee River	Municipal	●		●	●	
MR6	International Park - The Docks	Maumee River	Commercial	●		●		
MR7	Pier 75 Marina	Maumee River	Commercial	●		●		●
MR8	Rossford Marina	Maumee River	Municipal	●	●	●		
MR9	Lighthouse Banquet Hall & Café	Maumee River	Commercial	●		●	●	
MR10	Walbridge Park Marina	Maumee River	Municipal	●	●			
MR11	Toledo Sailing Club	Maumee River	Club			●	●	
MR12	Maumee River Yacht Club	Maumee River	Club	●		●	●	
MB1	Cullen Park Boat Launch	Maumee Bay	Municipal	●	●	●		
MB2	Harbor View Yacht Club	Maumee Bay	Club			●	●	●
MB3	Oregon Boat Ramp at Bayshore Fishing Access	Maumee Bay	State	●	●			
MB4	Maumee Bay State Park Marina	Maumee Bay	State	●		●	●	
CC1	Anchor Pointe Marina	Cooley Canal	Commercial	●		●	●	●
CC2	Cooley Canal Boat Ramp	Cooley Canal	County	●	●			
CC3	Meinke Marina West	Cooley Canal	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
WC1	Meinke Marina East	Wards Canal	Commercial	●		●	●	●
WC2	Metzger Marsh Wildlife Area Launch Ramp	Wards Canal	State	●	●			
WC2	Cooley Canal Yacht Club	Wards Canal	Club			●	●	
TC1	Turtle Point Marina	Turtle Creek	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
TC2	Lumberjacks Marina	Turtle Creek	Commercial	●	●	●		●
TC3	Turtle Creek Marina & Campground	Turtle Creek	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
TC4	Fenwick Marina	Turtle Creek	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
TC5	Inland Marina	Turtle Creek	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
TC6	Turtle Creek Fishing Access	Turtle Creek	State	●	●			
LE1	Al's Harbor	Lake Erie	Club		●	●		
LE2	Wind Wings Boat Harbor & Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
TR1	Paradise Acres Campground & Marina	Toussaint River	Commercial		●	●		
TR2	Beef Creek Marina	Toussaint River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
TR3	Toussaint River Marina	Toussaint River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
TR4	E & C Marina	Toussaint River	Club			●		
TR5	Evans Camp	Toussaint River	Commercial			●		
TR6	Toussaint Wildlife Area Launch Ramp	Toussaint River	State	●	●			
LC1	LaCarpe Creek Yacht Club Marina	LaCarpe Creek	Club	●	●	●		
LE3	Lakefront Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●		●
PR1	Jefferson Street Transient Docks	Portage River	Municipal	●		●	●	
PR2	America's Best Value Inn	Portage River	Commercial	●		●	●	

Map ID	Motorized Boating Facility	Waterbody	Admin Type					
PR3	Port Clinton Yacht Club	Portage River	Club			●		
PR4	Drawbridge Marina	Portage River	Commercial	●		●		●
PR5	Brands Marina	Portage River	Commercial	●		●	●	●
PR6	Coastal Marine II	Portage River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
PR7	Clinton Reef Club	Portage River	Club			●		
PR8	Happy Days Boating Co.	Portage River	Commercial		●	●		
PR9	Brand's Marina	Portage River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
PR10	Riverside Marina	Portage River	Club			●		
PR11	Witterhaven Marina	Portage River	Commercial	●		●	●	
PR12	Angel Bay Marina	Portage River	Commercial	●		●	●	
PR13	Portage River Marina	Portage River	Commercial	●	●	●		
PR14	Jack Knife Marina	Portage River	Commercial	●		●	●	
PR15	Portage River Wildlife Area	Portage River	State	●	●			
PR16	White Caps Motel & RV Park	Portage River	Commercial	●		●	●	
PR17	Nugent Canal Yacht Club	Portage River	Club	●		●	●	
PR18	Johnnie Camp & Marina	Portage River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
PR19	River Retreat Camp & Marina	Portage River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
PR20	Erie Islands Resort & Marina	Portage River	Commercial	●	●	●		●
PR21	Portage View Campgrounds	Portage River	Commercial	●	●	●		
PR22	Little Portage Wildlife Area	Portage River	State	●	●			
PR23	Chet's Place	Portage River	Commercial	●	●	●		●
PR24	Riverbend Campground	Portage River	Club		●	●		
LE4	Vista Villa	Lake Erie	Club	●	●	●		
LE5	Summer Breeze Association	Lake Erie	Commercial		●	●	●	●
LE6	Knechts Beach & Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial		●	●	●	
LE7	Northwest Catawba Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	●
LE8	Catawba Island Marina South	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●		
LE9	Catawba Island Club	Lake Erie	Club			●		●
LE10	Catawba Island State Park	Lake Erie	State	●	●			
WH1	Gem Beach Marina	West Harbor	Commercial			●	●	●
WH2	Nor Easter Club	West Harbor	Club			●	●	
WH3	Foxhaven Marina	West Harbor	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
WH4	East Harbor State Park Marina	West Harbor	State	●	●	●	●	●
WH5	Anchors Away Marina	West Harbor	Commercial	●		●		●
WH6	Marine Max	West Harbor	Commercial		●			
WH7	Treasure Cove Marina	West Harbor	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
WH8	Hidden Harbor	West Harbor	Commercial	●		●		
WH9	Skyline View	West Harbor	Other		●	●		
WH10	Catawba Moorings	West Harbor	Commercial	●		●	●	●
WH11	Herl's Harbor	West Harbor	Commercial	●		●	●	
WH12	N.E. Port Inc.	West Harbor	Commercial	●		●		
WH13	Catawba Landing	West Harbor	Commercial	●		●		●
WH14	West Harbor Public Boat Launching Ramp	West Harbor	County	●	●			
WH15	Midway Marina Incorporation	West Harbor	Commercial	●		●	●	
WH16	West Harbor Marina	West Harbor	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
WH17	Harbor Park Marina	West Harbor	Commercial	●		●		
EH1	East Harbor State Park Campground Launch	East Harbor	State	●	●			
EH2	The Harbors Edge	East Harbor	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
EH3	Harbor Haven	East Harbor	Commercial	●	●	●		
EH4	Bass Haven Marina	East Harbor	Commercial	●		●		●
EH5	Marina del Isle	East Harbor	Commercial	●		●		●
EH6	Tibbel's Marina	East Harbor	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
EH7	Marine City	East Harbor	Commercial	●	●	●		
EH8	Harbor Winds Marina	East Harbor	Commercial	●		●		●



MOTORIZED BOATING ACCESS



Conneaut Port Authority Access, Conneaut, Ashtabula County

Boating Facility Amenities Legend

	Publicly Accessible		Transient Dockage
	Launch Facility		Boat Fuel
	Dock Facility		



