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ABOUT THIS GUIDE

The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission's Fishing Guide is a summary of Nebraska's regulations, orders and statutes pertaining to fishing. It is not intended to be a complete digest of regulations, orders and statutes. A complete listing may be found at:

Regulations and Orders:

outdoornebraska.org/regulations/

Statutes:

law.justia.com/codes/nebraska/2018/chapter-37/

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Wildcat Hills SRA	210615 Hwy. 71, Gering, NE 69341-0065	308-436-3777

2020 Season Dates

Season	Dates	More Info
Hook and Line	Year-round	Page 9
Paddlefish	Archery: June 1 - 30; Snagging: Oct. 1 - 31	Page 21
Underwater Spearfishing	July 1 - Dec. 31 statewide, except June 1 - Dec. 31 at Box Butte Reservoir and private waters	Page 18
Surface Spearfishing	Year-round for nongame fish only	Page 18
Archery	July 1 - Dec. 31 for game fish; Year-round for nongame fish	Page 18
Bullfrog	Aug. 15 - Oct. 31, east of Hwy. 81; Year-round, west of Hwy. 81	Page 11
Snapping turtle	Year-round	Page 11
Mussel	Year-round, no harvest in any river or stream	Page 11

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New for 2020

Trout – The daily bag and possession limits on cutthroat trout change from five and 12, respectively, to two and four, respectively, and only one fish in the bag can be 12 inches or longer. Cutthroats do not naturally reproduce in Nebraska and are produced in limited numbers in state fish hatcheries. The change is designed to spread fishing opportunity among more people by reducing individual harvest.

Striped Bass, White Bass, Wiper – No harvest of striped bass, white bass or wiper is allowed at Zorinsky Lake. This is designed to protect wipers and allow them to grow to a larger size.

Channel Catfish – The channel catfish daily bag limit at Merritt Reservoir and Calamus Reservoir shall include no more than one fish 30 inches or longer. This change is expected to protect larger fish at these reservoirs, which have experienced a reduction in overall size of catfish.

Muskellunge, Tiger Muskellunge – There is a 50-inch minimum length limit for muskellunge and tiger muskellunge at Merritt Reservoir. This is designed to protect large muskie and establish a destination location and trophy fishery at Merritt.

No Live Baitfish – The following areas are added to the list of waters where no live baitfish may be used or possessed: Conestoga, Duck Creek Recreation Area, Flanagan Lake, Glenn Cunningham, Stagecoach, Wehrspann, Melham Lake and Kirkpatrick Lake. See page 15.

Bullfrogs – West of U.S. Hwy. 81, bullfrogs may be taken without a size limit by hand, hand net, hook and line, archery and gig. See page 11.

Permits

WHO NEEDS A FISHING PERMIT?

A Nebraska permit is required of residents and nonresidents age 16 and over. Nonresidents under age 16 need not have a fishing permit if they are accompanied by someone who has a Nebraska fishing permit. A fishing permit is required to take, or attempt to take, fish, bullfrogs, snapping turtles, barred salamanders, or mussels by any legal method. An angler must carry the fishing permit while actively fishing.

RESIDENT PERMITS

The requirements to qualify as a Nebraska resident to buy a fishing permit:

- Reside in Nebraska continuously for at least 30 days before making application for a permit and intend to become a Nebraska resident.
- Residents in school in another state or stationed outside Nebraska as part of a military assignment that have maintained Nebraska as their state of legal residency.
- Active-duty military personnel and full-time students stationed or attending school in Nebraska for a period of at least 30 days.
- A new resident should be prepared to provide documentation of residency (driver's license, voter registration, etc.) to an officer when in possession of a permit.

NONRESIDENT PERMITS

A nonresident fishing permit is required of all people who are not Nebraska residents, except those listed above and those under 16 years of age who are accompanied by someone with a Nebraska fishing permit.

WHEN FISHING PERMIT IS NOT REQUIRED

Owners or their guests fishing on a private water body are not required to have a fishing permit if all of the following apply to that water: 1) is located entirely on private land, 2) is entirely privately stocked, 3) does not connect by inflow or outflow with any other water outside such land, and 4) is not operated on a commercial basis for profit. In addition, any licensed commercial put-and-take operation is exempt from a fishing permit.

MOBILE PERMITS

Nebraska hunt (small game), fish, resident fur harvest permits, and associated stamps may be purchased, accessed or displayed on a mobile device. The image of a mobile permit may be displayed and saved on a device such as a phone or tablet. Visit OutdoorNebraska.org for more information.

OTHER TYPES OF PERMITS

Fee-Exempt Permits – These are available to resident veterans who:

- are 50 percent disabled as a result of armed forces service
- receive a pension from the Veterans Administration as a result of a total and permanent disability not incurred in the line of duty while in military service
- obtained fee-exempt permits before Jan. 1, 2006

Veteran and Senior Permits – An annual fish/hunt permit is available for resident veterans age 64 and older and residents age 69 and older.

Special Fishing Permit – This annual permit is for physically or developmentally disabled residents who cannot cast or retrieve unassisted.

- This entitles the disabled person and one person assisting him or her to take, fish, catch, harvest, or possess any aquatic organism in compliance with state regulations.
- If the person assisting does not have a valid fishing permit, they are restricted to one daily bag limit between the two anglers.
- Disabled person is a person certified by a physician to have a permanent physical impairment or developmental disability that results in the inability to use fishing equipment unassisted.
- Applications are available from Game and Parks district offices and service centers, as well as the Omaha office and Schramm Education Center.

Fees for Permits and Stamps

Issue Fees – A \$3 issue fee is included on all fishing, fish/hunt, and paddlefish permits listed below EXCEPT veteran fish/hunt, senior fish/hunt, disabled, and deployed military permits.

Stamps – Aquatic Habitat Stamp included in price of all fishing permits listed below EXCEPT the following that do not require one: paddlefish, veteran fish/hunt, senior fish/hunt, and disabled permits.

RESIDENT FISH (includes \$3 issue fee, except *, ** includes \$7 nonrefundable application fee)

Fish, annual	\$38	Fish, 5-year	\$132 ³
Fish/Hunt, annual	\$52	Fish/Hunt, 3-year	\$191 ²
Fish, 1-day	\$10	Fish/Hunt, 5-year	\$285 ⁴
Fish, 3-day	\$31	Fish, lifetime (age 0-15)	\$616
** Paddlefish	\$33	Fish, lifetime (age 16-45)	\$710
*Deployed military, annual	\$5	Fish, lifetime (age 46-over)	\$616
*Veteran Fish/Hunt, annual	\$5	Fish/Hunt, lifetime (age 0-15)	\$859
*Senior Fish/Hunt, annual	\$5	Fish/Hunt, lifetime (age 16-45)	\$1,008
*Special disabled, annual	\$5	Fish/Hunt, lifetime (age 46-over)	\$859
Fish, 3-year	\$90.50 ¹		

NONRESIDENT FISH (includes \$3 issue fee, ** includes \$7 nonrefundable application fee)

Fish, annual	\$76	Fish/Hunt, 3-year	\$480 ²
Fish/Hunt, annual	\$159	Fish/Hunt, 5-year	\$710 ⁴
Fish, 1-day	\$13	Fish, lifetime (age 0-16)	\$929
Fish, 3-day	\$37	Fish, lifetime (age 17-over)	\$1,306
** Paddlefish	\$57	Fish/Hunt, lifetime (age 0-16)	\$1,600
Fish, 3-year	\$192.50 ¹	Fish/Hunt, lifetime (age 17-over)	\$2,391
Fish, 5-year	\$286 ³		

¹Includes 3-year Aquatic Habitat Stamp

²Includes 3-year Aquatic Habitat Stamp and Habitat Stamp

³Includes 5-year Aquatic Habitat Stamp

⁴Includes 5-year Aquatic Habitat Stamp and Habitat Stamp

NOTE: Nebraska Waterfowl Stamps may be purchased with 3- and 5-year Fish/Hunt permits

VEHICLE PARK ENTRY

Nebraska licensed:		Non-Nebraska licensed:	
Annual	\$30	Annual	\$45
Duplicate annual	\$15	Duplicate annual	\$22.50
Daily	\$6	Daily	\$8

Issue fees on park permits may apply.

BOATING (includes \$2 issue fee)

Nonresident Aquatic Invasive Species Stamp, annual	\$15
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Educational Fishing Project Permit – This may be obtained by instructors at any university, college, or high school from the Fisheries Division for his/her students, 16 years of age and older who are participating in an educational fishing project.

Paddlefish Permit – Required, along with a Nebraska fishing permit, for taking paddlefish by snagging or archery.

Salvage Permit – The permit allows for the salvage of fish from selected irrigation canals located in the Platte River, Republican River and Loup River drainages. Applications must be submitted to Game and Parks' North Platte district office or the Kearney service center. Live fish cannot be transported in water from a canal because of the potential for moving diseases and aquatic invasive species. Fish for consumption should be transported on ice.

PERMIT REVOCATION

Under Nebraska law, hunting and fishing privileges may be revoked for some game law and court-determined violations. This could include certain one-time offenses by individuals or repeated violations by habitual offenders. Any person whose privilege to hunt, fish or harvest fur has been suspended or revoked in another jurisdiction within the United States or Canada also shall be prohibited from obtaining a permit for such activity in Nebraska for the duration of the suspension.

BORDER WATERS

Anglers holding a Nebraska, South Dakota, Iowa, or Missouri sport fishing license may fish all waters of the Missouri River in the state they are licensed, as well as Missouri River waters of the state immediately across the river.

- Missouri River waters are defined to include all flowing portions and backwaters, sloughs and chutes that draw water from the Missouri River.
- Oxbows and backwaters separated from the Missouri River by land are included if the state boundary line passes through some part of such waters.
- Mouths of tributaries may be fished only in the state that the angler is licensed.
- Anglers may fish from either bank or boats.
- Anglers fishing in the state for which they do not hold a fishing permit must abide by the more restrictive of the two state's regulations.
- Iowa and Missouri resident anglers may fish waters of Hamburg Bend Wildlife Management Area and the Nebraska portion of the Missouri River from the chute entrance (adjacent to Iowa) to the chute exit (adjacent to Missouri).

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Fishing Regulations

HOOK-AND-LINE REGULATIONS

Hook-and-line fishing is allowed year-round throughout the state, except as noted or as posted at an area.

Definition of a Hook – One hook means a single, double or treble-pointed hook. All hooks attached to an artificial bait or lure shall be counted as one hook.

Ponds, Lakes or Reservoirs – Anglers are limited to no more than two lines, with a maximum of two hooks on each line, with these being any type of attached line (such as rod and reel or fishing pole) on all lakes, ponds or reservoirs or in their inlets, outlets and canals within one-half mile of these bodies of water, with the exception of ice-fishing line limits. This includes Lewis and Clark Lake from Gavins Point Dam upstream to the Santee boat ramp in Knox County.

Ice-Fishing – A total of five lines with two hooks on each line are permitted. Each line must be under direct supervision and within unaided observation of the angler. Holes made for ice-fishing may not exceed 10 inches in diameter on any area controlled or managed by Game and Parks, including U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service refuges. A special \$5 permit is required for a permanent shelter on state recreation areas and wildlife management area lakes. Applications and regulations are available from conservation officers or Game and Parks offices. This does not apply to temporary shelters used and removed each day.

Rivers or Streams – A total of 15 hooks are allowed, ranging from 15 lines each with a single hook attached, to three lines with a maximum of five hooks attached. These hook-and-line limits apply to anglers who must be one-half mile from any lake, pond or reservoir that is associated with that river or stream. These can be rods and reels, poles, bank lines, limb lines or setlines that are attached to a fixed object in a river, stream or canal and not free-floating. Jug lines are illegal and are defined as a free-floating line that contains fishing hooks entirely supported by flotation. All bank lines and setlines must contain the angler's name, address and fishing-permit number or driver's license number. Set and limb lines must be checked every 24 hours.

Removal of Bank Lines and Setlines – Upon completion of fishing, all bank lines and setlines must be removed. Within the boundaries of the Missouri National Recreational River, limb lines and setlines are prohibited within 200 feet of public boat landings or swimming areas.

SNAGGING

Snagging of paddlefish and nongame fish is permitted only in the Missouri River under season dates and limits specified in the Paddlefish and Snagging of Nongame Fish section. All other state waters are closed to snagging for all species at all times. All fish snagged accidentally or otherwise foul-hooked, must be returned to the water immediately.

Catch-and-Release Only

Species	Water Body
Striped bass, white bass and wiper	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Branched Oak Lake• Zorinsky Lake
Northern pike	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Lake Wanahoo
Channel and blue catfish	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Fort Kearny SRA No. 2• Two Rivers SRA Nos. 3 & 4• Wildwood Lake• Windmill SRA No. 3
Flathead catfish	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Branched Oak Lake
All species	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• West Brady• East Hershey• Flanagan Lake• Kea West• Jenny Newman Pond• Baright Lake

BAG, POSSESSION AND LENGTH LIMITS

Bag and possession limits may vary between “inland waters” and “waters of the Missouri River.” For this purpose only:

- “inland waters” include all waters of the state except the waters of the Missouri River
- “waters of the Missouri River” include all of the river along Nebraska’s border and all reservoirs, oxbows, sloughs, chutes, backwaters, and marshes that have annual surface water connection to the river and the first 300 yards upstream from the mouth of all tributary streams
- “statewide” includes all inland waters of the state and waters of the Missouri River

Culling – Any fish that is not to be counted in the daily bag limit must be returned immediately to the water with as little injury as possible. Any fish placed on a stringer or in a container, or not returned to the water must be counted in the bag. Culling and high-grading are not allowed.

Daily Bag Limit – The number of fish harvested from midnight to the following midnight taken by all legal methods combined. No person may possess more than one day’s bag limit of fish while on the water.

Restricted Species – It is unlawful to possess or transport any live white perch, black carp, silver carp, bighead carp, grass carp or yellow bass.

Possession Limit – The total number of fish that a person may possess in portable coolers, home freezers, registered in his/her name in a commercial cold storage locker, or in any way under their control. Fish or aquatic animals placed in public storage or transferred must be labeled with the owner’s name, address, phone number, date of birth, signature, date taken, species and numbers, and the name of recipient, if transferred.

How to Measure a Fish – Lay the fish on its side with its mouth closed and the tail lobes pressed together. With a yardstick or tape measure under the fish, measure the length from the tip of the snout to the end of the tail. Do not follow the contour of the fish.

Minimum Length Limit – A fish must be equal to or longer than the defined length to be legally harvested.

Maximum Length Limit – A fish must be shorter than the defined length to be legally harvested.

Protected Slot Limit – A range of lengths of a particular species that may not be harvested legally. For instance, a 20- to 28-inch protected slot limit on northern pike means that only northern pike less than 20 inches in length or greater than 28 inches may be harvested.

One-Over Length Bag Limits – For some species, such as black bass and walleye, the number of large fish that may be harvested may be limited on some or all waters. For example, while it may be legal to harvest four black bass more than 15 inches from a given lake, statewide regulations prohibit an angler from harvesting more than one black bass 21 inches or longer each day from any waters. Therefore, for lakes with a 21-inch minimum length limit on black bass, the daily bag limit becomes one fish.

IT IS UNLAWFUL TO ...

- borrow or use the permit of another or lend your permit to another
- leave dead fish or any part of one on the banks or in the water of any stream, lake or other body of water
- fish on any private land without landowner permission
- release into public waters of the state any fish that did not originate from that body of water, including the dumping of bait buckets.
- seine sport fish of any size
- leave fish in a trap for more than 24 hours
- attempt to snag fish, except in designated areas
- use limb lines or set lines in any pond, lake or reservoir
- catch fish by hand
- buy or attempt to buy a permit while under license suspension or revocation in any state
- keep an externally foul-hooked fish, except those legally snagged
- leave a water body with lake or river water present in a boat or container
- transport any fish or baitfish in water from any stream, river, pond or lake

Special Daily Bag Limits

Species	Limits	
Trout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two fish daily bag limit on the Soldier Creek Wilderness Area, including the Wood Reserve ponds and the middle and south forks of Soldier Creek Four fish allowed per tag, up to three tags allowed per day at Two Rivers SRA Trout Lake 	
Striped bass, White bass, Wiper	Daily bag limit of three (no more than one longer than 16 inches) at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Elwood Reservoir Willow Creek Reservoir Wagon Train Reservoir 	
Northern pike	Daily bag limit of 10 (only three can be over 22 inches in length and only one of those can be over 34 inches in length) at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Box Butte Reservoir 	Daily bag limit of 10 at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lake Minatare
Channel catfish	Daily bag limit of 10 at: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rivers, streams and canals Jeffrey Reservoir Lake Babcock Lake North Midway Canyon Reservoir Plum Creek Canyon Reservoir Gallagher Canyon Reservoir Johnson Lake Lake Maloney Lewis and Clark Lake Phillips Canyon Reservoir Sutherland Reservoir 	

Nonfish Species with Seasons

Species	Season Dates	Bag/Possession Limits	Method of Take	Notes
Bullfrog, East of U.S. Hwy. 81	Aug. 15 – Oct. 31	8/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May be taken only by hand, hand net or hook-and-line. Artificial light may be used. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Must measure 4½ inches from snout to vent or be released. Only the entrails may be removed before transport. No minimum length limit
Bullfrog, West of U.S. Hwy. 81	Year-round	8/16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May be taken by methods above, plus archery and gigging. Artificial light may be used. 	
Snapping turtle	Year-round	5/10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May be taken only by hand, hand net, hook-and-line, bow-and-arrow, gaff hook or legal trap. (Traps allowed only on private waters.) 	
Mussel	Year-round	10/20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> May be taken only by hand, hand net or hook-and-line. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All rivers and streams closed to harvest.

LENGTH LIMITS AND CLEANING OF FISH

Where length and bag limits apply, fish may not be filleted until fishing is completed for the day and anglers are off the water. Fish subject to bag and possession limits but not length limits, may be processed before transport if the fillets are kept in one piece until cooked, so the bag and possession limits can be determined. Fish species subject to a length limit may not be possessed with more than the gills, viscera and scales removed while on the water, wading or engaged in fishing. Any fish in possession while on the water will be subject to length and bag limits that apply to that water body. Once off the water, the fish may be filleted for transportation and storage.

Length Limits

Species	Limits
Black bass (largemouth, smallmouth and spotted)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily bag limit may contain only one 21 inches or longer, statewide • No minimum length limit on smallmouth bass on the NPPD Trailrace Canal starting at the State Farm Road bridge downstream to the confluence with the South Platte River. The daily bag limit of five can only have one bass 15 inches or longer in length. • 12-inch minimum on the Missouri River between Nebraska and Iowa, and between Nebraska and Missouri (NOTE: No length limit on all Missouri River waters bordering South Dakota) • 15-inch minimum on all inland waters, including DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge, Snyder Bend Lake and Lake Yankton • 21-inch minimum on waters as listed in the Public Fishing Areas section, and on private waters leased in the Open Fields and Waters, and PATH Fishing programs
Bullfrogs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4½-inch minimum (snout to vent), east of U.S. Hwy. 81
Channel catfish	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily bag limit may contain only one 30 inches or longer at Merritt Reservoir and Calamus Reservoir
Crappie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 10-inch minimum at Branched Oak Lake, Czechland Lake and Sherman Reservoir
Yellow perch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12-inch minimum at Rat and Beaver Lake
Muskellunge or Tiger muskie	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40-inch minimum, statewide, EXCEPT 50-inch minimum at Merritt Reservoir
Northern pike	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily bag limit may contain only one 34 inches or longer, statewide • 34-inch minimum at Alda DOT, Grove Lake, Cottonmill Lake, Hershey I-80 Lake, Red Willow Reservoir, Sherman Reservoir • Daily bag limit of 10 (only three can be over 22 inches in length and only one of those can be over 34 inches in length) at Box Butte Reservoir
Striped bass, white bass and their hybrids (combined)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily bag limit may include only one fish 16 inches or longer, inland waters
Walleye, sauger and saugeye	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daily bag limit may include only one walleye, sauger or saugeye 22 inches or longer on all inland waters • 15-inch minimum statewide, except for the portion of the Missouri River downstream of Gavins Point Dam (no minimum length) and the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Branched Oak Lake – daily bag limit is one walleye 22 inches or longer ▶ DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge – 15-inch minimum length ▶ Elwood Reservoir, Harlan County Lake, Merritt Reservoir – daily bag limit of four may include one from 15 to 18 inches and three longer than 18 inches or four longer than 18 inches. No more than one longer than 22 inches allowed in daily bag. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▶ Sherman Reservoir – daily bag limit can include two fish between 15 inches and not greater than 20 inches and one longer than 28 inches. There is a slot length limit protecting walleye ranging from 20 to 28 inches. ▶ Calamus Reservoir – daily bag limit may include two 15 to 18 inches in length and two over 18 inches, with no more than one 22 inches or greater.

