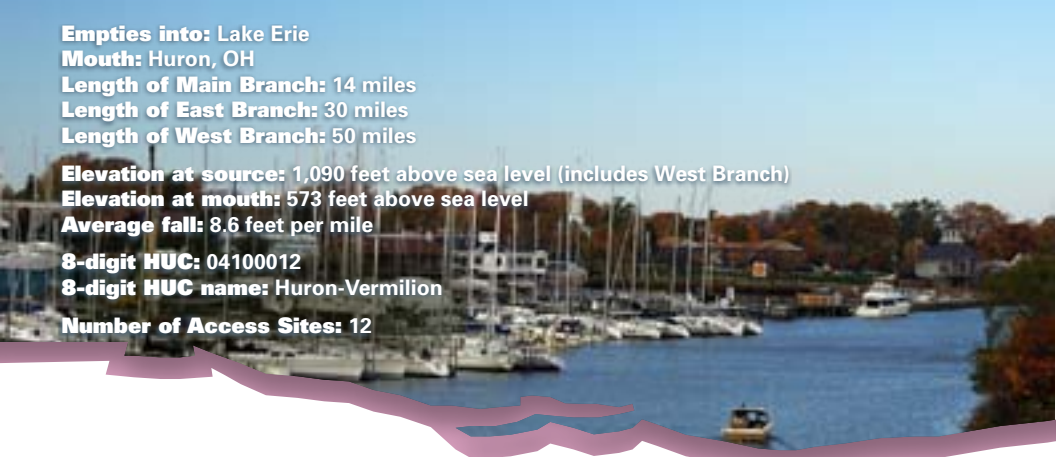


**Empties into:** Lake Erie  
**Mouth:** Huron, OH  
**Length of Main Branch:** 14 miles  
**Length of East Branch:** 30 miles  
**Length of West Branch:** 50 miles

**Elevation at source:** 1,090 feet above sea level (includes West Branch)  
**Elevation at mouth:** 573 feet above sea level  
**Average fall:** 8.6 feet per mile