Lake Erie near Cedar Point, Sandusky, Erie County

Map ID	Motorized Boating Facility	Waterbody	Admin Type					
EH9	Skippers Marina Resort	East Harbor	Commercial	●		●		
EH10	Mar-Lu	East Harbor	Commercial		●	●	●	●
EH11	Channel Grove Marina	East Harbor	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
EH12	North Shore Estates & Marina	East Harbor	Club			●	●	
EH13	Rocky Point Marina	East Harbor	Commercial	●	●	●		
LE11	Little Teds Cottages	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●		
LE12	Lakevue Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	●
LE13	Marblehead Harbor Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●	●	●		●
LE14	Shrocks Marina, Inc.	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●		●
LE15	Mazurik Access Area	Lake Erie	State	●	●			
LE16	Island View Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial			●		
LE17	Orib Boat Club	Lake Erie	Club			●		
SB1	Bay Point Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial		●	●		●
SB2	Taylor's Resort	Sandusky Bay	Commercial		●	●		
SB3	Historic Harbor	Sandusky Bay	Commercial		●	●		
SB4	Castaway Harbor	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
SB5	Dempsey Fishing Access	Sandusky Bay	State	●	●	●		
SB6	South Beach Resort	Sandusky Bay	Commercial		●	●	●	
SB7	Behlke, Inc.	Sandusky Bay	Commercial			●		
SB8	Kamp Kozy & Marina	Sandusky Bay	Club		●	●		●
SB9	Hanks on the Bay	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
LE18	South Bass Island State Park	Lake Erie	State	●	●	●		
LE19	Oak Point State Park	Lake Erie	State	●		●	●	
LE20	Scarpelli's Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●		
LE21	Millers Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	
LE22	Put-in-Bay Yacht Club	Lake Erie	Club		●	●	●	
LE23	Crews Nest	Lake Erie	Club			●	●	
LE24	Boardwalk Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	●
LE25	DeRivera Park "B" Dock	Lake Erie	Park District	●		●	●	
LE26	Put-in-Bay Village Marina ("A" Dock and "C" Dock)	Lake Erie	Municipal	●	●	●	●	
LE27	Fox's Dock	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	
LE28	Put-in-Bay Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	
LE29	East Point Cottages	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●		
LE30	Middle Bass Island State Park Marina	Lake Erie	State	●	●	●	●	
LE31	Burgandy Bay	Lake Erie	Club		●	●		
LE32	Schmidlin Hidden Harbor	Lake Erie	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
LE33	Seaway Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	●
LE34	Unique Marker Yacht Club	Lake Erie	Club			●		
LE35	The Casino Restaurant & Lounge	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	
LE36	Portside Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial			●	●	
LE37	Crafts Lakeview Lane	Lake Erie	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
LE38	Pleasant View Cottages	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	
LE39	Sunset Point	Lake Erie	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
LE40	Kelleys Island State Park	Lake Erie	State	●	●			
SR1	Memory Marina	Sandusky River	Commercial	●	●	●		●
SR2	Riverfront Marina	Sandusky River	Commercial	●	●	●		●
SR3	Darr-Root Fishing Access	Sandusky River	State	●	●			
SR4	Tackle Box 2	Sandusky River	Commercial	●	●	●		
SB10	Bay Harbor Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●	●	●		●
SB11	The Cove Inn	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●	●	●		
SB12	Bob Clemons Boats & Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●	●	●		
RH1	Resthaven Wildlife Area Pond #8	Resthaven Pond #8	State	●	●			
SB13	Cold Creek Trout Camp	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●	●	●		
SB14	Sandusky Harbor Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●		●	●	●

Map ID	Motorized Boating Facility	Waterbody	Admin Type					
SB15	Shelby Street Public Boat Launch	Sandusky Bay	Municipal	●	●	●	●	
SB16	Deep Water Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●		●		●
SB17	Paper District Marina	Sandusky Bay	Municipal	●		●	●	
SB18	Dock of the Bay Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial			●	●	
SB19	Sandusky Yacht Club	Sandusky Bay	Club			●	●	
SB20	Battery Park Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●		●	●	●
SB21	Sadler Sailing Basin	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●	●	●		
SB22	Battery Park Marine Service	Sandusky Bay	Commercial		●	●	●	
SB23	Son Rise Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial			●		
SB24	Lyman Harbor Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●		●	●	
SB25	Venetian Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●		●		●
PC1	Pipe Creek Marina	Pipe Creek	Commercial			●		
PC2	Monroeville Marine, Inc.	Pipe Creek	Commercial	●	●	●		
PC3	Castaway Bay Marina	Pipe Creek	Commercial	●		●	●	●
SB26	Cedar Point Marina	Sandusky Bay	Commercial	●		●	●	●
LE41	Mariner Village Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	●
HR1	Huron Municipal Boat Basin	Huron River	Municipal	●		●	●	
HR2	Huron Yacht Club	Huron River	Club			●	●	●
HR3	Harbor North, Inc.	Huron River	Commercial	●		●	●	
HR4	Harbor North	Huron River	Commercial	●		●		
HR5	Gull Harbor Sailing Club	Huron River	Club			●		
HR6	Walski's Boat Ramp	Huron River	Commercial	●	●			
HR7	Huron River Boat Access	Huron River	Municipal	●	●			
HR8	Martin's Rivercrest Marina	Huron River	Commercial			●		
HR9	Huron River Marina, Inc.	Huron River	Commercial	●		●		
HR10	Holiday Harbor Marina	Huron River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
HR11	Huron Lagoons Marina	Huron River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
HR12	Huron River Valley Resort	Huron River	Commercial	●	●	●		
LE42	Cranberry Creek Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
VR1	Vermilion Yacht Club	Vermilion River	Club			●	●	●
VR2	Harbour Town Municipal Boat Docks	Vermilion River	Municipal	●		●	●	
VR3	East Exchange Park Docks	Vermilion River	Municipal	●		●	●	
VR4	Vermilion Boat Club	Vermilion River	Club			●	●	
VR5	Moes Marine, Inc.	Vermilion River	Commercial	●		●		
VR6	Don Parson Marina	Vermilion River	Commercial	●		●		
VR7	Captains Corner	Vermilion River	Commercial	●		●		
VR8	Vermilion Power Boat, Inc.	Vermilion River	Commercial			●		●
VR9	McGarvey's Landing	Vermilion River	Municipal	●		●	●	
VR10	Romps Waterport	Vermilion River	Commercial	●	●	●		●
VR11	South Street Launch Ramp	Vermilion River	Municipal	●	●	●	●	
VR12	Bulans Boatyard	Vermilion River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
VR13	Valley Harbor Marina	Vermilion River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
VR14	West Shore Boat Club	Vermilion River	Club			●	●	
VR15	Key Harbour Marina	Vermilion River	Commercial		●	●		
VR16	Riverside Marina	Vermilion River	Commercial	●		●		
VR17	Mario's Landing	Vermilion River	Commercial	●	●	●		
VR18	Maple Grove Marina & Park	Vermilion River	Commercial		●	●	●	
VR19	Riverview Inc. RV Park & Marina	Vermilion River	Commercial	●	●	●		
VR20	Vermilion River Reservation	Vermilion River	Park District	●	●			
VR21	Schoepfle Garden	Vermilion River	Park District	●	●			
BC1	Beaver Park North	Beaver Creek	Commercial	●		●		●
BC2	Beaver Park Marina	Beaver Creek	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
BC3	Copper Kettle Marina	Beaver Creek	Commercial	●		●		
BC4	Dickason Marina	Beaver Creek	Commercial	●		●		



Rossford Marina, Rossford, Wood County



Dempsey Fishing Access, Ottawa County

MOTORIZED BOATING ACCESS



Middle Bass Island State Park, Ottawa County

Boating Facility Amenities Legend

	Publicly Accessible		Transient Dockage
	Launch Facility		Boat Fuel
	Dock Facility		



