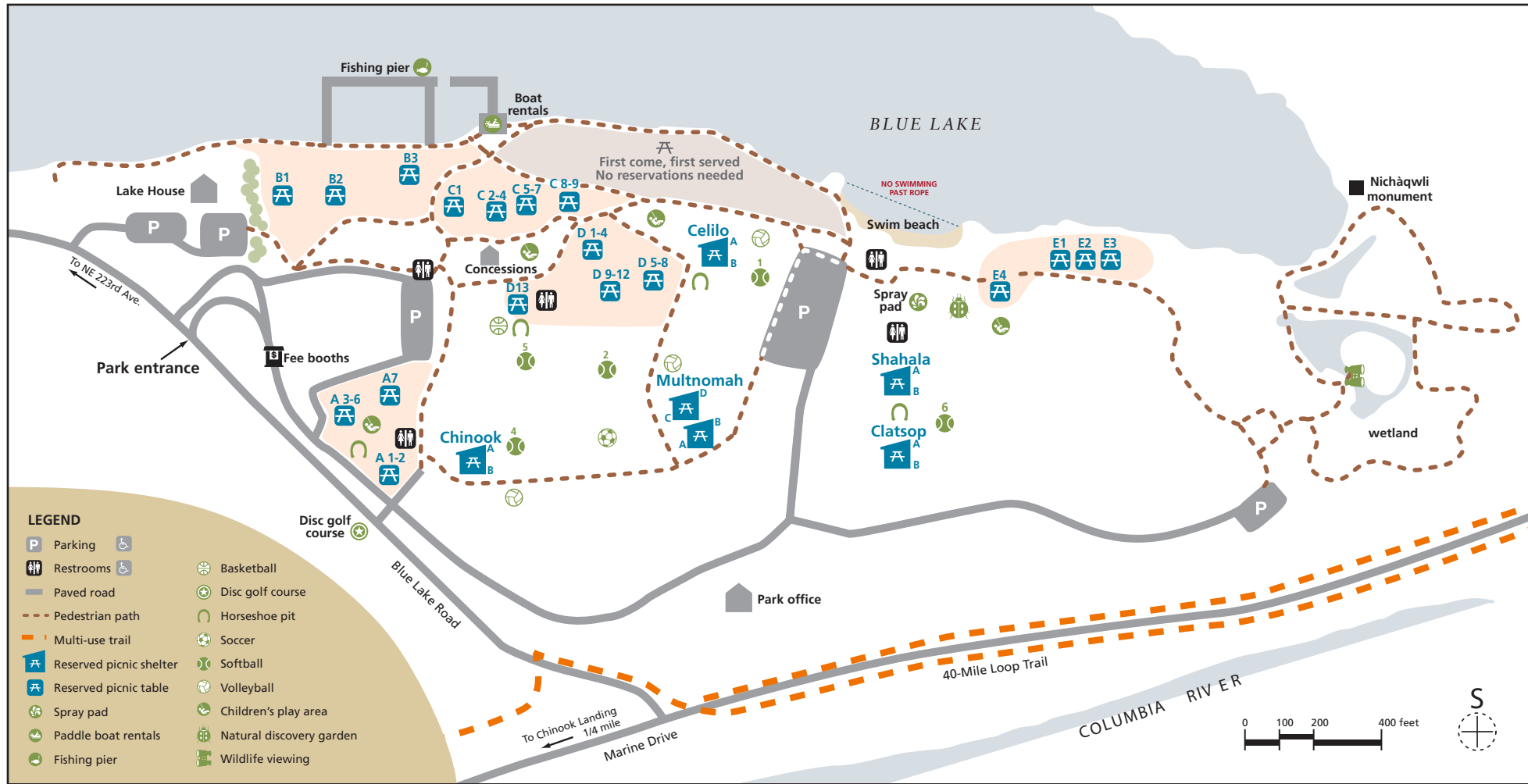




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For more information and to view and reserve picnic shelters, visit Metro's website, call 503-665-4995, option 0 or email metropicnicreservations@oregonmetro.gov



Nature, even better

You may notice changes afoot at Blue Lake. Thanks to voters, Metro is making your regional parks, trails and natural areas healthier, safer and more fun for all. A 2013 levy allows Metro to restore habitat, add visitor amenities and improve maintenance at parks and natural areas across the region.



Park guidelines

- Park closes at legal sunset.
- Reservations are necessary for picnic shelter areas and for groups of 25 or more; call 503-665-4995, option 0.
- Pets are not allowed in any of Metro's parks or natural areas in order to protect wildlife.
- Metal detectors, firearms (including BB guns) and fireworks are prohibited.
- Fishing regulated by Oregon state laws. Children under 13 can fish without a license.
- No personal watercraft allowed on lake May 1 to Sept. 30. Watercraft allowed on lake Oct. 1 to April 30 for angling only.
- Alcohol, music and amplified sound is permitted only in designated areas with a park-issued permit and paid reservation.
- Campfires are not permitted. Barbecues are provided for cooking at designated picnic areas.
- Please do not disturb or remove landscaped plants and trees or any flowers in the park or demonstration garden.

Swimming guidelines

- Swimming is only allowed at the swim beach.
- Swim at your own risk; no lifeguards are present.
- Children under the age of 5 are not allowed in the lake.
- Life vests and personal flotation devices are recommended. Never swim alone.
- Be aware that the shallow water in Blue Lake deepens quickly.
- Outdoor swimming in cold water saps body heat. Test the temperature and wade in slowly.
- Maintain constant supervision of children.
- Most importantly, if you feel uncomfortable in a specific area, trust your instincts and get out of the water.