**8-digit HUC:** 04100012  
**8-digit HUC name:** Huron-Vermilion  
**Number of Access Sites:** 12



# Huron River

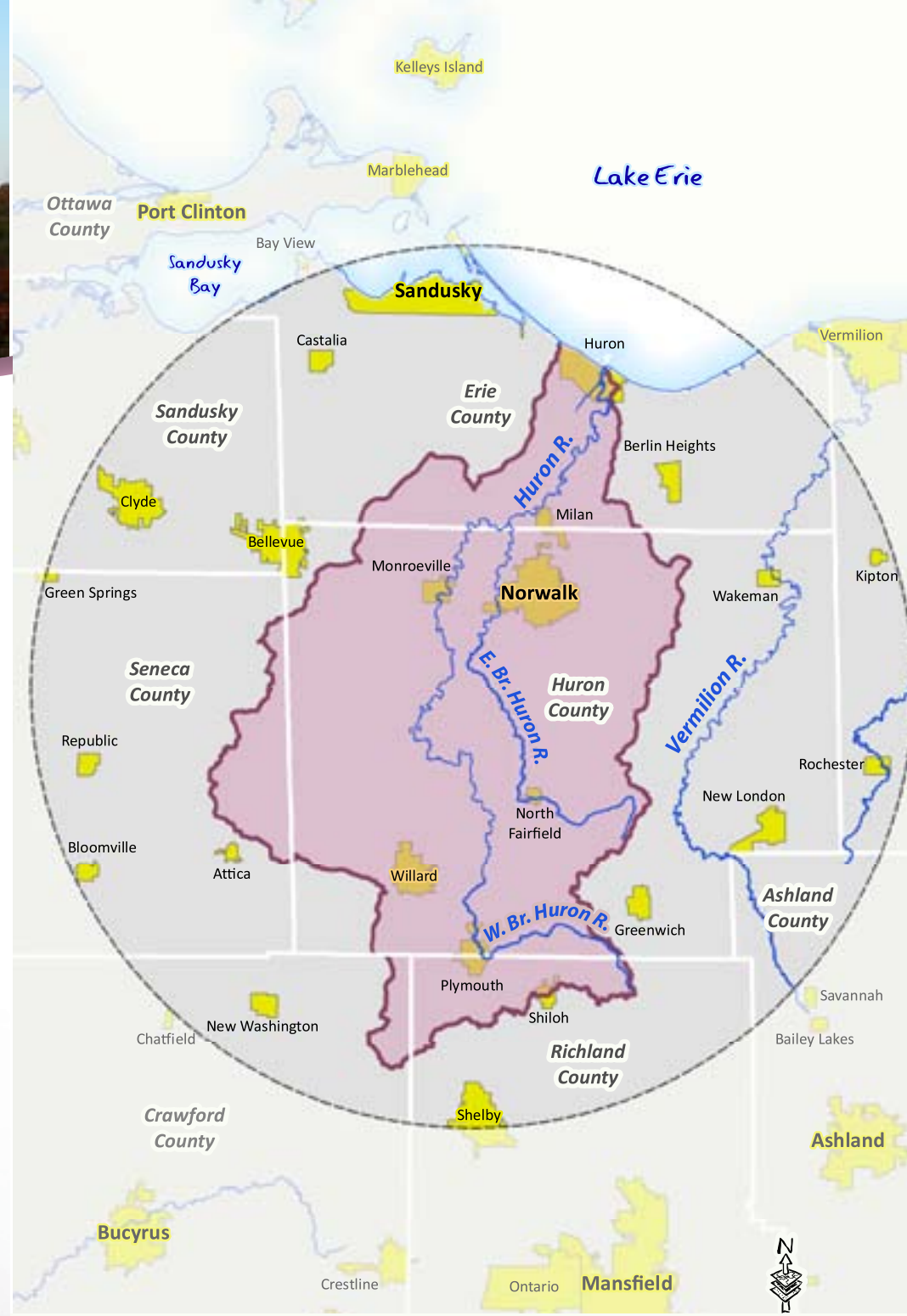
including the West Branch

The 14-mile long main branch of the Huron River begins at the confluence of the East Branch Huron and West Branch Huron rivers just west of Milan. The river empties into Lake Erie in the city of Huron. Headwaters for the branches are in Fitchville Township (Huron County) and Blooming Grove Township (Richland County), respectively, and are 30 miles and 50 miles long, respectively. The Huron River's entire drainage basin is 403 square miles (257,921 acres).

The word "Huron" refers to a Native American tribe that was prevalent in the Great Lakes region. Variant names of the river have included Bald Eagle Creek, Notowacy Theyp and Pettquotting River, among others. Much of the river system flows through Huron and Erie counties which together comprised a large amount of the Firelands, the westernmost portion of the Connecticut Western Reserve. Established in 1792, the Firelands had been reserved for Connecticut residents whose homes were burned during the British raids of the late 1700s (Revolutionary War). In the early 1800s, settlers began populating the area.

In 1839 the Milan Canal opened. The canal paralleled the east side of the Huron River and connected the village of Milan to Lake Erie. During the canal's prime, Milan thrived as Lake Erie's largest inland port and as one of the busiest Great Lakes ports. Inventor Thomas Alva Edison's birth home overlooked the canal in downtown Milan. The Milan Canal era ended in 1868, due to flooding that resulted in a feeder dam failure.

The lower Huron River near the city so named is an estuarine environment as water and habitat within the channel and adjacent marsh are influenced by Lake Erie water levels. Catfish (channel and flatheads), smallmouth bass, perch and walleye are popular fishing catches near the lake while northern pike and smallmouth bass are found farther upriver. The river offers recreational boaters many commercial and publicly-available ramps and marinas.





