
General

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Park or Trail Name

Oxbow Park/Zollman Zoo

District

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Location Description

Oxbow Park and Zollman Zoo is located 4 miles north of Byron, Minnesota, on County Road 105, West-central Olmsted County, in Kalmar Township. The mailing address is 5731, County Road 105, Byron, Minnesota, 55920.

Park/Trail Address

5731 County Road 105 NW

City

Byron

Park/Trail State

Minnesota

Zip

55920

Latitude

44.08191294

Longitude

-92.65113831

Map of Park/Trail

Description: Oxbow Park Trails Map

[OxbowPark_Trails_a4711e.pdf](#)

Facility Website

<https://www.olmstedcounty.gov/residents/parks-recreation/parks/oxbow-park-zollman-zoo>

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Submitted for County Board action: Resolution Form for Public Entities - Request for Designation as a Regional Park or Trail in Greater Minnesota

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[Oxbow Park Resolution 0425ad.pdf](#)

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Regional Significance Statement

Zollman Zoo and the programming associated with this park are unique in the region. It's fair to say that the size and scope of the zoo, associated with the surroundings of a natural resource-based park facility allows this park to stand out among regional parks. Its proximity to a substantial population base in the greater Rochester area, and only an hours ride from the Metropolitan solidifies its definition as a Special Recreational Feature Regional Park.

Classification

Special Recreational Feature Park

Overview/Description of Park or Trail

Oxbow Park and Zollman Zoo is the second largest park in the Olmsted County Park System, totaling 622 acres. The vistas that dominate the views in the Oxbow Valley include the middle branch of the Zumbro River, blufflands, floodplain meadows, restored prairies, mature maple/basswood forests, and native woodland and prairie flowers.

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Located 7 miles west of Rochester, MN, Oxbow Park/Zollman Zoo is easily accessible by turning off of US Highway 14 and going 3 miles north of Byron, MN on County Road 5(see attached map). This public facility is the only one of its kind in Southeastern Minnesota. The nearest zoo is the Minnesota Zoo, 70 miles North in the Southern metro area.

The Mission of Olmsted County Parks is: To foster an appreciation of the natural world through environmental education, natural resource management, and public participation in the stewardship of our park lands.

The Vision of Olmsted County Parks is: Learning Life-long lessons in natural places.

Olmsted County is seeking designation for Oxbow Park as Special Recreational Feature Regional Park for the services provided above, and for the parks primary feature and attraction: Zollman Zoo and Nature Center.

Total Acreage or Mileage

622

Acquisition and Development Status

Existing Park or Trail

Complete

100

Development status

Some development, but more proposed

New facilities proposed

Facility Listing

This section provides an overview of existing and proposed site facilities and general site characteristics .

Existing Facilities

- Camping-cross-section of camper types
- Electric campsites
- Non-electric campsites
- Group campsites
- Tent only sites

- Picnicking and picnic shelters
- Hiking Trails (natural)
- Cross-country Skiing Trails
- Canoeing Facilities

Proposed Facilities

- Camping-cross-section of camper types
- Electric/water campsites
- Electric campsites
- Non-electric campsites
- Group campsites
- Tent only sites
- Camper Cabins

- Nature Center/Interpretation Trails
- Restrooms/sanitation building

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- Visitor Center
 - Nature Center/Interpretation Trails
 - Play areas, with an outdoor theme
 - Restrooms/sanitation building
 - Roads and Parking Areas
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Existing Facilities Other Information

The Zumbro River shoreline within the park's boundaries is maintained for the convenience of park visitors for fishing and wading. The Zumbro River offers superb river fishing, most notably small mouth bass.

Proposed Facilities Other Information

2022 development at Oxbow is a new construction Nature Center and new zoo entrance and plaza. Future expansion includes a new campground located out of the flood plain with upgraded amenities. Public Works has in the 10 year plan to move the road bisecting the zoo to the south and the zoo will be reconfigured to be contiguous.

General Site Characteristics

Oxbow Park is a 622 acre county park located in west-central Olmsted County. The park is approximately seven miles west of Rochester and three miles north of Byron. County Road 105 NW runs through the park. The park is surrounded by agricultural and open space uses. The South Branch Middle Fork of the Zumbro River winds through the park, creating the Oxbow that the park is named after. Oxbow Park is the second largest park in the Olmsted County Regional Park System. The 622 total acres features 8 miles of hiking trails, 3 different and distinct picnic areas, 3 bridges leading across the river, 5 shelters, a youth camp area, a 30-site campground (featuring a modern shower and restroom), 3 ADA accessible camp sites, 15 electrical sites and 15 non-electric sites. Oxbow's most renowned and special feature is Zollman Zoo and Nature Center. The zoo features over 30 native species of animals indigenous to Minnesota including mammals, birds of prey, amphibians, and reptiles. The animals housed at the zoo are non-releasable, and are either permanently injured or are surplus animals from other animal facilities. The zoo animals represent a living museum for park visitors seeking environmental programming from staff and volunteers, and also allow visitors the opportunity to see the inherent beauty of Minnesota's native wildlife.

