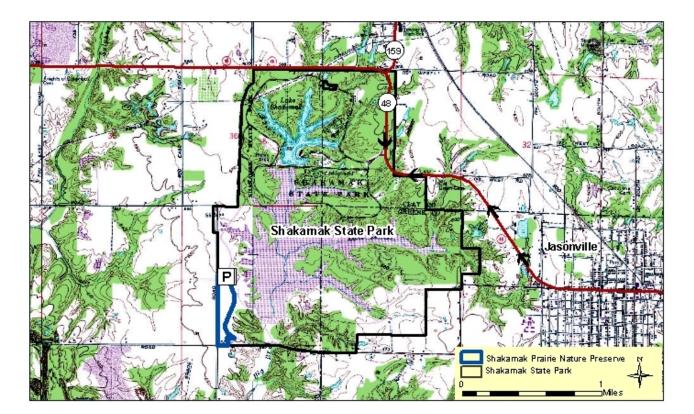
## **Shakamak Prairie Nature Preserve**

County: Sullivan Size: 27 acres Ownership: Division of State Parks

## **Location and Access**

**Parking and Trails.** Located in the southwest corner of Shakamak State Park. Approximately 5.0 miles west of the town of Jasonville along Highway 48 to the Shakamak State Park entrance. Information available at the gate.





## **Description:**

This Nature Preserve hosts a mesic prairie, the only protected example of a prairie natural community type in the entire Southwestern Lowlands Natural Region of Indiana. Although it is believed that in presettlement times the Southwestern Lowlands Natural Region contained the greatest amount of prairie south of the Wisconsinan glacial border, most of the prairie has long been lost and today is restricted primarily to isolated prairie patches, such as might be found in a few pioneer cemeteries and along select railroad lines.

## **Further Information:**

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