# Huron Harbor West Pier (Lighthouse Pier)

**Location:**  
Main and Wall streets

**Waterbody:**  
Huron River  
Lake Erie

**River Mile Location:**  
At RM 0

**Jurisdiction:**  
Huron, OH

**County:**  
Erie

**Latitude:**  
N 41° 23.89'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 33.02'

**Access Site Type:**  
Recreation  
Scenic

**Date Visited:**

**Location Map:**



**Learn More:**  
City of Huron  
[www.cityofhuron.org](http://www.cityofhuron.org)

**Field Notes:**

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**Amenities:**



# Flemmond's Landing

**Location:**  
Main Street at  
Wall Street

**Waterbody:**  
Huron River

**River Mile Location:**  
Between  
RM 0 and RM 1

**Jurisdiction:**  
Huron, OH

**County:**  
Erie

**Latitude:**  
N 41° 23.81'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 33.1'

**Access Site Type:**  
Scenic

**Date Visited:**

**Location Map:**



**Learn More:**  
City of Huron  
[www.cityofhuron.org](http://www.cityofhuron.org)

**Field Notes:**

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**Amenities:**





## Huron Municipal Boat Basin

**Location:**  
330 North Main Street;  
Main Street and Cleve-  
land Road West

**Waterbody:**  
Huron River

**River Mile  
Location:**  
Between  
RM 0 and RM 1

**Jurisdiction:**  
Huron, OH

**County:**  
Erie

**Latitude:**  
N 41° 23.68'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 33.3'

**Access  
Site Type:**  
Recreation

**Date Visited:**

**Location Map:**



**Amenities:**



**Learn More:**  
City of Huron  
[www.cityofhuron.org](http://www.cityofhuron.org)

**Field Notes:**

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## Huron River Boat Access

**Location:**  
41 Cleveland Road East  
(US 6); at River Road

**Waterbody:**  
Huron River

**River Mile  
Location:**  
Between  
RM 0 and RM 1

**Jurisdiction:**  
Huron, OH

**County:**  
Erie

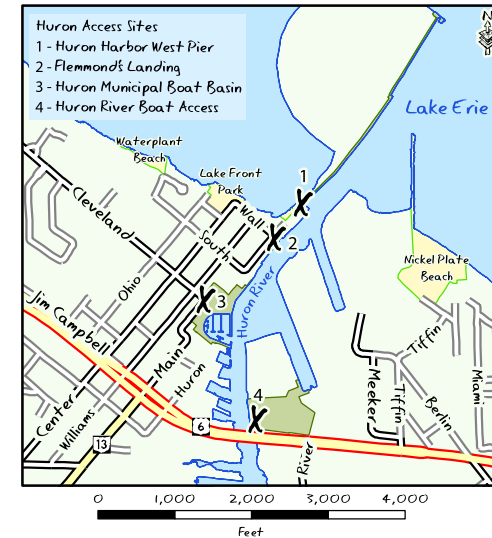
**Latitude:**  
N 41° 23.42'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 33.15'

**Access  
Site Type:**  
Recreation

**Date Visited:**

**Location Map:**



**Amenities:**



Completed in 2010, the Huron River Boat Access is a four-lane boat launch facility affording access to the Huron River and Lake Erie. The site features handicapped-accessible docks, restrooms and enough parking for 135 vehicles with trailers. A courtesy dock parallel to the river bank allows for loading, unloading and temporary tie-ups. There are no launch fees or parking fees.

The site was acquired and developed by the ODNR Divisions of Watercraft and Wildlife. It is maintained by the city of Huron.

**Learn More:**  
City of Huron, [www.cityofhuron.org](http://www.cityofhuron.org)  
ODNR Divisions of Watercraft, [www.ohiodnr.com/watercraft](http://www.ohiodnr.com/watercraft)  
ODNR Divisions of Wildlife, [www.ohiodnr.com/wildlife](http://www.ohiodnr.com/wildlife)



## DuPont Marsh State Nature Preserve

**Location:**  
1805 River Road,  
between Jeffries and  
Knight roads

**Waterbody:**  
Huron River

**River Mile  
Location:**  
Between  
RM 3 and RM 4

**Jurisdiction:**  
Huron Township, OH

**County:**  
Erie

**Latitude:**  
N 41° 21.71'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 32.94'

**Access  
Site Type:**  
Natural

**Date Visited:**

**Location Map:**



**Amenities:**



The 114-acre, Erie MetroParks-managed DuPont Marsh State Nature Preserve consists of marshlands situated along the east bank of the Huron River. The vegetation varies with water depth; pondweeds and water-milfoil are found in deeper waters, where bur-reed, cattail and spatter-dock can be found closer to shore.

One of the most significant species occurring in the marsh is leafy blue flag, a state endangered plant. The preserve is one of the best remaining riverine marshes in Ohio and is an excellent site for viewing wildlife. A short trail system winds through the preserve's forested upland to the marsh.

