

## July 2024 Operations Department Report

## **BOWEN NATURE PRESERVE**

Work continues on the window repairs and repainting (pictured below "before and after")





#### **CLINTON NATURE PRESERVE**

• Invasive species removal continues with the assistance of Working for Wildlife camp participants

### FRUTH WETLAND NATURE PRESERVE

 Woodland trail surface work has been done to increase water drainage off the trail, including slight elevation in certain areas

#### ST. JOHN'S MILL RIVER ACCESS

• M&B delayed the June 10 asphalt installation until July 17.

#### STEYER NATURE PRESERVE

• Trail relocation – Rivers continuously move, changing their course by gaining soil in certain parts while losing soil in others. The Sandusky River is no different. Staff have been watching the riverside trail in the floodplain area between the parking lot and the upper area, conducting both above and from the river evaluations. This has resulted in a few previous modifications to the trail and the current modification, due to safety concerns of increased possibility of bank collapse. The trail has been re-routed hopefully far enough away from the river to not be impacted, but still close enough to enjoy the great views.

#### **FORREST NATURE PRESERVE**

 New trail system directional signage is nearly ready for installation. An example of a draft trail head sign (this one for Forrest Nature Preserve) is illustrated to the right with new colorful fun nature-related trail icons to guide visitors through an enjoyable trail experience.

Combining colors and recognizable icons is not only friendly and inviting, but helps non-readers and those who may have color-blindness issues to easily navigate the trail system.

## **ALL AREAS**

• Daily schedules are monopolized by mowing, weed control, trimming, and daily maintenance.

# TRAILS Open SUNRISE to SUNSET

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| 4     | UPLAND                       | 0.31mi   |
|       | PRAIRIE                      | 0.55 mi  |
| a     | HARSHBERGER                  | 0.67mi   |
|       | SAMPSON                      | 0.73mi   |
|       | SCOTT                        | 0.87mi   |
|       | HONEY CREEK                  | 1.07mi   |
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## For your safety and the safety of others:







