

WARNING
Canoeing and kayaking can be dangerous. Serious bodily injury and loss of life can and does occur. Varying water levels, holes, drop-offs, fallen trees, sharp objects, rocks, dams, water current, undertow and other phenomenon of the Huron River create constantly changing conditions and hazards. Do not attempt to swim or wade in the river. Avoid rapid areas. Do not dive head-first into the river.

There is danger of being swamped by waves when attempting to take canoes or kayaks into Lake Erie.

This map is provided only as a general guide and is not to be relied upon to identify all hazards. All distances and times are approximate. Prior to any canoe trip it is essential the route be thoroughly scouted.

- PADDLING TIPS**
- Life Preservers** – Whether you own, rent or borrow a canoe or kayak, make sure there is a Personal Flotation Device for each person on board. Wear footwear in case you tip over.
 - Learn to Maneuver Safely** – Steering and back paddling to avoid hazards are important.
 - Portaging** – Caution should always be used when approaching a portage area. Leave ample space between canoes or kayaks for loading and unloading.
 - Keep Safe** – Splashing each other with paddles and throwing objects at others can lead to tips and spills. A tipped boat could be fatal.
 - Respect Private Property** – Please picnic on public property.
 - Don't Litter** – Attach a bag to your boat. After picnicking, clean up the site and place debris in containers provided for that purpose.
 - Keep Your Gear Dry** – Pack your gear in waterproof bags and attach them to the canoe or kayak. If you tip over, they will stay dry and float along with you and the boat.

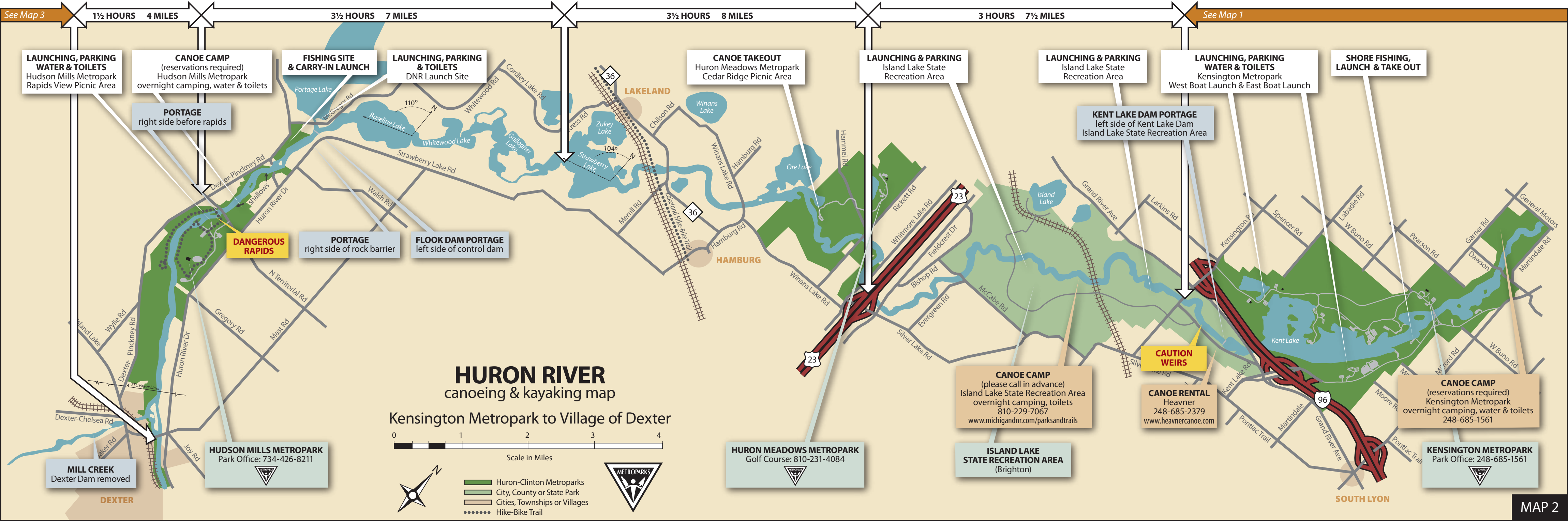
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HURON-CLINTON METROPARKS