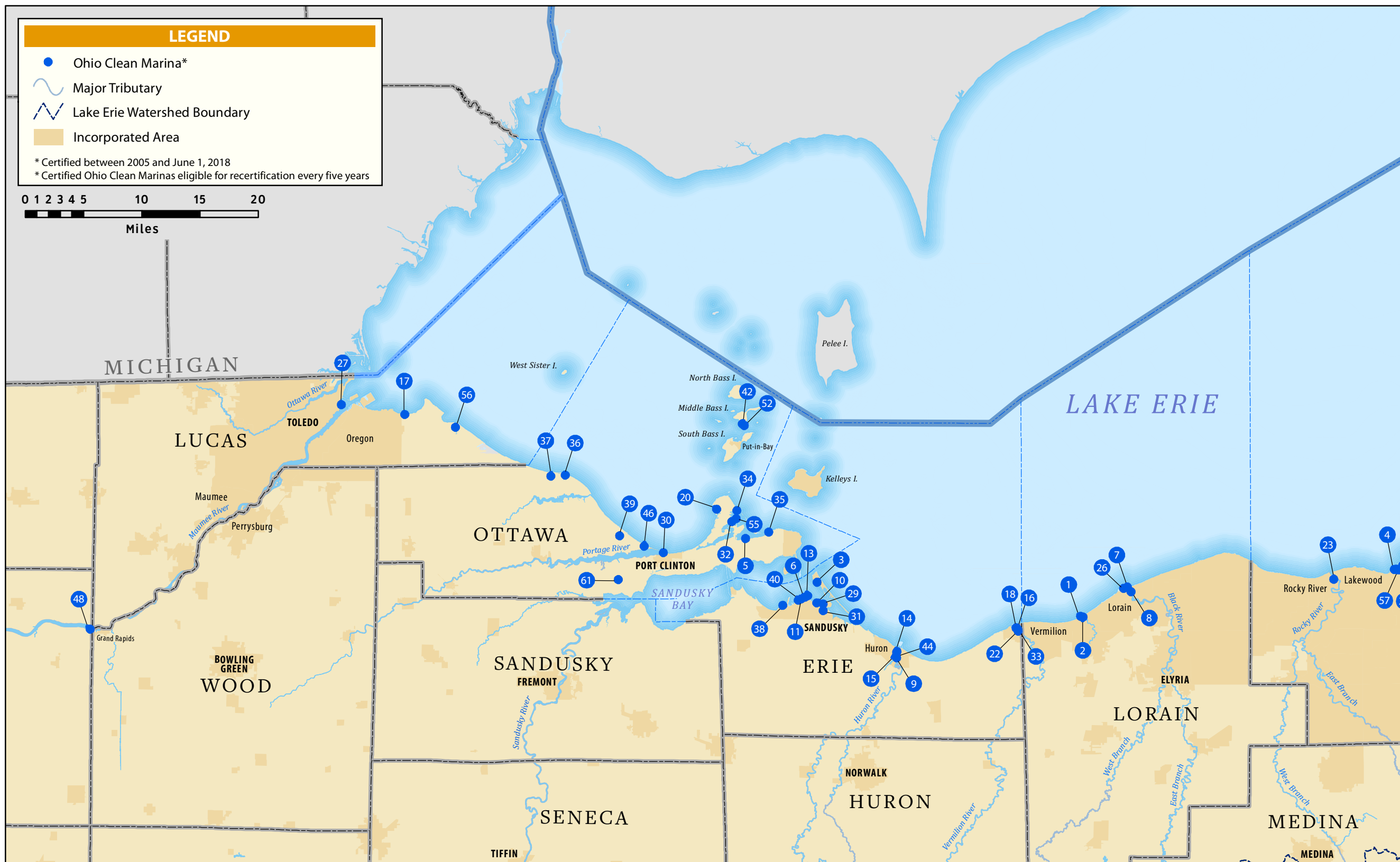
West Harbor, Ottawa County

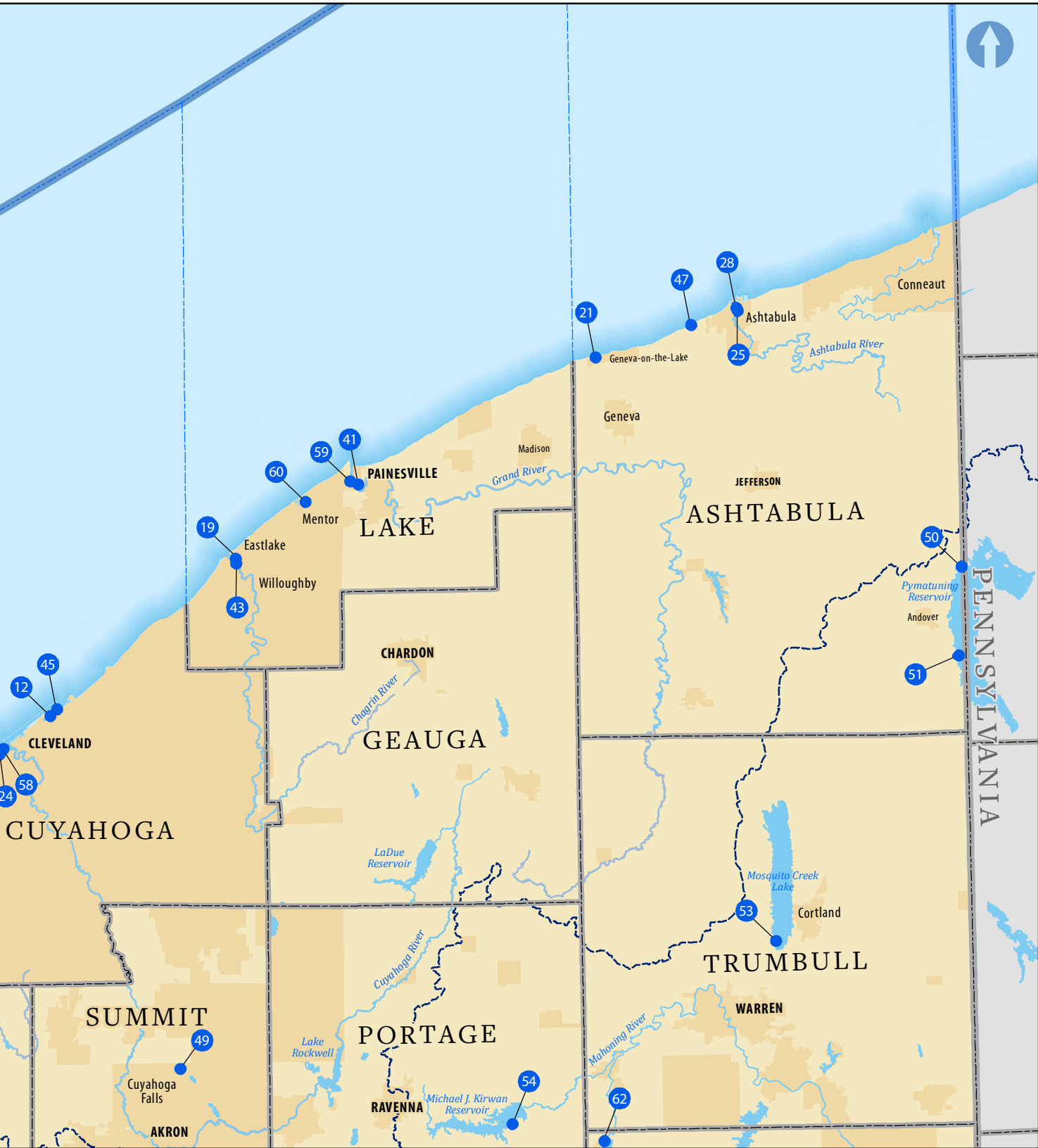
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LE43	Lorain Public Boat Ramp	Lake Erie	Municipal	●	●			
LE44	Spitzer Lakeside Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	●
LE45	East Side Launch Ramp at Lakeside Landing	Lake Erie	Port Authority	●	●			●
BR1	Lorain Sailing & Yacht Club	Black River	Club	●		●	●	●
BR2	Riverside Park	Black River	Port Authority	●		●		
BR3	Gene's Marine Sales & Service	Black River	Commercial	●		●	●	
BR4	Spitzer Riverside Marina	Black River	Commercial	●		●	●	
BR5	Black River Wharf Boat Launch	Black River	Municipal	●	●	●		
LE46	Sheffield Lake Community Park Boat Ramp	Lake Erie	Municipal	●	●			
LE47	Avon Lake Boat Launch at Miller Road Park	Lake Erie	Municipal	●	●	●		
LE48	Avon Lake Boat Club	Lake Erie	Club		●			
LE49	Bay Boat Club	Lake Erie	Municipal		●			
RR1	Clifton Beach Docks	Rocky River	Municipal			●		
RR2	Cleveland Yacht Club	Rocky River	Club			●	●	●
RR3	Marina at the Westlake	Rocky River	Other			●	●	
RR4	Rocky River Marina	Rocky River	Commercial			●	●	
RR5	Port of Lakewood Courtesy Docks	Rocky River	Municipal	●		●		
RR6	Emerald Necklace Marina	Rocky River	Park District	●	●	●		●
LE50	Edgewater Yacht Club	Lake Erie	Club			●	●	●
LE51	Edgewater Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	●
LE52	Edgewater Park Ramp at Lakefront Reservation	Lake Erie	Park District	●	●			
LE53	Whiskey Island Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	
CR1	Channel Park Marina	Cuyahoga River	Commercial			●	●	●
CR2	Olde River Yacht Club	Cuyahoga River	Club			●	●	
CR3	Nautica Boardwalk	Cuyahoga River	Commercial	●		●	●	
CR4	Rivergate Park	Cuyahoga River	Park District	●		●		●
CR5	Scaravelli's Co.	Cuyahoga River	Commercial			●		
CR6	Horwath's Landing at Eldon Russell Park	Cuyahoga River	Park District	●	●			
EB1	Headwaters Park Boat Launch	E. Br. Reservoir	Park District	●	●			
LR1	LaDue Reservoir Boat House	LaDue Reservoir	Municipal	●	●			
LR2	State Route 44 Launch Ramp	LaDue Reservoir	Municipal	●	●			
LR3	Auburn Launch Ramp	LaDue Reservoir	Municipal	●	●			
PL1	Punderson State Park	Punderson Lake	State	●	●	●		
LE54	Rock and Dock at North Coast Harbor Marina	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	
LE55	Lakeside Yacht Club	Lake Erie	Club			●		●
LE56	Forest City Yacht Club	Lake Erie	Club			●	●	●
LE57	Sailing Inc.	Lake Erie	Commercial			●	●	
LE58	East 55th Street Marina at Lakefront Reservation	Lake Erie	Park District	●		●	●	●
LE59	Intercity Yacht Club	Lake Erie	Club			●	●	
LE60	Gordon Park Ramp at Lakefront Reservation	Lake Erie	Park District	●	●	●		
LE61	Newport Harbor	Lake Erie	Club			●		
LE62	North East Yacht Club	Lake Erie	Club		●	●	●	
LE63	Wildwood Ramp at Euclid Creek Reservation	Lake Erie	Park District	●	●	●	●	●
LE64	Wildwood Yacht Club	Lake Erie	Club			●		
CH1	Chagrin Lagoons Yacht Club	Chagrin River	Club			●	●	●
CH2	Chagrin Harbor Beach Yacht Club	Chagrin River	Club			●		
CH3	East Island Marina	Chagrin River	Club			●		
CH4	LeVans Landing	Chagrin River	Commercial		●	●		
CH5	Sima Marine	Chagrin River	Commercial			●		
CH6	Eastlake Port Authority Boat Ramp	Chagrin River	Municipal	●	●			