Statewide Bag and Possession Limits

Species	Note	Bag	Possession
Rainbow and tiger trout	No more than one fish longer than 16 inches on all waters except the Sutherland Canal	5	12
Brown trout	No more than one fish longer than 16 inches in all waters	5	10
Brook and cutthroat trout	No more than one fish longer than 12 inches	2	4
Striped bass, white bass, wiper *	No more than one fish longer than 16 inches on inland waters	15	30
Walleye, sauger, saugeye *	In combination; only one fish 22 inches or longer allowed in daily bag; inland waters only	4	8
Muskellunge, tiger muskie *	Statewide minimum length limit of 40 inches	1	2
Baitfish, barred salamander, leopard frog	In combination	100	100
Shovelnose sturgeon	No harvest allowed on the Missouri River upstream from mouth of the Big Sioux River	10	20
Pallid sturgeon, lake sturgeon, bowfin, American eel	No harvest allowed		
Northern pike *	No more than one fish 34 inches or longer	3	10
Blue catfish *		1	2
Channel catfish *	Standing water (reservoirs, lakes, ponds and pits)	5	20
	Flowing water (rivers, streams and canals and listed reservoirs)	10	20
Flathead catfish *	No more than one fish longer than 30 inches allowed in daily bag limit on all waters	5	10
Panfish *	See species list on page 16	15	30
Mussel and clam	No harvest on rivers and streams, statewide	10	20
Bullfrog	See pages 11 and 12	8	16
Snapping turtle		5	10
Largemouth, smallmouth and spotted bass *	In combination; only one 21 inches or longer allowed in daily bag	5	10
Game fish and nongame fish species not listed		No Limit	
Waters of the Missouri River			
Paddlefish	Special permit required	2	2

* Refer to the Public Fishing Areas for special bag, possession and length limits on specific bodies of water, page 36. Also see tables on pages 9, 11 and 12.

Bait Regulations

Baitfish, listed amphibians and crayfish may not be sold, except by permit. For commercial purposes (bait dealers, private aquaculturists and nonresident fish dealers), refer to the regulations supplied with your permit. The following regulations apply only to bait obtained for personal use.

- It is unlawful to take baitfish, listed amphibians or crayfish from any public lake, reservoir or bayou unless otherwise stated below.
- Digging and trapping for bait or any other purpose is prohibited on all state-owned or controlled areas.
- It shall be unlawful for any individual or bait dealer to transport away from the river any live fish to be used for bait which has been collected on the Missouri River downstream below Gavins Point Dam to the Kansas border and all other rivers and streams located east of U. S. Hwy. 81 from the South Dakota border to York, north of Interstate 80 from York to Lincoln, and east of U. S. Hwy. 77 from Lincoln to the Kansas border. The use of baitfish seined by anglers from these rivers and streams may only be used at the body of water from which they were captured.
- Seining for baitfish, listed amphibians or crayfish is allowed on streams located on state recreation areas (SRA) and wildlife management areas (WMA) unless the stream is listed as closed.
- It is illegal to possess while fishing or use for bait Red Swamp Crayfish, White River Crayfish or Rusty Crayfish. If you suspect that you have either collected or purchased one of these species, bring them to a Game and Parks office.
- All non-baitfish taken while netting or seining for bait must be returned immediately to the waters from which taken.
- The bag and possession limit of baitfish and listed amphibians for personal use is 100.

NOTE: Anglers who seine their own baitfish must properly identify the fish species collected to avoid transfer of invasive species. It is illegal to dump baitfish or water from the seining location into a different water body as that could also transfer invasive species including fish diseases. Seined baitfish should be transported in domestic water to reduce the chance of transporting diseases or aquatic invasive species.

Gizzard Shad and Alewife – May be taken for use as bait by legal dip nets from lakes, ponds, reservoirs, and below dams and other artificial obstructions for a distance of 200 yards below such obstructions.

- Live shad and alewife may be used only in the body of water from which they were captured.
- Shad and alewife may be taken by legal seine or dip net in streams, except those streams closed to the taking of baitfish or bait by such method, but cannot be transferred alive and used in other waters.

Below Dams – The seining of baitfish, listed amphibians or crayfish is unlawful for a distance of 200 yards below any dam or spillway. In these waters, baitfish, listed amphibians and crayfish may be taken by legal baitfish dip nets for personal use only.

Restricted Species – It is unlawful to sell, transport or offer for sale as bait, any live carp, carpsucker, bullhead, buffalo, gar, quillback, gizzard shad or alewife. Live fish of those species may be used for bait only in the same waters from which they are legally taken. Dead carp, carpsucker, bullhead, buffalo, gar, quillback, gizzard shad or alewife may be transported for use as bait.

Sport fish may be used for bait if:

- they can be purchased from a bait dealer that have been acquired legally from a licensed aquaculturist or a nonresident fish dealer. The angler must keep a legible receipt or invoice from the dealer listing the date, seller's name and address, and number and size of each species sold.
- they are captured using hook and line and used at the body of water from which they were captured. Anglers must follow both the length and bag limits for that body of water.

Importation – It is unlawful for individuals to import live baitfish from out of state for use in inland waters. This does not include the Missouri River. It is unlawful to import or transport live carp, carpsucker, buffalo, quillback, gar, gizzard shad or alewife into the state for use as bait. Special permits are required for a person to import and sell bait or baitfish.

THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES

It is unlawful to take by seine, dip net or trap any baitfish in the following streams, which contain threatened and endangered fish species:

- Cherry County – Brush Creek west of Brownlee, and Gordon Creek west of Neb. Hwy. 61
- Dawes County – Niobrara River east of Box Butte Reservoir and west of U.S. Hwy. 385
- Keya Paha County – Cottonwood Creek, East Holt Creek and Holt Creek
- Madison County – Taylor Creek west of U.S. Hwy. 81

NO-LIVE-BAITFISH AREAS

The following areas do not allow the use or possession of live baitfish:

Southeast:

- Bennington Lake
- Conestoga Lake
- Duck Creek Recreation Area
- Flanagan Lake
- Glenn Cunningham Lake
- Hedgefield Lake
- Holmes Lake
- Iron Horse Trail Lake
- Lake Wanahoo
- Meadowlark Lake
- Olive Creek Lake
- Prairie Queen Recreation Area
- Stagecoach Lake
- Wehrspann Lake
- Wildwood Lake

- Yankee Hill Lake

Southwest:

- Ansley City Lake
- Arnold Lake
- Bethphage Pond
- Bowman Lake
- Cottonmill Lake
- Heartwell Park Pond
- Holdrege City North Lake
- Kirkpatrick Lake
- Lake Helen
- Melham Lake
- Plum Creek Park Lake
- Lincoln Park Pond
- North Platte I-80 Lake

- Ravenna Lake
- Victoria Spring Lake
- Yanney Park Lake

Northwest:

- Crescent Lake NWR
- Frye Lake
- Rat and Beaver Lake
- Valentine NWR

Northeast:

- Chalkrock Lake
- Kramper Lake
- Pibel Lake
- Skyview Lake
- TaHaZouka Park Pond
- Clear Lake (Brown County)

OTHER BAIT RESTRICTIONS

White Perch – It is illegal to transport or possess live white perch. The introduction of white perch into new bodies of water may destroy the quality of the fish community and may require the total renovation of the fishery.

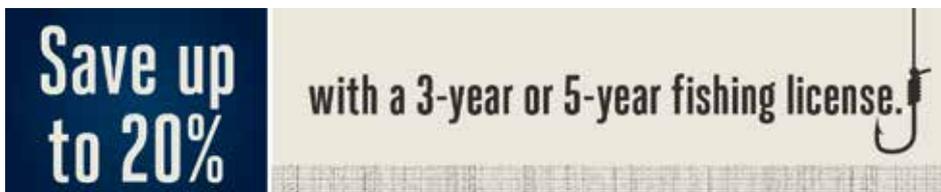
Dumping – It is illegal to release baitfish or any fish caught from a different body of water into public waters.

Exportation – Up to 100 legally captured baitfish and/or listed amphibians may be exported by a resident for personal use for fishing outside the state if allowed by the destination state. Licensed aquaculturists may transport an unlimited number of baitfish that have been artificially propagated in manmade impoundments out of state if allowed by the destination state.

Baits and Scents – Cutbait is legal if the fish used has been legally acquired and the size, bag and possession limits for that species and body of water have been followed. It also is legal to chum for fish using nonharmful baits. Anise oil and other scents that do not stun, kill or harm fish are permitted.

Leopard Frogs and Barred (formerly tiger) Salamanders – All regulations that cover the legal use of baitfish also apply to these species. Leopard frogs can only be collected for individual use, not commercial use.

Crayfish – There is no daily possession limit on crayfish. Anyone over the age of 16 must have a bait dealer's license in order to sell crayfish. Crayfish may be captured by hook and line, by hand or by legal fish nets and traps as described below. No permit is needed to collect for personal use.



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Fish Nets and Traps – The possession or use of nets, traps and electrical gear capable of stunning fish is prohibited except for the following:

- Baitfish seines of one-fourth inch nonmetallic square mesh only and not more than 20 feet long and four feet deep.
- Baitfish dip nets of one-fourth inch, nonmetallic square mesh. Neither length nor width may exceed 36 inches.
- Baitfish and bait traps of one-fourth inch square mesh material with a length of 24 inches or less, a diameter of 16 inches or less and a throat 2¼ inches or less in diameter. All minnow traps shall be raised, and the baitfish removed at least every 24 hours.
- Landing nets, made of nonmetallic mesh, used only for landing fish caught on hook-and-line.

Turtle Traps – A legal snapping turtle trap must contain a throat or funnel to be constructed of netting that is at least 4 inches square mesh. The trap must have an entrance possible only from above the water’s surface and must allow turtles to reach the surface to breathe. The trap must be personally checked at least every 24 hours and tagged with a metal tag listing the owner’s name, address, and fishing permit number or driver’s license number. Turtle traps can only be used on private waters and it is unlawful to sell, offer for sale or barter any snapping turtles. Any turtle(s) exceeding the daily bag limits shall be released immediately.

Categories of Fish Species

GAME FISH				
Sport Fish: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all sunfish hybrids • American eel • black crappie • blue catfish • bluegill • brook trout • brown trout 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • burbot • channel catfish • chinook salmon • cutthroat trout • flathead catfish • goldeye • grass pickerel • green sunfish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • largemouth bass • muskellunge • northern pike • orangespotted sunfish • paddlefish • pumpkinseed • rainbow trout 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • redear sunfish • rock bass • sauger • saugeye • shovelnose sturgeon • skipjack herring • smallmouth bass 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • spotted bass • striped bass • striped bass hybrid (wiper) • tiger muskellunge • tiger trout • walleye • white bass • white crappie
Panfish: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all sunfish hybrids • black crappie 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bluegill • green sunfish • hybrid crappie 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • orangespotted sunfish • pumpkinseed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • redear sunfish • rock bass 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • white crappie • yellow perch
Sunfish: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • all sunfish hybrids 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • bluegill • green sunfish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • orangespotted sunfish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pumpkinseed 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • redear sunfish
Commercial Fish:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • black bullhead 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • freshwater drum 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • yellow perch 	
Baitfish: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • alewife • bigmouth shiner • brassy minnow • creek chub 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • devil crayfish* • emerald shiner • fathead minnow • gizzard shad • golden shiner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • goldfish • longnose dace • northern crayfish* • papershell crayfish* • plains killifish 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • red shiner • ringed crayfish* • river shiner • sand shiner • stoneroller 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • suckermouth minnow • barred salamander* • white sucker <p>* covered under baitfish regulations</p>
THREATENED AND ENDANGERED SPECIES				
Illegal to possess: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • blacknose shiner 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • finscale dace • lake sturgeon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • northern redbelly dace • pallid sturgeon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • pearl dace • sturgeon chub 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Topeka shiner
NONGAME FISH				
Includes all species not on any of the above lists.				

CAST NETS

- Only cast nets up to 10 feet in diameter with a mesh size no larger than three-eighths inches square measure are legal gear.
- Cast nets may be used only during July, August, September, October and November.
- Cast nets may be used to collect gizzard shad and alewife only.
- Live gizzard shad and alewife may only be used for bait the same day they were captured and only in the same body of water where they were collected.
- Cast nets may be used to collect bait only on the following bodies of water:

Northeast:

- Calamus Reservoir
- Davis Creek Reservoir

Southwest:

- Elwood Reservoir
- Farwell South Reservoir
- Gallagher Canyon Reservoir
- Harlan County Reservoir

- Johnson Lake
- Midway complex reservoirs
- Phillips Canyon Reservoir
- Plum Creek Reservoir
- Sherman Reservoir
- Enders Reservoir
- Jeffrey Reservoir
- Lake Maloney
- Medicine Creek Reservoir

- Lake McConaughy
- Red Willow Reservoir
- Sutherland Reservoir
- Swanson Reservoir
- Tri-County Canal from the diversion dam in Lincoln County to the J-2 return

FISH STOCKING

It is unlawful to release any non-native fish, reptile or amphibian in waters of the state or to release any fish in any public waters in the state except in those waters from which it came, without written authorization from the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

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Archery and Spearfishing

ARCHERY AND SURFACE SPEARFISHING

- Game fish may be taken by archery statewide from July 1 through Dec. 31 from sunrise to sunset.
- Game fish must meet the length limit requirements for the water body from which they were harvested, as well as daily bag limits and possession limits.
- Game fish may not be taken with surface spears.
- Nongame fish may be taken by archery or surface spear statewide 24 hours a day year-round.
- Note the closed area below Gavins Point Dam during the archery paddlefish season.
- Use of crossbows is illegal in the area from the Gavins Point Dam downstream to the U.S. Hwy. 81 bridge.
- Artificial lights are allowed.
- Only hand-drawn longbows (including compound bows) and crossbows (designed to be shoulder fired) are legal.
- Arrows may have only one point, which must be barbed, and must be attached by a line to the bow at the time the arrow is released.
- For surface spearing, only hand spears are legal.
- The following waters are closed year-round: Platte River State Park, Eugene T. Mahoney State Park, and other park areas as posted.

UNDERWATER SPEARFISHING

Lawful spear guns include hand spears, rubber band-powered spear guns, compressed air spear guns, and spring-loaded spear guns. All spears used on powered spear guns must be attached to a shooting line no more than 20 feet long. Underwater spearfishing is not permitted within 100 yards of any designated swimming or water-ski jump area, boat dock, boat ramp, or spillway.

Seasons – The season for game fish is July 1 through Dec. 31 in waters listed below, except *Box Butte Reservoir and private waters, which starts on June 1. Bag, possession and length limits are the same as for hook and line. Hours are sunrise to sunset. The season for nongame fish is year-round in waters listed below. There are no size, bag or possession limits for nongame fish species. Hours are sunrise to sunset.

Waters Open to All Species – All privately-owned lakes are open, with permission of the owner, as well as:

- Lake McConaughy
- Lake Ogallala
- Lake Minatare
- Box Butte Reservoir *
- Lewis and Clark Lake
- Harlan County Reservoir
- Enders Reservoir
- Elwood Reservoir
- Red Willow Reservoir
- Medicine Creek
- Sutherland Reservoir
- Maloney Reservoir
- Jeffrey Reservoir
- Johnson Reservoir
- Sherman Reservoir
- Swanson Reservoir
- Merritt Reservoir
- Calamus Reservoir

Waters Open to Nongame Fish Species Only:

Buffalo County

- Union Pacific SRA
- War Axe SRA
- Bassway Strip WMA
- Bufflehead WMA
- Kea Lake WMA
- Kea West WMA
- East Odessa WMA

Blue Hole West WMA

- North Kearney Rest Stop

Dawson County

- Dogwood WMA
- Cozad WMA
- Cozad West WMA
- Willow Island WMA
- East Gothenburg WMA

Hall County

- Cheyenne SRA
- Wood River West WMA
- Alda DOR

Buffalo County

- Sandy Channel SRA



Diver's Flag – A diver's flag must be displayed on the water on a float or buoy when diving or underwater spearfishing. Divers and underwater spearfishers must remain within 150 feet of the flag. The flag must be at least 12 inches square, with a red background and white diagonal stripe that is one-fifth the width of the flag. The white stripe must run from the top of the hoist to the bottom of the flag. It is unlawful to display this flag when diving or spearfishing is not in progress.

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Trout Waters

It is unlawful to possess a seine of any type on trout streams in Sioux, Scotts Bluff, Morrill, Garden, and Keith counties that are tributaries of the North Platte River and Lake McConaughy, including:

- Red Willow
- Wildhorse
- Stuckenhole
- Ninemile
- Tub Springs
- Winter
- Sheep
- Dry Sheep
- Spotted Tail
- Dry Spotted Tail
- Otter
- Clear
- Lonergan
- Cedar creeks

Legal landing nets on these waters can have a maximum diameter of 12 inches, a maximum depth of 15 inches and a maximum handle length of 3 feet.

It is unlawful for anyone to use a seine, baitfish dip net or bait trap in any of the following trout streams:

NORTHEAST:

Rock County

- Long Pine Creek

Antelope County

- Verdigre Creek/tributaries

Brown County

- Bone Creek/tributaries
- Long Pine Creek/tributaries
- Fairfield Creek
- Plum Creek/tributaries

Holt County

- Steel Creek
- North, Middle and South branches of Verdigre Creek

Loup County

- Gracie Creek

Knox County

- North, Middle and South branches of Verdigre Creek/tributaries above town of Verdigre
- Steel Creek

NORTHWEST:

Box Butte County

- Niobrara River

Cherry County

- Middle Loup River/tributaries
- North Loup River/tributaries
- Schlager Creek
- Snake River/tributaries
- Plum Creek/tributaries
- Fairfield Creek

Cheyenne County

- Lodgepole Creek west of Brownson

Dawes County

- Chadron Creek
- Big Bordeaux Creek
- Little Bordeaux Creek
- Dead Horse Creek
- Squaw Creek
- White Clay Creek
- White River above Crawford
- Niobrara River from Box Butte Reservoir west to Wyoming border/tributaries (no seining below Box Butte Reservoir downstream to U.S. Hwy. 385)

Garden County

- Blue Creek

Hooker County

- Dismal River/tributaries

Keith County

- Otter Creek
- Whitetail Creek
- Lonergan Creek/tributaries

Kimball County

- Lodgepole Creek/tributaries

Morrill County

- Red Willow Creek
- Cedar Creek
- Greenwood Creek
- Wildhorse Creek
- Lawrence Fork Creek
- Silvermail Drain
- Indian Creek
- Stuckenhole Creek
- Pumpkin Creek below Hwy. 88

Scotts Bluff County

- Ninemile Creek

- Winters Creek
- Tub Springs
- Wet Spotted Tail Creek
- Dry Spotted Tail Creek
- Sheep Creek
- Dry Sheep Creek
- Stuckenhole Creek
- Akers Draw
- Mitchell Drain
- Moffat Drain
- Alliance Drain
- Bayard Drain

Sheridan County

- Snake River
- Larabee Creek
- White Clay Creek
- Pine Creek
- Deer Creek
- Little Bordeaux Creek

Sioux County

- Sheep Creek Drain
- Dry Sheep Creek Drain
- Dry Spotted Tail Creek
- Spotted Tail Creek
- Sowbelly Creek
- White River
- Soldier Creek/tributaries
- Monroe Creek
- Hat Creek
- Niobrara River/tributaries

SOUTHWEST:

Webster County

- Elm Creek

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Paddlefish Regulations

PERMITS

- One person may have no more than two Nebraska archery permits and two Nebraska snagging permits per year.
- Permits and their accompanying tags are nontransferable.
- Permits are issued using a preference system. The applicant will receive a preference point if he or she is unsuccessful in being awarded a permit. **Nonrefundable fee due at time of application: \$7.**
- A person who does not apply at least once during five consecutive years will lose all accumulated points.
- Application must have valid email address provided to assist in contacting on draw results.

Buddy Applications – Buddy permits are for two applicants only. Applicants must be either both residents or both nonresidents. If there is a difference in preference points, the applications will be assigned to the applicant with the lowest preference points.

APPLICATION PERIODS

Archery permit: March 1-14

Permits remaining following the first drawing will be sold on first-come, first-served basis beginning at 1 p.m. Central Time on the third Monday in April.

Snagging permit: July 1-14

Permits remaining following the first drawing will be sold on first-come, first-served basis beginning at 1 p.m. Central Time on the third Monday in August.

