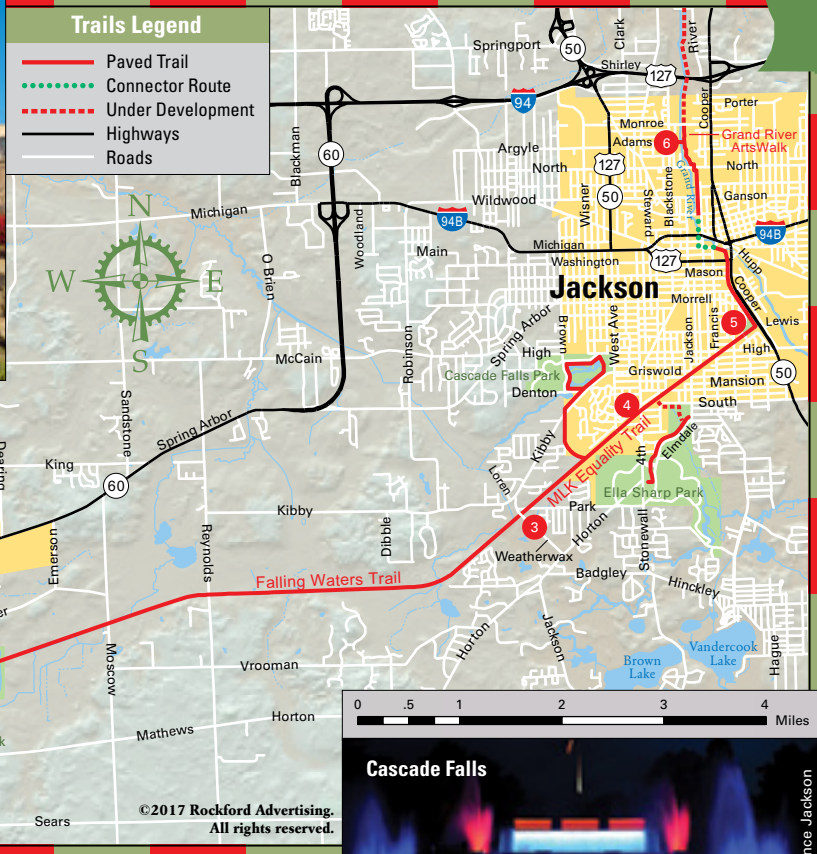
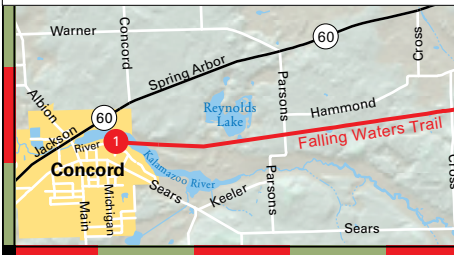


The Grand River ArtsWalk passes through Armory Art Village, the historic site of Michigan's former state prison.



**Jackson Area Trails Access**

Access Site	Parking	Restrooms	Water
1 Concord Trailhead	Yes	Portable	No
2 Teft Road Staging Area	Yes	Vault	No
3 Weatherwax Trailhead	Yes	Portable	No
4 New Leaf Park	Yes	No	No
5 Howard Woods Park	Yes	Portable	No
6 Lions Park	Yes	Yes	Yes



**Falling Waters Trail**

The 10.6-mile Falling Waters Trail connects the village of Concord with the city of Jackson where it continues as the Martin Luther King Equality Trail. Built on an abandoned stretch of the former Michigan Central Railroad, the 12-foot-wide asphalt multi-use trail is one of Michigan's most popular rail-trail destinations.

The Falling Waters Trail travels through a geologic region of springs and lakes in Jackson County that form the headwaters of four major Michigan rivers. Native Americans called this area "The Land of Falling Waters." At the western trailhead in Concord, the trail crosses a bridge over the Kalamazoo River where you can view a great expanse of marshy wetlands. One of the highlights of the trail is a causeway that runs through the middle of Lime Lake. This is a great place to stop, relax, view wildlife and enjoy the natural beauty of this turquoise blue lake. Along the way, the trail passes through a lush landscape of wetlands, shady woodlands and fields of soybeans and corn. This is a trail you will want to visit time and time again to experience the seasonal changes in scenery.

**Martin Luther King Equality Trail**

At Weatherwax Road, the trail changes its name to the Martin Luther King Equality Trail (formerly the Jackson Inter-City Trail). This 3.4-mile section of trail travels through quiet suburban neighborhoods, then turns north and follows Cooper Street to downtown Jackson and the Grand River ArtsWalk. Two extensions of the trail will be added this year and next. In June 2017, a northern half-mile extension should be completed, crossing a boardwalk over a wetland to connect with a 2.5-mile paved trail that encircles a wetlands complex at Cascade Falls Park. A second extension is currently under development, going south to the Ella Sharp Museum and Park.

**Grand River ArtsWalk**

The Grand River Arts-Walk is a 1.5-mile non-motorized trail that travels through



A new trail extension connects the MLK Equality Trail with a trail encircling Cascade Falls Park.

Jackson's growing arts and entertainment district. The current trail route begins where Cooper Street meets the Grand River. From there, continue west on Michigan Avenue and go north on Mechanic Street through the Armory Art Village (historic site of former state prison). Follow the paved path north along the banks of the Grand River. The Michigan DNR is currently working on a plan to extend the trail along the Grand River to connect with the Michael Levine Lakelands Trail State Park in Munith.



The Falling Waters Trail crosses a causeway through the middle of picturesque Lime Lake.

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