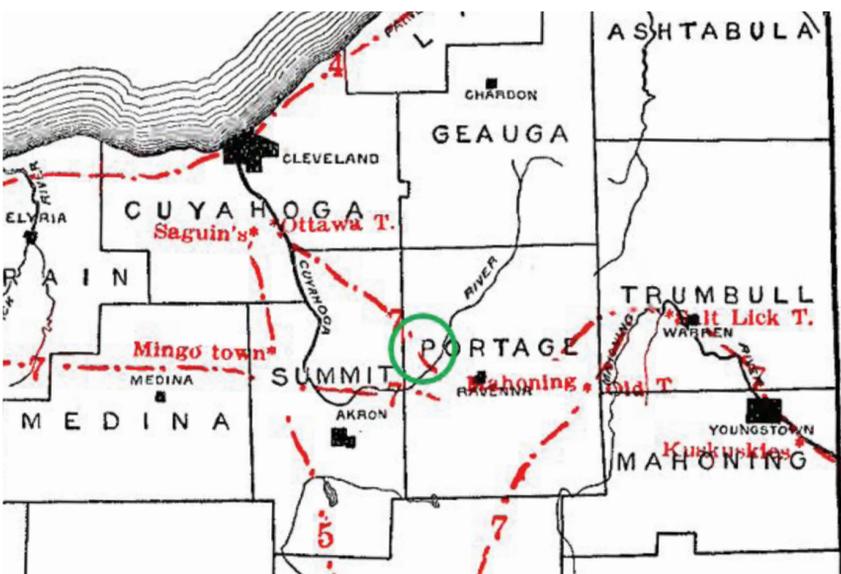


THE PATH BEFORE US



Trail Lake Park is named for the historic Mahoning Path Indian Trail that traversed the area.

A plaque, placed by the Cleveland, Ohio Indian Pathfinders Association, marks the location of Trail No. 7, Mahoning Path Trail.

In many instances, these trails determined the location of the early Ohio settlements as well as the first forts and military roads, many of them eventually becoming permanent highways. They ranged in width from a thin trail threading through the wilderness to paths a few feet wide in the open country and generally followed the high ground between the water courses or hills and ridges adjacent to the streams.

The artifacts pictured were excavated during the archaeological study on the property. Former landowners frequently found arrowheads in the fields.



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