NOTE: All application periods begin at 1 p. m. Central Time. Mailed applications must be received in the Lincoln office by 5 p.m. on the last day of the application period. Online applications end at midnight.

ARCHERY PADDLEFISH

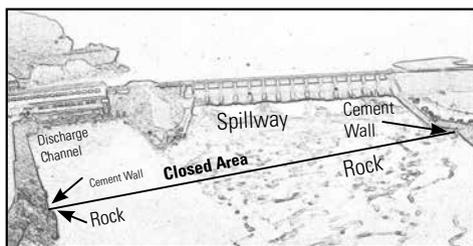
Paddlefish may be taken by bow and arrow and possessed in a designated area of the Missouri River only during the season.

Season – June 1-30

Legal Hours – sunrise to sunset

Open Area – The open area is from Gavins Point Dam downstream to the mouth of the Big Sioux River at mile marker 734.

Closed Area – The area extending downstream from Gavins Point Dam to a line extending from the east end of the south cement wall of the discharge channel northwest to the east end of the north wall of the spillway is closed to archers. The area downstream of this line is open to archers taking game and nongame fish during the appropriate seasons. During the archery paddlefish season, that portion of the tailwaters from Gavins Point Dam downstream to a line that extends from the east end of the south cement wall of the discharge channel northwest to the east end of the north wall of the stilling basin is closed to archers. The use of crossbows is not allowed in the area from the Gavins Point Dam downstream to the U.S. Highway 81 bridge.



NOTE: From the open area below Gavins Point Dam to 0.6 miles downstream, archers may harvest paddlefish if they possess a valid Nebraska resident or Nebraska nonresident archery paddlefish permit as well as a valid Nebraska fishing permit or a South Dakota resident archery paddlefish permit. A South Dakota nonresident fishing permit/tag is not valid in this area. In the remainder of the river open to archery paddlefish, South Dakota nonresident archery paddlefish permits are valid.

Requirements – All paddlefish archery anglers must have in their possession a paddlefish tag and a Nebraska fishing permit, if required. Applicants for tags must be 12 years old by June 1.

Tag limit – Each angler may have no more than two tags.

SNAGGING PADDLEFISH

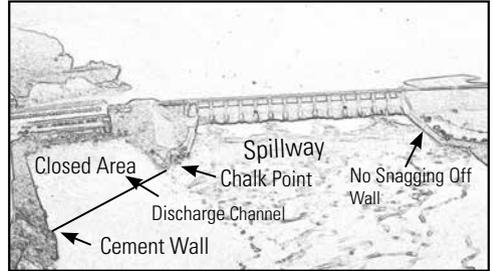
Snagging of paddlefish and nongame fish in the Missouri River is permitted from the Gavins Point Dam downstream to the mouth of the Big Sioux River at mile marker 734.

Season – Oct. 1-31

Legal Hours – 7 a.m. to 7 p.m.

Closed Area – The area extending downstream from Gavins Point Dam to a line extending from the east end of the south cement wall of the discharge channel northwest to the east end of the chalk point is closed to snagging. Also:

- Snagging off the north wall of the spillway is prohibited.
- All inland waters are closed to paddlefish harvest.



Requirements – Snaggers must have in their possession an unfilled paddlefish tag while actively snagging, in addition to a valid fishing permit, if required. From Gavins Point Dam to 0.6 miles downstream, snaggers must possess a valid Nebraska resident or Nebraska nonresident snagging permit or a South Dakota resident snagging permit. A South Dakota nonresident fishing permit/tag is not valid in this area. In the remainder of the river open to snagging, South Dakota nonresident permits are valid.

Possession – Paddlefish harvested by snagging may be possessed only on the Missouri River during the open season in the designated open area.

Minimum Age – Applicants must be 12 years old by Oct. 1 to be eligible to apply for a snagging permit.

Hooks – Only one hook may be used when snagging, and the gap between the point of the hook and the shank may not exceed one-half inch.

Bag and Possession Limits – The daily bag and possession limits are the total number of tags issued to an individual.

Casting and Hooking – All paddlefish anglers are required to cast for and hook their own fish.

Length Limit – All paddlefish between 35 and 45 inches long (measured along the centerline of the fish, lying flat, from the front margin of the eye to the natural fork of the tail), must be returned to the water immediately.

Gaff Hook – It is unlawful to use a gaff hook or other penetrating device while landing snagged paddlefish.

SPILLWAY GATES WARNING: If the spillway gates are in operation, boating may be restricted in the tailwater area by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

TAGGING, CLEANING AND TRANSPORTATION

A paddlefish must be tagged immediately in the dorsal fin with the angler's tag upon addition to the creel. Any paddlefish tag that is locked before attachment, altered or modified shall be void and will not be replaced. Anglers harvesting a paddlefish are allowed to process the fish down to two whole fillets after completion of the fishing trip and upon leaving the Missouri River with both the closed paddlefish tag and paddlefish permit remaining with the fillets.

Application for Paddlefish Permit

Paddlefish Archery Permit

Paddlefish Snagging Permit

First name

Middle initial

Last name

Address - Street / P.O. Box / Rural Route and Box Number

City

State

ZIP

Daytime Telephone (required)

Social Security Number (last 4 digits)

Date of birth MONTH/DAY/YEAR

Sex:

Hair color:

Eye color:

Height:

ft.

in.

Weight:

Buddy permit (attach second application form and fee in the same envelope)

Buddy Name

Email address (required)

- Nonrefundable application fee of \$7 is due at the time of entry.
- Applicant must be 12 years old by June 1 to apply for an archery permit and by October 1 to apply for a snagging permit.
- Draw results will be available for archery by March 20 and snagging by July 20.
- Successful applicants will be notified via email and have until April 5 for archery and Aug. 5 for snagging to pay for the permit online or at a Commission district office or service center. The permit will not be printed at the time of payment but mailed before the season begins.
- Visit <https://npgc-home.ne.gov>, log in to your profile, and select "My Profile" to pay for your awarded permit.
- Permit fee due if successful in the draw. Residents \$26, Nonresident \$50.
- Nonpayment of an awarded permit will result in a forfeiture of the permit and any bonus or preference points.

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Additional Information

ATVs AND SNOWMOBILES FOR ICE-FISHING

Snowmobiles, all-terrain and motorized off-highway amphibious vehicles may be operated on the frozen surface of designated lakes listed below, unless posted as closed. All wildlife management areas are open to ATVs and snowmobiles on the ice, unless posted otherwise. These vehicles may be operated only from one-half hour before sunrise until 9 p.m., or as posted. Recommended ice thickness for vehicle use is eight inches. The designated lakes are, unless posted as closed:

- Big Alkali
- Bluestem
- Box Butte
- Branched Oak
- Calamus
- Conestoga
- Cottonwood-Steverson
- Davis Creek Reservoir
- Elwood
- Enders
- Fremont lakes
- Frye Lake
- Gallagher Canyon
- Harlan County
- Home Valley
- Johnson
- Lewis and Clark
- Louisville lakes
- Maloney
- McConaughy
- Medicine Creek
- Merritt
- Minatare
- Ogallala
- Olive Creek
- Oliver
- Pawnee
- Red Willow
- Rockford
- Shell
- Sherman
- Smith Lake WMA
- Stagecoach
- Sutherland
- Summit
- Swanson
- Wagon Train
- Walgren
- Willow (Brown Co.)
- Willow Creek

FREE FISHING AND PARK ENTRY DAY - MAY 16, 2020

Free Fishing and Park Entry Day is held annually on the Saturday before Memorial Day weekend. It is intended to attract those who no longer fish or who have never fished with an opportunity to do so without purchasing a permit. All bag and length limits are still in effect. Also, no permit is needed to enter a state park area.

COMMUNITY FISHING EVENTS

The Nebraska Game and Parks Youth Fishing Program sponsors Community Fishing Events at community and recreation area lakes across the state. This is an opportunity for people who have never fished, or have not fished in years, to learn or refresh their skills. Visit OutdoorNebraska.gov/FamilyFishing for dates and locations of Community Fishing Events.

FISH KILL REPORTS

To make it easier to determine the cause, promptly report dead or dying fish to a conservation officer, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission district office, the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy at 402-471-2186, or the 24-hour Nebraska State Patrol pollution complaint number at 402-479-4921.

POLLUTION

Keep the water safe and clean for future fishing. Report dumping or pollution activities to the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.) at 402-471-2186, the 24-hour Nebraska State Patrol pollution complaint number at 402-479-4921, or the Environmental Protection Agency 24 hours a day at 913-281-0991.

RESOURCES FOR LAKE MAPPING AND WATER LEVELS

Lake contour maps are available at OutdoorNebraska.org. For lake levels and stream flows, visit:

CNPPID: cnppid.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/lakeRiverData.html

Nebraska Public Power District: nppd.com/about-us/power-plants-facilities/hydroelectric/water-data/

U.S. Geological Survey: waterdata.usgs.gov/ne/nwis/rt

Bureau of Reclamation: usbr.gov/gp/lakes_reservoirs/nebraska_lakes.html

Farwell Irrigation District: farwellid.org/sherman%20reservoir.html

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers: rivergages.mvr.usace.army.mil/WaterControl/new/layout.cfm

nwd-mr.usace.army.mil/rcc/current.html

FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORY

For information on the fish consumption advisory program and the status of water bodies across the state go to the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy website: deq.ne.gov/NDEQProg.nsf/OnWeb/FCA.

FISHING TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM

Please print or type.

Organizer (club, sponsor or individual):

Organizer address:

Phone:

Email Address:

About the Tournament

Location:

Dates:

Hours:

Tournament date may be denied due to conflict with previously approved event.

Species counted for tournament scoring:

- | | |
|----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 2. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 4. _____ |
| 5. _____ | 6. _____ |
| 7. _____ | 8. _____ |
| 9. _____ | 10. _____ |

Disposition (please check one):

- Fish will be measured at boat and released
- Weighed in and then released *
- Weighed in and then harvested *
- Other (explain) _____

Awards will be based on (check one):

- Longest fish Heaviest fish Heaviest total catch
- Combination of number and length of fish
- Other (explain) _____

*Tournament must follow all length and bag limit regulations for that specific water body.
No culling or high-grading allowed

Fisheries Division

Send to:

Nebraska Game and Parks Commission
PO Box 30370
Lincoln, NE 68503-0370

TOURNAMENTS, CONTESTS AND DERBIES

Registration – All fishing tournaments, derbies or contests that require an entry fee, on publicly owned, controlled or managed waters, must be registered with Game and Parks' Fisheries Division at least 45 days before the event. In addition, it is strongly suggested that all fishing tournaments, including those that do not charge an entry fee, register in order to avoid user conflicts. Download a registration form at OutdoorNebraska.gov.

Special Occasion Permit – If the tournament is to be held at a state park or state recreation area, also contact the park superintendent to complete a Special Occasion Permit.

Denial – An event may be denied if the date and location conflict with a previously approved event. Denial also may be based on safety concerns due to low water or anticipated heavy use that could result in boat ramp congestion or if tournament organization does not follow all tournament registration and invasive species rules.

Special Conditions – Game and Parks may impose special conditions for a fishing tournament, derby or contest if deemed necessary to protect the resource or to assure public safety. Special conditions may include aerated livewells, release of live fish, designated release areas, on-the-water measurements, and immediate release of fish with no on-shore weigh-in ceremony. Tournament directors will be provided instructions on how to operate their tournament to reduce mortality in no harvest/weigh-in tournaments. All watercraft are required to adhere to the Clean, Drain and Dry protocol before launching to ensure that no aquatic invasive species are being transported from another body of water.

Certificate – A Fishing Tournament Approval Certificate must be present at the tournament site.

Posted Dates – The tournament dates will be listed at OutdoorNebraska.gov/fishingtournaments.

Results – A results form will be sent to the tournament director. This form must be completed and returned to the Fisheries Division within 30 days following the completion of the fishing tournament. Failure to return the completed form or provide the requested information will result in denial of future fishing-tournament requests for at least one year.

Tagged Fish – The use of tagged or otherwise marked fish is prohibited in any fishing tournament, derby or contest held on waters owned or controlled and stocked by Game and Parks during the preceding 24 months, excluding private lakes not owned by the state or other governmental entity.

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Aquatic Invasive Species

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES PROGRAM

The Aquatic Invasive Species Program focuses on the education of the public about aquatic invasive species (AIS). It aims to prevent the introduction of AIS into Nebraska through such efforts as monitoring state waters, inspecting and decontaminating conveyances, and treating for AIS populations.

Fees – The program is funded by a \$5 fee added to resident boat registrations and a \$15 annual nonresident Aquatic Invasive Species Stamp.

Aquatic Invasive Species – Any waterborne, non-native organism that threatens the diversity or abundance of native species, the ecological stability of impacted waters, or commercial, agricultural, aquacultural or recreational activities.

Impact – Invasive species may cause significant ecological problems because they have been introduced into habitat in which there are no natural pathogens, parasites or predators. Lack of these natural controls may allow a nuisance species to grow exponentially in new habitat. Introduced nuisance species may prey upon or compete with native species and could transmit diseases to native species.

Preventive Steps – Anglers and boaters should take precautions to prevent the introduction or spread of invasive species. This is especially important to boaters who travel to waters that have invasive species not present in any Nebraska waters. Follow these procedures:

- It is unlawful for a boat to arrive at or leave any body of water in Nebraska with water other than from a domestic source except for fire-fighting purposes. Drain water on site before leaving an area and allow the boat to dry before launching again.
- It is unlawful for a boat or trailer to arrive or leave a launch area with any aquatic vegetation from that water body still attached. Boat blinds cannot use plants listed as invasive species or noxious weeds.
- Wash mud off waders. Felt-sole wading boots are not allowed.
- These steps are intended to prevent or delay the establishment of aquatic invasive species in Nebraska waters.

Clean, Drain and Dry – Zebra and quagga mussels can survive out of water for up to two weeks. After boating and before launching your boat in a different water body:

- Rinse boat and all equipment with hot tap water, ideally more than 140 degrees F, to kill zebra and quagga mussels. Vinegar can also be used to kill young zebra and quagga mussels, especially in live wells.
- Spray boat, live well, engine and trailer with a high-pressure sprayer.
- If washing the boat away from the water body you are leaving, do not allow runoff to enter a drainage. Control your runoff.
- Pull plugs from bilge, live wells, watercraft and tilt engine to drain upon leaving a water body.
- Dry boat and all equipment for at least five days. Use a towel to speed up the drying process.

NONRESIDENT AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES STAMP

Motorized watercraft registered outside of Nebraska are required to purchase and display the Aquatic Invasive Species Stamp before launching from any Nebraska boat ramp.

The \$15 fee for the decal-like stamp includes a \$2 issuing fee.

The stamp can be purchased at

OutdoorNebraska.gov or at Commission offices. The stamp must be permanently affixed to the starboard and rearward side of the boat, on the outside of the hull above the water line.



List of Aquatic Invasive Species – Among those species of immediate concern to Nebraska are:

- Asian clam
- Bighead carp
- Creeping water primrose
- Curlyleaf pondweed
- Eurasian water milfoil
- Quagga mussel
- New Zealand mud snail
- Phragmites
- Purple loosestrife
- Red swamp crayfish
- Rusty crayfish
- Salt cedar
- Silver carp
- Snakehead
- Spiny water flea
- Viral hemorrhagic septicemia (disease)
- White perch
- White River crayfish
- Zebra mussel
- Brittle naiad

List of Water Bodies That Contain Zebra Mussels – Populations of zebra mussels are present in these Nebraska waters. It is illegal to leave these infested areas with live fish or any water. Live baitfish need to be disposed of properly such as at the fish cleaning station, restroom or undeveloped areas.

- Offutt Base Lake
- Lewis and Clark Lake
- Missouri River
- Lake Yankton

Transportation and Possession – It is unlawful to possess or transport live black carp, silver carp, bighead carp, grass carp, white perch and yellow bass.

Learn More – For more information about AIS, visit: neinvasives.com.

LEWIS AND CLARK SRA BOAT-CLEANING STATION

A waterless boat-cleaning station is available at Lewis and Clark State Recreation Area's Weigand Marina. It is located in the same parking lot as the fish-cleaning station, and is available for free to all recreational boaters. The unit has a vacuum, air blower, brush and hand tools for removing any vegetation from watercraft. The vacuum and blower system allows boaters to clean and dry all livewell and water lines to prevent the spread of zebra mussels.



DON'T MOVE A FISH!

Ask any fisheries biologist around the country about the threats to our fisheries resources and you will receive a list of replies that includes invasive species.

Invasive species can be anything from fish diseases to plankton, mussels, aquatic plants and undesirable fish species. Even sportfish like largemouth bass, walleye and northern pike in the wrong place can be invasive species! Unfortunately, there are many examples of unwanted species of fish in places where they should not be. Far too many humans illegally transport them from one body of water to another. At the least, unwanted fish species crowd and compete with desirable fish. At the worst, they may threaten the collapse of entire fisheries.

The unauthorized release of any fish or aquatic organism into any public body of water is illegal and irresponsible. Millions of angler dollars are spent each year in Nebraska and other states trying to eliminate or control undesirable species. The fishing that is ruined by "bucket biologists" and their illegal fish stockings might be yours! If you know of any such activity, call Nebraska Wildlife Crimestoppers, 1-800-742-7627.

State Records and Master Anglers

If you make an outstanding catch, it may qualify for either a Nebraska Game and Parks Commission State Record or a Master Angler Award. Application forms are available from: Game and Parks offices, conservation officers, permit vendors, OutdoorNebraska.gov/fisheriesforms, and this guide.

STATE RECORD RULES

- Fish must be caught in accordance with Nebraska fishing regulations by rod and reel, underwater spearfishing, surface spearing, or archery and must be taken from Nebraska waters.
- Fish must be weighed on an accredited or certified scale. A commercial measuring tape or stick should be used to measure the fish.
- Only fish that exceed the current record by at least one ounce are eligible for a state record.
- Two witnesses, one of which must be a permanent employee of Game and Parks, must witness the weighing and measuring of the fish and sign the application. The angler must display a Nebraska fishing permit to the Game and Parks employee who witnesses the weight.
- One clear photograph showing a close-up side view of the fish and one clear photograph showing the angler with the fish must accompany the completed application. All photographs become the property of Game and Parks.
- A Game and Parks fisheries biologist must verify the species of fish, and the fish must be preserved flat until the species is verified.
- Game and Parks may collect fish scales, tissue or spine samples to check fish identification and to refuse any questionable application.
- Game and Parks may revoke a state record if the record holder is found in possession of illegal fishing gear or has been cited for repeated fishing violations that cast suspicion on the authenticity of the record catch.
- No fish caught from any aquaculture or commercial put-and-take facility is eligible.
- Applications must be submitted within 30 days of the date the fish was caught.

MASTER ANGLER RULES

- A fish need not be harvested or verified by a Game and Parks employee to receive a Master Angler.
- All fish must be taken from Nebraska waters.
- If a fish is caught from private waters, a valid fishing permit is required to receive the award.
- Fish must be taken by hook-and-line, not bank lines or set lines.
- Fish must be legally hooked, played and landed by the applicant.
- The catch must be verified by a Game and Parks employee, a permit vendor, a witness, or a photograph.
- Anglers 16 years of age or older must possess a valid Nebraska fishing permit and enter the permit number on the application.
- Only fish immediately released are eligible for an award based on length. Any fish kept in a livewell or on a stringer must meet the minimum weight requirement.
- Anglers may receive only one award based on weight per year for each species. Catch-and-release awards are unlimited.
- Anglers who release a Master Angler fish will receive a Catch and Release Master Angler pin in addition to the Master Angler certificate.