HURON RIVER

CANOEING & KAYAKING MAP

From Proud Lake to Lake Erie



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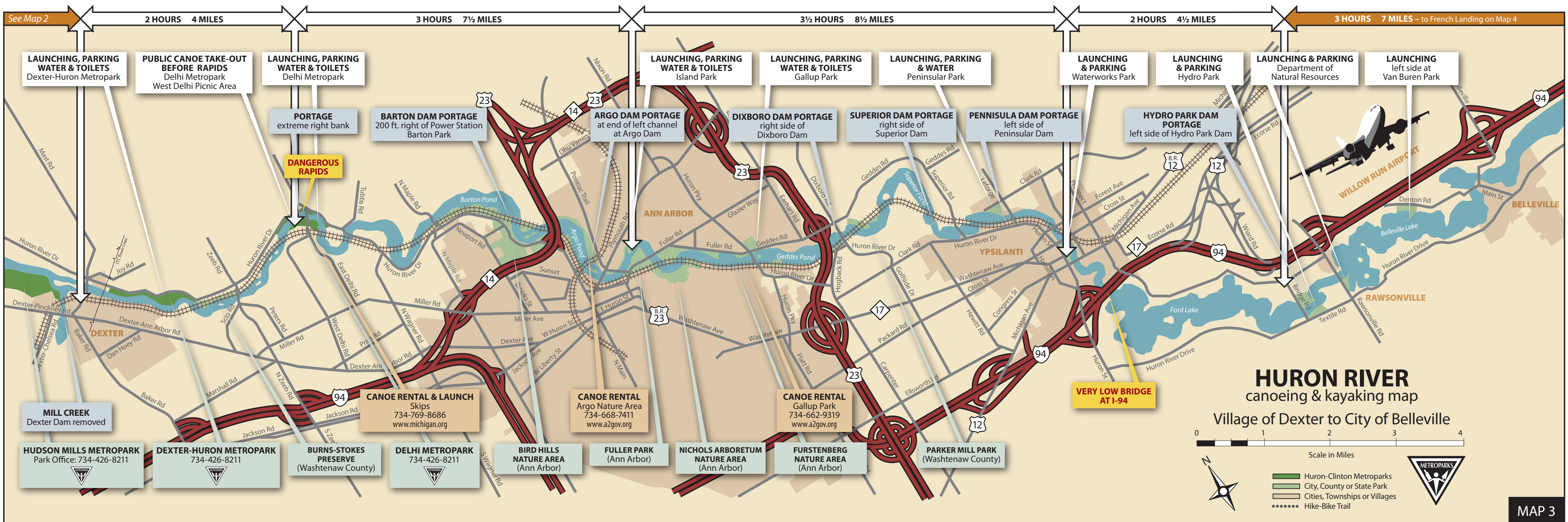
POINTS OF INTEREST
From Proud Lake to Lake Erie – 100 Miles

- MAP 1**
1. The suggested starting point is at Proud Lake State Recreation Area.
 2. Kensington Metropark, between Milford and I-96, has a canoe camp on the right bank, 3/4 mile below General Motors Road Bridge (permit required for camping). Kent Lake has several islands and is ideal for fishing.

- MAP 2**
1. The river from Island Lake State Recreation Area to Strawberry Lake is interesting and passes through Huron Meadows Metropark.
 2. Winds across Strawberry and Baseline lakes are often brisk, making paddling difficult.
 3. Hudson Mills Metropark has a canoe camp on the left bank, 1/4 mile before North Territorial Road Bridge (permit required for camping). Hudson Mills Metropark is ideal for picnicking. A historical marker denotes the early history of this area.

- MAP 3**
1. Dexter-Huron and Delhi Metroparks have picturesque riverside picnic spots.
 2. The rapids at Delhi Metropark are very scenic and popular with artists and photographers.
 3. In spite of numerous portages, the stretch from Delhi Metropark to Superior Road is scenic and fairly easy to paddle. Ann Arbor, Ypsilanti and Washtenaw County have parks along the way.
 4. Shallow water through Ypsilanti and winds on Ford and Belleville lakes may make the trip from Superior Road to Belleville difficult. Several community parks are in this stretch.

- MAP 4**
1. The river between Belleville and New Boston is scenic. Lower Huron Metropark Canoe Camp is on the left bank, one mile below South Metro Parkway Bridge (permit required for camping).
 2. The stretch between New Boston and Flat Rock is easy to travel. Picnic areas are at Willow Metropark, and there is a marked canoe nature trail at Oakwoods Metropark.
 3. Travel between Flat Rock and Lake Erie is easy and goes through an interesting marshy area.
 4. Suggested end of the trip at Pointe Mouillee State Game Area Headquarters.



CANOE CAMPSITES

- MAP 1**
- Kensington Metropark Canoe Camp on right 3/4 mile below General Motors Road, just below Group Camp Bridge.

- MAP 2**
- Hudson Mills Metropark Canoe Camp on 1/4 mile before North Territorial Road Bridge.

- MAP 4**
- Lower Huron Metropark Canoe Camp on left, one mile below South Metro Parkway Bridge.

- METROPARKS CAMPSITES**
- Permits for overnight camping must be obtained in advance from the Metropark where the camp is located. For information and permit fees contact the following Metropark Offices:

- Kensington Metropark**
2240 West Buno Road, Milford, MI 48380
Phone or TTY: 248-685-1561
- Hudson Mills Metropark**
8801 N. Territorial Road, Dexter, MI 48130
Phone or TTY: 734-426-8211
- Lower Huron Metropark**
17845 Savage Road, Belleville, MI 48111
Phone or TTY: 734-697-9181

A Metroparks Vehicle Permit is required at all Metroparks. Detailed maps of all Metroparks may be obtained by contacting:

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DNRE STATE PARK CAMPSITES

A State Park Vehicle Permit is required at all State Parks. Information regarding State Park campsites can be obtained by contacting the following area offices:

- Proud Lake State Recreation Area**
3500 Wixom Road, Commerce Township, MI 48382
Phone: 248-685-2433
- Island Lake State Recreation Area**
12950 E. Grand River Avenue, Brighton, MI 48116
Phone or TTY: 810-229-7067

