

Howard Colman Hall Creek Preserve



Byron Forest Preserve District

Address: 12749 Weldon Road, Rockford

Year Acquired: 2010

Acreage: 321

Total Trails: 7.5 miles

Habitats: Oak-hickory forest, oak savanna, prairie, creek

The woodlands of this preserve are home to a wide variety of birds, such as warblers, orioles, tanagers, pileated woodpeckers, and red-headed woodpeckers. Limestone dells are found along Hall Creek, which flows through the entire length of the preserve and attracts water-loving birds such as belted kingfishers, wood ducks, and great blue herons. Many rare species of plants and animals can be seen here. Dogs are not allowed at this preserve.

195 acres of this property were designated an Illinois Nature Preserve in 2018, and is now part of over 1,600 connected acres of protected land in two counties. The lands are managed by the Byron Forest Preserve District, the Natural Land Institute, and the Forest Preserves of Winnebago County.