SPECIES	MASTER ANGLER		STATE RECORDS			
	(Minimums) lbs. OR in.		Rod and Reel	Bow and Arrow	Underwater Powered Spearfishing	Surface Spearfishing
New state records denoted in bold.						
Alewife	—	—	3.5 oz.	2 oz.	1 oz.	—
Largemouth Bass	5	20	10 lbs. 11 oz.	8 lbs. 14 oz.	7 lbs. 4 oz.	—
Rock Bass	1	11	2 lbs. 4 oz.	1 lb. 6 oz.	1 lbs. 4 oz.	—
Smallmouth Bass	3	18	7 lbs. 4 oz.	3 lbs. 9 oz.	5 lbs. 12.5 oz.	—
Spotted Bass	3	18	3 lbs. 12 oz.	2 lbs. 6 oz.	2 lbs. 7 oz.	—
Striped Bass	10	32	64 lbs. 15 oz.	8 lbs. 5 oz.	26 lbs. 15.5 oz.	—
Striper Hybrid	8	24	20 lbs. 1 oz.	15 lbs. 9 oz.	16 lbs. 2 oz.	—
White Bass	2.5	17	5 lbs.	3 lbs.	1 lb. 13 oz.	—
Yellow Bass	—	—	1 lb. 7 oz.	—	—	—
Bowfin	—	—	8 lbs.	—	—	—
Bigmouth Buffalo	10	26	64 lbs.	56 lbs. 6 oz.	30 lbs. 7 oz.	33 lbs. 3 oz.
Black Buffalo	10	26	41 lbs.	7 lbs. 15 oz.	27 lbs.	36 lbs. 12 oz.
Smallmouth Buffalo	10	26	56 lbs. 3 oz.	60 lbs. 2 oz.	23 lbs. 13 oz.	12 lbs. 7 oz.
Bullhead	2	15	—	1 lb. 11 oz.	—	—
Black Bullhead	2	15	3 lbs. 15 oz.	—	—	—
Yellow Bullhead	2	15	2 lbs. 4 oz.	—	—	—
Burbot	1	16	6 lbs. 9 oz.	—	—	—
Bighead Carp	—	—	53 lbs. 3 oz.	79 lbs. 6 oz.	—	67 lbs.
Common Carp	15	32	34 lbs. 13 oz.	50 lbs 5 oz..	35 lbs.	33 lbs. 2 oz.
Grass Carp	22	36	64 lbs.	79 lbs. 10 oz.	49 lbs. 11 oz.	25 lbs. 4 oz.
Hybrid Grass Carp	—	—	—	43 lbs. 3 oz.	—	—
Silver Carp	—	—	7 lbs. 5 oz.	38 lbs. 10 oz.	—	6 lbs. 10 oz.
Quillback Carpsucker	—	—	13 lbs. 10 oz.	11 lbs. 2 oz.	6 lbs. 6 oz.	—
River Carpsucker	—	—	13 lbs. 4 oz.	15 lbs. 12 oz.	8 lbs. 12 oz.	6 lbs. 3 oz.
Channel Catfish	12	30	41 lbs. 8 oz.	31 lbs. 13 oz.	25 lbs. 10 oz.	—
Flathead Catfish	15	32	80 lbs.	55 lbs.	—	—
Blue Catfish	30	40	100 lbs. 8 oz.	40 lbs. 13 oz.	—	—
Stonecat	—	—	5.2 oz.	—	—	—
Creek Chub	—	—	11 oz.	3 oz.	—	—
Flathead Chub	—	—	—	4 oz.	—	—
Black Crappie	2	15	4 lbs. 8 oz.	1 lbs. 14 oz.	2 lbs. 2 oz.	—
Triploid Crappie	2	15	3 lbs. 4 oz.	—	—	—
White Crappie	2	15	4 lbs. 1 oz.	2 lbs. 13 oz.	—	—
Freshwater Drum	5	22	29 lbs. 6 oz.	22 lbs. 13 oz.	11 lbs. 1 oz.	—
American Eel	1	24	5 lbs.	—	—	—
Longnose Gar	8	40	23 lbs. 11 oz.	22 lbs. 13 oz.	13 lbs. 9 oz.	20 lbs. 15 oz.
Shortnose Gar	3	26	7 lbs. 5 oz.	9 lbs. 14 oz.	10 oz.	4 lbs. 5 oz.
Spotted Gar	3	26	—	2 lbs. 15 oz.	—	—

SPECIES	MASTER ANGLER		STATE RECORDS			
	(Minimums) lbs. OR in.		Rod and Reel	Bow and Arrow	Underwater Powered Spearfishing	Surface Spearfishing
New state records denoted in bold.						
Goldeye	1.5	16	3 lbs. 15.5 oz.	2 lbs. 1 oz.	1 lb. 5.5 oz.	—
Goldfish	—	—	4 lbs. 3 oz.	4 lbs. 8 oz.	—	—
Skipjack Herring	—	—	2 lbs. 14oz.	—	—	—
Muskellunge	15	40	41 lbs. 8 oz.	31 lbs. 11 oz.	18 lbs. 12 oz.	—
Tiger Muskellunge	15	40	33 lbs. 5 oz.	13 lbs. 14 oz.	13 lbs. 9 oz.	—
Paddlefish	50	45	113 lbs. 4 oz.	89 lbs.	—	—
Sacramento Perch	—	—	2 lbs. 8 oz.	—	—	—
White Perch	1	12	2 lbs. 6 oz.	1 lb. 11 oz.	—	—
Yellow Perch	1.25	13	2 lbs. 10.75 oz.	1 lb. 2 oz.	1 lb. 11.5 oz.	—
Grass Pickerel	—	—	10 oz.	—	—	—
Northern Pike	10	36	30 lbs. 1 oz.	21 lbs. 14 oz.	20 lbs. 5 oz.	—
European Rudd	—	—	3 lbs. 3 oz.	3 lbs. 7 oz.	3 lbs. 3 oz.	2 lbs.
Chinook Salmon	—	—	7 lbs. 5 oz.	—	—	—
Coho Salmon	—	—	5 lbs. 12 oz.	—	—	—
Kokanee Salmon	—	—	4 lbs. 2 oz.	—	4 lbs. 2 oz.	—
Sauger	3	21	8 lbs. 5 oz.	3 lbs. 8 oz.	—	—
Saugeye	5	23	8 lbs. 14 oz.	—	—	—
Gizzard Shad	—	—	4 lbs. 7.75 oz.	5 lbs. 5 oz.	2 lbs. 14 oz.	—
Golden Shiner	—	—	14 oz.	—	—	—
Shovelnose Sturgeon	2.5	28	4 lbs. 8 oz.	—	—	—
Sucker	2	18	9 lbs.	—	3 lbs. 1 oz.	—
Longnose Sucker	2	18	2 lbs. 7 oz.	—	—	—
Blue Sucker	2	18	18 lbs. 14 oz.	11 lbs. 1 oz.	—	—
Shorthead Redhorse	2	18	2 lbs. 12 oz.	2 lb. 14 oz.	1 lb. 4 oz.	—
White Sucker	2	18	6 lbs. 1 oz.	5 lbs. 13 oz.	4 lbs. 10 oz.	—
Bluegill	1	10	2 lbs. 13 oz.	1 lb. 6 oz.	1 lb.	—
Green Sunfish	1	10	1 lb. 8 oz.	9.6 oz.	9.9 oz.	—
Hybrid Sunfish	1	10	1 lb. 15 oz.	14.4 oz.	1 lb.	—
Orangespotted Sunfish	1	10	3 oz.	0.5 oz.	—	—
Pumpkinseed	1	10	11.25 oz.	—	5.5 oz.	—
Redear Sunfish	1	10	1 lb. 14 oz.	1 lb. 1 oz.	1 lb. 12 oz.	—
Brook Trout	1	14	5 lbs. 1 oz.	7 oz.	—	—
Brown Trout	4	22	20 lbs. 1 oz.	9 lbs. 13 oz.	4 lbs. 8 oz.	—
Cutthroat Trout	3	20	5 lbs. 7 oz.	2 lbs. 3 oz.	—	—
Rainbow Trout	5	23	14 lbs. 2 oz.	11 lbs.	3 lbs. 9 oz.	—
Tiger Trout	—	—	4 lb. 14 oz.	2 lbs. 8 oz.	—	—
Walleye	8	28	16 lbs. 2 oz.	11 lbs. 1 oz.	13 lbs. 11 oz.	—

MASTER ANGLER / STATE RECORD APPLICATION

Please print legibly. See rules.

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Fishing Permit No. _____ Under 16 _____ Phone _____

Species of fish _____ Weight: _____ lbs. _____ oz. Length: in. _____

Date caught _____ Released: Yes _____ No _____

Name of lake or stream _____ County where located _____

Method of fishing: _____ Rod & Reel _____ Archery _____ Surface spearfishing _____ Underwater spearfishing _____

Type of bait or lure _____

Where weighed or measured _____

Address _____ City _____ Phone _____

Weight or length witnessed by:

1. _____
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HOW TO WEIGH A FISH BY LENGTH

Length in inches, weight in pounds (approximate)

Black Crappie	Length Weight	6 0.1	9 0.4	12 1.1	13 1.4	14 1.8	15 2.3	16 2.8	17 3.5	18 4.2										
Bluegill	Length Weight	6 0.2	7 0.3	8 0.4	9 0.6	10 0.9	11 1.2	12 1.6	13 2.1	14 2.7	15 3.4									
Yellow Perch	Length Weight	6 0.1	8 0.2	9 0.4	10 0.6	11 0.7	12 1	13 1.2	14 1.6	15 2	16 2.4									
White Bass	Length Weight	6 0.1	9 0.4	12 0.9	13 1.1	14 1.5	15 1.8	16 2.3	17 2.8	18 3.3	19 4	20 4.7	21 5.5	22 6.4	23 7.4	24 8.5				
Largemouth Bass	Length Weight	12 0.9	13 1.1	14 1.5	15 1.8	16 2.3	17 2.8	18 3.3	19 4	20 4.7	21 5.5	22 6.4	23 7.4	24 8.5						
Northern Pike	Length Weight	12 0.4	18 1.3	24 3.1	25 3.5	26 4	27 4.5	28 5	29 5.6	30 6.2	31 6.8	32 7.5	33 8.3	34 9.1	35 9.9	36 10.8	37 11.8	38 12.8	39 13.8	
Rainbow Trout	Length Weight	6 0.1	9 0.3	12 0.7	13 0.9	14 1.1	15 1.4	16 1.7	17 2.1	18 2.5	19 2.9	20 3.4	21 4	22 4.6	23 5.2	24 6	25 6.8	26 7.7	27 8.6	
Flathead Catfish	Length Weight	12 0.7	18 2.4	24 5.9	26 7.5	28 9.4	30 11.7	32 14.3	34 17.3	36 20.6	38 24.3	40 28.5	42 33.1	44 38.2	46 43.8	48 50	50 56.7	52 63.9	55 76	
Channel Catfish	Length Weight	15 1.2	16 1.4	17 1.7	18 2.1	19 2.5	20 3	21 3.5	22 4	23 4.6	24 5.3	25 6	26 6.9	27 7.8	28 8.8	29 9.9	30 11	32 13.5	34 16.4	36 19.8
Walleye	Length Weight	14 1	15 1.3	16 1.5	17 1.9	18 2.2	19 2.7	20 3.1	21 3.7	22 4.2	23 4.9	24 5.6	25 6.4	26 7.2	27 8.1	28 9.1	29 10.2	30 11.4	32 13.9	34 16.9
Wiper	Length Weight	12 0.9	13 1.1	14 1.4	15 1.8	16 2.1	17 2.6	18 3.1	19 3.7	20 4.3	21 5	22 5.8	23 6.7	24 7.7	25 8.7	26 9.9	27 11.1	28 12.4	29 13.9	30 15.4

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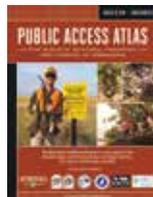
These are areas open to the public to fish, except for private sections of rivers and streams, which require anglers to obtain landowner permission. Public areas include Nebraska Game and Parks Commission-owned or leased state recreation areas (SRA) and wildlife management areas (WMA), as well as federal, Corps of Engineers, Bureau of Reclamation, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS), power and irrigation, Natural Resources Districts (NRD), Nebraska Department of Transportation (DOT), cities and leased private waters.

HOW TO USE THIS PUBLIC FISHING AREAS SECTION

Lakes, rivers and streams are listed alphabetically within each of the following fisheries management districts: northwest, northeast, southwest and southeast.

PUBLIC ACCESS ATLAS

The Nebraska Public Access Atlas is published each summer to provide hunters, trappers and anglers a guide to publicly accessible land statewide. It is printed in hard-copy form and is available in digital and interactive versions. Visit OutdoorNebraska.org for more information. Most of the areas listed in the following Public Fishing Areas section can be located in the Public Access Atlas by seeing the map number located at the end of each listing.



FAMILY FRIENDLY LAKES

Areas listed in this Public Fishing Waters section denoted with **FFL** are designated as Family Friendly Lakes. These lakes identified as being safe, comfortable and having great fish-catching potential. These locations have a combination of barrier-free fishing piers, fishing trails, groomed park areas, concessions, playgrounds, picnic areas, and highly maintained fish populations. Contact the nearest fisheries supervisor for details.

ACCESSIBLE FISHING

Areas listed in this Public Fishing Waters section denoted with **A** have some accessibility. Those amenities are listed for each area.

ABBREVIATIONS OF FISH SPECIES

This list contains abbreviations used for fish species denoted in the public fishing areas.

BBH	Bullhead	GRC	Grass Carp	SAR	Sauger
BCF	Blue Catfish	GRP	Grass Pickerel	SMB	Smallmouth Bass
BKT	Brook Trout	GSF	Green Sunfish	SNS	Shovelnose Sturgeon
BLG	Bluegill	HSF	Sunfish Hybrid	SPB	Spotted Bass
BNT	Brown Trout	LMB	Largemouth Bass	STB	Striped Bass
BUF	Buffalo	MUE	Muskellunge	TGT	Tiger Trout
CAP	Common Carp	NOP	Northern Pike	WAE	Walleye
CCF	Channel Catfish	PAH	Paddlefish	WHB	White Bass
CRP	Crappie	PMK	Pumpkinseed	WHP	White Perch
CUT	Cutthroat Trout	RBT	Rainbow Trout	WIP	Wiper (Striped Bass Hybrid)
FCF	Flathead Catfish	ROB	Rock Bass	YEB	Yellow Bass
FRD	Freshwater Drum	RSF	Redear Sunfish	YEP	Yellow Perch
GOE	Goldeye	SAE	Saugerye		

Northwest District

Alliance City Golf Course Pond: Box Butte County, ½ acre, 1E of Alliance. BLG, CUT, RBT, ROB, SMB, TGT, YEP. Public access allowed sunrise to 9 a.m., Monday through Friday. Map 6

Avocet WMA (East Hyannis Lake): Grant County, 120 acres, 1E of Hyannis. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Shallow lake. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). No boat ramp. Map 10

Ballards Marsh WMA: Cherry County, 250 acres, 20S Valentine. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake).

Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Primitive camping. Primitive boat ramp on NW side of lake. Map 15

FFL Bessey Fish Pond: Thomas County, 3 acres, 1W, ¼S of Halsey at Nebraska National Forest. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT, TGT. Camping. No motorized boats. Fishing deck. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 17

Big Alkali WMA: Cherry County, 842 acres, 16S, 4W, 1½S of Valentine. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SAE, WAE, YEP. All boats allowed. Boat ramp, camping and fishing camp. Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map 15

Big Springs City Pond: Deuel County, ½ acre, N end of Elm St. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 12

Blue Creek: Garden County, NW of Lewellen. BNT, CUT, RBT, TGT. Private access, permission required.

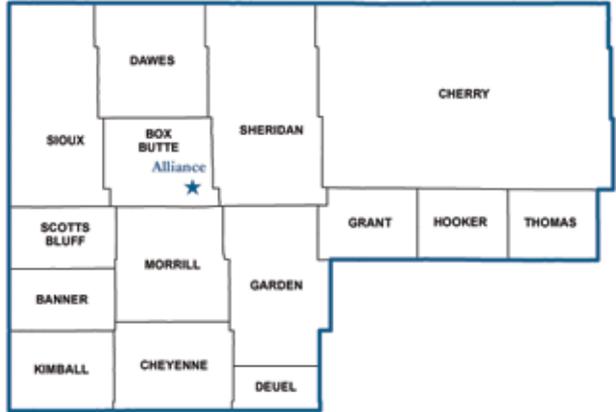
Blue Lake: Garden County, 311 acres, 22N of Oshkosh. BBH, BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP, SAE, SMB, YEP. Access via primitive 2.7-mile access trail on private property (no snow removal), open daylight hours only; no camping, hunting, ATVs, horses, fires, or littering; only four-wheel-drive vehicles allowed. Area closed to access during the nine-day November firearm deer season. Access to lake made possible through lease agreement with private landowner, so please follow the rules. Close all gates. Trespassers off marked trail and parking lot will be prosecuted. Small boats recommended. Primitive boat launch. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Trail and lake may be closed seasonally due to wet or very dry conditions. For questions or conditions, call 308-763-2940. Map 7

Boardman Creek: Cherry County, 35SW of Valentine. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

Bordeaux Creek: Dawes County, SE of Chadron. BKT, BNT. Public access on Big Bordeaux Creek WMA and U.S. Forest Service lands. Map 5

Box Butte Reservoir SRA: Dawes County, 1,600 acres, 10N of Hemingford. BCF, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, ROB, SMB, WAE, YEP. Northern pike - daily bag limit of 10, of which only three can be over 22 inches and only one of those can be over 34 inches in length. Subject to severe summer drawdown. Primitive camping and electrical hookups. All boats allowed. New boat ramp. Underwater spearfishing for gamefish starts June 1. Maps 2, 6

FFL Bridgeport SRA: Morrill County, 78 acres in five lakes, NW edge of Bridgeport. BLG, CCF, CRP, CUT, LMB, RBT, WAE, YEP. Primitive camping. All boats allowed on middle pit; other pits restricted to electric motor and non-powered boats. Rainbow trout stocked in NW lake. Map 3



FFL A Carter P. Johnson Lake: Sioux County, 15 acres, Fort Robinson SP. BLG, CCF, CRP, CUT, LMB, RBT, ROB. Cabins and camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Accessible pier. Pending habitat project in 2020. Map 1

FFL Chadron City Reservoirs: Dawes County, 20 acres in two ponds, 5½S of Chadron. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT, YEP. Non-powered boats allowed. Map 5

Chadron Creek: Dawes County, S of Chadron. BKT, BNT. Public access at Chadron SP, otherwise private access, permission required. Maps 1, 5

FFL A Chadron State Park Pond: Dawes County, 2 acres, 9S of Chadron. CUT, HSF, RBT, SMB, TGT, YEP. No motorboats. Accessible deck, cabins and camping. Map 5

FFL Chappell Interstate Lake: Deuel County, 30 acres, ½S of Chappell, I-80 Exit 85 - Wheatland Dr. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, YEP. Map 8

Cherry Creek Diversion Pond: Dawes County, ¼ acre, 100 yards SW from Cherry Creek Pond at Fort Robinson SP. LMB, RBT, BNT. Ponds may be drained and out of service during aquatic habitat and angler access improvements. Map 1

Cherry Creek Pond: Dawes County, 2 acres, Fort Robinson SP. BLG, CCF, CRP, SMB, YEP. Ponds may be drained and out of service during aquatic habitat and angler access improvements. Map 1

Clear Lake: Cherry County, 425 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Boat ramp. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Map 15

Cottonwood Lake SRA: Cherry County, 34 acres, ½E, ½S of Merriman. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Primitive camping. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. All boats allowed. Map 9

Cottonwood-Steverson Lake WMA: Cherry County, 680 acres, 30N, 2E of Hyannis. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, MUE, SAE, WAE, YEP. Concrete boat ramp; boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map 10

Crane Lake: Garden County, 128 acres, Crescent Lake National Wildlife Refuge, 22N of Oshkosh. BLG, CRP, SMB, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. No camping. Open to fishing Nov. 1-Feb. 15. Fishing allowed during daylight hours only. Fisherman must be off lake no later than one hour after sunset. No boats or float tubes allowed. Map 7

Crescent Lake WMA: Garden County, 982 acres, 22N of Oshkosh. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, MUE, NOP, SAE, WAE, YEP. Access via primitive access trail to parking area. Concrete boat ramp. 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Restroom. WMA rules apply. Map 7

Defair Lake WMA: Grant County, 70 acres, 1E, 2S, ½E of Hyannis. CRP, LMB, YEP. Shallow lake; boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Boat access difficult. Map 11

Dewey Lake: Cherry County, 550 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BLG, CAP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Map 15

Dry Sheep Creek: Sioux County, NW of Morrill. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

Dry Spotted Tail Creek: Sioux County, NW of Mitchell. BNT, RBT. Public access through Platte River Basin Environments (PRBE). Property may be restricted due to stream improvement project. Map 3.

Duck Lake: Cherry County, 66 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BBH, BLG, LMB, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Map 15

East Ash Creek: Dawes County, 9SE of Crawford. BKT, BNT. Public access on U.S. Forest Service land, remainder on private land, permission required. Map 1

Fairfield Creek: Cherry County, 8N, 2E of Wood Lake to forks or 2½W of Norden Road on S side of Niobrara River to mouth of creek. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required. Vehicle access difficult, most areas accessible by long hike.

