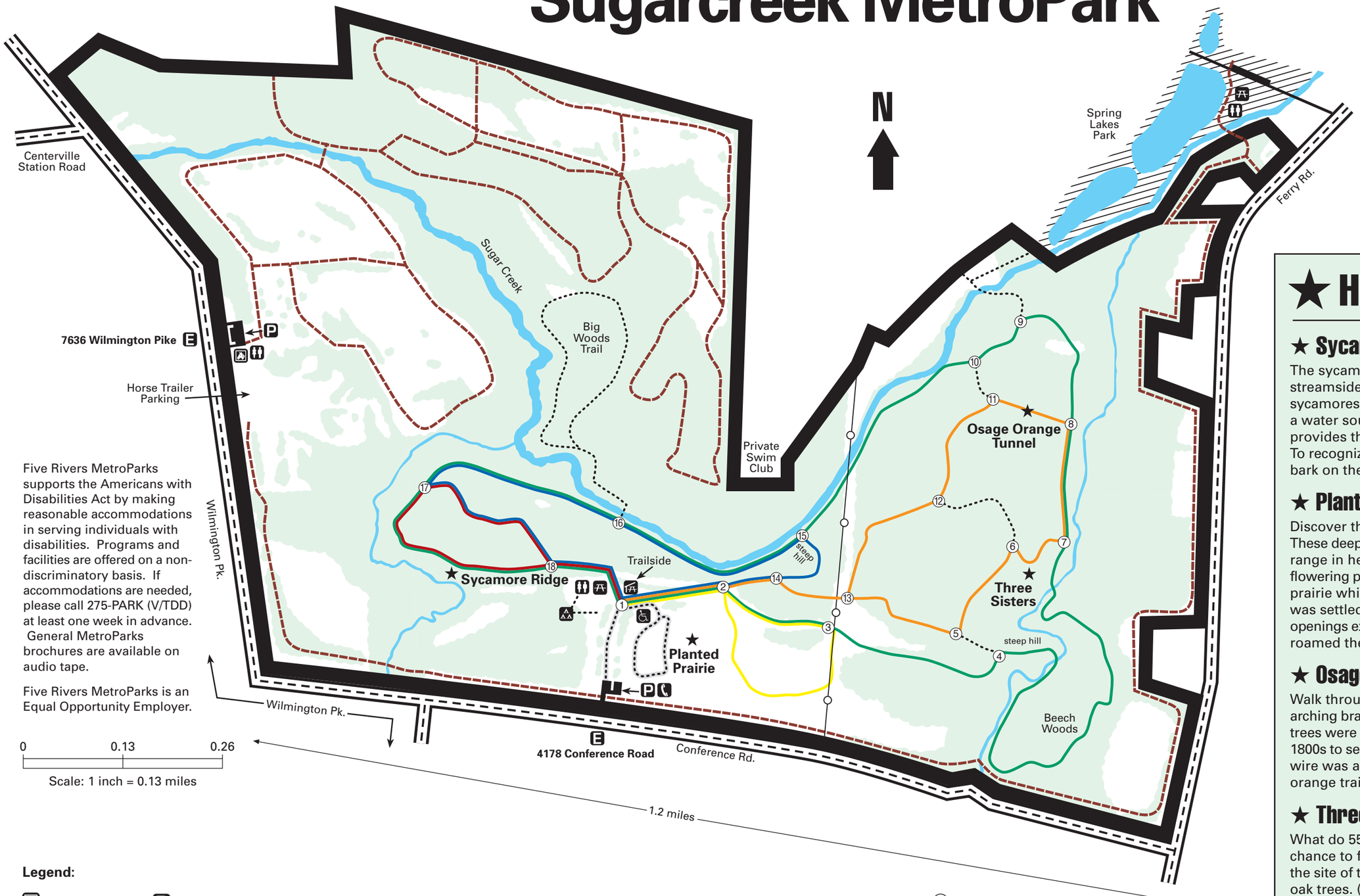
Sugarcreek MetroPark



Color-Coded Hiking Trails

- green trail = 3.1 miles
- yellow trail = 0.7 miles
- red trail = 0.8 miles
- orange trail = 1.3 miles
- blue trail = 1.2 miles

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★ Highlights

★ Sycamore Ridge

The sycamore is usually a tree of floodplains, streamsides and moist banks. Here, however, sycamores are growing on a ridge. This suggests a water source seeps beneath this ridge and provides the sycamore with adequate moisture. To recognize a sycamore, look for trees with white bark on the upper portions.

★ Planted Prairie

Discover the special plants of a tallgrass prairie. These deep-rooted, sun-loving flowers and grasses range in height up to 10 feet and reach their flowering peak in mid-to-late summer. This planted prairie whispers of an earlier time, before Ohio was settled, when more than 300 natural prairie openings existed and Native Americans and buffalo roamed the land.

★ Osage Orange Tunnel

Walk through a living tunnel created by the large arching branches of old osage orange trees. These trees were originally planted in this row in the late 1800s to serve as a fence in the days before barbed wire was available. (about 0.7 mile to tunnel on orange trail)

★ Three Sisters

What do 550-year old trees look like? Here's your chance to find out when you venture 0.7 mile to the site of the "Three Sisters," three ancient white oak trees. (follow orange trail, take loop to the right) Borings from the trunk, done in the late 1960's on the largest of the three, indicate they began growing around 1440.

Legend:

- riding center
- entrance
- group campsite
- parking
- restrooms
- picnic area
- non-color-coded hiking trail
- horse trail
- asphalt-surfaced hiking trail
- stream
- highlights
- woods
- park road
- park boundary
- powerline
- Greene County Recreation & Park Department
- public road
- wheelchair accessible
- trail intersection
- public phone
- public shelter