

## DAY USE

Many shaded picnic sites can be found along the western boundary of the park with numerous grills and picnic tables scattered throughout. An accessible picnic site for persons with disabilities is available. The playground and horseshoe court facilities are also located in this area.



The northern end of the park is closed to vehicle traffic and provides a peaceful and level hiking area. This area is also designated as a pet exercise area where pets may be exercised without being on a leash.

## CAMPING

Walnut Grove Campground offers 13 sites located along Buffalo Creek. Electrical and water hook-ups, a fire ring and picnic table are provided for each site. A lighted, vault-type restroom, firewood sale point, playground and horseshoe courts are all located nearby. A sanitary dumping station is provided for RV's near the entrance to the park. All campers are required to self-register and pay the required fee. The campground is managed on a first come-first served basis.

## HICKORY HILL SHELTER



Hickory Hill Shelter is an open shelter with 14 picnic tables, two grills, four electrical outlets, pressurized water and lights. The playground, horseshoe courts and restroom are immediately adjacent. Campsites are within walking distance. The shelter is available from April 15 to October 15 and can accommodate up to 150 people depending upon weather conditions. By paying a nominal fee, adults may reserve the shelter for day-use activities (ending before 10:00 P.M.). Reservations may be made up to two years in advance of the date online at [LinnCountyParks.com](http://LinnCountyParks.com).

## ABOUT THE PARK

Buffalo Creek Park is located in northeast Linn County, just west of Coggon on County Road D62. Nestled along Buffalo Creek, rolling wooded knolls of oak and hickory combine with the open meadows adjacent to the stream valley to provide habitat for a unique variety of flora and fauna. Wild turkey, deer, nesting Canada geese, beaver and fox are a few of the species of wildlife that inhabit the park.

Buffalo Creek Park was the first park to be developed in Linn County, around 1962. The park is managed for multiuse recreation and offers facilities for camping, picnicking, fishing, hiking, nature study and much more.

## SIGHTS TO SEE

When entering the park, look for the roadside prairie planting; numerous flowering species were introduced which provides a unique feature to the park entrance throughout the summer. Among many other wild flowers, one of the largest populations of blue belles in the area can be found in this 126 acre park. A short trip into Coggon provides an interesting visit to the dam and walkway structure over Buffalo Creek.



### Information & Reservations

Get full details, make reservations, and learn about activities at Buffalo Creek Park and all Linn County Conservation facilities at [LinnCountyParks.com](http://LinnCountyParks.com).

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#### Americans with Disabilities Act

The Linn County Conservation Board intends to comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act and all other local, state and federal laws pertaining to equal treatment. If anyone believes he or she has been subject to discrimination on the basis of race, color, national origin, age or disability, they may file a complaint alleging discrimination with either the Linn County Conservation Board or the Office for Equal Opportunity, U.S. Department of the Interior, Washington, D.C. 20240.

# BUFFALO CREEK COUNTY PARK



## ATTRACTIONS

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# PARK INFORMATION

## Hours

Buffalo Creek Park is open daily from 4:00 AM until 10:30 PM. However, roads are closed to vehicles from late October until April 15, ground and stream conditions permitting.

## Rules

Some park rules to remember:

