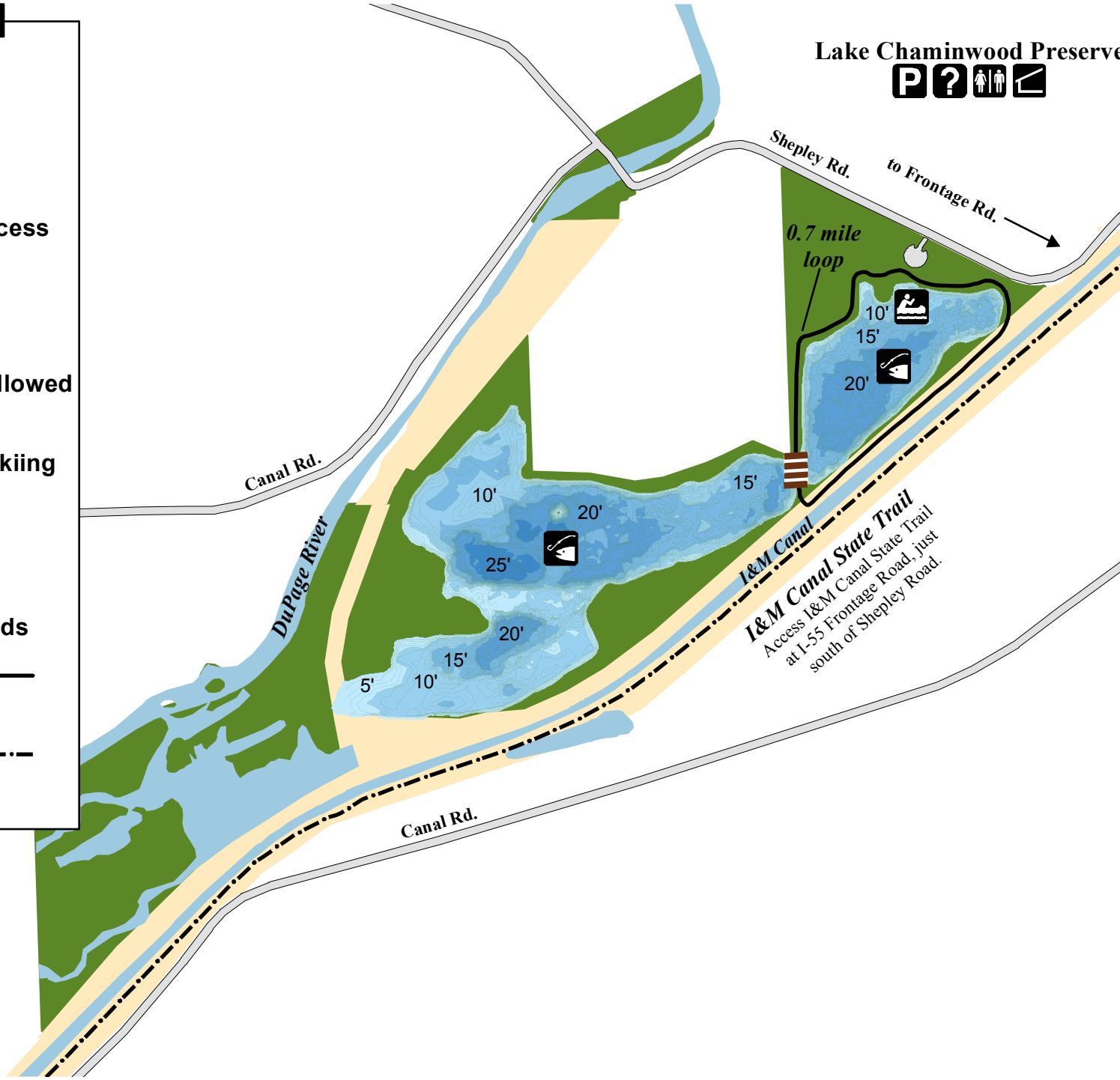


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MAP KEY

- Parking
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 - Canoe/Kayak Access
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 - Snowshoeing
 - Bridge
 - Forest Preserve
 - Other Public Lands
- Paved Trail**
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- Limestone Trail**
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Lake Chaminwood Preserve



Directions to Preserve:

Lake Chaminwood Preserve

is located on Shepley Road,
just west of the intersection of I-55
and Route 6, in Minooka.



