Area Highlights

Little Lost Creek Conservation Area is in the Missouri River hills of central Warren County. It is 4 miles south of Pendleton on Route B or 4 miles south of Pendleton on Route EE. The 2,899-acre area consists mostly of oak/hickory forest with scattered glades, savannas and fields, and is named for the creek that meanders through the area's deep valleys and rugged hills, affording several scenic overlooks. A fall hike through the area provides visitors with dazzling displays of fall color. Woodland wildlife, such as deer, turkey and ruffed grouse, are year-round residents. The area also provides an important stopping point for numerous neotropical migrant songbirds. Management focuses on restoring and maintaining healthy natural communities that support an impressive diversity of plants and animals. Facilities/features: primitive camping/picnicking and a 7-mile multi-use trail.

Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Bicycling – Hiking – Picnicking
Horseback Riding – Hunting – Outdoor Photography

Conservation Areas are closed from 10 p.m. to 4 a.m. except for authorized camping, fishing and hunting activities.

- No fireworks.
- No open fires except in designated areas.
- Primitive camping is permitted in spots designated on the area map.
- Campers are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Groups of more than 10 campers need a special-use permit.
- Hiking is permitted on interior roads and trails.
- Dogs must be leashed when not used for training or hunting.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms and wild greens may be taken for personal use. Cutting or removing other vegetation is prohibited. The taking of wild greens from natural areas is prohibited.
- Motor vehicles are allowed on public roadways and in parking areas.
- Horseback riding and bicycles are permitted only on roads open to vehicles and on the designated multi-use trail. The multi-use trail is open year-round except during all portions of the firearms deer-hunting season and the spring turkey-hunting seasons.
- No target shooting allowed.
- Swimming is not allowed.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing and frogging are allowed under statewide regulations with the following exceptions on area impoundments:
- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited, except that gizzard shad may be taken by dip net or throw net.
- Daily limits are 6 black bass and 4 catfish in the aggregate (channel, blue and flathead catfish) and 30 crappie. Total number of all other fish may not exceed 20.
- All black bass between 12 and 15 inches must be released immediately after being caught.
- Fishing opportunities are very limited.

Hunting and Trapping

Hunting is allowed under statewide regulations with the following exceptions:
- Deer and turkey regulations are subject to annual changes. Please refer to Spring Turkey or Fall Deer and Turkey Booklets for current regulations.

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Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices.