

## Area Highlights

Saint Stanislaus Conservation Area is in north St. Louis County. The Conservation Department leases this 810-acre area from the St. Louis County Department of Parks and Recreation and manages it for a variety of wildlife species. The area was named for the former St. Stanislaus Seminary, which used this site for a retreat. Old building foundations from this retreat still remain. Early French explorers named this historic bluff “La Charbonier,” which means coal seam. The journals of Lewis and Clark also noted the coal resources of the bluff.

Access to Charbonier Bluff, which overlooks the Missouri River bottoms, is provided by hiking trails from the lower parking area. The area includes a portion of Bryan Island on the Missouri River. The island is on the western boundary of the property and is accessible only by boat. Habitats found on the area include wetlands, upland and bottomland forest and open fields. The lower portions of the area are frequently subject to spring flooding.

## Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Fishing – Hiking – Hunting  
Outdoor Photography – Wildlife Viewing

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

- No fireworks or open fires.
- No target shooting.
- Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being used for training or hunting.
- Motor vehicles are restricted to parking areas.
- Camping is allowed by Missouri River boat travelers within 100 yards of the river between April 1 and September 30.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms and wild greens may be taken for personal use. Cutting or removing other vegetation is prohibited.

## Fishing

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

- Bullfrogs and green frogs may not be taken with firearms.
- No live bait may be captured on area lakes, ponds and wetlands except that gizzard shad may be taken by dip net or throw net.
- Salvage seining of non-game fish for personal use is permitted only with written authorization.

## Hunting and Trapping

- Deer Hunting is by **Archery Methods Only**.
- Fall turkey hunting is permitted by **Archery Methods Only**.
- Only portable tree stands are allowed and only from Sept. 1 through Jan. 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 before Feb. 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any material or method that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- **All other hunting is prohibited.**
- Furbearer trapping is permitted by special-use permit.

### For local information, contact:

Columbia Bottom Conservation Area  
801 Strodtman Road  
St. Louis, MO 63138  
(314) 877-6014

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

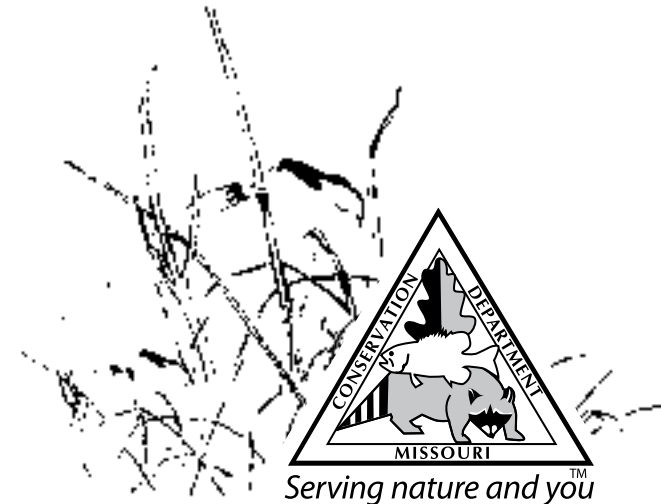
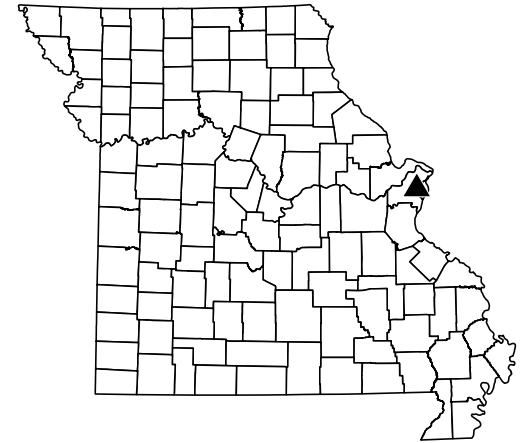
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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available from the Conservation Department. Chapter 11 in its entirety is available at [www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/5csr/3csr.asp](http://www.sos.mo.gov/adrules/csr/current/5csr/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.

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