**Learn More:**

Erie MetroParks, [www.eriemetroparks.org](http://www.eriemetroparks.org)  
ODNR Division of Natural Areas and Preserves, [www.ohiodnr.com/dnap](http://www.ohiodnr.com/dnap)



## Huron River Greenway MetroPark North

**DuPont Marsh Trailhead**

**Location  
(DuPont Marsh Trailhead):**  
Trailhead at DuPont Marsh State Nature Preserve; River Road between Jeffries and Knight roads

**Waterbody:**  
Huron River

**Jurisdiction:**  
Huron Township, OH

**County:**  
Erie

**Latitude:**  
N 41° 21.71'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 32.94'

**Access  
Site Type:**  
Recreation

**Date Visited:**

**Location Map:**



**Amenities:**



The Huron River Greenway MetroPark is an approximately two-mile long, linear park, divided into two disconnected sections.

The northern trailhead is located in Huron Township at the DuPont Marsh State Nature Preserve parking lot. From DuPont Marsh, the trail travels approximately one mile south along the east bank of the Huron River via the old Wheeling and Lake Erie Railway (W&LE) corridor to River View Drive. There is no access to River View Drive. This portion of the Greenway is an improved limestone trail.

The southern trailhead is located in Milan at the end of Main Street (see HU6B).

**Learn More:**

Erie MetroParks  
[www.eriemetroparks.org](http://www.eriemetroparks.org)



# The Coupling MetroPark

# Huron River Greenway MetroPark South

## Milan Trailhead

**Location:**  
11618 State Route 13,  
Mudbrook Road (SR 13)  
at Hoover Road

**Waterbody:**  
Huron River

**River Mile Location:**  
At RM 9

**Jurisdiction:**  
Milan Township, OH

**County:**  
Erie

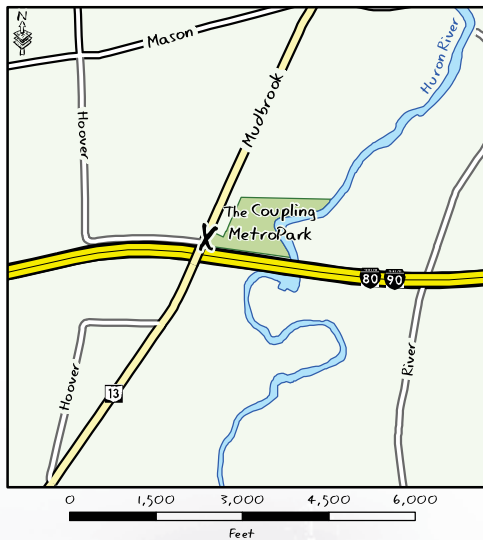
**Latitude:**  
N 41° 19.51'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 35.63'

**Access Site Type:**  
Recreation  
Natural

**Date Visited:**

**Location Map:**



The 20-acre Coupling MetroPark provides small boat and canoe access to the Huron River and a network of nature trails that navigate through wooded areas, along the river bank and into an open meadow. The MetroPark also features an authentic, refurbished Wheeling & Lake Erie Railroad station house, which may be reserved for overnight lodging.

**Learn More:**  
Erie MetroParks  
[www.eriemetroparks.org](http://www.eriemetroparks.org)

**Field Notes:**

**Amenities:**



**Location Map:**



**Location (Milan Trailhead):**  
Trailhead at northern terminus of Main Street, north of Front Street

**Waterbody:**  
Huron River

**Jurisdiction:**  
Milan, OH

**County:**  
Erie

**Latitude:**  
N 41° 17.99'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 36.49'

**Access Site Type:**  
Recreation

**Date Visited:**

**Amenities:**



The Huron River Greenway MetroPark is an approximately two-mile long, linear park, divided into two disconnected sections.

The southern trailhead is located at the end of Main Street in downtown Milan. From the trailhead, the Greenway travels north and dead-ends at a private property marker, then turns on to the Oxbow Trail, a two-mile looping path. The 0.24-mile Edison-Milan Canal Basin Trail connects the Greenway to Edison's birthplace on Edison Drive. Portions of the Greenway in Milan, like the former Wheeling and Lake Erie Railway (W&LE) before it, follow the historic Milan Canal towpath.

