

TRAILS MAP

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HOURS

Preserve Site: Monday – Sunday, 7 a.m. – dusk.

Visitors Center: Wednesday – Saturday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.



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Fernald Preserve



A network of trails and overlooks facilitates nature observation at the U.S. Department of Energy's Fernald Preserve. The trail system allows access to the preserve's various habitats and ecosystems.

The Fernald site is a former uranium-processing facility that has undergone an environmental cleanup to standards established by the site's neighbors and surrounding communities. Both the U.S. and Ohio Environmental Protection Agencies approved these standards and deemed them protective of human health and the environment.

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Over 7 miles of trails meander through the Fernald Preserve. These trails range in length, difficulty, and highlights. Shorter, flat, gravel trails around the Visitors Center offer views of the building's biowetlands, the former production area, and memorial trees recognizing the contributions made by the Fernald site and its employees during the Cold War years. Longer trails with uneven terrain are north and south of the Visitors Center. Tallgrass prairies, mature forests, wetlands, vernal pools, and open water add to the beauty of the site and offer a unique opportunity to observe a diverse array of flora and fauna.