



## Department of Natural Resources

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### **TODAY AT THE NATURAL RESOURCES PARK**

Friday, July 25, 2025

#### **Ohio State Fair: Ohio Proud General Store**

Support fellow Ohioans by shopping for local products like honey, salsa and dip mixes from Ohio Proud vendors. Each day of the fair from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., there will be vendors selling items grown and made in our great state. Located in the Taste of Ohio Pavilion & Beer Garden, there will be a rotating selection of great products every day!

#### **The Natural Resources Park: Smokey Bear**

For the last 80 years, Smokey Bear has served as a symbol of wildfire prevention and forest conservation efforts. Every day, he tells us how we can prevent wildfires. Meet our very own 14-foot-tall Smokey Bear starting at 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. every day. It's a tradition for many families to be greeted by name by the iconic Smokey Bear, so be sure to stop by and say hello!

#### **The Natural Resources Park: Check out Ohio's Backyard Animals**

Learn more about the wildlife in your own backyard at 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. in the Natural Resources Park Amphitheater. Ohio Nature Education will dispel some myths about common animals across Ohio. Meet a variety of species and walk away an expert for the next time you have a backyard visitor!

ODNR will send out a daily newsletter highlighting events and activities happening during the 2025 Ohio State Fair. You can find more information, including the amphitheater schedule [here](#).

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