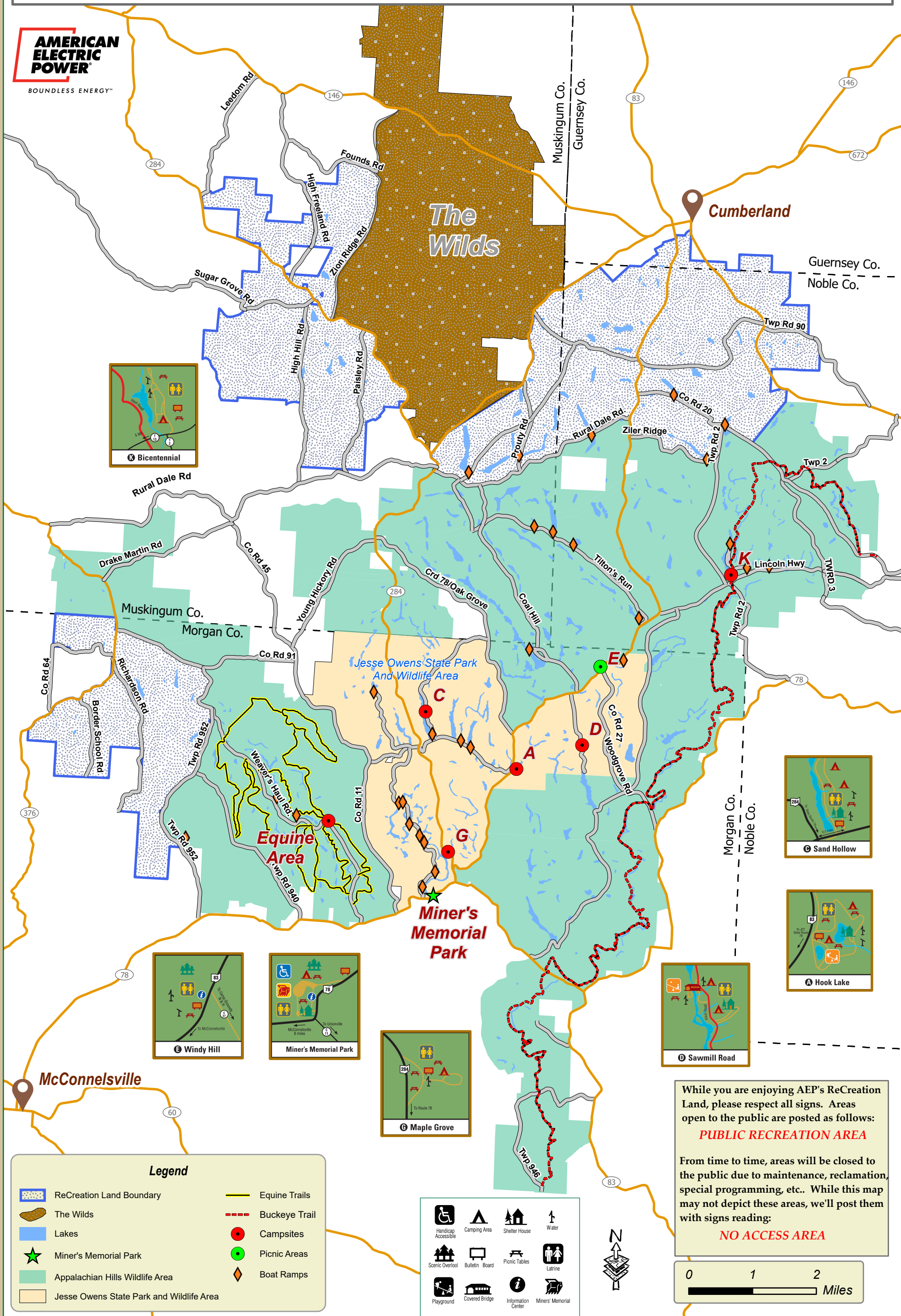


AEP ReCreation Land  
Morgan, Muskingum, Noble, and Guernsey Counties, Ohio  
Approx. 17,000 Acres