CH7	Lake County Yacht Club	Chagrin River	Club			●		
CH8	Chagrin River Yacht Club	Chagrin River	Club			●	●	
CH9	Deck Lounge	Chagrin River	Commercial	●		●	●	●
CH10	West Channel Yacht Club	Chagrin River	Club			●	●	

Map ID	Motorized Boating Facility	Waterbody	Admin Type					
CH11	East Bank Marina	Chagrin River	Commercial	●	●	●		
CH12	South Shore Yacht	Chagrin River	Commercial	●		●	●	
CH13	Trader Jacks Riverside Grille	Chagrin River	Commercial	●		●	●	
CH14	Eastlake Marina	Chagrin River	Commercial			●		
CH15	Boracs Landing	Chagrin River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
ML1	Mentor Harbor Yachting Club	Mentor Lagoons	Club			●	●	●
ML2	Mentor Lagoons Marina	Mentor Lagoons	Municipal	●	●	●	●	
GR1	Grand River Marine, Inc. - Fairport	Grand River	Commercial	●		●	●	
GR2	Grand River Marine, Inc.	Grand River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	●
GR3	Robert "Buck" Benson Memorial Park & Boat Docks	Grand River	Municipal	●		●		
GR4	Olive Street Transient Dock Access	Grand River	Municipal	●		●		
GR5	Bucky Rutherford Memorial Park	Grand River	Municipal	●		●		
GR6	Rutherford Landing	Grand River	Commercial	●	●	●		●
GR7	Grand River Yacht Club	Grand River	Club			●	●	
GR8	Fairport Harbor Yacht Club	Grand River	Club			●	●	
GR9	Fairport Rod & Reel Association	Grand River	Club		●	●		
GR10	Riverbend Marina #2	Grand River	Commercial	●		●		
GR11	Western Reserve Yacht Club	Grand River	Club			●	●	
GR12	Riverbend Marina	Grand River	Commercial	●		●		
GR13	Grand River Landing	Grand River	Park District	●	●			
LE65	Fairport Harbor Port Authority Boat Launch	Lake Erie	Municipal	●	●	●	●	
LE66	Harbor Town Point	Lake Erie	Commercial	●		●	●	●
LE67	Perry Township Park	Lake Erie	Township		●			
LE68	North Townline Park	Lake Erie	Municipal		●	●	●	
LE69	Madison Township Park	Lake Erie	Township	●	●			
LE70	Lake Breeze Park	Lake Erie	Other		●			
LE71	Geneva State Park Marina	Lake Erie	State	●	●	●	●	●
LE72	Redbrook Boat Club	Lake Erie	Club		●	●	●	●
AR1	River Marine	Ashtabula River	Commercial	●		●		●
AR2	Ashtabula Transient Docks	Ashtabula River	Port Authority	●		●	●	
AR3	Marshall Marina	Ashtabula River	Commercial	●		●	●	
AR4	Sutherland Marine	Ashtabula River	Commercial	●		●	●	●
AR5	Ashtabula Yacht Club	Ashtabula River	Club			●	●	
AR6	Kister Marina	Ashtabula River	Club		●	●	●	
AR7	Riverside Yacht Club	Ashtabula River	Club			●		
AR8	Harbor Yacht Club of Ashtabula	Ashtabula River	Club			●	●	
AR9	Jack's Marine Inc.	Ashtabula River	Commercial		●	●	●	
AR10	Ashtabula Recreational Unlimited	Ashtabula River	Commercial	●	●	●	●	
AR11	Northcoast Marina & Yacht Club	Ashtabula River	Commercial		●	●	●	
LE73	Lakeshore Park Ramp	Lake Erie	Township	●	●			
LE74	Conneaut Port Authority Access City Ramp	Lake Erie	Municipal	●	●			
LE75	Conneaut City Marina	Lake Erie	Municipal	●	●	●	●	●
LE76	Lake Erie Boat Club	Lake Erie	Club		●			
LE77	Conneaut Boat Club, Inc.	Lake Erie	Club			●	●	●
CO1	Woodworth Road Public Boat Ramp	Conneaut Creek	Municipal	●	●			
PY1	Pymatuning State Park - North Livery	Pymatuning Res.	State	●	●	●		●
PY2	Beach Area Launch	Pymatuning Res.	Other	●	●	●		
PY3	Pymatuning State Park - New Bowers Ramp	Pymatuning Res.	State	●	●			
PY4	Pymatuning Shores	Pymatuning Res.	Other		●	●		



