

RIVER ADVENTURE

STICK RACE BRIDGE LOCATIONS

Good parks with bridges for this activity:

Middlefork Savanna Lake Forest

The entrance and parking area are located on Middlefork Dr. west of Waukegan Rd. (43), between Route 60 and Route 176. Once part of a large glacial lake, this forest preserve is home for endangered plant and wildlife species. There are bridges and a 3.5-mile unpaved trail which links to other trails in Lake County.



North Park Lincolnshire

Located near the intersection of W. Everett Rd. and Riverwoods Rd. The entrance to the park is on the east side of Riverwoods Rd. This park is wooded and has many bridges over the West Fork of the Chicago River.

Glenview Woods Glenview

This forest preserve is just west of Harms Rd. just south of Glenview Rd. and not far from the Old Orchard Shopping Mall in Skokie. It has a bridge just south of the parking lot and connects to the 8.5 miles of unpaved trails along the North Branch tan, yellow, and orange trails.

Linne Woods Morton Grove

This forest preserve is just north of Dempster St. at Lehigh Ave. not far from the Morton Grove Metra station. It has a bridge and connects to the 8.5 miles of unpaved trails along the North Branch tan, yellow, and orange trails.

Bunker Hill Chicago

Located on the west side of Caldwell Ave. between Harts Ave. and Devon Ave., this 2.3-mile paved segment of the North Branch bike trail travels along (and over) the river.

Gompers Park Chicago

Located between W. Argyle St. and W. Foster Ave. not far from CTA Brown Line and Foster Ave. buses. These are great little parks for exploring the Chicago River in the urban environment. Gompers Park has a 0.5-mile paved trail around the lagoons.

River Park Chicago

Located just east of Jersey/Kedzie Ave. between Foster Ave. and Argyle St. The park is not far from the Francisco stop on the CTA Brown Line.

McClaghry Springs Woods Palos Park

Located on the west side of S. Kean Rd. between Cal-Sag Rd. (83) and 119th St. this site has an open grassy area surrounded on three sides by a shallow and wadable Mill Creek. It connects to a 8.1-mile unpaved loop on the Sag Valley yellow trail. You can hike shorter loops as well.

Sauk Trail Woods South Chicago Heights

Located at 26th St. and Ashland Ave., this 3.5-mile paved loop is part of the Thorn Creek trail.

Thorn Creek Woods Park Forest

Located at 247 Monee Rd., a 2.5-mile unpaved trail winds through 880 acres of oak hickory forest dominated by 150 year old oak trees, native shrubs and spring wildflowers. Thorn Creek, a tributary of the Little Calumet River, flows through glacial pothole ponds, marshes, and prairie remnants.

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