



Brugeman Lodge is one of a variety of facilities available to RRA visitors.

Riverbend Recreation Area

16618 Township Road 208, Findlay

Riverbend Recreation Area is one of several destinations along the 52-mile Old Mill Stream Scenic Byway that showcases the Blanchard River, natural resources, and recreation. The park provides direct access to a section of the 20.13-mile Heritage Trail and the 37.6-mile Blanchard River Water Trail. A river access site is located just east of the covered bridge on Township Road 241. Findlay reservoirs are a short distance to the south with 1,000 acres of water and miles of shoreline for walking, jogging, boating, fishing, and enjoying beautiful sunsets.

Located in close proximity to Riverbend Recreation Area are Riverbend Conservation Area (visitation is by appointment only), Bright Conservation Area, and Lehman Conservation Area. Collectively, they form an impressive 220-acre outdoor complex along the banks of the Blanchard River. Quiet walkways are available for low-impact outdoor recreation activities, such as hiking, photography, and birdwatching.

In autumn, reservations are taken for tractor-drawn hayrides. Hayrides have a 25-person capacity and last one hour. Visitors often combine hayrides with other activities in the area. In winter, the Raccoon Run Winter Sports Center rents cross-country skis and snowshoes at Shelter 3 in the Big Oaks Activity Area when ground conditions are favorable, which typically requires a 4-inch snow base for effective trail grooming and quality trekking.

