

# Fox Nature Preserve

## FACT SHEET

The Fox Nature Preserve is located just south of State Route 2 from the Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge Visitor Center and accessible from Lickert-Harder Rd.



### SIZE

Combined with the adjacent Genzman Unit, the preserve encompasses 77 acres of wetland, meadow, and woodland habitats.

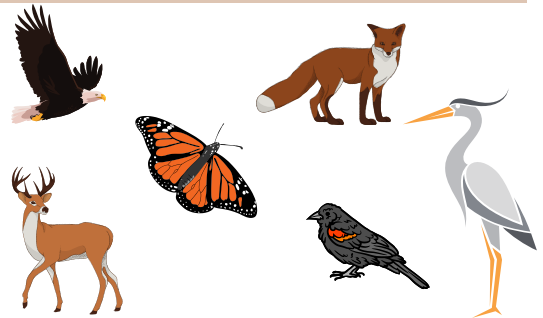


### AMENITIES

A mowed grass hiking trail immerses you in habitat and wildlife. Construction of ADA compliant access planned for 2022!

### FEATURED WILDLIFE

The preserve is home to an abundance of wildlife including bald eagles, owls, deer, red fox, herons, butterflies, reptiles and amphibians to name a few. During spring and fall, migrating birds like warblers, shorebirds, and sparrows can be found.



### FUN FACTS

- The Fox Nature Preserve was named for the Barbara Ann Fox Family who wanted to create a conservation legacy and sold the property to the Friends of Ottawa National Wildlife Refuge in 2019.
- Spring wildflowers including wild geranium, mayapple, and jack-in-the-pulpit are found here!



### RESTORATION

The Friends worked with the Ohio EPA and Partners for Fish & Wildlife Program to establish grassland habitats and complete a reforestation project which together are designed to mimic pre-settlement Great Black Swamp conditions. The area was a priority project for wildlife habitat restoration because of its location in the Maumee Area of Concern. The restoration work was financed in part by the Ohio Environmental Protection Agency and U.S. EPA with funding from the Great Lakes Restoration Initiative.