The northern trailhead is located at DuPont Marsh State Nature Preserve in Huron Township (see HUGA).

**Learn More:**  
Erie MetroParks  
[www.eriemetroparks.org](http://www.eriemetroparks.org)



## Milan State Wildlife Area

**Location:**  
Lovers Lane, south of  
State Route 113

**Waterbody:**  
Huron River  
East Branch and  
West Branch  
Huron rivers

**River Mile  
Location:**  
Between Huron RM  
14 and E/W Branch  
Huron RM 1

**Jurisdiction:**  
Milan Township, OH

**County:**  
Erie

**Latitude:**  
N 41° 17.18'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 38.56'

**Access  
Site Type:**  
Outdoors

**Date Visited:**

**Location Map:**



**Amenities:**



**Learn More:**  
ODNR Division of Wildlife  
[www.ohiodnr.com/wildlife](http://www.ohiodnr.com/wildlife)

**Field Notes:**

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## Marsh Park

**Location:**  
North Street (Peru  
Center Road), north of  
East Broad Street

**Waterbody:**  
West Branch  
Huron River

**River Mile  
Location:**  
Between  
RM 7 and RM 8

**Jurisdiction:**  
Monroeville, OH

**County:**  
Huron

**Latitude:**  
N 41° 14.9'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 41.73'

**Access  
Site Type:**  
Recreation

**Date Visited:**

**Location Map:**



**Amenities:**



**Learn More:**  
Village of Monroeville  
[www.monroevilleohio.com](http://www.monroevilleohio.com)

**Field Notes:**

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# Clark Park and Kiwanis Park

# Mary Fate Park

**Location (Clark Park):**  
Main Street  
(US 20/SR 18), at  
South Main Street

**Waterbody:**  
West Branch  
Huron River

**River Mile Location:**  
Between  
RM 8 and RM 9

**Jurisdiction:**  
Monroeville, OH

**County:**  
Huron

**Clark Park:**  
Lat: N 41° 14.48'  
Long: W 082° 41.59'

**Kiwanis Park:**  
Lat: N 41° 14.47'  
Long: W 082° 41.62'

**Access Site Type:**  
Recreation

**Date Visited:**

**Location Map:**



**Amenities:**

- Clark Park
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- Kiwanis Park
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**Kiwanis Park Location:**

South Main Street (Peru Center Road) at Main Street  
(US 20/SR 18)

**Learn More:**

Village of Monroeville  
[www.monroevilleohio.com](http://www.monroevilleohio.com)

**Field Notes:**

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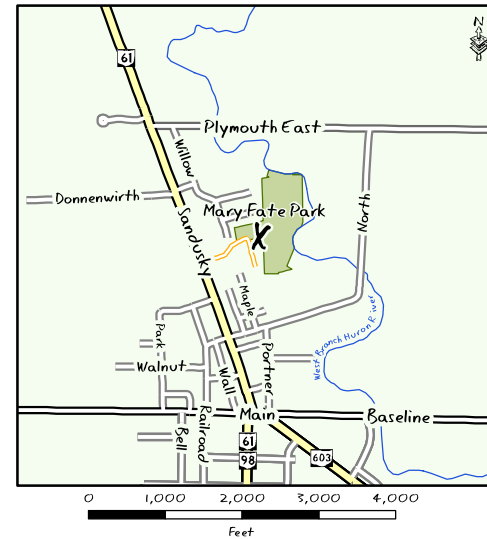


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**Location Map:**



**Amenities:**

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**Location:**  
Sandusky Street  
(SR 61), between  
Parkwood and  
Hoffman streets

**Waterbody:**  
West Branch  
Huron River

**River Mile Location:**  
Between  
RM 40 and RM 41

**Jurisdiction:**  
Plymouth, OH

**County:**  
Huron

**Latitude:**  
N 41° 0.1'

**Longitude:**  
W 082° 39.91'

**Access Site Type:**  
Recreation

**Date Visited:**

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**Learn More:**

Village of Plymouth  
[www.plymouthoh.org](http://www.plymouthoh.org)

**Field Notes:**

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