In 2019, nearly 24,000 visitors participated in programs offered by Oxbow staff and volunteers. In addition to traditional naturalist programming, and unique to Oxbow, is the interpretation programming related to the zoo animals and their natural history. Zoo programs and the daily zoo happenings experienced by visitors include formal animal introduction sessions, and observing and assisting animal keepers as they perform their chores and feed the animals. These types of experiences and the more conventional naturalist-led nature programs provide lasting memories for our many visitors.

In the summer of 2015, the park's Path of Imagination natural playscape was completed. It is located close to the zoo and nature center providing additional fun and discovery based on natural sciences and the skills of play and observation. The site is approximately 2 acres in size and includes 13 features with a model of the solar system extending throughout.

Master Plan

Master Plan Status:

Master Plan meeting requirements of strategic plan is available

Upload Existing Master Plan

2021 Updated Master Plan

[OxbowMasterPlan_2021_FINAL_3a4812.pdf](#)

Additional Supportive Information:

Established in 1967, Oxbow Park features mature hardwood forests, blufflands, restored prairies, ample access to scenic respite/reflection areas along the River, view sheds from the blufflands along the trail system, Karst geology, accompanying sinkholes, a documented Native American camp along the river (researched by Iowa State University) and several species of rare and endangered flora and fauna (see attachment). By design, and as an added feature, all of the custom designed zoo exhibits that house the animals displayed are constructed with limestone material, the signature geologic rock associated with southeastern Minnesota and its Karst Geology. Further, a strong emphasis is placed on resource management operations in the park, complemented by a long-established environmental education curriculum that provides interpretive programming to thousands of citizens and school aged children on an annual basis. The park includes picnicking and picnic shelters, hiking trails (natural), cross country skiing trails, paddle launches, a Visitor/Nature Center, interpretive trails, play areas, a restroom/sanitation building, roads, and parking areas. The Zumbro River shoreline within the park's boundaries is maintained for the convenience of park visitors for fishing and wading. The Zumbro River offers a place to catch fish, most notably smallmouth bass. The Dr. Paul E. Zollman Zoo houses over 30 native Minnesota animal species, including mammals, birds of prey, and reptiles. Most of these animals are permanently injured, human-imprinted, or are surplus from other facilities, and therefore can never be released to the wild. These animals provide countless opportunities for learning and personal enjoyment, and are utilized in Oxbow's environmental education program. The zoo was named in honor of Dr. Paul E. Zollman, in recognition of his dedication to Olmsted County Parks and his help in the care of the animals. Zollman Zoo has become the center of Oxbow's education program. Thousands of students visit the zoo each year and participate in lessons offered by park staff and volunteers. Public programs are offered on weekends and evenings throughout the year, and provide nature lovers with a wide selection of activities. Topics and activities vary from season to season but all of them allow guests the opportunity to learn more about the natural world. Across the road from the zoo proper features the zoo's large hoofed stock, which includes bison, elk, and deer. Established in December, 1981, and relocated to a new facility in 2022, Oxbow Nature Center offers expanded educational and recreational programs and activities. School groups now participate in structured environmental education programs during each season of the year, covering not only animal life, but natural history, outdoor recreation skills, and ecology. The building includes three classrooms, a large central exhibit hall, wildlife watching area, rental office, and a catering kitchen. The expanded experiences and sheer capacity provided by the new nature center allows groups and individuals more convenient and meaningful ways to enjoy the natural world. Several master plan projects have been completed since the development of the master plan and original dedication of the park. An illustrative list can be found in the attachment labeled "2016-2021 Completed Projects" as well as page 35 of the Master Plan. The new nature center was under construction at the time of this update in 2022. The original nature center will be demolished following the grand opening of the new facility, making room for an expanded entry plaza with circulation into the Zoo. The parking lot was expanded to accommodate the parking needs of the nature center and playscape. County Road 105 from Valley High Rd (Co. Rd 4) was reconstructed to 2021 to prevent future flooding. The creek was re-meandered (per DNR requirements) to assist with flood prevention. This project resulted in the elimination of the former Caulfield Picnic Area. A 10 acre parcel of land bordering the NW corner of the park was acquired to help with significant erosion problems leading down through the valleys of the park (attachment "Oxbow boundaries and land acquisition"). Prairie plantings have been established to help slow water flow from croplands at the hilltop of the park. Additional catch basins will be installed if the vegetation barrier does not prove to be enough mitigation. Future development plans for Oxbow Park and Zollman Zoo include modifications and expansions that will allow more people to use and enjoy the park. The current alignment of County Road 105 poses a number of issues for the visitors of Oxbow Park. The road currently bisects the Zollman Zoo into two, and creates a dangerous pedestrian hazard for visitors who want to explore the entire zoo. Long-term plans for the park propose a realignment of County Road 105 so that it no

