

RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Bird Watching — Bicycling — Camping — Fishing
Hiking — Hunting — Outdoor Photography —
Wildlife Viewing

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

- No digging, fireworks, littering, open fires, or target shooting
- Primitive camping is permitted in designated areas only. Campers are limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Groups of 10 or more campers need a special use permit.
- Hiking is permitted on interior roads and trails.
- Pets and hunting dogs are permitted but must be on a leash or confined when not being trained or used for hunting.
- Destroying, cutting, or removing vegetation is prohibited. Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms, and wild greens may be taken for personal consumption only.
- Vehicles and horseback riding are restricted to graveled and paved roads and established parking areas, unless otherwise posted.
- Bicycles are permitted only on designated multi-use trails and on roads open to vehicular traffic. Bicycles are also permitted on locations designated as service roads in the online conservation atlas <https://mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places>.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing and frogging are allowed under statewide regulations with the following exceptions on impoundments:

- Pole and line fishing only. A maximum of 3 poles per person is permitted.
- Daily limit is 2 black bass, 4 catfish (channel, blue and flathead combined), and 30 crappie. Total number of all other fish may not exceed 20.

- All black bass less than 18 inches must be released immediately after being caught.
- Outboard motors in excess of 10 horsepower must be operated at slow, no wake speed.
- Disabled accessible fishing pier and parking areas available.

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 and Fall Deer and Turkey summaries for current regulations.
- Only portable tree stands are allowed and only between September 1 and January 31. Unattended stands must be plainly labeled with the full name and address, or conservation number, of the user and must be removed from the area before February 1. Use of nails, screw-in steps, and any materials that would damage the tree is prohibited.
- The placement of trail or game camera or similar device is prohibited.
- Decoys and portable blinds are permitted but must be removed from the area daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site, but only from willows and non-woody vegetation.
- Furbearer trapping is permitted by special use permit.

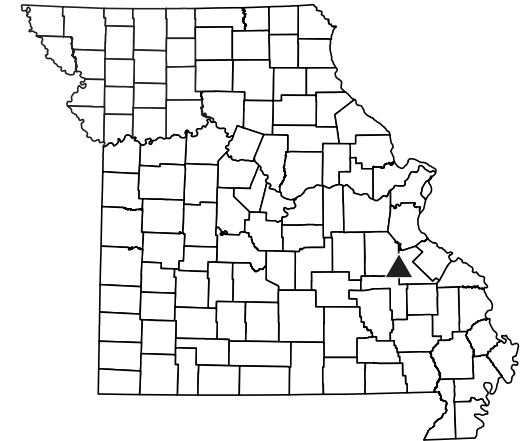
For local information, contact:
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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists 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.) 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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CONSERVATION AREA



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