

# He-Leo Two Rivers Preserve



## Byron Forest Preserve District

Address: 6065 Illinois Route 2, Oregon

Year Acquired: 1982

Acreage: 48

Habitats: Wetland, oak-hickory forest, prairie

This preserve was the first land donated to the Byron Forest Preserve District in 1982, and is named in honor of Helen and Leo Piper. The property was expanded in 2013 and can be accessed by either vehicle via Illinois Route 2 or by water along the Rock River. Leashed dogs are allowed. There is no motorized boat launch at this preserve.

Amenities at this preserve include a floating boat dock, kayak launch, picnic shelter, seasonal outhouses, and volleyball court. The sandbar at the confluence of the Leaf River is a favorite spot for summer boaters. Toward the boundary along the Leaf River lie man-made vernal ponds that ensure this section of Rock River floodplain is a fruitful habitat.

