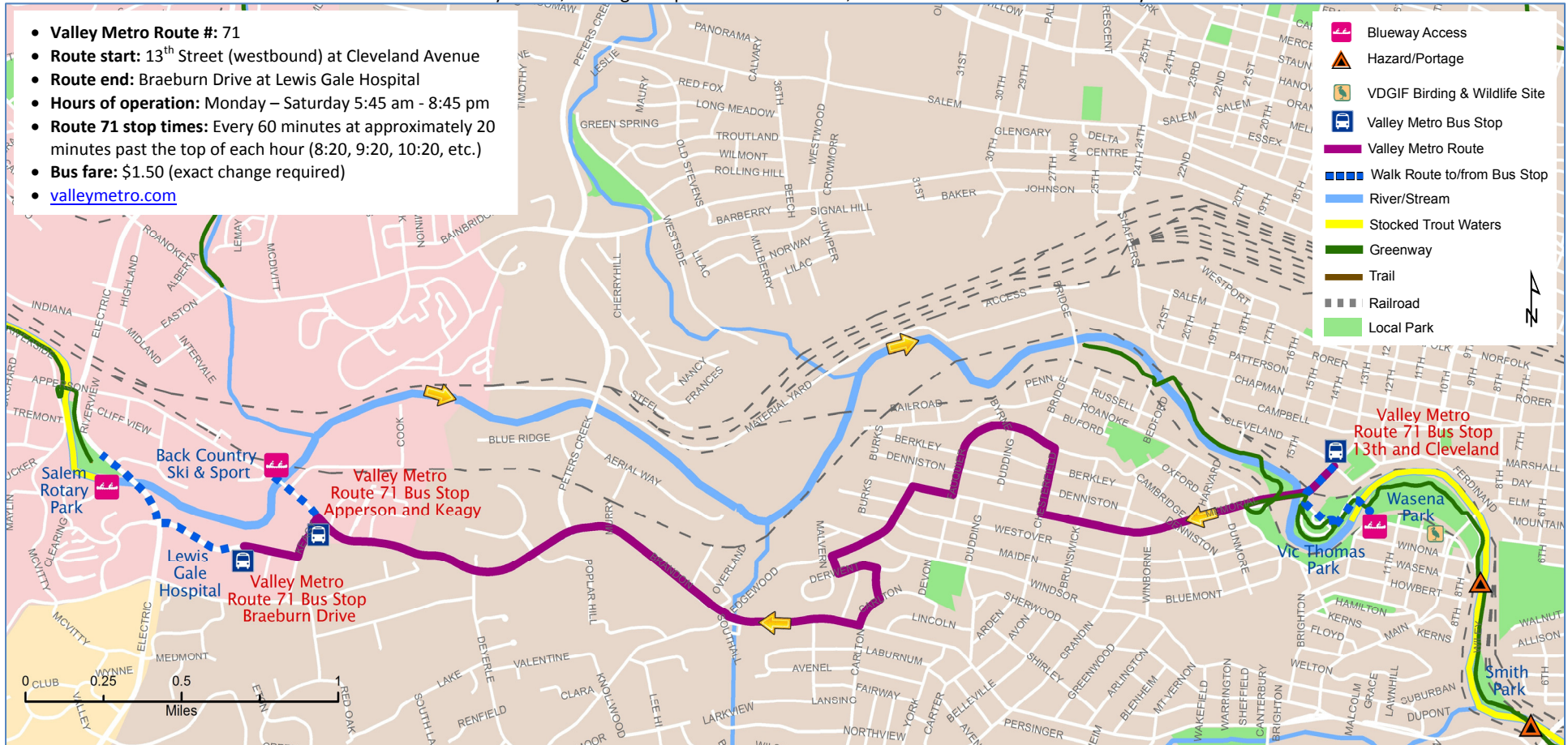


Roanoke River Blueway

"Paddle by Bus"

Paddle the Roanoke River Blueway from Salem Rotary Park access to the Wasena Park and utilize Valley Metro, the region's public transit service, as a return shuttle to Salem Rotary Park



Paddle distance/time: 5.5 miles or 2 hours 30 minutes

Return trip time/distance: 5.1 miles or 55 minutes (includes walk time between Valley Metro stops and Roanoke River Blueway access points)

Directions: Park at Salem Rotary Park. Paddle the Roanoke River Blueway to the Wasena Park access (exit river right). Secure boat to sturdy structure making sure not to impede use of park facilities or greenway. From Wasena Park walk across the Roanoke River Greenway bridge to Vic Thomas Park on the north side of the river. Follow the Roanoke River Greenway (or Hannah Circle) to the Vic Thomas Park entrance on 13th Street/Memorial Avenue SW (0.3 miles). Take right (northeast) onto 13th/Memorial and follow sidewalk to Cleveland Avenue (0.1 miles). Cross 13th Street at Cleveland Avenue to Valley Metro Route 71 westbound stop. Exit bus on Braeburn Drive at Lewis Gale Hospital. Continue west on Braeburn Drive to Route 419 (Electric Road) (0.2 miles). Take right onto Route 419 and continue to Salem Rotary Park on left (0.3 miles).

Alternative directions: Park at the Back Country Ski & Sport access (kayak rental available). Paddle the Roanoke River Blueway to Wasena Park. Follow above directions to Valley Metro Route 71 bus stop. Exit bus at the Apperson/Keagy stop. Continue west on Apperson Drive to Back Country Ski & Sport (1931 Apperson Drive) (0.2 miles).