Finding the Park

Hawkins Recreational Park is in Santa Rosa County in Northwest Florida. From Interstate 10, take Exit 26 and go north on County Road 191. Follow CR-191 through Bagdad and into Milton. Turn left onto Caroline Street (U.S. 90) and right onto Stewart Street (State Hwy. 87). After 0.8 mile, turn right onto Munson Highway (CR-191). Hawkins Park entrance is one mile down on the right. The address is 5550 Bubba Lane, Milton, FL, 32570.
Enjoying the Park

Hawkins Recreational Park is located near Milton, Florida, adjacent to Round Pen Bayou on the Blackwater River. The Agency for Persons with Disabilities (APD) has renovated the park to provide people with disabilities and their families a place for relaxation and recreation.

The park’s 23-acre landscape is filled with assorted flowers, crape myrtle, and magnolia trees. Its improvements provide full accessibility to the park’s amenities, providing people with disabilities the opportunity to enjoy social activities with their families. Three pavilions are available for meetings and picnics. Grills are located at each pavilion for cookouts. An accessible bath house is available for guests.

Round Pen Bayou gives nature lovers a place for observing wildlife in a serene setting. Cypress, cedar, and loblolly pine trees abound. Families can stroll on a boardwalk along the water as blue jays and cardinals perch on branches nearby. A fishing pier provides another enticing option for recreation.

Using the Park

People with disabilities, their families, and caregivers can enjoy Hawkins Recreational Park at no charge. The park is open from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. year-round except on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year’s Day.