For information, call 815.727.8700 or visit ReconnectWithNature.org.

Forest Preserve District of Will County

Lake Chaminwood Preserve

The 120-acre Lake Chaminwood Preserve was acquired between 2000 and 2011. Lake Chaminwood Preserve opened to the public on September 21, 2012 with an opening ceremony and ribbon cutting. The preserve, whose name is derived from the communities of Channahon, Minooka and Shorewood, offers shoreline fishing and boating for kayaks and canoes.

Lake Chaminwood Preserve features two lakes, connected by a channel through an earthen embankment, that offer shoreline fishing. The east lake is 12 acres in size, and the west lake measures 35 acres. This channel is spanned by a 136-foot-long boardwalk and bridge. Small boats are allowed, but no parking for boat trailers is available. Fishing boats can only be used if they can be brought into the preserve without a trailer. (Only electric trolling motors can be used on the lake.) Other amenities offered at Lake Chaminwood include a 0.7-mile asphalt trail around the east lake, an accessible canoe/kayak launch, a fishing pier and overlook, and a small shelter with picnic tables and grills. An information board and latrine complete the current Phase I development. No drinking water is available at the preserve, so visitors should bring drinking water with them.

Additional plans for the preserve will comprise Phase II improvements. These future plans will continue the asphalt trail around the west lake, with connections to the DuPage River Trail and I&M Canal State Trail.

Preserve and Trail Hours

Hours for Lake Chaminwood Preserve are 6 a.m.-sunset, April through October; and 8 a.m.-sunset, November through March.

Trail Hours - The following select preserves are open sunrise to sunset to provide access to biking trails:

- Rock Run Preserve-I&M Canal Access, Joliet (I&M Canal Trail)
- Hickory Creek Preserve-Hickory Creek Junction, Mokena (Old Plank Road Trail)
- Rock Run Preserve-Black Road Access, Joliet (Rock Run Greenway Trail)
- Rock Run Preserve-Paul V. Nichols Access, Joliet (Rock Run Greenway Trail)
- Sugar Creek Preserve, Joliet (Wauponsee Glacial Trail)
- Manhattan Road Access, Manhattan (Wauponsee Glacial Trail)
- Symerton Road Access, Symerton (Wauponsee Glacial Trail)

Information

Call 815.727.8700 weekdays to receive free publications, such as the *Map & Guide to the Forest Preserve* and the District's quarterly newsletter, *The Citizen*.

Or visit ReconnectWithNature.org for more information and to request brochures or other trail maps.



In an Emergency, Call 9-1-1.

Please give the location and nature of the emergency.

In non-emergencies, call the Will County Sheriff's dispatch at 815.727.6191 to reach a Forest Preserve District Officer.

Trail Etiquette

- Travel at safe speeds, and proceed at a slower pace when the trails are in heavy use.
- Slower traffic should stay to the right of the trail. Bicyclists should pass on the left, politely announcing, "Passing on the left."
- Do not block the trail. Use no more than half the trail width when in a group, and be sure to watch and listen for other trail users.
- Dogs are welcome on most trails but must be on leashes no longer than 10 feet in length. Owners must keep their dogs under control at all times. Dogs must not be allowed to disturb, harass or interfere with wildlife or visitors. Cleaning up dog waste is required by ordinance. Dogs are not allowed in preserves designated as Nature Preserves.
- No forest preserve trail is designed for motorized use. Assistive motorized devices are permitted.