

## Recreational Opportunities

Wildlife Viewing – Fishing – Hunting – Outdoor Photography

*Conservation Areas are open from 4:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m.; hunting, fishing, trapping, camping, dog training, launching and landing boats allowed 24 hours a day on areas where these activities are permitted.*

- Groups or special activities may require a special use permit. Contact area manager for more information.
- Guiding for pay is prohibited.
- Use of fireworks are prohibited.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, edible wild greens and mushrooms may be taken only for personal consumption. Digging of roots is prohibited.
- No bicycling or horseback riding opportunities except on public roadways.
- Vehicles are only permitted on public roadways and in parking lots.
- Camping is allowed on or adjacent to all area parking lots and in designated camping areas. No unattended open campfires allowed. Stays are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period.
- Walk-in/backpack camping is allowed **EXCEPT** during firearms deer and turkey seasons. No amenities are provided.
- Field trials prohibited.
- Pets and hunting dogs are permitted but must be on a leash or confined at all times. Hunting dogs may be used off the leash and unconfined for hunting and training purposes. Hunting permit required to train dogs in pursuit of wildlife.
- Target shooting is not allowed.

## Fishing and Boating

*Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply:*

- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited in lakes and ponds.
- Seining or trapping live bait is permitted in streams.

- Salvage seining of non-game fish for personal use is permitted only with written special use permit. Contact area manager.
- Gig, longbow, or atlatl may be used for carp, buffalo, suckers, and gar in streams during statewide seasons.

## Hunting and Trapping

*Area is open to statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply:*

- Only portable stands are allowed from September 1 through January 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled on a durable material with the full name and address or Conservation number of the owner and be removed from the area by February 1st. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- Decoys and blinds are permitted but must be disassembled and removed daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Trapping of furbearers allowed only with special use permit. Contact area manager.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

### For local information, contact:

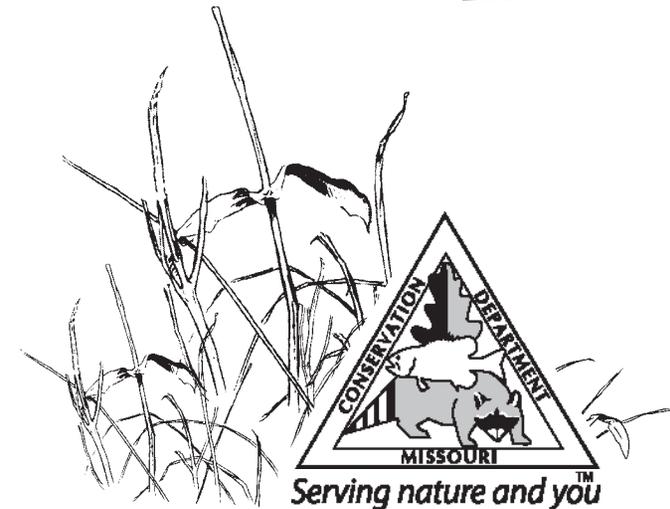
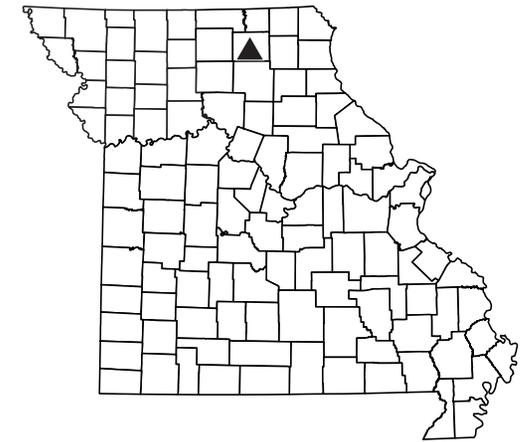
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[www.mdc.mo.gov](http://www.mdc.mo.gov)

*Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices. Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri*

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## CONSERVATION AREA



MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION

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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at [www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp](http://www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/3csr/3csr.asp).) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (voice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP-4020, Arlington, VA 22203.