Pump House, Cascade Springs, Fulton County
Source: Area Wide Outdoor Recreation Plan in the Atlanta Region 1976
- **1954** Regional Development Plan
- **1962** Regional Development Plan
- **1963** Nature Preserves Plan
- **1972** Chattahoochee Recreation Area Study
- **1976** Nature Preserves Plan (& **1979** Status Report And Update)
1954 Regional Development Plan

Areas shown as proposed recreation consist mostly as a series of proposed large regional parks ringing the metropolitan area: Big Creek Park, Panola Park, Cochran Mill Park, West Fulton Park, and Rottenwood Creek Park. (Stone Mountain Memorial Park is shown here as “existing” because it is already under construction by the State.)

These regional park proposals are currently be studied in detail by the Commission. Two additional regional parks are shown in conjunction with two large reservoirs near Atlanta Lake Allatoona in Cobb County and Lake Lanier in Gwinnett County.
1963 Nature Preserves Plan
Within, or near, the five metropolitan counties there are eighteen large areas of suitable land totaling slightly over 35,000 acres...
### 1963 Proposed Nature Preserves

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1972 Chattahoochee Recreation Area Study

- South Cobb
- Sope Creek
- Big Creek Gorge
- Holcomb Bridge
- Medlock Bridge
- Abbots Bridge
- Suwanee Creek
- Settle’s Bridge

1976 Nature Preserves Plan

- Mount Arabia (DeKalb)
- Big Haynes Creek (Rockdale)
- Reynolds Nature Preserve (Clayton)
- Daniell Mill (Douglas)
- Phillips Mill (Douglas)
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- Soapstone Ridge (DeKalb)

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Proposed Preserves
Realized Preserves

Regional Greenspace
Greenways-Blueways Study

Recreation and Parkland Addressed in Past Studies

- 1970: U. S. Bureau of Outdoor Recreation Study
- 1972: Conservation and River Corridor Studies
- 1998: Chattahoochee River from Peachtree Creek to West Point Lake Study
Greenways-Blueways Study

- In response to comments by Chattahoochee River Corridor stakeholders, both at a general meeting in June and in individual meetings
- Interest in our greater involvement in recreation and greenspace along the Chattahoochee River
Chattahoochee River Corridor

- Required under State law passed in 1973
- 2000 feet on both sides of the River from Buford Dam to downstream limits of Region
- Limits on land disturbance and impervious surface based on land conditions, buffers along the River and tributary streams
- Don’t hear about it because it is working
Comprehensive View of Access and Resources

- Catalog both existing resources and committed projects
- Identify potential access, recreational and greenspace opportunities
- In one document to provide information and opportunity for coordination throughout the Corridor

Upstream of Peachtree Creek

- Extensive existing recreation and greenspace
- New projects being developed or proposed
- CRNRA plays major role
- Meet with Local Governments, CRNRA, others to identify, map out existing and proposed facilities, as well as available land
- To help with coordination, planning
Downstream of Peachtree Creek

- Fewer existing facilities, less access
- Opportunities to protect land, promote recreation
- Meet with Local Governments, NPS, other groups to identify potential greenspace, recreation and access opportunities
- Develop framework for coordinated program

Proposed Final Product

- Inventory of all existing and proposed greenspace, parks and recreation facilities
- A resource to assist with coordination of activities
- And the development of new opportunities
Questions, Comments and Feedback

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