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# ReCreation Land

One of American Electric Power's best known symbols of environmental stewardship is the company's 60,000-acre reclamation region known as "ReCreation Land". Since the mid-1940s, this area and several others have been surface-mined for coal. The area has been reclaimed through the planting of more than 60 million trees. Because our environmental stewardship covers a lot of territory, we also offer for free public use Conesville Coal Lands in Coshocton and Muskingum Counties, Poston Wildlife Area in Athens County and AEP Southern Ohio Wildlife Area in Gallia and Meigs Counties. For more information about these areas, go to [www.aep.com/environment/recland/index.html](http://www.aep.com/environment/recland/index.html)

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

These rules and regulations cover **ONLY** AEP's Public Recreation Lands under cooperative agreement with ODNR; **it does not cover any other AEP lands**. Please observe the following rules and regulations while on landowner's property. **Failure to be aware of the rules is no excuse.** Violation of rules may result in loss of privileges to use AEP Recreation Areas and/or arrest. Regular patrols are conducted by the Recreation Areas Managers and the Ohio Division of Wildlife.

1. The **Recreational Users** permit must be carried at all times. **USER MUST OBTAIN A NEW PERMIT ANNUALLY**
  - A Family Permit covers husband, wife and their legal children/grandchildren under the age of 18; all persons under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent/grandparent or legal guardian who has a permit. Individuals over the age of 18 need their own permit. A permit may be obtained at local convenience stores, or online at <http://www.aep.com/environment/conservation/recland/permit.aspx>.
2. Respect the rights and signs of the landowner:
  - Entry into areas posted because of active mining operations is prohibited under the Federal Mine, Safety and Health Act of 1969.
  - Obey speed limit signs. Note: Some access roads may be closed due to inclement weather. Gates will be open when damage to roads is minimal.
  - **DO NOT** trespass upon posted land or drive off road to access fishing areas.
  - Sections of ReCreation Land are under agricultural lease and used for purposes such as cattle and livestock grazing, hay production, crops, etc. Please respect these lease areas and do not damage fences, gates, or crossings. Do not disturb livestock or crops.
3. All areas designated as **restricted** on the Recreation Lands Map are closed to the public.
4. Wading, bathing, swimming and scuba diving are prohibited.
5. Motorized vehicles:
  - All motorized vehicles must conform to State of Ohio Licensing and Registration Laws.
  - Snowmobiles, trail bikes, three- and four- wheelers, dune buggies and all-terrain vehicles are prohibited. **No off road use (e.g. mud running) is permitted.**
7. Watercraft: All watercraft must comply with Ohio Division of Watercraft regulations. The use of boat motors over 9.9 horsepower is prohibited.
8. The use of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.
9. Hunting, trapping and fishing:
  - Valid Ohio Fishing, Hunting or Trapping Licenses and deer and turkey permits are required for those activities.
  - Target shooting or practice is prohibited within all AEP Recreation Areas.
  - Beaver trapping on American Electric Power's lands is controlled and requires a special Beaver Trapping Permit in addition to this user's permit.
  - Fishing with floats, jugs and trot lines is prohibited.
10. Rappelling, rock climbing and hang gliding are prohibited.
11. The cutting of **LIVE** trees and shrubs is **PROHIBITED**.
12. All pets must be **CAGED or on a LEASH**. Do not tie to trees or shrubs.
13. Litter or trash: The improper disposal of litter or trash is prohibited; collection of aluminum cans from trash barrels is prohibited.
14. The use or possession of fireworks is prohibited.
15. Dog training is permitted all year only in the posted units; otherwise it is unlawful on public hunting area during May 1<sup>st</sup> through August 31<sup>st</sup>. Dog training areas may also be used for field trials and other recreational dog activities.
16. No person shall dig, harvest, or otherwise collect wild ginseng or yellow root from its natural habitat. Ginseng and yellow root collection is prohibited.
  - OAC 1501:31-9-01
  - (A) It shall be unlawful for any person to conceal or bury any property or to injure, remove, deface, damage, or destroy any tree, plant, lawn, embankment, decoration, poster, sign, fence, or artifacts valued at less than one thousand dollars on any area under agreement with and administered by or under control of the division of wildlife.