

## **Value of the Oak Ridge Reservation for Recreation**

The Oak Ridge Reservation has current significant value and tremendous additional potential for recreation for the region and the community. Currently, the Reservation provides recreational opportunities ranging from the state-managed deer and wild turkey hunts to greenways open to the public for hiking, bicycling, and viewing wildlife, wildflowers, and natural scenery. The undisturbed lands along Melton Hill Lake provide an ideal setting for boating and fishing. Scenic roads through the Reservation are available for car tours and for cycling. Photographers and artists frequently capture the natural beauty of the area. The US Department of Energy also supports guided nature walks and bird watching trips and Clark Center Recreation Park, which is widely used for picnics, softball, volleyball, and other recreational activities.