Frye Lake WMA: Grant County, 243 acres, 1N, 1½E of Hyannis. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, YEP. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map 10

Gilbert-Baker WMA Pond: Sioux County, 2 acres, 10N of Harrison. BLG, LMB, RBT, ROB, YEP. Located on E portion of Gilbert-Baker WMA. Map 1

Goldeneye: Deuel County, 17 acres, 1S, 3W of Big Springs. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, YEP. South Platte NRD area. Map 8

FFL Grabel Ponds: Dawes County, 6 acres in four ponds, Fort Robinson SP. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT, ROB, SMB. Ponds may be drained and out of service during aquatic habitat and angler access improvements. Map 1

Greenwood Creek: Morrill County, SE of Bridgeport. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

Hackberry Lake: Cherry County, 680 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Concrete boat ramp. 2019 renovation scheduled. Map 15

Hat Creek: Sioux County, NE of Harrison. BKT, BNT. Private access, permission required.

Home Valley Lake: Cherry County, 220 acres, 30N, 2½E, 1N of Hyannis. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, WAE, YEP. Part of the Cottonwood-Steverson WMA. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Portage from Cottonwood-Steverson Lake. Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Access to N side of lake via private land, permission required. Map 10

Hudson Lake: Cherry County, 160 acres, 15S, 8W, 1N of Valentine. BBH, BLG, GSF, LMB, YEP. Private lake, open to public for daytime ice-fishing only December through February. Largemouth bass daily bag limit is one, which must be over 21 inches in length. Map 15

Ice House Ponds: Dawes County, 6 acres in three ponds, Fort Robinson SP. BLG, CCF, LMB. Ponds may be drained and out of service during aquatic habitat and angler access improvements. Cabins and camping. Map 1

Isham Dam: Sheridan County, 26 acres, NW of Hay Springs. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, YEP. Private lake, permission required. All boats allowed. Map 5

Island Lake: Garden County, 711 acres, Crescent Lake National Wildlife Refuge, 22N of Oshkosh. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, WAE, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Area open one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset. Map 7

FFL Laing Lake: Box Butte County, 10 acres, Alliance, W. 18th St. and Box Butte Ave. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT, YEP. No harvest allowed for persons 16 years of age or older. Map 6

^ Lake Minatare SRA: Scotts Bluff County, 2,100 acres, 12NE of Scottsbluff. BCF, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SMB, WAE, WHB, YEP. Northern pike daily bag limit is 10, with no more than one over 34 inches in length. Waters within 150 feet of dam closed to fishing from sunset to sunrise March 1-April 30. Camping. All boats allowed. Accessible boat dock. Closed Oct. 15-Jan. 14 or as posted. Subject to severe drawdowns. Map 3

Lake Winters Creek: Scotts Bluff County, 235 acres, N of Minatare. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SMB, WAE, YEP. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Closed Oct. 15-Jan. 14, or as posted. Area open sunrise to sunset only. Subject to severe drawdowns. Map 3

Larabee Creek: Sheridan County, N of Rushville. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required. Map 5

Lord Lake: Cherry County, 15 acres, 9W of Merritt Reservoir, on McKelvie National Forest. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Map 15

Merritt Reservoir SRA/WMA: Cherry County, 2,900 acres, 26SW of Valentine. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FRD, LMB, MUE, NOP, SMB, WAE, WHB. Walleye, Sauger, Saugeye - daily bag limit of four may include one from 15 to 18 inches and three over 18 inches or four over 18 inches but no more than one over 22 inches in length allowed in daily bag. Muskellunge minimum length limit is 50 inches. Channel catfish daily bag limit may include no more than one fish 30 inches or longer. All boats allowed. Modern and primitive camping. Map 15

Middle Loup River: Thomas County, BNT, CAP, CCF, RBT. Private access, permission required. Maps 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30

Minnechaduzza Creek: Cherry County, Valentine, below hatchery supply and in Valentine City Park. RBT. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 15

Monroe Creek: Sioux County, 4½N of Harrison. BKT. Public access on Gilbert-Baker WMA, otherwise private access, permission required. Map 1

Morrill Sandpits: Scotts Bluff County, 25 acres in three lakes, 3S of Morrill. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, YEP. County owned, permission required, check with the City of Morrill. No boating or camping. Map 3

Ninemile Creek: Scotts Bluff County, BNT, RBT. Public access at Nine Mile Creek WMA 3E, 5N of Minatare. Walk-in access SE of WMA and 2N 1E of Minatare, otherwise permission required. Map 3

Niobrara River: Sioux County, BNT, NOP, RBT. Private access, permission required. Extremely low water in summer. Public access on Agate Fossil Beds National Monument. Maps 1, 2

North Loup River: Cherry County, BNT, CAP, CCF, RBT. Private access, permission required. Maps 10, 16, 22, 23, 29

Oliver Reservoir: Kimball County, 270 acres, 10W of Kimball. CAP, CCF, CRP, WAE. Primitive camping. All boats allowed. Accessible pier. Subject to low water. South Platte NRD area. Map 4

Pelican Lake: Cherry County, 798 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Bluegill - daily bag limit is five, of which only one can be 10 inches in length or longer. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Renovated in 2018. Map 15

Pine Creek: Sheridan County, 20S of Rushville. BNT. Private access, permission required. Maps 5, 6

Rat and Beaver WMA: Cherry County, 500 acres in two lakes, 30S, 7W of Valentine. BLG, CRP, LMB, RSF, YEP. Yellow perch - 12-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Primitive boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 16

Red Willow Creek: Morrill County, E of Bayard. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

Rice Lake: Cherry County, 47 acres, 23S 8W Valentine. BLG, LMB, PMK, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Parking by Duck Lake and access by foot traffic only. Map 15

Schlagel Creek WMA (Schlagel Creek): Cherry County, 16S, 4W, 4N of Valentine. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required except on Schlagel Creek WMA. Stream on WMA generally too warm to support trout year-round. Map 15

Sheep Creek: Sioux County, NW of Morrill. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

Shell Lake WMA: Cherry County, 160 acres, 3N, 4E, 8N of Gordon. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map 9

Sidney Legion Park Pond: Cheyenne County, 1.75 acres, Owned by City of Sidney. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 8

Silvernail Drain: Morrill County, E of Northport. BNT. Private access, permission required.

Snake River (upper reach): Cherry County, near Gordon. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

Smith Lake FWS: Garden County, 225 acres, Crescent Lake National Wildlife Refuge, 26N of Oshkosh. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, YEP. No baitfish allowed to be used or possessed. No camping. Open to fishing Nov. 1-Feb. 15. Fishing allowed during daylight hours only. Must be off lake no later than one hour after sunset. No boats or float tubes. Map 7

Smith Lake WMA: Sheridan County, 290 acres, 23S of Rushville. BBH, BLG, CRP, LMB, NOP, PMK, YEP. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible concrete boat ramp. Map 6

Soldier Creek: Dawes County, 3W of Crawford. BKT, BNT, CUT, RBT. Public access at Fort Robinson SP and Soldier Creek Wilderness Area. Daily bag limit of two trout on Wilderness Area. Map 1

Sowbelly Creek: Sioux County, NE of Harrison. BKT, BNT. Public access at Coffee Park, otherwise private access, permission required. Map 1

Spotted Tail Creek: Scotts Bluff County, NW of Mitchell. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required. Maps 2, 3

Squaw Creek: Dawes County, 4E, 3S of Crawford. BKT. Public access on Ponderosa WMA, remainder on private land, permission required. Map 1

Stuckenhole Creek: Scotts Bluff County, W of Bayard. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

Terry's Pit: Scotts Bluff County, 7 acres, Terrytown. CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. No boating or ice-fishing allowed by city. Map 3

Tub Springs: Sioux County, NE of Mitchell. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.

Valentine Fish Hatchery Reservoir: Cherry County, 11 acres, ½NE of Valentine. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP. Dam on Minnehaduzza Creek. Map 15

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- FFL Valentine Mill Pond:** Cherry County, 20 acres, N edge of Valentine. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Map 15
- FFL A Walgren Lake SRA:** Sheridan County, 100 acres, 5SE of Hay Springs. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SAE. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing pier. Map 5
- Watts Lake:** Cherry County, 230 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Refuge HQ. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Map 15
- West Ash Creek:** Dawes County, 6½E of Crawford. BKT, BNT. Public access on U.S. Forest Service land, remainder on private land, permission required. Map 1
- West Long Lake:** Cherry County, 62 acres, 16S, 6W, 8S of Valentine to Valentine National Wildlife Refuge H.Q. BLG, LMB, NOP, YEP. Possession of baitfish is prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Dense vegetation in summer. Concrete boat ramp. Map 15
- White Clay Creek:** Sheridan County, NW of Rushville. BNT. Private access, permission required.
- White River:** Dawes County, W of Fort Robinson SP. BNT, CUT, RBT. Public access at Fort Robinson SP, some access on private land via Open Fields and Waters Program, otherwise landowner permission required for access. Cabins and camping. Maps 1, 5
- Whitney Lake:** Dawes County, 900 acres, 1½W of Whitney. CCF, CRP, WAE, WHB, YEP. Private irrigation reservoir, access limited. Subject to drawdowns. Boat ramp on SE corner of lake. Map 1
- Wildhorse Creek:** Morrill County, N of Bayard. BNT. Private access, permission required.
- Willow Lake:** Cherry County, 353 acres, 22S 1W Valentine. Valentine NWR. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Possession of baitfish prohibited but dead smelt allowed. It is unlawful to possess fish not taken from refuge waters. No camping. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Refuge open sunrise to sunset. Aquatic vegetation hampers summer fishing. Access by foot only to the lake; smaller boats or belly boats recommended. Map 15
- Winters Creek:** Scotts Bluff County, NE of Scottsbluff. BNT, RBT. Private access, permission required.
- Wood Reserve Ponds:** Dawes County, 2 acres in four ponds, Soldier Creek Wilderness Area, Fort Robinson SP. CUT, RBT, TGT. Daily bag limit of two trout. Access via 1-mile hike up middle branch of Soldier Creek. Map 1

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Atkinson Dam: Holt County, 5 acres, ½W of Atkinson. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Primitive camping, electrical hookups. Elkhorn River access. City of Atkinson area. Map 27

FFL Auble Pond: Valley County, 5 acres, Ord, Bussell Park Rd. and G St. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 29

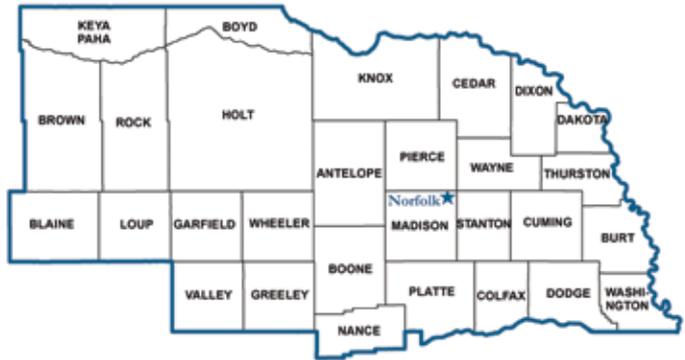
Bazile Creek WMA (Missouri River): Knox County, 4E, 1½N of Niobrara, river mile 838.8. CAP, CCF, FCF, NOP, SAR, SMB, WAE. Walleye and sauger - 15-inch minimum length. Gravel road to ramp gets muddy with heavy rains; ramp subject to flooding. Map 33

Black Island WMA (Elkhorn River): Cuming County, 2½E of Pilger on county road. CAP, CCF, FCF. Primitive camping. Map 41

Bobcat WMA (Plum Creek): Brown County, 12N, 1W of Ainsworth. BNT, RBT. Walk-in access to bottom of canyon. Primitive camping. Map 21

Boyer Chute National Wildlife Refuge: Washington County, 3½E of Fort Calhoun. Restored channel off Missouri River. CAP, CCF,

FCF. No ice-fishing. No more than two lines with two hooks on each line may be used. No set lines. Archery and spearfishing for rough fish only. No digging or seining for bait. No collecting and/or possessing frogs, toads, turtles and clams. No watercraft in Boyer Chute waterway. Check with refuge for additional regulations. Open a half-hour before sunrise to a half-hour after sunset. Map 47



Brooky Bottom Park (Missouri River): Cedar County, 4NE of Wynot, river mile 784.9. CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, PAH, SAR, WAE. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Concrete boat ramp. Map 39

Buckskin Hills Lake WMA: Dixon County, 75 acres, 2W, 3S, ½W of Newcastle. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lewis and Clark NRD area. Map 39

Burwell Lake (Ladybird): Garfield County, 3 acres, 1E of Burwell. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Map 29

A Calamus Reservoir SRA: Loup County, 5,200 acres, 2W, 5NW of Burwell. CAP, CCF, CRP, MUE, NOP, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Walleye - daily bag limit of four may include two from 15 to 18 inches and two over 18 inches but no more than one over 22 inches in length allowed in daily bag. Channel catfish - daily bag limit may include no more than one fish 30 inches or longer. Modern and primitive camping. Accessible restrooms and parking at Homestead Knolls Campground. Boating on upper lake restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Fish-cleaning stations at Homestead Knolls and Nunda Shoals. Calamus River access west of Neb. Hwy. 96, above reservoir and below dam. Map 23

Calamus River: Brown and Loup counties, CAP, CCF, NOP. Private access, permission required. Public access on Calamus WMA above and below reservoir. Canoe sites and camping. Maps 16, 22, 23

Carney Pond: Holt County, 2.5 acres, ½S O'Neill on Hwy. 281. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB. Map 28

Chalkrock Lake WMA: Cedar County, 44 acres, 5N, 1½E of Hwy. 81 and Neb. Hwy. 12 junction. BLG, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 33

Clear Lake: Brown County, 195 acres, 19S, 9W, 1N of Ainsworth. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Private lake with public access allowed. Anglers follow signs to access location. Map 22

FFL A Columbus Hospital Pond: Platte County, 9 acres, Columbus, 38th St. and 41st Ave. BLG, CCF, LMB. Accessible deck. City developing park facilities around lake. Map 36

FFL Cottonwood Lake (Lake Yankton): Cedar County, 332 acres, Below Gavins Point Dam, N side of river. Camping. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 15-inch minimum length limit. Panfish - daily bag limit is 15 for each individual species. Border water area with South Dakota, open to Nebraska permit holders. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Fish-cleaning station SW corner of lake. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map 33

Cozad Lake (South Pine WMA): Brown County, 80 acres, 11S, 2W of Long Pine. BLG, LMB, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 22

A Crystal Cove Lake: Dakota County, 30 acres, South Sioux City, NE of Hwy. 20/Hwy. 77 intersection. BLG, CCF, LMB, NOP, RBT. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Accessible pier. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 40

Cub Creek Lake: Keya Paha County, 27 acres, 8½W of Springview. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, YEP. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Primitive camping. Middle Niobrara NRD area. Map 21

A Danish Alps SRA (Kramper Lake): Dakota County, 200 acres, ½E of Hubbard. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Accessible pier. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Camping. Map 40

Davis Creek Reservoir: Valley County, 1,145 acres, 5S, 1E of North Loup. BBH, BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Concrete boat ramp. Camping. Water level fluctuates due to irrigation. Map 30

Dead Timber SRA: Dodge County, 20 acres, 5NW, 1½E of Scribner. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. No boat ramp. Limited facilities. Map 41

Decatur Boat Ramp (Missouri River): Burt County, S of Hwy. 51 bridge. CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map 45

DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge: Washington County, 760 acres, 6E of Blair on Hwy. 30. Refuge entrance fee permit required. BLG, BUF, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB. Walleye - 15-inch minimum length limit; Largemouth bass - 15-inch minimum length limit. Anglers must abide by regulations of state in which they are licensed, either Nebraska or Iowa. Check with refuge for additional regulations. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Open early January through late February for ice-fishing; no more than two lines with two hooks per line may be used, including ice-fishing. Open April 15-Oct. 14 for open-water fishing. Open a half-hour before sunrise to a half-hour after sunset. Maps 46, 47

Dismal River: Blaine County, BNT, CAP, CCF, RBT. Private access, permission required. Rainbow trout stocked in north fork. Maps 11, 17, 23

Don Dworak WMA (Loup River): Nance County, 1S of Genoa. CAP, CCF. Map 36

Dry Creek WMA (Elkhorn River): Holt County, 1½SE of O'Neill. CAP, CCF. River access. Primitive camping. Map 28

East Branch Verdigre Creek (Grove Lake WMA): Antelope County, NE of Royal above Grove Lake. BNT, RBT. Public access available as posted. Rainbow trout stocked weekly. Map 34

Fred Thomas WMA (Niobrara River): Brown County, 11 N of Bassett. CAP, CCF. Walk-in access. Primitive camping. Map 21

FFL A Fremont Lakes SRA: Dodge County, 280 acres in 19 lakes, 3W of Fremont. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE. Muskellunge stocked in Lake No. 20. Trout seasonally stocked in Lake No. 2. Gas-powered boating on Victory Lake and Lake No. 20 only; other lakes electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Accessible piers. Modern and primitive camping. Map 42

A Gavins Point Dam Tailwaters (Missouri River) - Cedar County, 1S, 4W of Yankton, S.D. BUF, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, GOE, PAH, SAR, SMB, WAE, WHB. Paddlefish - see page 22 for regulations. AIS-infected water body: zebra mussels present. All boats allowed. Accessible deck. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake) in tailwaters. Fish-cleaning stations on north and south sides. From Gavins Point Dam to 0.6 miles downstream, a nonresident Nebraska fishing license required of anglers who are not residents of Nebraska or South Dakota when fishing from a boat or either bank. No crossbows. Map 33

George Syas WMA (Loup River) - Platte County, 2S, 1½E of Genoa. CAP, CCF. Primitive camping. Map 36

Goose Lake: Holt County, 237 acres, 18N, 5E of Bartlett. BLG, CAP, LMB, NOP, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map 28

Gracie Creek: Loup County, N side of Calamus Reservoir. BKT, RBT. Private access except for 200 yards upstream of Gracie Creek pond, permission required on private land. Map 23

FFL A Gracie Creek Pond: Loup County, 2 acres, N side of Calamus Reservoir-12N, 4E of Taylor. CAP, RBT. Put-and-take trout stocking. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Accessible deck. No boat ramp. Map 23

Grove Lake: Antelope County, 50 acres, 2N of Royal. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, RBT. Northern pike - 34-inch minimum length limit. Primitive camping allowed. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 23

Hackberry Creek WMA (Elkhorn River): Antelope County, 1½E, ½N of Clearwater. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map 34

Hooper City Lake: Dodge County, 4 acres, N edge of Hooper on Main St. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 41

Hull Lake WMA: Boyd County, 6 acres, ½W, 2S 1W 1¼S of Butte. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 27

FFL Johnson Park Lake: Dodge County, 10 acres, 1E of Fremont. BLG, CCF, LMB. Paved boat ramp. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Map 42

FFL Keller Park SRA: Brown County, 7 acres in five ponds, 11S of Springview. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Pond Nos. 4 and 5 have catchable trout. Access to Bone Creek. Camping. No motorboats. Map 21

Keller WMA (Bone Creek): Brown County, 3W, 9N, 1¼W, 1S of Long Pine. BNT, RBT. Primitive camping. Map 21

Kent Diversion Dam (North Loup River): Loup County, 5½E of Taylor. CAP, CCF. Primitive camping. Map 23

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Lake Ericson: Wheeler County, 70 acres, ½S of Ericson. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake), boat ramp in NE corner. Lake and dam managed by Lake Ericson Corporation. Map 29

Lake North: Platte County, 200 acres, 3N of Columbus. CAP, CCF, CRP, FRD, SAR, WAE. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Camping. Shallow lake. Owned by Loup Public Power. All boats allowed. Map 36

Leigh Tri-County: Colfax County, 7 acres, W edge of Leigh. BLG, CCF, LMB. Additional city regulations. Map 41

Lewis and Clark Lake SRA: Knox County, 30,000 acres, 7N, 4W of Crofton. CAP, CCF, CRP, FRD, SAR, SMB, WAE, WHB. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Walleye and sauger - 15-inch minimum length minimum. Panfish - daily bag limit is 15 for each individual species. No more than two lines with two hooks on each are allowed from Gavins Point Dam upstream to the Santee boat ramp in Knox County. AIS-infested water body: zebra mussels present, no lake water may leave the area. All boats allowed. Boat ramps at South Shore Area, Bloomfield Area, Hideaway Acres Marina, Weigand and Burbach Park, and Miller Creek Area. Cabins and camping, but no camping at South Shore Area. Map 33