OHIO'S CERTIFIED CLEAN MARINAS





The Ohio Clean Marinas Program is a proactive partnership between Ohio Sea Grant, the Ohio Department of Natural Resources and marine trades associations. It is designed to encourage marina operators and boaters to use simple, innovative solutions to keep Ohio’s coastal and inland waterway resources clean. Goals include responsible use and protection of the natural environment through education, awareness and applying best management practices. The program helps inform marina operators and boaters about environmental laws, rules and jurisdictions. Committed implementation of various conservation measures that improve environmental and economic aspects of operation may qualify a marina to become a certified “Clean Marina.” The Clean Marinas Program is a voluntary program. Benefits include improved water quality and wildlife habitat; public recognition and enhanced image; attracting conscientious boaters; financial incentives, and; compliance assistance.

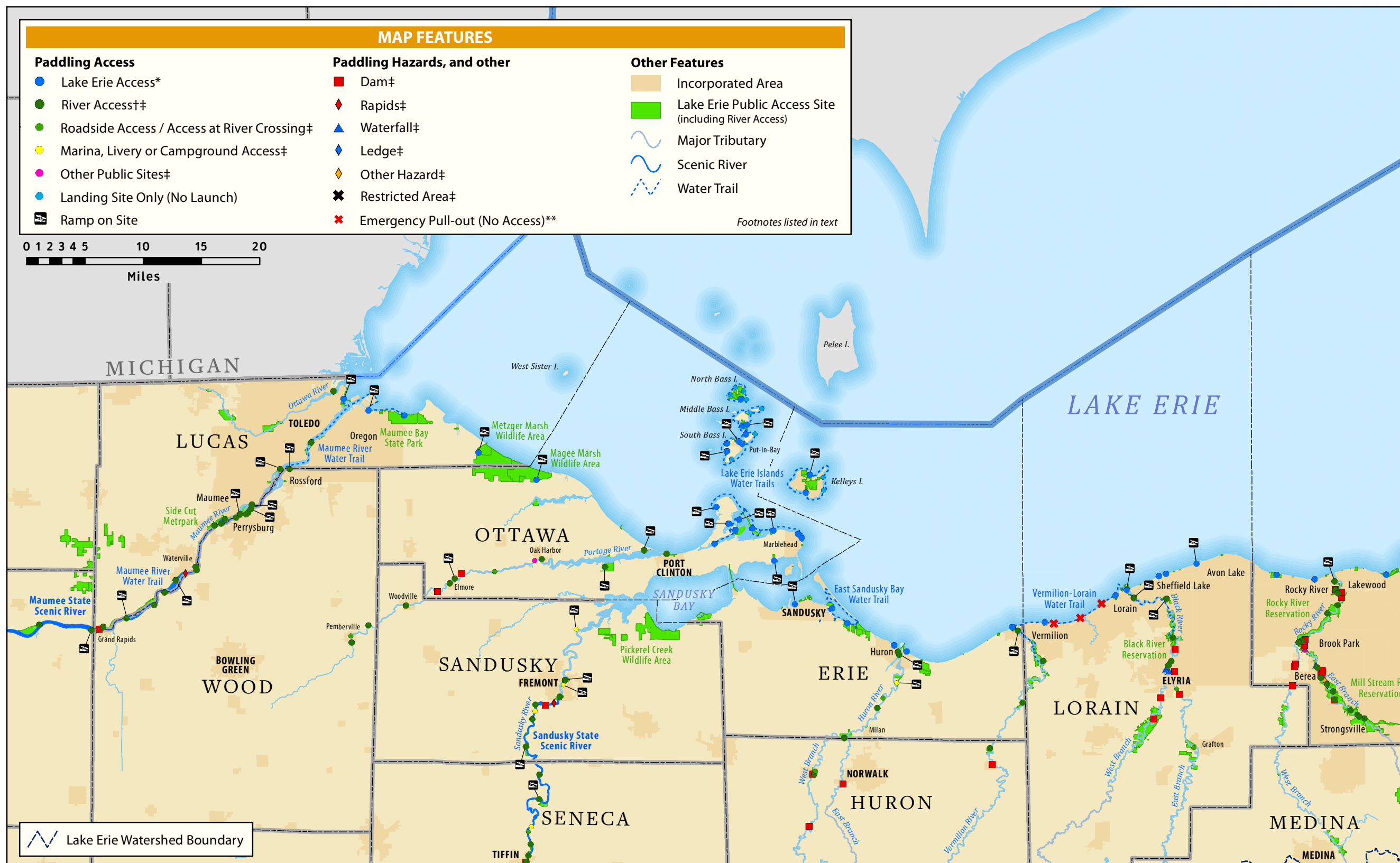
The Ohio Clean Marinas Program started in 2004. At the time, it was only available to marinas on Lake Erie. In 2015, the program was expanded statewide. Between 2005 and June 1, 2018, 78 marinas were certified as Ohio Clean Marinas, including 58 in the Lake Erie Watershed. Approximately 74 percent of all Clean Marinas are on Lake Erie (as of June 1, 2018). Erie and Ottawa counties have the most Clean Marinas, with 17 and 14, respectively. Once certified, Ohio Clean Marinas are eligible for recertification every five years. A corresponding map key is found on page 132.

Note: This map may not be reflective of current records. See the Ohio Clean Marinas webpage for an up-to-date listing of certified marinas.

