

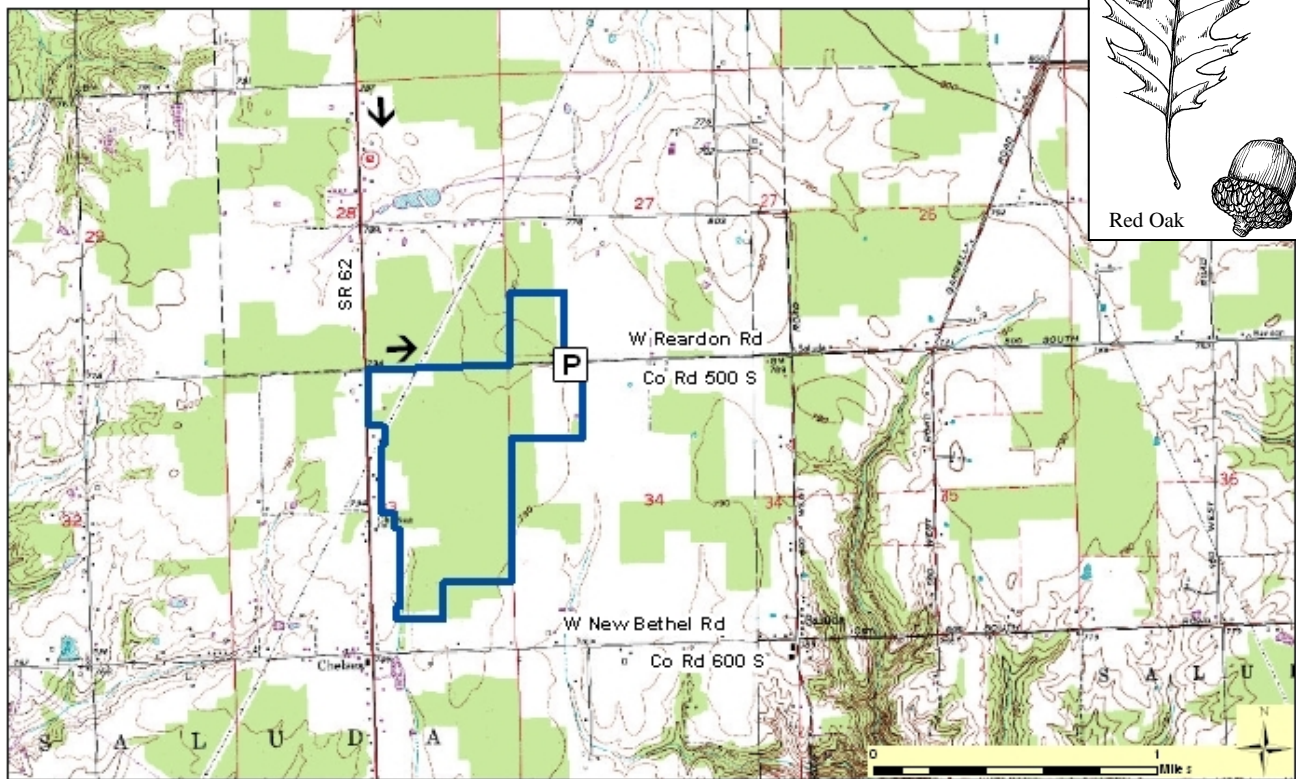
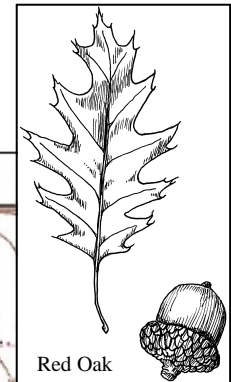
Chelsea Flatwoods Nature Preserve

County: Jefferson Size: 305 acres
Ownership: The Nature Conservancy



Location and Access

Pull-off parking. No trail. From Scottsburg, go east on SR 56 about 15 miles to SR 62. Turn right onto SR 62 and go about 3 miles to W Reardon Rd (CR 500 S). Turn left. The preserve is on the right for the next half mile. Continue to the end of the woods, to where there is a gated driveway next to a barn. Park there, being sure not to block the gate.



Description: This area is one of the most diverse “bluegrass till plain flatwoods” left in Indiana. The highly acidic glacial soils have been leached clean of limestone over the millennia. The remaining clay soils hold water all year and are dominated by large stands of swamp white oak and black gum trees. Other species found here are southern red oak, spiraea, chokeberry, American strawberry bush, gray sedge, and a variety of ferns.

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