longer bisects the Zollman Zoo, leading to a unified zoo concept. Modifications to the current hooved animal exhibits will be needed. Habitually, flooding of the river has caused major damage to the tent and RV campgrounds. The cost of rebuilding and maintaining the camping facilities within the area has become exceedingly expensive. As such, it was determined that the existing campground should be moved to higher ground to the north of the existing group and day camp area. This move will require a new shelter with restrooms and showers with a well to provide potable water. Group and day camp facilities could also be expanded by utilizing the current campground location after the new campground facility has been built.

Additional Supportive Documents:

Future Development Images

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Future Development Priorities

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Current Issues and Opportunitites

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Regional Parks Amenities Comparison

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2022 Current Site Conditions

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2016-2021 Completed Projects list

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Land Acquisition for erosion control in 2020

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Nature Center Design

[2020.05.18_Design_Exhibits_2ad717.pdf](#)

CR 105 South realignment

[CR_105_Preliminary_Layout_e11769.pdf](#)

Classification Details

Special Recreational Feature Park Classification

Provides a High-Quality Outdoor Recreation Experience

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Criteria #1 Images

Elements Fitting Special Recreational Features

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Criteria #1 Images

Bison are part of the MN Bison Conservation Herd

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accessible camp sites, 15 electrical sites and 15 non-electric sites.

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Provides a Natural and Scenic Setting Offering a Compelling Sense of Place

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Criteria #1 Images

Wellness programming in the zoo
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Criteria #2 Images

Karst Features unique to SE Minnesotsa
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Criteria #2 Images

Natural and Scenic Features
[Natural_Environment_Features_cbfaa1.pdf](#)

Criteria #2 Images

High quality prairie habitat
[Bergamot_Patch_b606ca.JPG](#)

Criteria #2 Images

High quality maple basswood forest
[Maple_trail_trees_f04f6d.jpg](#)

Well-located to Serve a Regional Need and/or Tourist Destination

Oxbow Park and Zollman Zoo receive an estimated 300,000 visitors a year. The engaging appeal of the zoo animals and the unscripted natural history associated with animal activity and the changing of seasons leads to frequent return visits to both the park and the zoo by many of our park visitors. The base population served is the 12 county region of southeastern Minnesota, western Wisconsin, and Northern Iowa. Thousands of students visit the zoo each year and participate in lessons offered by park staff and volunteers. Public programs are offered on weekends and evenings throughout the year, and provide nature lovers with a wide selection of activities. The District 6 population exceeds 511,000. As of 2020, Olmsted County reported 162,847 citizens. The projected population growth for Olmsted County indicates that from 2010 to 2040, the County will add over 70,000 residents, which will take it from its 2010 population of 144,248 to 215,870 people in 2040 (U.S. Decennial Census and Rochester-Olmsted Planning Department). Park user surveys indicate that a great portion of our guests frequent the park repeatedly through the year, and our annual Mayo Clinic visitors are delighted to return upon each visit. Of special note are our efforts to engage new park users through Community Education, English as a Second Language Classes, and inner-city children through travel scholarships for the Boys and Girls Club, Family YMCA, Schools, and Church related group visits.

Criteria #3 Images

Regional Parks Map

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Criteria #4 Images

Regional Significance

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Regional Parks List of Amenities