County	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2005-2017 Totals
Ashtabula County	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	4
Cuyahoga County	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	2	7
Erie County	2	8	2	2	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	17
Lake County	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	5
Lorain County	4	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Lucas County	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3
Ottawa County	1	1	0	2	2	1	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	14
Sandusky County	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lake Erie Watershed (non-coastal counties only)	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	0	3	0	3
Ohio River Watershed	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	1	17	2	20
Total	8	12	9	4	2	1	1	2	5	0	4	23	7	78

The Ohio Clean Boater Program is a component of the Ohio Clean Marinas Program. It is also designed to encourage marina operators and boaters to use simple, innovative solutions to keep Ohio’s coastal and inland waterway resources clean. The program offers a list of best boater practices that aim to educate boaters on watercraft upkeep, waste management, aquatic invasive species control and environmental hazards associated with boating. The Clean Boater Program is a voluntary program. Boaters committed to following best boater practices may pledge to become a “Clean Boater.”

PADDLING ACCESS AND SCENIC RIVERS





Water Trails: The Ohio Water Trails Program is a cooperative partnership between the Ohio Department of Natural Resources (ODNR), various levels of government and non-profit conservation groups. The program promotes low-impact paddling opportunities, addresses the need for more access points and helps educate paddlers about hand-powered boating safety. In addition to designating water trails, the program also provides funding for access improvements/development, signage and educational materials.

The Water Trails Program has designated four water trails in the Lake Erie Watershed, including the East Sandusky Bay Water Trail, the Lake Erie Islands (LEI) Water Trail, the Maumee River Water Trail and the Vermilion-Lorain Water Trail. The 15.3-mile East Sandusky Bay Water Trail was designated in 2007. It is a circular route with five access points on the East Sandusky Bay and Pipe Creek. The LEI Water Trail is comprised of five individual paddling routes. These include separate trails encircling each of Ohio's four largest islands—Kelleys, South Bass, Middle Bass and North Bass—and one trail following the Catawba Island/Marblehead Peninsula mainland shore. Combined, the LEI water trails total nearly 60 miles and include over 30 access points. The 107-mile Maumee River Water Trail was dedicated in 2018 and includes 39 access locations between Maumee Bay and the Indiana state line. The 27-mile Vermilion-Lorain Water Trail was designated in 2009 and connects nine access points along the Vermilion and Black rivers and Lake Erie.

Scenic Rivers: The goal of the Ohio Scenic Rivers Program is to recognize and protect high-quality rivers, coordinate preservation activities and ensure that management decisions are made in an environmentally-sensitive and responsible manner. The program is a cooperative partnership between ODNR, local governments, businesses, landowners, non-profit groups and other state and federal agencies. Scenic rivers are classified by various stream qualities and categorized as either wild, scenic and/or recreational. Factors that determine designation include length, adjacent forestation, biological characteristics, water quality, river use and other natural conditions.

The Scenic Rivers Program has designated portions of seven Lake Erie tributaries, including (from west to east): the Maumee River (1974), Sandusky River (1970), Cuyahoga River (1974), Chagrin River (1979), Grand River (1974), Ashtabula River (2008) and Conneaut Creek (2005).

For more information about specific paddling locations, water trails and/or scenic rivers, see the Division of Parks and Watercraft website.

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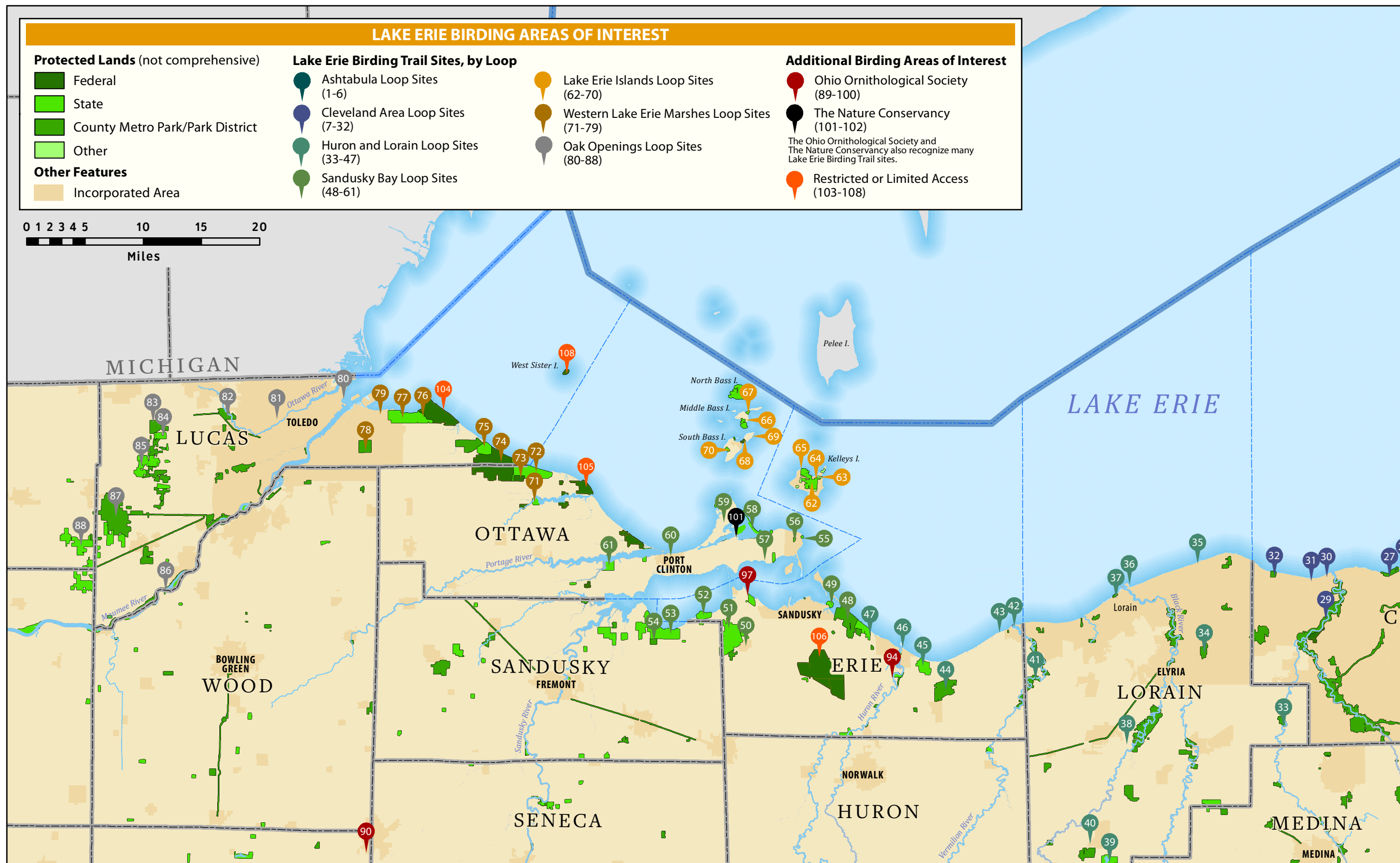
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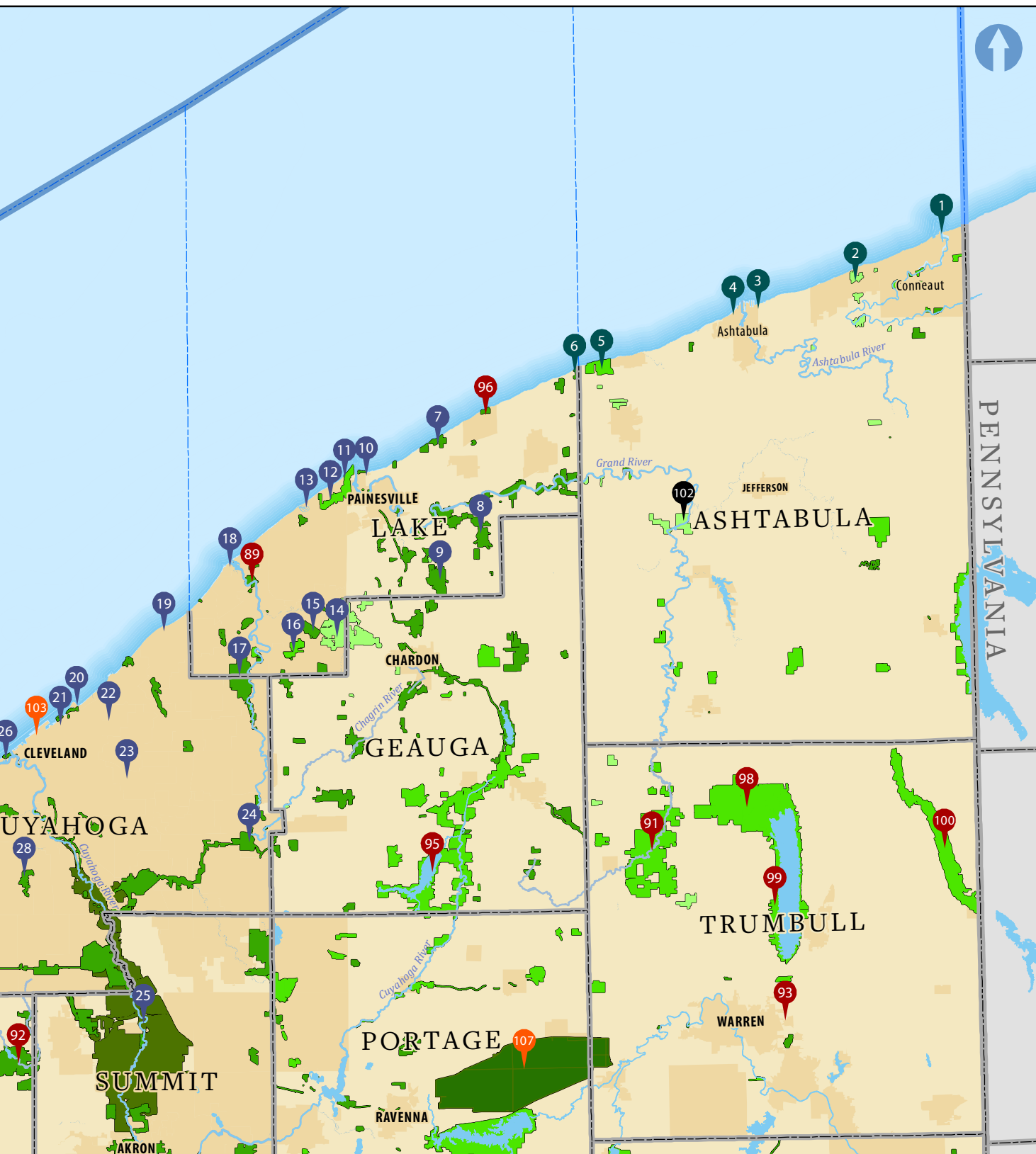
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‡ Listed in *Boating on Ohio's Streams* (2006), ODNR Division of Parks and Watercraft