Long Lake SRA: Brown County, 155 acres, 8½W, 21S of Ainsworth. BBH, CAP, CCF, NOP, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Map 22

Long Pine Creek: Brown County, BNT, RBT. Public access at Long Pine WMA, SRA, and Pine Glen WMA, access to private land by permission. Maps 21, 22

Long Pine Creek SRA (Long Pine Creek): Brown County, ½NW of Long Pine. BNT, RBT. Vehicle and walk-in access. Primitive camping. Map 21

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Long Pine WMA: Brown County, 1N, ¼W of Long Pine. BNT, RBT. Walk-in access to Long Pine Creek, rest of stream is private access, permission required. Primitive camping. Map 21

Looking Glass WMA: Platte County, 7 acres in two lakes, 1S of Monroe. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 36

Loup River Diversion Canal, Loup River: Nance County, Genoa to Columbus. CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SAR. Tailrace at Columbus, stilling basin W of Genoa, and tailwaters below Monroe and Columbus powerhouses most productive. Map 36

Lyons City Lake: Burt County, 5 acres, W edge of Lyons. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 41

Maple Creek Reservoir (Leigh Lake): Platte County, 154 acres, ¼NW Leigh. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Camping. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by Lower Elkhorn NRD. Maps 35, 41

Maskenthine Reservoir: Stanton County, 98 acres, 2NW of Stanton. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, WAE. Camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier. Lower Elkhorn NRD area. Map 41

Milburn Diversion (Middle Loup River): Blaine County, 2NW of Milburn. CAP, CCF. Primitive camping. Map 23

Mirdan Canal SRA (North Loup River): Garfield County, 2½W of Burwell. CAP, CCF. Primitive camping. Maps 23, 29

Mulberry Bend WMA (Missouri River): Dixon County, 1E of Maskell on Hwy. 12 and 2½N. CAP, CCF, PAH, SAR, SMB, WAE. Concrete ramp. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 39

FFL Neligh Park (West Point Park Pond): Cuming County, 5 acres, adjacent to fairgrounds. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map 41

Niobrara Confluence WMA (Missouri River): Knox County, 2W of Niobrara State Park, access off Hwy. 12. River Mile 846. BUF, CAP, CCF, CRP, NOP, SAR, SMB, WAE. Missouri River fishing access, primitive boat ramp during normal flows. Map 33

Niobrara SP: Knox County, 7 acres in two ponds, 1W of Niobrara. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No boats. Niobrara River access. Cabins and camping. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 33

Niobrara Townsite Boat Ramp (Missouri River): Knox County, N of old Niobrara townsite on county road, river mile 844.0. BUF, CAP, CRP, NOP, SAR, SMB, WAE. Walleye and sauger - 15-inch minimum length limit. Double-wide concrete ramps not usable during low-water periods. Map 33

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Parshall Bridge WMA (Niobrara River): Boyd County, 3½S of Butte. CAP, CCF. Walk-in access. Primitive camping. Map 6

FFL Pawnee Park East: Platte County, 5 acres, Columbus, S edge, use W park entrance then cross under U.S. Hwy. 81 on park road. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map 36

FFL Pawnee Park West: Platte County, 2 acres, Columbus, W side of Hwy. 81, S off 8th St. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 36

Pelican Point SRA (Missouri River): Burt County, 5E, 4N of Tekamah, river mile 672.8. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SAR, WAE. Boat ramp. Primitive camping. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 46

Penn Park Lake: Antelope County, 8 acres, Neligh, SE of Hwy. 14/Hwy. 275 interchange. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB. City regulations. Largemouth bass - catch-and-release. Map 34

FFL Pibel Lake: Wheeler County, 20 acres, 9S, 1E of Bartlett. BBH, BLG, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lower Loup NRD area. Map 29

Pine Glen WMA (Bone and Long Pine creeks): Brown County, 2E, 8¼N from Long Pine. BNT, RBT. Access via hike to bottom of canyon. Primitive camping. Map 21

Plum Creek: Brown County, W of Johnstown. BNT, RBT. Public access at Bobcat WMA and Plum Creek Valley WMA; remainder of stream is private access, permission required. Map 21

Plum Creek Valley WMA: Brown County, 1 acre, 1½W, 1S of Johnstown. BNT. Walk-in access to Plum Creek. One-acre pond (Sand Springs) on WMA stocked with rainbow trout twice annually. Map 21

Ponca State Park (Missouri River): Dixon County, 2½N of Ponca, river mile 753.5. CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, PAH, SAR, SMB, WAE. Concrete ramp. Cabins and camping. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 39

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Ponca State Park Pond: Dixon County, 1 acre, W of visitor center. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Special regulations posted on site. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Cabins and camping. Map 39

FFL Powder Creek Reservoir: Dixon County, 107 acres, 2E, 4S of Newcastle. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 39

Powder Horn WMA (Elkhorn River): Dodge County, 4NW of Scribner on Hwy. 275. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map 41

Red Fox WMA: Stanton County, 25 acres, sandpit, 1½S of Pilger on Hwy. 15. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive boat ramp. Primitive camping. Map 41

Red Fox WMA (Elkhorn River): Stanton County, 1S of Pilger on Hwy. 15. CAP, CCF, FCF. Primitive camping. Map 41

Red Wing WMA (Elkhorn River): Antelope County, 5SW of Neligh. CAP, CCF, FCF. Primitive camping. Map 34

Scenic Park Access (Missouri River): Dakota County, ½E of Hwy. 77 bridge near South Sioux City, river mile 732.0. CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD. Concrete boat ramp. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 40

FFL A Skyview Lake: Madison County, 50 acres, Norfolk, N of Business Hwy. 275, W of Hwy. 81 on Maple Ave. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Accessible deck. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 34

Sock Pond: Platte County, 20 acres, Columbus, 48th Ave. and 11th St. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. City regs apply: Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Panfish - daily bag limit of five. Channel catfish – daily bag limit of five. No boat ramp, carry-in watercraft only. Electric motors allowed. No gas motors. Map 36

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Spalding Lake: Greeley County, 24 acres, S edge of Spalding. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, NOP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lake dewatered periodically to flush sediment. Cedar River access. Map 29

Spencer City Pond: Boyd County, 9.4 acres, ¼W of Hwy. 281 and South St., Spencer. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Additional city regulations may apply. Primitive camping. No boat ramp. Electric motors and/or non-powered watercraft only.

Spencer WMA (Niobrara River): Holt County, 18N of O'Neill below Spencer Dam. CAP, CCF, SAR. Primitive camping. Map 27

St. Helena Access (Missouri River): Cedar County, 6½E, 1N of Hwy. 81 and Neb. Hwy. 121 Jct. CCF, FCF, FRD, PAH, SAR, SMB, WAE. Concrete boat ramp. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 33

FFL A Summit Lake SRA: Burt County, 190 acres, 4½W, ½S of Tekamah. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing pier. Fish-cleaning station. Camping. Map 41

Sunshine Bottom (Missouri River): Boyd County, 3E, 4N of Lynch. CAP, CCF, FRD, GOE, SAR, SMB, WAE. Concrete boat ramp. Map 27

Swan Lake: Holt County, 235 acres, 26S, ½W of Atkinson. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, YEP. Primitive boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Private lake leased for fishing only, all other access by permission only. Map 28

FFL TaHaZouka Park Lake: Madison County, 5 acres, Norfolk, just E of Hwy. 81 and just N of Elkhorn River. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 34

Tilden City Pond: Antelope County, 1 acre, Tilden, Horseshoe Bend Memorial Park, 5th St. BLG, CCF, LMB. Additional city regulations. Map 34

Twin Lakes WMA: Rock County, 160 acres in two lakes, 16S, 2½E, 2S of Bassett. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Boat ramps. Primitive camping. Map 22

Verdel Landing WMA (Missouri River): Knox County, 2E, 2N of Verdel. CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SAR, SMB, WAE. Walleye and sauger - 15-inch minimum length limit. Double-wide boat ramp. Ample parking. Map 33

Whitetail WMA (Platte River): Colfax County, ½W of Schuyler on Hwy. 30, 3S on county road. CAP, CCF, FCF, SAR. Map 42

Wilkinson WMA: Platte County, 1 acre in two ponds, 1½S of Platte Center. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 35

A Willow Creek SRA: Pierce County, 700 acres, 2SW of Pierce. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB, WIP. Wiper/White bass - daily bag limit of three, with no more than one fish 16 inches or greater. Accessible dock. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake) on W half of lake. Modern and primitive camping. Map 34

Willow Lake WMA: Brown County, 380 acres, 18½S, 12½W, 1N of Ainsworth. BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, WAE, YEP. Primitive camping; boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake); snowmobiles and ATVs allowed on ice. Map 22

FFL Wolbach City Pond: Greeley County, 5 acres, Wolbach, N edge off Hwy. 22 on Bluff Street. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 30

Wood Duck WMA: Stanton County, 3SW of Stanton. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB. Elkhorn River access. Access road to river closed during hunting season. Shallow lakes and oxbow marshes open to fishing. Map 35

Yellowbanks WMA (Elkhorn River): Madison County, 3N, 2½W of Battle Creek. CAP, CCF, FCF. Primitive camping. Map 34

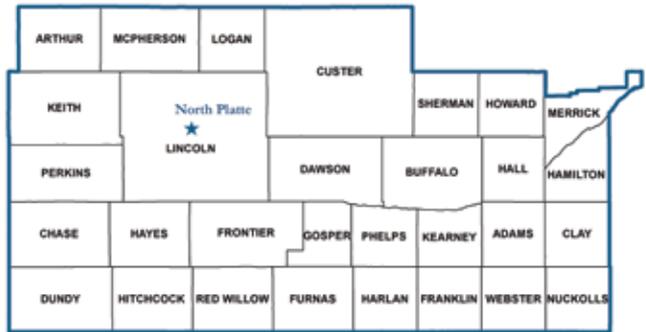
Yellowthroat WMA (Tower Lake): Brown County, 75 acres, 12½S, 1½E of Ainsworth. BLG, CRP, LMB, YEP. Owned by FWS. Electric motors or non-powered boats only. Daytime access only. No camping. Map 22

FFL 32-Mile H, Prairie Lake: Adams County, 65 acres, 1½E, 4½S of Juniata. BBH, CAP, CCF. Little Blue NRD area. Walk-in access only. Turbid. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 31

Alda DOR: Hall County, 12 acres, Alda interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, LMB, NOP. Northern pike - 34-inch minimum length limit. No boats. Map 31

Alfson C. Haring Memorial WMA Middle Lake: Franklin County, 4½ acres, 2W, 2½N of Riverton. BLG, LMB. Walk-in access from public parking lot. Map 32

FFL Ansley Lake: Custer County, 4 acres, W edge of Ansley off Hwy. 2. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Improved boat ramp. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 24



Archway Lakes: Buffalo County, 15 acres in four lakes, 2E of Kearney on First St. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SMB, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 31

FFL A Arnold Lake: Custer County, 4 acres, ½S of Arnold, W side of Hwy. 40. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Village of Arnold area. Map 18

Bader Memorial County Park: Merrick County, 12 acres in seven lakes, 1½ S of Chapman. BLG, CCF, LMB. Modern and primitive camping. No motorboats. County entrance fee. Map 37

FFL Barnett Park Pond: Red Willow County, 5 acres in two ponds, S edge McCook off Hwy. 83. BLG, CCF, LMB. No boats. Map 20

Bassway Strip WMA: Buffalo County, 39 acres in two lakes, Minden interchange, ¼S on Neb. Hwy. 10, east on county road back toward I-80. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Improved boat ramp on west lake. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). East lake walk-in only. Platte River access. Map Sheet 31

FFL A Bethphage Pond: Kearney County, 3 acres, ¼N Axtell. BLG, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. No motorboats. Accessible deck. Map 32

FFL A Birdwood WMA: Lincoln County, 20 acres, North Platte interchange, ½S, 3½W, 1N, NW across overpass. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, ROB, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 18

Blue Hole WMA: Buffalo County, 37 acres, Elm Creek interchange, SW quadrant. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAR. Gravel boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). N channel of Platte River connects to lake. Platte River access. Map 25

Bowman Lake: Sherman County, 10 acres, ½W of Loup City on Hwy. 92. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Middle Loup River access. Primitive camping. Sherman County managed area. Map 30

FFL A Brady Interchange WMA: Lincoln County, 25 acres, Brady interchange, SE quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Map 19

FFL A Bethphage Pond: Kearney County, 3 acres, ¼N Axtell. BLG, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. No motorboats. Accessible deck. Map 32

Bufflehead WMA: Buffalo County, 15 acres, Kearney interchange, 1N to 11th St., 3E, 1S, ½E. BLG, CCF, LMB, ROB, YEP. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 31

Central City Lake: Merrick County, 5 acres, ¼W on 31st St. from Hwy. 14. BLG, CCF, LMB. No motorboats. Map 36

Champion Mill Lake: Chase County, 12 acres, ½W of Champion. CAP, CCF. Shallow lake. Map 14

Chester Island WMA: Lincoln County, 5.6 acres in six pits, 2S, ½W of Brady. BLG, CCF, LMB, YEP. No boats. Walk-in access only. Map 19

FFL Cheyenne SRA: Hall County, 7 acres, Wood River interchange, NW quadrant. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Primitive camping. Gravel boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 31

CNPPID Canal (Tri County): Lincoln County, North Platte to Lexington. CCF, FCF, SAR, SMB, PAH, WAE, WHB, WIP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Maps 18, 19, 25

Cody Park Pond East: Lincoln County, 1.2 acres, Cody Park, North Platte. CAP, HSF

Coot Shallows WMA: Buffalo County, 12 acres, Odessa interchange, ¾N, 1¼W. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 25

Cornhusker WMA: Hall County, 1 acre, 4W of Grand Island. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Subject to water level fluctuations. Map 31

FFL Cottonmill Lake: Buffalo County, 43 acres, 1W, ½N of Kearney on Hwy. 30, N of Hwy. 30 off Cottonmill Ave. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, WAE. Northern pike - 34-inch minimum length. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 31

Cozad WMA: Dawson County, 18 acres, Cozad interchange, SE quadrant. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, ROB, YEP. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Platte River access - foot traffic only. Map 25

FFL Crystal Lake: Adams County, 5 acres, 2N, 1W of Ayr. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21 inch minimum length limit. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Modern and primitive camping. Map 32

Crystal Lake: Lincoln County, 7 acres, Maxwell interchange, ¾N, 2W, ½N, 3½W, ½S across overpass. BLG, CCF, LMB, RSF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 18

Curtis Golf Course Pond: Frontier County, 1.7 acres, E edge of Curtis, Hwy. 23 and Arrowhead Meadows Dr. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No boats. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 19

Darr Strip WMA: Dawson County, 13 acres, Darr interchange, NW quadrant. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, ROB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Gravel boat ramp. Map 25

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Dogwood WMA: Dawson County, 12 acres in two lakes, Lexington interchange, 5½E, 2½S across overpass, ¼E. BLG, CCF, CAP, GRC, LMB. Improved boat ramp on east lake. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Platte River access - foot traffic only. Map 25

Eagle Scout Lake: Hall County, 55 acres, 1N of Grand Island, Hwy. 281 and N Broadwell Ave. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible deck. Hike-bike trail around lake. Map 31

East Gothenburg WMA: Dawson County, 15 acres, Gothenburg interchange, ½S, ½E, 3½SE and ½E. CCF, CRP, HSF, LMB, RSF. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 25

East Hershey WMA: Lincoln County, 20 acres, North Platte interchange, ½S, 7¾W, 1½N, NE across overpass. BLG, CCF, HSF, LMB, ROB, RSF. All species - catch-and-release. Possession of any fish species other than baitfish while fishing this lake is prohibited. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Gravel boat ramp. Map 18

East Odessa WMA: Buffalo County, 7 acres, Odessa interchange, 4E on S side of I-80. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Platte River access. Map 31

East Sutherland WMA: Lincoln County, 27 acres, Hershey interchange, ¼S, 3W, ½N, NE across overpass. BLG, CCF, HSF, LMB, NOP, ROB, RSF, YEP. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Gravel boat ramp. Map 18

Elm Creek WMA: Webster County, 4E, 2N of Red Cloud. RBT. One-half mile of Elm Creek is on public land, the remainder on private land, permission required. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 32

Elwood Reservoir WMA: Gosper County, 1,150 acres, 3N of Elwood. BCF, BLG, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, MUE, NOP, SMB, SPB, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Wiper/White bass - daily bag limit of three with no more than one fish 16 inches or greater; Walleye, Sauger, Saugeye - daily bag limit of four may include one from 15 to 18 inches and three over 18 inches or four over 18 inches, but no more than one over 22 inches in length allowed in daily bag. Bank access at entrance. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Subject to summer drawdown. Map 25

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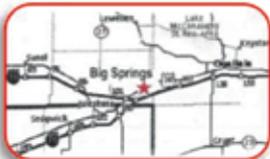


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Farwell South Reservoir: Howard County, 40 acres, 4W, 3S of Farwell. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, WAE. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 30

Fort Kearny SRA: Kearney County, 21 acres in seven pits, ¾E, 1N of Fort Kearny SHP. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. Lake No. 2 catch-and-release for channel and blue catfish. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in Lake No. 6. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Accessible deck on Lake Nos. 5, 6 and 7. Modern and primitive camping. Map 31

Fort McPherson: Lincoln County, 30 acres, Maxwell interchange, SE quadrant. BLG, CCF, LMB, ROB, RSF, SMB, YEP. Electric motor and non-powered boats allowed. Gravel boat ramp. Map 18

Fremont Slough WMA: Lincoln County, 30 acres, North Platte interchange, 1½S, 4¾E, ¼N, right turn across canal, ¼N under overpass. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, ROB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Map 18

Frenchman WMA: Hayes County, 20 acres in three pits, ½N of Palisade. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 20

Gallagher Canyon Reservoir SRA: Dawson County, 182 acres, 8S of Cozad. Enter from E from Road 422. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, SAR, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Gravel boat ramp. Map 25

Grand Island Eastbound Rest Area: Hall County, 6 acres, 3E of Grand Island interchange. BLG, CCF, LMB. No boats allowed. Low levels possible. Map 31

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Grand Island L.E. Ray Lake: Hall County, 30 acres, Grand Island, N of Husker Hwy. and East Blaine. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 31

FFL Grand Island Pier Lake: Hall County, 9 acres, Grand Island, Ashton Ave. and Bismarck Rd. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. No boats. Map 31

FFL A Grand Island Such's Lake: Hall County, 4 acres, Grand Island, Harrison St. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, RBT. Accessible deck. No boats. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 31

Guide Rock Diversion Dam WMA: Webster County, 2W of Guide Rock. CAP, CCF. Access to Republican River. Map 32

Harlan County Reservoir: Harlan County, 13,500 acres, S of Alma and Republican City. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, NOP, WAE, WHB, WIP. Walleye, Sauger, Saugeye - daily bag limit of four may include one from 15 to 18 inches and three over 18 inches or four over 18 inches, but no more than one over 22 inches in length allowed in daily bag. This length regulation in effect on Republican River above Harlan Reservoir up to Neb. Hwy. 183 bridge. Modern and primitive camping. All boats allowed. Subject to summer drawdown. Fish-cleaning stations at Hunter Cove and Methodist Cove. Map 26

Harold W. Anderson WMA (Middle Loup River): Howard County, 2N, 3E of Dannebrog. CAP, CCF. Map 30

Hayes Center Lake WMA: Hayes County, 50 acres, 12NE of Hayes Center. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, NOP, SAE. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 19

Heartland Shooting Center Pond: Hall County, 7 acres, 2W of Grand Island on Husker Hwy. BLG, CCF, LMB. City regulation - Total catch-and-release. Barbless hooks only. Open to fishing during public shooting hours. No boats. Low water possible due to seepage problems. Map 31

FFL Heartwell Park Lake: Adams County, 3 acres, Hastings, E Forest Blvd. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. No boats. Map 31

FFL A Hershey WMA: Lincoln County, 53 acres, Hershey interchange, SE quadrant. BLG, CCF, FCF, LMB, NOP, ROB, WAE, YEP. Northern pike - 34-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Map 18

FFL Holdrege City Lake (North Park): Phelps County, 10 acres, Holdrege, E of Hwy. 183 on 18th Ave. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 26

FFL Humphrey Pond: Keith County, 3 acres, E edge of Ogallala on Hwy. 30. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. No boats. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 12

Indian Creek WMA (Republican River): Webster, 1S of Red Cloud. CAP, CCF, WHB. Map 32

Indian Creek WMA Pond: Webster County, 2 acres, 1S of Red Cloud. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Renovated and restocked in 2018. Accessible fishing pier. Map 32