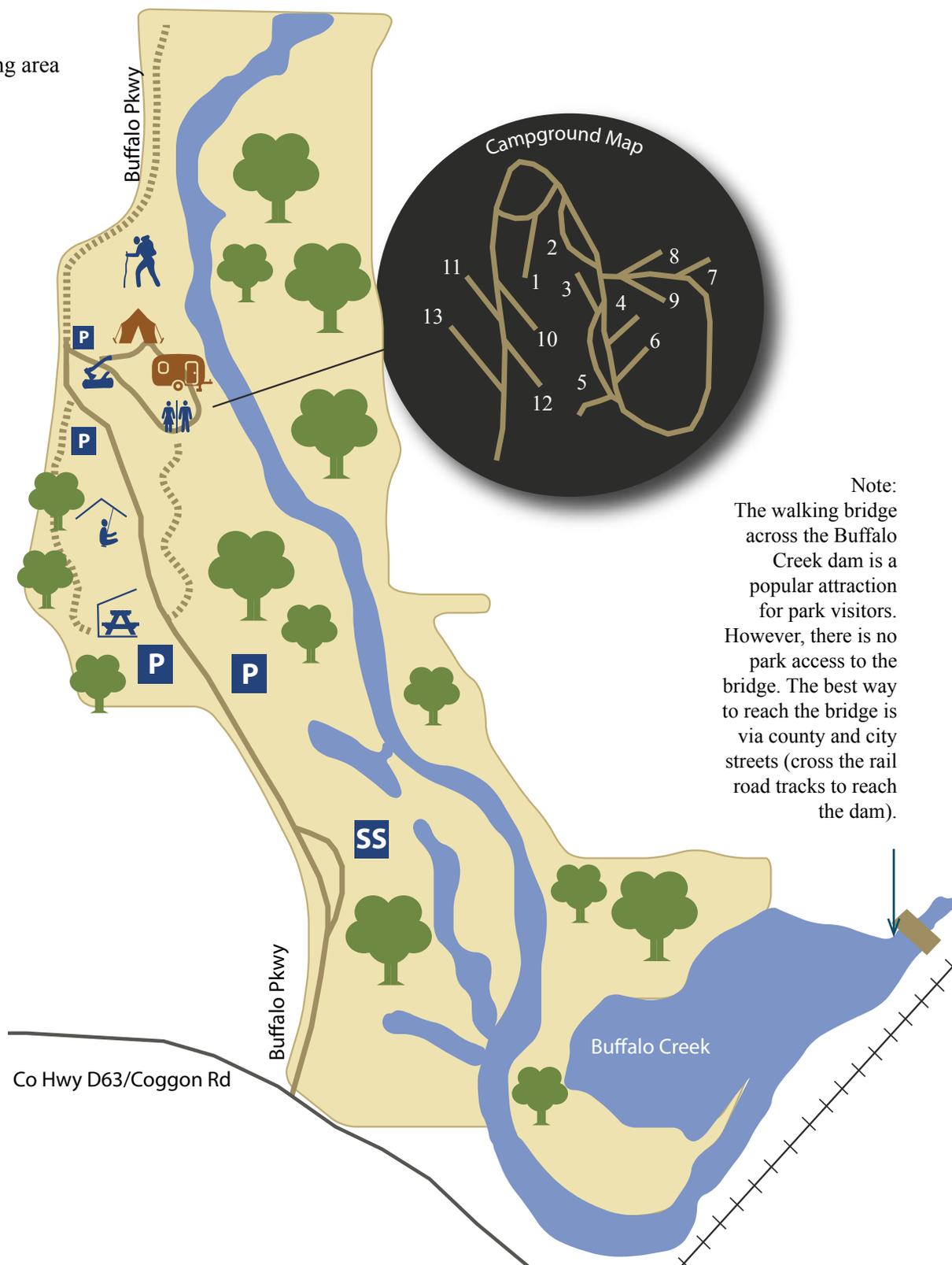
- All pets must be leashed (except for pet exercise area)
- Keep all vehicles on roadways
- Do not litter; carry out your trash
- Build fires only in designated fireplaces
- Observe speed limits
- Park only in designated areas

## Directions

Buffalo Creek Park is located west of Coggon, near Highway 13. From Highway 13, turn west on to Co Hwy D62. Follow this road as it turns to E Linn St, then W Linn St. Turn left onto Railroad Street and follow the curve right onto Coggon Rd. The park entrance is on the right.



- Hiking/walking area
- Campsites
- Sewer Station
- Playground
- Shelter
- Parking
- Park Road
- Park Trail
- Restrooms
- Firewood



Note:  
The walking bridge across the Buffalo Creek dam is a popular attraction for park visitors. However, there is no park access to the bridge. The best way to reach the bridge is via county and city streets (cross the rail road tracks to reach the dam).