** Listed in *Vermilion-Lorain Water Trail brochure* (2009)

LAKE ERIE BIRDING





Lake Erie is located at the intersection of the Mississippi and Atlantic migratory flyways and offers many bird watching opportunities. Shore and open water areas, wetlands, marshes, grasslands and forests provide perfect habitat for a variety of bird species during breeding, nesting and migration seasons. Bird enthusiasts from across the world flock to the Lake Erie area to observe nearly 400 bird species (almost 95 percent of all birds observed in Ohio). Many birds that naturally occur in Ohio were first recorded in the Lake Erie region. This map highlights many popular birding locations in the Lake Erie Watershed and in northern Ohio. The corresponding map key is found on page 133. See also the Important Bird Areas map found on page 152.

The marsh complexes and wetland habitats along the Western Basin shore are important resting and feeding grounds for great numbers and diversity of migrant songbirds during spring and fall migrations. Sites such as Magee Marsh Wildlife Area and Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge preserve portions of historic coastal marshland and Great Black Swamp habitat. Noted as “the warbler capital of the world,” these sites, along with other northwest Ohio locations, host “The Biggest Week in American Birding” event each spring.

Wetlands are prime locations to view waterfowl, raptors and shorebirds. Harbor areas, such as at Conneaut, Fairport Harbor and Lorain, are also productive locations to view waterfowl, songbirds, gulls, alongshore-migrant shorebirds, the occasional snowy owl and other passerines (perching birds). The Lake Erie Islands are important stopover sites for migrating birds as they cross the lake. Kelleys Island has the greatest habitat diversity of any of the islands and is host to large spring and fall migrations of more than 250 species.

Lake Erie Birding Trail: Developed by the Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Division of Wildlife, in partnership with the Ohio Sea Grant Program, the *Lake Erie Birding Trail Guidebook* (2013, modified 2016) and website are intended to provide information on the best birding locations along the Lake Erie shore. The Lake Erie Birding Trail is divided into seven loops, each exhibiting similar habitat types and landscapes. The loops, which do not follow a specific road route, include (from east to west) the Ashtabula Loop, Cleveland Area Loop, Huron & Lorain Loop, Sandusky Bay Loop, Lake Erie Islands Loop, Western Lake Erie Marshes Loop and the Oak Openings Loop. Each loop features several publicly accessible birding hotspots. These sites are labelled 1 through 88 on the map. Identification labels are color-coded by loop. Collectively, nearly 400 bird species have been viewed at these sites.

Many trail sites are also recognized by the Ohio Ornithological Society and The Nature Conservancy as notable birding locations. Additional birding destinations identified by these organizations are included on the map (sites 89-102). Restricted and limited access sites are also included on the map (sites 103-107). These include sites that are not publicly accessible and sites that require special permission and/or permits. **To determine if a site is open to the public, contact the managing authority.**