A Jeffrey Reservoir WMA: Lincoln County, 900 acres, 5S, 3W of Brady. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, SAR, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. All boats allowed. Subject to frequent water fluctuations. Map 19

FFL A Johnson Lake SRA: Gosper County, 2,189 acres, 7S of Lexington. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, PAH, SAR, SMB, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Primitive and modern camping. All boats allowed. Accessible concrete walkway/fishing area at inlet. Fish-cleaning stations at inlet and near east SRA campground. Map 25

A Kea Lake WMA: Buffalo County, 20 acres, Kearney interchange, SW quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Improved boat ramp. Accessible ramp access. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Managed by City of Kearney. Map 31

Kea West WMA: Buffalo County, 8 acres, Kearney interchange, 1N to 11th St., 1¼W, 1S to overpass approach, turn east. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, ROB, YEP. All species - catch-and-release. Possession of any fish species other than baitfish while fishing this lake is prohibited. Gravel boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 31

Kirkpatrick Memorial Park Lake: Dawson County, 3 acres, Lexington, 805 N. Taft St. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. No boats. Renovated in August 2017 and restocked. Rehabilitation project completed in 2018. Map 25

Lake Hastings: Adams County, 63 acres, Hastings, W of Hwy. 281. BBH, CAP, CCF, CRP. Special city boating regulations. Map 31

FFL Lake Helen: Dawson County, 20 acres, Gothenburg, W of Hwy. 47 at 25th St. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Ice-fishing allowed. Improved boat ramp. Managed by city. Map 25

A Lake Maloney SRA: Lincoln County, 1,600 acres, 6S of North Platte. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, SMB, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Camping. All boats allowed. Accessible deck at inlet. Fish-cleaning stations at inlet and outlet. Map 18

Lake McConaughy SRA: Keith County, 30,000 acres, 10N of Ogallala. BBH, CCF, NOP, SMB, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Unlawful to possess a walleye on that portion of Otter Creek from the junction at the shore of the lake upstream to, and including, the culvert under Neb. Hwy. 92. Modern and primitive camping. All boats allowed. Subject to severe summer drawdowns. Fish-cleaning stations at Martin Bay, Cedar Vue and Otter Creek. From sunset to sunrise, April 1-30, fishing from boat within 30 yards of dam allowed only on that portion of the dam starting 200 feet north of the morning glory (outlet), with travel in a south-to-north (counter clockwise) direction required. Map 12

FFL A Lake Ogallala SRA: Keith County, 650 acres, 10N of Ogallala. CCF, RBT, SMB, TGT, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Modern and primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible deck. Fish-cleaning station in NW corner. Map 12

Len Koziol WMA (Loup River): Howard County, 2½N, 2E, ½N of St. Paul. CAP, CCF. Map 30

Liberty Cove: Webster County, 36 acres, 2S, 2½W of Lawrence. BLG, CCF, LMB. Owned by Little Blue NRD. Black bass - 21-inch length limit, NRD regulation. Deck with gravel access. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Subject to low water levels. Map 32

Lincoln Park Pond: Nuckolls County, 1 acre, Superior, W. 4th St. off Hwy. 14. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Map 38

Loch Linda WMA (Platte River): Hall County, 10S, 3W of Grand Island. CAP, CCF. Access to river. Map 31

Marsh Wren WMA: Howard County, 1 acres, 3N, 3W of St. Paul. BLG, LMB. Access to North Loup River. Map 30

Martins Reach WMA (Platte River): Hall County, 4S, 2W of Wood River. CAP, CCF. Access to river. Map 31

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^A Medicine Creek SRA (Harry Strunk Lake): Frontier County, 1,850 acres, 2W, 7N of Cambridge. BCF, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, LMB, SAE, WAE, WHB, WIP. Primitive and modern camping. Cabins. All boats allowed. Subject to severe summer drawdowns. Map 20

^{FFL} Melham Park Lake: Custer County, 4 acres, Broken Bow, N of Memorial Dr., E of N. 5th Ave. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Managed by the city. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Aeration system may hamper solid ice formation. Fishing pier. Map 24

Midway Canyon Reservoir: Dawson County, 609 acres, 6S, 2W of Cozad. CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, PAH, SAR, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. All boats allowed. Gravel public boat ramp on Road 418. Map 25

Minden Biological Learning Center Pond: Kearney County, 0.5 acres, W. 5th St., at Minden High School. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 32

Mormon Island DOT (East): Hall County, 22 acres, Grand Island interchange, N of I-80, 1½E. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Access on foot from Mormon Island SRA. Map 31

^{FFL} Mormon Island SRA (Middle): Hall County, 19 acres, Grand Island interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Modern and primitive camping. Concrete boat ramp. Map 31

^{FFL A} Mormon Island SRA (West): Hall County, 42 acres, Grand Island interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Modern and primitive camping. Accessible pier. Concrete boat ramp. Map 31

Mormon Trail: Merrick County, 1 acre, 1½S, 2W Clarks. BLG, CCF, LMB. Subject to low water levels. Map 36

Narrows WMA: Webster County, 4W of Red Cloud on Hwy. 136. CAP, CCF, WHB. Access to Republican River. Map 32

North Commons Pond: Adams County, 4.4 acres, 1 block S of 39th and Turner Ave., Hastings. BLG. Closed to public fishing until development around the pond is completed. No angler amenities. No boats allowed. Located next to city hike/bike trail.

North Kearney Rest Area (westbound) DOT: Buffalo County, 7 acres, 2W of Kearney interchange at exit 272 on I-80 to rest stop. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. No boats. Map 31

^{FFL} North Loup SRA: Howard County, 7 acres, 3N of St. Paul, just N of the North Loup River on Hwy. 281. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 30

^{FFL A} North Platte I-80 City Lake: Lincoln County, 26 acres, North Platte I-80 interchange, exit 177, S on Hwy. 83, first left turn. BLG, CCF, LMB, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Managed by the city. Improved boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Fishing deck. Map 18

North Platte River: Keith County, Keystone to Paxton. RBT. Private access, permission required.

North River WMA (Platte River): Lincoln County, 2½N of Hershey. CAP, CCF. Encompasses 2 miles of North Platte River. Map 18

Otter Creek: Keith County, 12E of Lewellen. BNT, RBT. Private property, permission required.

^{FFL} Oxford City Lake: Furnas County, 2 acres, ¼S of downtown on Central Ave. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 26

Pawnee Slough WMA: Lincoln County, 30 acres, 2W of Maxwell on Hwy. 30. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, RSF. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Gravel boat ramp. Map 18

Phillips Canyon Reservoir: Gosper County, 142 acres, 8S, 1E, 1N Lexington. CCF, CRP, FRD, SAR, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Primitive boat ramp. All boats allowed. Unimproved access road - dry weather only. Map 25

Pioneer Trail Lake: Hamilton County, 45 acres, 1N, 1½E Aurora. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAE. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Modern and primitive camping. Upper Big Blue NRD area. Map 37

Plum Creek Canyon Reservoir: Dawson County, 252 acres, 8S, 3½E Cozad. CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, SAR, WAE, WHB, WIP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Concrete boat ramp. All boats allowed. Map 25

FFL Plum Creek Park Lake: Dawson County, 3 acres, Lexington, N. Adams (Rt. 21) and W. 13th streets. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Managed by city. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. No boats. Lake rehabilitation project completed and restocked in 2016. Map 25

Pressey WMA: Custer County, 2 acres, 3N, 1E Oconto. BLG, CCF, CRP, GRC, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Dense aquatic vegetation. Map 24

A Ravenna Lake: Buffalo County, 16 acres, 1SE of Ravenna, N of Hwy. 2. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Primitive and modern camping. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Gravel boat ramp. Accessible deck. Managed by county. Excessive aquatic vegetation during summer. Map 30

A Red Willow SRA (Hugh Butler Lake): Frontier County, 1,630 acres, 11N of McCook. CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, NOP, SAE, SMB, WAE, WHB, WIP. Northern pike - 34-inch minimum length limit. Subject to low water levels. Modern camping. All boats allowed. Accessible fishing dock and three accessible boat ramps and docks. Map 20

A Rock Creek Lake SRA: Dundy County, 50 acres, 4N, 1W of Parks. CCF, LMB, RBT, RSF, TGT, YEP. Primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier and two accessible boat docks. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 14

Sac Wilcox WMA: Phelps County, 2 acres in three lakes, 10E, 3S of Holdrege. BLG, CCF, LMB. Seepage problem on two lakes. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 26

FFL A Sandy Channel SRA: Buffalo County, 52 acres in six lakes, 2S of Elm Creek I-80 interchange. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE, ROB, WAE, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Muskie in Lake 8. Concrete boat ramps on lakes 2, 4 and 8. Accessible piers on lakes 4 and 8. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Map 25

FFL Silver Creek City Pond: Merrick County, 4 acres, S on Hwy. 39. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motors or non-powered boats allowed. Map 36

South Kearney Rest Area (eastbound) DOT: Buffalo County, 1 acre, 6E of Odessa interchange at exit 263 to rest stop. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. No boats. Map 31

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Sherman Reservoir SRA: Sherman County, 2,845 acres, 4E, 1N of Loup City. CCF, CRP, FCF, NOP, WAE, WHB. Walleye - daily bag limit can include two walleye between 15 inches and not greater than 20 inches and one walleye greater than 28 inches. Slot length limit protecting walleye 20 through 28 inches; Crappie - 10-inch minimum length limit; Northern Pike - 34-inch minimum length limit. Primitive camping. All boats allowed. Subject to summer drawdowns. Waters within 150 feet of dam, including spawning reefs on SW end of dam, are closed to fishing from sunset to sunrise April 1-20. Fish-cleaning stations at Trail 2 area near main boat ramp parking lot and at Trail 1 (Thunder Bay boat ramp). Map 30

Sutherland Cooling Pond: Lincoln County, 220 acres, 2S of Sutherland. CAP, CCF, FRD, LMB, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. No boats or wading. Map 18

^A Sutherland Reservoir SRA: Lincoln County, 3,000 acres, 2S of Sutherland. CCF, FRD, SMB, WAE, WHB, WIP, YEP. Daily bag limit of 10 for channel catfish. Ice fishermen use caution due to heated discharge from power plant. Primitive camping. All boats allowed. Accessible pier and fish-cleaning station at inlet. Maps 12, 18

Sutherland Supply Canal: Keith County, CCF, RBT, SMB, TGT, WAE, WIP. Canal exempt from the one trout over 16 inches in the daily bag limit restriction. Access via power district roads. No boats. Dewatered often. Map 12

^{FEL} Sutton Clark Pond: Clay County, 1 acre, Sutton, Glen Ave. and West Cedar St. BLG, CCF, LMB. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. No boats. Map 37

Sutton Detention Pond: Clay County, 1 acre, W. Maple and N. Euclid Ave. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 37

Swanson Reservoir SRA: Hitchcock County, 5,000 acres, 2W of Trenton. BCF, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, LMB, WAE, WHB, WIP. All boats allowed. Subject to severe summer drawdowns. Modern and primitive camping. Maps 14, 20

Union Pacific SRA: Buffalo County, 15 acres, Odessa interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, ROB. Primitive camping. Gravel boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 25

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FFL A Victoria Springs Lake SRA: Custer County, 6 acres, 6E of Anselmo off Spur S21A. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Improved boat ramp. Cabins and camping. Fish kill in 2018. Dense aquatic vegetation during summer. Map 23

War Axe SRA: Buffalo County, 14 acres, Shelton interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, RSF, SMB, WAE, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Gravel boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Map 31

Wellfleet Lake: Lincoln County, 50 acres, ½SW of Wellfleet. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB. Primitive camping. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Sand boat launch. Leased and managed by the village. Ice conditions can vary due to inflow. Map 19

FFL A West Brady WMA: Lincoln County, 6 acres, Brady interchange, ¾N, 3W across overpass. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. All species - catch-and-release. Possession of any fish species other than baitfish while fishing this lake prohibited. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Improved boat ramp. Map 18

West Cozad WMA: Dawson County, 18 acres, Cozad interchange, ½N, ¼W, ¼N, 1W, 1S. CCF, LMB, ROB, RSF. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive boat ramp. Map 25

FFL A West Gothenburg WMA: Lincoln County, 15 acres, Brady interchange, 4½E on U.S. Hwy. 30, ¼S across tracks. BLG, CCF, LMB, ROB, RSF. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Improved boat ramp. Map 19

West Hershey WMA: Lincoln County, 6 acres, Hershey interchange, ½W. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Access across private land. Map 18

FFL A West Maxwell WMA: Lincoln County, 7 acres, Maxwell interchange, ¾N, ¾W, ¼S. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, ROB, RSF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Improved boat ramp. Map 18

Willow Island WMA: Dawson County, 24 acres, 5¼W of Cozad on Hwy. 30, ¾S across overpass. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Lake connects to Platte River. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Sand boat ramp. Fish kill in 2018. Map 25

FFL A Windmill SRA: Buffalo County, 23 acres in six pits, Gibbon interchange, NE quadrant. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. Lake No. 3 is catch-and-release for channel and blue catfish. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Accessible deck at Lake No. 2. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Modern and primitive camping. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in Lake No. 2. Map 31

Wood River West WMA: Hall County, 15 acres, Wood River interchange, ½S, 1W, N across overpass, ¼W. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Gravel boat ramp. Map 31

FFL A Yanney Park Lake: Buffalo County, 20 acres, Kearney, off W. 11th St. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Accessible fishing pier. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 31



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Alexandria Southwest WMA (Big Sandy Creek): Jefferson County, ½S, 1E of Alexandria. CAP, CCF. Map 38

Alexandria SRA: Jefferson County, 43 acres in two lakes, 2S, 3E of Alexandria. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Water level may be low. Modern and primitive camping. Map 38

Arrowhead WMA: Gage County, 77 acres, 3E, ½S of Diller. BBH, CAP, CCF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Turbid and shallow. Map 44

Aspinwall Bend WMA (Missouri and Little Nemaha rivers): Nemaha County, ¾S of Nemaha. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 49

FFL Auburn Rotary Club Lake: Nemaha County, 5 acres, Auburn, 7th and J streets. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT, WIP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 49

FFL Baright Lake (Eugene T. Mahoney SP): Cass County, 4 acres, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Total catch and release. No fishing in immediate marina area. No motorboats. Map 42

Bear Pierce Cedar 2A: Gage County, 24 acres, 4N, 3½E of Hwy. 77/Hwy. 136 junction. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Owned by the Lower Big Blue NRD. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 44

Bennington Lake: Douglas County, 270 acres, 180th and Bennington Road. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, SMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. No ice-fishing. Public access on jetty located ½W of 168th St. (intersection of Hwy. 36 and Newport Landing). Map 47

FFL Benson Park Pond: Douglas County, 4 acres, Omaha, off 72nd St. at Military and Ames Ave. intersection. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children, and adults 62 or older. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Owned by city. Map 47

Big Indian 11A: Gage County, 76 acres, 3S, 3W of Wymore. BLG, CCF, LMB, SAE. Modern and primitive camping. Concrete boat ramp. All boats allowed. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lower Big Blue NRD area. Map 44

Blue Bluffs WMA (Big Blue River): Seward County, ½N, 1E, 2S of Milford. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map 43

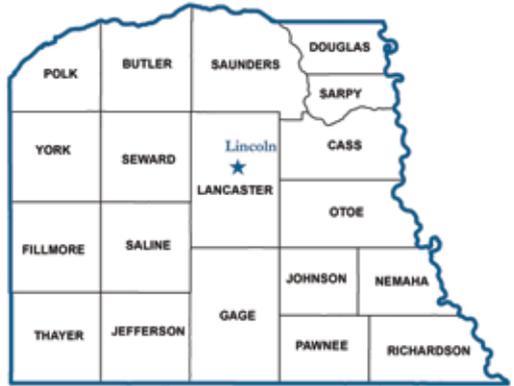
Blue River SRA (Big Blue River): Saline County, 3½N of Dorchester. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map 43

Blue Valley (Big Blue River): Seward County, ½S of Seward. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map 43

Bluestem Lake SRA: Lancaster County, 326 acres, 2½W of Sprague. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, WAE. Primitive camping. Concrete boat ramp. All boats allowed. Map 43

A Bowling Lake: Lancaster County, 12 acres, Lincoln, NW 48th and W. Cuming streets (Airpark). BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, WHP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. It is illegal to possess or transport live white perch. Concrete boat ramp. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Owned by city. Accessible deck. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in south pond. Map 43

Bowwood WMA: Pawnee County, 6 acres, 2S of Steinauer. BLG, LMB. Electric motors or non-powered boats allowed. Map 49



Bramble WMA (Platte River): Saunders County, 5W, 2N of Cedar Bluffs. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Map 42

A Branched Oak Lake SRA: Lancaster County, 1,800 acres, ½W, 4N of Malcolm. BCF, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, LMB, STB, WAE, WHP, WIP. Walleye - daily bag limit of one, 22 inches or longer; Crappie - 10-inch minimum length limit; striped bass, white bass, wiper and flathead catfish - catch-and-release. It is illegal to possess or transport live white perch. Modern and primitive camping. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake) 400 feet lakeward from dam and 90 feet from all other shorelines or as posted as no-wake areas. From sundown to sunrise, boats restricted to 5 mph on entire lake. Several concrete boat ramps available. Accessible deck by marina. Accessible pit toilet at Area 10 campground. Fish-cleaning stations at Areas 5 and 11. Map 43

Brownville SRA (Missouri River): Nemaha County, 1E of Brownville. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. Primitive camping. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 49

Bruning Dam: Fillmore County, 258 acres, 2½E, 1N of Bruning. BBH, CAP, CCF. Little Blue NRD area. Turbid. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 38

Buckley 3F: Jefferson County, 22 acres, 7W, 4½S of Fairbury. CCF. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Little Blue NRD area. Turbid. Map 38

A Burchard Lake: Pawnee County, 150 acres, 3E, ½N of Burchard. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, YEP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Fishing restricted to shoreline or on ice from Oct. 15-Jan. 15. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Concrete boat ramp. Accessible pier. Primitive camping. Map 44

A Carter Lake: Douglas County, 300 acres, Omaha, Abbott Dr. and Carter Blvd. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. All boats allowed. Special boating regulations. E arm has no-wake, 5 mph speed limit. Concrete boat ramp. Accessible deck. Open 5 a.m. to 11 p.m. *Suspect lake for zebra mussels.* Map 47

Catfish Run WMA (Salt Creek): Sarpy County, ¾E of Ashland. BCF, CAP, CCF, FCF, SNS. Map 42

CenturyLink Lake: Cass County, 10 acres, Eugene T. Mahoney SP, I-80 exit 426. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Boat ramp. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 42

Clatonia 3A: Gage County, 46 acres, 1N of Clatonia. BBH, CCF. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lower Big Blue NRD area. Turbid. Low water levels. Map 44

A Conestoga Lake SRA: Lancaster County, 230 acres, 1½N of Denton. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, ROB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Primitive and modern camping. Concrete boat ramp. Accessible pier. Boating restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Rehabilitation completed in 2019. Map 43

Cottontail: Lancaster County, 29 acres, ½N of Martell. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Subject to frequent summer fish kills. Lower Platte South NRD area. Map 43

Crystal Springs Lakes: Jefferson County, 6 acres in two lakes, Fairbury, Crystal Springs Rd., W of Frederick Street. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, RBT. No boats. Camping. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in middle lake. Map 44

Cub Creek Watershed 12A: Jefferson County, 27 acres, 3W, 4½S of Plymouth. CAP, CCF. Boat ramp. All boats allowed. Turbid. Lower Big Blue NRD area. Primitive camping. Lake drained for renovation until 2020. Map 44

A Czechland Lake: Saunders County, 85 acres, 1N, ¼W of Prague. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Crappie - 10-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier. Lower Platte North NRD area. Primitive and modern camping. Map 42

FFL David City Park Ponds: Butler County, 6 acres in three ponds, David City, S edge E side of Hwy. 15. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, RBT. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in west lake. Map 42

Diamond Lake WMA: Gage County, 26 acres, 3½W of Odell. BBH, CCF, FCF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Turbid. Map 44

Donald Whitney WMA: Gage County, 17 acres, 3½W of Odell. BBH, CCF, FCF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Turbid. Map 44

Duck Creek Recreation Area: Nemaha County, 65 acres, 3½W, 1N of Peru. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Nemaha NRD area, entry permit required. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 49

Elkhorn Crossing (Elkhorn River): Douglas County, 252nd St. on Bennington Rd. BBH, CAP, CCF, FCF, SNS. Papio-Missouri River NRD area. Open April 1-Nov. 1, 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Camping and canoe launch. Map 42