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Attachments

Doc Name	Description	Url
Other	Oxbow Park Rare Species Map 2015	1432819793384-Oxbow Rare Species Map.pdf
Resolution		1436799016849-GM Regional Trails Resolutions.pdf
Additional Information Upload	Future Development Images	Development_images_3ad942.PNG
Additional Information Upload	Future Development Priorities	Development_priorities_images_dae5e6.pdf
Additional Information Upload	Current Issues and Opportunitites	Issues_and_Opportunitites_images_28f68d.PNG
Additional Information Upload	Regional Parks Amenities Comparison	Regional_parks_list_of_amenities_f23c20.PNG
Public Involvement Photos	Online Survey Summary Infographic	1481922799591-160505_SurveySummary.pdf
Site Map Uploads 2	Bison and calf	1485453642885-bison & calf.JPG
Site Map Uploads 2	Otters swimming	1485453715767-Swimming Otters x2-2.jpg
Development Acquisition Plan Upload	Timeline priorities list	Development_priorities_images_dfc15.pdf
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Regional Demographic Photos	The Future is Gaining on Us	1485455468674-The Future is Gaining On Us- add to ALL.pdf

Economic Development Photos	2016 Annual Report to the Community	1485455686443-2016 Annual Report to the Community- Add to ALL- Tourist Info.pdf
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Public Health Photos	Snowshoe Race	1485800143183-snowshoe race.jpg
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Public Health Photos	Zollman Zoo groundbreaking for new exhibits	1485800950542-ground breaking4.JPG
Public Health Photos	Oxbow trails	1485801000730-yeager trail2.JPG
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Criteria 1 Photos	Nature Center during ZooDazzle event	1485802239888-Dazzle front.JPG
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Criteria 1 Photos	ZooDazzle crowd in Nature Center	1485802301691-Dazzle NC.jpg
Criteria 1 Photos	ZooDazzle volunteer	1485802359652-Dazzle Dawn.jpg
Criteria 1 Photos	Spring Fest bear program	1485802384342-Clairssa bear.jpg
Criteria 1 Photos	Spring Fest annual fundraising event	1485802459885-SF.JPG

Criteria 1 Photos	Spring Fest Lions Club building bluebird boxes	1485802599390-lions club SF.JPG
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Criteria 2 Photos	North top prairie	1485802759819-N. top aug 08.JPG
Criteria 2 Photos	Mature Maple/Basswood Forest	1485802793740-Maple Basswood.jpg
Criteria 2 Photos	Wild Barred Owlets	1485802816707-Barred-owl- babies-0078-8x5-OxBow.jpg
Criteria 2 Photos	Zumbro River at Main picnic area	1485802857758-main river.JPG
Criteria 2 Photos	Sink hole along trail	1485802898510-Sink hole.jpg
Criteria 2 Photos	Natural spring waterfall	1485802949385-waterfall at road cut.JPG
Recreational Trends Photos	Picnic area shelters	1485803174047-Caulfield shelter.JPG
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Recreational Trends Photos	Frog and Turtle pond in Playscape	1485803748698-IMG_9692.JPG
Criteria 3 Photos	Location of Zoos in MN - Oxbow #3	1485804658576-zoos in MN.PNG
Criteria 4 Photos	Bison and calf	1485804836911-Buffalo and Baby Oxbow.jpg
Criteria 4 Photos	Snake program with Naturalist	1485804905711-Oxbow Internship Pic.jpg
Criteria 4 Photos	River otter on exhibit	1485804934470-IMG_0707.jpg
Criteria 4 Photos	Rehab Raptor collection	1485804975873-Snowy 3.JPG
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Joint Organizations Responsibilities Pho	Staff and volunteer work on the Playscape	1485809738980-Creating Playscape.jpg
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Ecological Land Resources Photos	Forestry mower for buckthorn control	1485810307063-Forestry mower.jpeg
Mo Plan Description Photos	Volunteer training checklist for the zoo	1485812206807-Volunteer Levels.doc

Joint Organizations Responsibilities Pho	Parks staff continuing education	1485812301663-staff education.xls
Programming Support Material	Bluebird house program	1485812735027-blue bird boxes 086.jpg
Outreach Marketing Photos	GovDelivery	1485812832603-GovDelivery.JPG
Outreach Marketing Photos	Winter - Quarterly Newsletter	1485812861947-Quarterly Newsletter - Winter.pdf
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User Metrics Photos	2012 Survey comments summary	1485876682782-Comments Summary.docx
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Site Map Uploads 2	Mission and Vision of Olmsted County Parks	1485887441084-Mission and Vision Pic.pdf
Public Involvement Photos	Ground breaking for new exhibit	1485888112088-ground breaking4.JPG
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Public Involvement Photos	ZooDazzle volunteer for Friends of Oxbow	1485888207630-Volunteer 6.jpg
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Criteria 3 Photos	Path of Imagination Playscape	1485890704150-Path of Imagination.pdf
Criteria 3 Photos	Zoo Antler Archway Gate	1485890971184-Arch north.JPG
Criteria 3 Photos	Campground and Modern Bathroom	1485891020466-Electrical site and bathroom.JPG
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