OHIO CLEAN MARINAS AND LAKE ERIE BIRDING MAP KEYS



East Harbor State Park Marina, Ottawa County



Huron Municipal Boat Basin, Huron, Erie County

OHIO CERTIFIED CLEAN MARINAS MAP KEY

Map ID	Ohio Clean Marinas (2005-2017)	Map ID	Ohio Clean Marinas (2005-2017)
1	Beaver Park Marina	32	Catawba Landing
2	Beaver Park North, Inc.	33	Valley Harbor Marina
3	Cedar Point Marina	34	Gem Beach Marina
4	Edgewater Yacht Club	35	Blue Water Condominiums
5	Marina del Isle (Skipper Buds)	36	Green Cove Resort I-Condo Association
6	Sandusky Yacht Club	37	Turtle Creek Marina & Campground
7	Spitzer Lakeside Marina	38	Sandusky Harbor Marina
8	Spitzer Riverside & Rack Storage	39	Dutch Harbor Marina
9	Huron Lagoons Marina	40	Paper District Marina
10	Son Rise Marina	41	Fairport Harbor Rod & Reel
11	Dock of the Bay Marina	42	Middle Bass Island Yacht Club
12	Forest City Yacht Club	43	South Shore Yacht Supply
13	Battery Park Marina	44	Huron Yacht Club
14	Huron Municipal Boat Basin	45	East 55th Street Marina at Lakefront Reservation
15	Holiday Harbor Marina	46	Lakefront Marina
16	Vermilion Power Boat, Inc.	47	Redbrook Boat Club
17	Maumee Bay Resort	48	Mary Jane Thurston State Park Marina
18	Romps Water Port	49	Buckeye Sports Center
19	Lake County Yacht Club	50	Pymatuning State Park North
20	Catawba Island Club	51	Pymatuning State Park South
21	Geneva State Park Marina	52	Middle Bass Island State Park Marina
22	Bulan's Boatyard	53	Mosquito Lake State Park Marina
23	Emerald Necklace Marina	54	West Branch State Park Marina
24	Channel Park Marina	55	East Harbor State Park Marina
25	Ashtabula Yacht Club	56	Cooley Canal Yacht Club
26	Lorain Sailing & Yacht Club	57	Edgewater Marina
27	Bay View Yacht Club	58	Whiskey Island Marina
28	Sutherland Marine	59	Grand River Marine
29	Venetian Marina	60	Mentor Lagoons Marina
30	Port Clinton Yacht Club	61	Happy Days Boating
31	Castaway Bay Marina	62	Lake Milton State Park Marina

BOATING REGISTRATION STATISTICS (2010-2016)

County	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2010-2016 Totals	Rank
Ashtabula County	5,258	5,195	5,451	5,608	5,789	5,838	6,426	39,565	7
Cuyahoga County	24,161	24,394	24,800	24,957	25,114	25,647	26,765	175,838	1
Erie County	6,286	6,343	6,414	6,359	6,372	6,488	6,756	45,018	6
Lake County	9,406	9,550	9,846	10,023	10,184	10,430	10,967	70,406	4
Lorain County	10,988	11,134	11,535	11,755	11,985	12,340	13,118	82,855	3
Lucas County	13,582	13,556	13,814	13,740	13,782	13,706	14,207	96,387	2
Ottawa County	6,660	6,657	6,795	6,851	6,900	6,951	7,209	48,023	5
Sandusky County	3,006	3,114	3,191	3,230	3,263	3,279	3,464	22,547	8
Total	79,347	79,943	81,846	82,523	83,389	84,679	88,912	580,639	

LAKE ERIE BIRDING MAP KEY

Map ID	Birding Sites	Map ID	Birding Sites
1	Conneaut Harbor	55	Marblehead Lighthouse State Park
2	North Kingsville Sand Barrens	56	Lakeside Daisy State Nature Preserve
3	Lakeshore Park	57	Meadowbrook Marsh
4	Walnut Beach Park	58	East Harbor State Park
5	Geneva State Park	59	Cedar Meadow Preserve
6	Arcola Creek Park	60	Port Clinton Lakefront Preserve
7	Lake Erie Bluffs	61	Little Portage Wildlife Area
8	Hell Hollow Wilderness Area	62	Kelleys Island State Park
9	Girdled Road Reservation	63	Scheele Preserve
10	Fairport Harbor	64	North Pond State Nature Preserve
11	Headlands Dunes State Nature Preserve	65	North Shore Alvar State Nature Preserve
12	Mentor Marsh State Nature Preserve	66	Middle Bass Island State Park
13	Mentor Lagoons Nature Preserve	67	Petersen Woods and Kuehnle Wildlife Area
14	Holden Arboretum	68	Perry's Victory and International Peace Memorial
15	Penitentiary Glen Reservation	69	Scheeff East Point Nature Preserve
16	Chapin Forest Reservation	70	South Bass Island State Park
17	North Chagrin Reservation	71	Toussaint Wildlife Area
18	Eastlake Fishing Pier	72	Magee Marsh Wildlife Area
19	Sims Park	73	Black Swamp Bird Observatory
20	Cleveland Lakefront Nature Preserve	74	Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge
21	Lakefront Reservation – Gordon Park	75	Metzger Marsh Wildlife Area
22	Lake View Cemetery	76	Mallard Club Marsh Wildlife Area
23	The Nature Center at Shaker Lakes	77	Maumee Bay State Park
24	South Chagrin Reservation	78	Pearson Metropark
25	Cuyahoga Valley National Park	79	Bayshore Fishing Access
26	Lakefront Reservation – Wendy Park	80	Cullen Park
27	Lakefront Reservation – Edgewater Park	81	Woodlawn Cemetery
28	West Creek Reservation	82	Wildwood Preserve Metropark
29	Rocky River Reservation	83	Secor Metropark
30	Rocky River Park	84	Irwin Prairie State Nature Preserve
31	Bradstreet's Landing	85	Kitty Todd Nature Preserve
32	Huntington Reservation	86	Maumee River Rapids
33	Columbia Reservation	87	Oak Openings Preserve Metropark
34	Sandy Ridge Reservation	88	Maumee State Forest
35	Miller Road Park	89	Chagrin River Park
36	Lorain Harbor	90	Fostoria Reservoir #4 (Lake Mosier)
37	Lakeview Park	91	Grand River Wildlife Area
38	Oberlin Reservoir	92	Hinckley Reservation
39	Findley State Park	93	Howland Township Park
40	Wellington Reservoir	94	Huron River Flats
41	Vermilion River Reservation	95	LaDue Reservoir
42	Main Street Beach	96	Lakeshore Reservation
43	Sherod Park	97	Medusa Marsh
44	Edison Woods MetroPark	98	Mosquito Creek Wildlife Area
45	Old Woman Creek State Nature Preserve & NERR	99	Mosquito Lake State Park
46	Lighthouse Pier (Huron Harbor West Pier)	100	Shenango Wildlife Area
47	Sheldon Marsh State Nature Preserve	101	Great Egret Marsh Preserve
48	East Sandusky Bay MetroPark	102	Morgan Swamp Preserve
49	Pipe Creek Wildlife Area	103	Burke Lakefront Airport
50	Castalia Pond	104	Cedar Point National Wildlife Refuge
51	Resthaven Wildlife Area	105	Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge – Navarre Marsh
52	Willow Point Wildlife Area	106	NASA Plum Brook Station
53	Pickereel Creek Wildlife Area	107	Ravenna Arsenal
54	Blue Heron Reserve	108	West Sister Island National Wildlife Refuge

LAKE ERIE PUBLIC ACCESS STATISTICS

County	Number of Coastal Sites	Rank	Public Access Shore Miles	Rank	Percent of County Shore Length	Rank
Lucas County	28	3	9.3 miles*	3	37%*	1
Ottawa County	38†	2	16.1 miles	1	17%	5
Sandusky County	1	8	3.5 miles	7	27%	2
Erie County	43	1	10.4 miles	2	15%	7
Lorain County	15	6	2.1 miles	8	9%	8
Cuyahoga County	23	5	6.5 miles	5	22%	4
Lake County	27	4	8.0 miles	4	26%	3
Ashtabula County	13	7	4.6 miles	6	16%	6

* Includes shore portions of Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge and Magee Marsh Wildlife Area (Ottawa County sites)

† Includes Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge and Magee Marsh Wildlife Area (Main entrances in Ottawa County)



Great Blue Heron