Fairbury Dam (Little Blue River): Jefferson County, Fairbury, S edge at C St. CAP, CCF, FCF. Trail and decks on old railroad bridge. Map 44

A Flanagan Lake: Douglas County, 225 acres, Omaha, 168th and Fort streets. BLG, CCF, LMB, NOP, RSF. Total catch and release. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing jetty. Map 47

Flathead WMA (Little Blue River): Jefferson County, 1S of Fairbury. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map 44

Fontenelle Park Pond: Douglas County, 4 acres, Omaha, 45th and Ames Ave. at Fontenelle Blvd. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children, and adults 62 or older. Map 47

Friend City Lake: Saline County, 1 acre, City of Friend. BLG, CCF, LMB. Largemouth bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map 37

A Glenn Cunningham Lake: Douglas County, 390 acres, Omaha, 96th and State streets. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, NOP, SAE, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Canoe/kayak launch on W access. Accessible pier. Drained for rehabilitation project until 2020. Open 5 a.m.-11 p.m. Map 47

Graske Crossing (Elkhorn River): Douglas County, SE corner of Elkhorn River and W. Dodge Rd. (Skyline Dr. exit). BBH, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, SNS. Papio-Missouri River NRD area. Open April 1-Nov. 1, 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Canoe launch. Map 47

Hamburg Bend WMA (Missouri River): Otoe County, 4 SE of Nebraska City, south of Omaha Public Power District power plant. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. River access - half-mile walk. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 48

Hanscom Park Pond: Douglas County, 1 acre, Omaha, 32nd Ave. and Center St. BLG, CCF, LMB. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children and adults 62 or older. Map 47

Haworth Park (Missouri River): Sarpy County, Bellevue, Payne Dr. off Hwy. 370. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp owned by city. Launching fee. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 47

Haworth Park Pond: Sarpy County, 1 acre, Bellevue, E edge off Hwy. 370. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 47

A Hedgefield Lake WMA: Lancaster County, 44 acres, 2W, ½N of Panama. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Concrete boat ramp. Accessible fishing pier. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 43

Hitchcock Park Pond: Douglas County, 2 acres, Omaha, 42nd and Q streets. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children and adults 62 or older. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 47

FFL A Holmes Lake: Lancaster County, 100 acres, Lincoln, 70th St. and Normal Blvd. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, WAE, WHP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. It is illegal to possess or transport live white perch. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Owned by city. Two concrete boat ramps. Accessible deck. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 43

Homestead Lake: Butler County, 38 acres, 1N, ½W of Bruno. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lower Platte North NRD area. Fish kill in 2018. Map 42

FFL Humboldt City Park Lake: Richardson County, 1 acre, Humboldt, S edge of town, W off Hwy. 105 at Railroad St. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 49

Independence Landing Lake: Seward County, 2 acres, N 14th St. on W edge of Seward. BLG, CCF, LMB. Owned by city. Map 43

Indian Cave SP (Missouri River): Richardson County, 4E of Barada. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. Modern and primitive camping. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map 49

A Iron Horse Trail Lake: Pawnee County, 85 acres, ½N, 2W of DuBois. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Nemaha NRD area, entry permit required. Accessible concrete boat ramp and fishing pier. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive and modern camping. Map 49

Jack Sinn WMA (Rock Creek): Lancaster County, 2S of Ceresco. BBH, CCF. Map 42

FFL Jenny Newman Pond (Platte River SP): Cass County, 4 acres, 2S, 3W of Louisville. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. All species - catch-and-release. Possession of any fish species other than baitfish while fishing this lake is prohibited. No fishing from marina dock. No motorboats. Map 48

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Killdeer Lake WMA: Lancaster County, 20 acres, 2½N of Martell. BBH, BLG, CRP, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 43

Kinter's Ford WMA (Big Nemaha River): Richardson County, 1N, 2½E of Dubois on Hwy. 8. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map 49

Kirkman's Cove: Richardson County, 160 acres, 1N, 2W of Humboldt. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB. Nemaha NRD area, entry permit required. Turbid. Concrete boat ramp. 35-mph maximum on lower two-thirds of lake. No personal watercraft. Map 49

Kramer Park Lake: Sarpy County, 7 acres, N side of Hwy. 370 at Missouri River bridge. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map 47

FFL Lake Halleck: Sarpy County, 4 acres, Papillion, E of S. Washington St. (Hwy. 85) on E. Lincoln St. BLG, CCF, HSF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 47

A Lake Wanahoo: Saunders County, 637 acres, ½N of Wahoo. BBH, BLG, CAP, CRP, LMB, NOP, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Northern pike - catch-and-release. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Accessible concrete boat ramp and fishing pier. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lower Platte North NRD area, entry permit required. Map 4

Lakeview Park Lake (Henderson Pond): York County, 4 acres, Henderson, SW of Birch and Main streets. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 37

Langdon Bend WMA (Missouri River): Nemaha County, 1E of Nemaha. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map 49

Lawrence Youngman Lake: Douglas County, 60 acres, Omaha, 192nd and West Dodge Rd. BLG, CCF, LMB, RSF, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Operated by city. Map 47

Leisure Lake (Cub Creek 9B): Jefferson County, 25 acres, 3S, ½E of Plymouth. BLG, CCF, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Concrete boat ramp. Lower Big Blue NRD area. Primitive camping. Map 44

Lied Platte River Hike-Bike Bridge (Platte River): Cass County, S of South Bend. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SNS. Deck. Contact Platte River SP for details. Map 48

Little Blue East WMA (Little Blue River): Thayer County, 4E of Hebron. CCF, FCF. Map 38

Little Blue WMA (Little Blue River): Thayer County, 2E of Hebron. CCF, FCF. Map 38

A Lone Star Recreation Area: Fillmore County, 75 acres, 3½E, ½S of Ohiowa. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Accessible fishing deck. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive and modern camping. Fish kill in 2018. Little Blue NRD area. Map 38

FFL A Louisville SRA: Cass County, 40 acres in 5 pits, ½NW of Louisville. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Boat launch areas available. Accessible fishing deck and restroom on Lake 2. Fishing piers on several lakes. Modern, accessible and primitive camping. Maps 47, 48

Louisville SRA (Platte River): Cass County, ½NW of Louisville. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SNS. Map 47

Louisville WMA (Platte River): Cass County, 1N of Louisville. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, SNS. Concrete boat ramp just west of Hwy. 50 bridge. Map 47

Margrave WMA (Big Nemaha River): Richardson County, 1½S, 2¾E of Preston. CAP, CCF, FCF. Access to river, half-mile walk. Map 49

Mayberry WMA: Pawnee County, 25 acres, 5N, 1¼E of Burchard. BBH, BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Walk-in access. Map 44

A Meadowlark: Seward County, 55 acres, 4W, 1N, 1½W of Agnew. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Accessible concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lower Platte South NRD area. Map 42

FFL A Memphis Lake SRA: Saunders County, 81 acres, ¼W of Memphis. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing deck. Primitive camping. Map 42

Merganser Lake: Lancaster County, 41 acres, ½N, 1E, ¼N of Kramer. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Rock/gravel boat ramp. Lower Platte South NRD area. Map 43

Meridian WMA (Little Blue River): Thayer County, 3S, ½W of Alexandria. CAP, CCF, FCF. Map 38

Midlands Lake: Sarpy County, 11 acres, Papillion, Washington and Capehart Rd. BLG, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map 47

Miller Park Pond: Douglas County, 4 acres, Omaha, 30th St. and Redick Ave. BLG, CCF, LMB. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children and adults 62 or older. Map 47

N.P. Dodge Memorial Park (Missouri River): Douglas County, Omaha, 11000 N. River Rd. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. Primitive camping. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map 47

Oak Lake: Lancaster County, 47 acres in three lakes, Lincoln, Charleston St. and Sun Valley Blvd. BBH, CAP, GSF, WHP. Owned by city. Shallow. Subject to fish kills. No boats. Map 43

FFL A Olive Creek Lake SRA: Lancaster County, 175 acres, 2E, 1S of Kramer. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF, SAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Fish kill in 2018. Primitive camping. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing pier. Map 43

Osage WMA: Johnson County, 4 acres in four ponds, 3N, 2W, ¾N of Tecumseh. BLG, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats. Map 49

Overland Trail Lake: York County, 14 acres, 3E, 1½S of York. BLG, CCF, LMB. Upper Big Blue NRD area. Dam leaks, low water levels. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 37

Oxbow Trail Lake: Butler County, 43 acres, 1½ E of Ulysses. BBH, BLG, CRP, CCF, LMB. Upper Big Blue NRD area. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Water may be low. Map 42

Papio D-4: Douglas County, 30 acres, NW Omaha - ¼N of Hwy. 36 and 98th St. BLG, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Papio-Missouri NRD area. Walk-in access only. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 47

Pawnee City Pond: Pawnee County, 1 acres, SW edge of Pawnee City, W side of Hwy. 65. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 49

Pawnee Lake SRA: Lancaster County, 740 acres, 2N, 1½W of Emerald. BLG, BUF, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, FRD, LMB, NOP, SAE, WAE, WHP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. It is illegal to possess or transport live white perch. Modern and primitive camping. All boats allowed. Several concrete boat ramps. Fish-cleaning station at main boat ramp. Map 43

Pawnee Prairie WMA: Pawnee County, 5 acres in seven ponds, 6S, 2E, 2S of Burchard. BLG, LMB. Walk-in access only. Map 44

Peru (Missouri River): Nemaha County, 1½E of Peru. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map 49

Platte River Landing: Douglas County, E corner of Hwy. 64 bridge. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SNS. Open April 1-Nov. 1, 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Canoe launch. Papio-Missouri NRD area. Map 42

A Plattsmouth City Lake: Cass County, 3 acres, Plattsmouth, S. 18th St. and 5th Ave. BLG, CCF, LMB. Accessible fishing pier. Map 47

Prairie Knoll WMA: Pawnee County, 6 acres, 2W, 2N DuBois. BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 49

Prairie Queen Recreation Area (West Papillion No. 5): Sarpy County, 105 acres, Papillion, 126th and Cornhusker. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF, WAE. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 47

FFL Prairie View Lake: Douglas County, 42 acres, 2W of Bennington, 180th and Hwy. 36. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Papio-Missouri River NRD area. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Map 47

Recharge Lake: York County, 49 acres, 1½W of York. BLG, CAP, CRP, CCF, LMB. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Upper Big Blue NRD area. Map 37

Red Cedar: Saunders County, 50 acres, 5½N, 2W of Valparaiso. BLG, CCF, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Boat ramp. Lower Platte South NRD area. Turbid. Map 42

Redtail WMA: Butler County, 17 acres, 1E, ½N of Dwight. BLG, LMB. Walk-in access only. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Map 42

A Riverview Marina SRA (Missouri River): Otoe County, Nebraska City, N. 4th St. and 14th Ave. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. Accessible boat dock. Primitive camping. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 48

Rockford Lake SRA: Gage County, 150 acres, 7E, 2S of Beatrice. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, LMB, WAE, WHP. It is illegal to possess or transport live white perch. All boats allowed. Concrete boat ramp. Primitive and modern camping. Map 44

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Rose Creek WMA (Rose Creek - 2 locations): Jefferson County, 2S, 2½W, 1½S and 2S, 3½W, 2S of Fairbury. BBH, CAP, CCF. Map 44

Rulo Access (Missouri River): Richardson County, S of Hwy. 159 bridge near Rulo. BBH, BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Concrete boat ramp. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 49

Schilling WMA (Missouri and Platte Rivers): Cass County, Plattsmouth, N on Schilling Rd. from Main St. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Bank access to Missouri and Platte rivers, except when closed due to poor road conditions. *Zebra mussel infested area.* Map 47

Schwer Park Pond: Sarpy County, 2 acres, Papillion, W. Centennial Rd. W of 84th St. BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Map 47

Shadow Lake: Sarpy County, 30 acres, Papillion, Washington and Capehart Rd. BLG, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 47

Smith Creek: Seward County, 21 acres, 2N, 2W, ¼N of Beaver Crossing. BLG, CAP, CCF, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Upper Big Blue NRD area. Turbid. Map 37

Spring Lake Park Pond: Douglas County, 2 acres, Spring Lake Dr. and F St., Omaha. BLG, CCF, LMB. Owned by city. Map 47

Stagecoach Lake SRA: Lancaster County, 195 acres, 1½S, ½W of Hickman. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Primitive and modern camping. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible fishing pier. Map 43

Standing Bear Lake: Douglas County, 135 acres, Omaha, 132nd and Military. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FRD, LMB, RBT, WAE, YEB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Owned by city. Concrete boat ramp. Open 5 a.m.-11 p.m. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 47

Stanton Lake: Richardson County, 2 acres, NW Falls City, W end of W. 25th St. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Modern campground. Picnic shelter and restrooms. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 49

Steinhart Park Ponds: Otoe County, 5 acres in two ponds, Nebraska City, N of Neb. Business Hwy. 2 off Steinhart Park Rd. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked in east pond. Map 48

Swan Creek 2A WMA: Saline County, 16 acres, 14W, 3N of Wilber. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Shallow. Maps 37, 43

Swan Creek WMA (Swan Creek 67): Saline County, 39 acres, 3N, 1W of Swanton. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lower Big Blue NRD area. Map 44

Talmage Park Lake: Otoe County, 1 acre, Talmage. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 48

Tanglewood: Lancaster County, 33 acres, ½N, 1W, ½S of Kramer. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Lower Platte South NRD area. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 43

Teal Lake WMA - Lancaster County, 29 acres, 2S of Kramer. BBH, BLG, CCF, LMB. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Subject to frequent fish kills due to low water. Map 43

Tecumseh City Pond: Johnson County, 2 acres, Tecumseh, N. 1st St. at fairgrounds. BLG, CCF, LMB. Map 49

Timber Point: Butler County, 28 acres, 1S, 2E of Brainard. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Accessible concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 42

Towl Park Pond: Douglas County, 1 acre, Omaha, West Center Rd. and 93rd. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Restricted to children under 16, adults with actively fishing children and adults 62 or older. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 47

Twin Lakes WMA: Seward County, 270 acres in two lakes, 2½N, ½W of Pleasant Dale. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB. Concrete boat ramp on east lake. Closed to fishing Oct. 15 through Dec. 31. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). West lake extremely shallow. Map 43

Twin Oaks WMA: Johnson County, 2 acres in two ponds, 2E, 4S of Tecumseh. BLG, LMB. Electric motors or non-powered boats allowed. Map 49

Twin Oaks WMA (Big Nemaha River): Johnson County, 2E, 2S, ¾W of Tecumseh. CAP, CCF, FCF. Half-mile walk-in access to river. Map 49

FFL A Two Rivers SRA: Douglas County, 32 acres in seven pits, 1½S of Venice. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, RBT, SMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Lake Nos. 3 and 4 are catch-and-release for channel and blue catfish. Trout fishing in Lake No. 5 best from April 1 to early June. Open dates for trout fishing will be published and posted. Trout fishing hours 7 a.m. to sunset. Daily trout tag required to attempt to take and to possess trout on entire area March 1 through June 30. Cost of a tag is \$6, which allows harvest of four trout. Anglers may purchase up to three tags, and can possess up to 12 trout. An adult angler is allowed to have two children under 16 fish under their tag, but group still limited to four trout per tag. One pole or rod and reel per angler on Lake No. 5. Purchase trout tags at park office. No tag required to fish Lake No. 5 from July 1-Jan. 31. No boats on Lake No. 5; other lakes electric motors or non-powered boats allowed. Accessible fishing deck on Lake No. 5. Cabins and camping. Map 42

Two Rivers SRA (Platte River): Douglas County, 1½S of Venice. BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, SNS. Walk-in river access. Map 42

FFL Verdon Lake SRA: Richardson County, 30 acres, ½W of Verdon. BBH, BLG, CCF, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Primitive camping. Fish kill in 2018. Map 49

FFL A Wagon Train Lake SRA: Lancaster County, 315 acres, 2E of Hickman. BLG, CCF, CRP, FRD, LMB, MUE, RSF, WAE, WHP, WIP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit; Wiper - daily bag limit of three, with no more than one fish 16 inches or greater. It is illegal to possess or transport live white perch. Primitive and modern camping. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier. Map 43

Walnut Creek 2A: Saline County, 26 acres, ½E, 3 ½N of Crete. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lower Big Blue NRD area. Primitive camping. Map 43

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FFL A Walnut Creek Reservoir: Sarpy County, 100 acres, Papillion, 96th and Hwy. 370. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Owned by city. Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Accessible fishing deck and island. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Concrete boat ramp. Primitive and modern camping. Map 47

Walnut Grove Park Pond: Douglas County, 1 acre, Millard, Q Street across from Millard South High School. BLG, CCF, LMB. Restricted to children under 16, adults with a child that is actively fishing, and adults 62 or older. Map 47

Waterloo River Access (Elkhorn River): Douglas County, SE corner of Elkhorn River and W. Maple Rd., Waterloo. BBH, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, SNS. Owned by village. Canoe launch. Map 42

Weeping Water Pond: Cass County, 4 acres, Weeping Water, S of Clinton Street. BLG, CCF, LMB, RBT. Rainbow trout seasonally stocked. Map 48

A Wehrspann Lake Recreation Area: Sarpy County, 245 acres, Omaha, 156th and Giles Rd. BBH, BCF, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Accessible pier. Papio-Missouri River NRD area. Open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Map 47

Whitehawk Lake: Douglas County, 30 acres, Omaha, 192 Rd. and F St. BLG, LMB. Walk-in access only. Map 47

Wilber Reservoir No. 1: Saline County, 2.6 acres, 6th and Shimerda streets, Wilber. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, FCF, GSF, LMB. Lake drained for renovation until 2019. Map 44

Wild Plum: Lancaster County, 16 acres, 1½N, ½W, of Kramer. BLG, LMB. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Lower Platte South NRD area. Map 43

FFL A Wildwood Lake: Lancaster County, 103 acres, 1W, 1½N of Agnew. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF, WAE, WHP. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit; channel and blue catfish - catch-and-release. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. It is illegal to possess or transport live white perch. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Accessible deck. Lower Platte South NRD area Map 42

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^ Willard L. Meyer Recreation Area (Swan Creek 5A): Saline County, 95 acres, 3E, 2N of Tobias. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB, SAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Lower Big Blue NRD area. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive and modern camping. Map 38

William Gilmour/Tobacco Island WMA (Missouri River): Cass County, ½E, 1S of Plattsmouth. BCF, BUF, CAP, CCF, FCF, FRD, GOE, SNS. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). *Zebra mussel infested area*. Map 48

Wilson Creek 2X WMA: Otoe County, 15 acres, 3E, 1½S of Otoe. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, RSF. Electric motor or non-powered boats allowed. Nemaha NRD area. Shallow. Map 48

Wilson Creek 4F (Prairie Owl): Otoe County, 38 acres, 2S, 1W, ¼S of Dunbar. BBH, BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Nemaha NRD area, entry permit required. Turbid. Map 48

Wirth Brothers Lake: Johnson County, 1W, 3S, 1W of Cook. BBH, BLG, CCF, LMB. Nemaha NRD area, entry permit required. Concrete boat ramp. Boating restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Water levels fluctuate. Primitive camping. Map 49

Wolf Wildcat No. 12: Gage County, 42 acres, 7S of Virginia. BLG, CCF, CRP, LMB. Lower Big Blue NRD area. Primitive boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Primitive camping. Heavy aquatic vegetation may restrict shore fishing. Map 44

^ Yankee Hill Lake WMA: Lancaster County, 208 acres, 2½E, 1S of Denton. BBH, BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, WAE, WHB. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. No live baitfish may be used or possessed. Accessible concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 43

FEL ^ Zorinsky Lake Recreation Area: Douglas County, 255 acres, Omaha, 156th and F streets. BLG, CAP, CCF, CRP, LMB, MUE, WAE. Black bass - 21-inch minimum length limit. Wiper: catch-and-release. Owned by city. Open 5 a.m.-11 p.m. Accessible fishing deck. Concrete boat ramp. Boats restricted to 5 mph (no wake). Map 47

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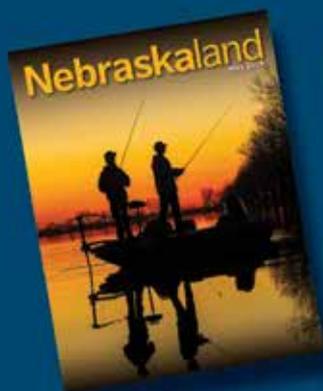
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