

Recreational Opportunities

Bird watching - Bicycling - Fishing - Hiking
Horseback Riding - Hunting - Outdoor
Photography - Wildlife Viewing

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

- No littering.
- No fireworks allowed.
- No open fires allowed.
- Dogs must be leashed when not used for training or hunting.
- Nuts, berries, fruits, mushrooms, and wild greens may be taken for personal use. Cutting or removing other vegetation is prohibited.
- Motor vehicles are allowed on public roadways and in parking areas.
- Horseback riding and bicycles are permitted on trails marked with brown "Horse/Bike" trail signs, service roads and roads open to vehicles. These trails total about 3.7 miles in length. A hiking only trail, approximately 1 mile in length is located along Crane Creek. Groups of 10 or more need a special-use permit. Horses are strictly forbidden from entering Crane Creek. Commercially operated trail rides are prohibited.
- Camping is not allowed.
- Target shooting is not allowed.
- Swimming and caving are not allowed.

Fishing and Boating

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

- Trout fishing allowed using flies and artificial lures only. All trout under 18 inches in length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught. The daily limit is one (1) trout of 18 inches or greater in length.
- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited.
- Salvage seining of non-game fish for personal use is permitted only with written authorization.
- Boats may be used only for fishing and wildlife activities and may not be left unattended overnight.

Hunting and Trapping

Hunting is allowed under statewide regulations with the following exceptions:

- Deer and turkey regulations are subject to

annual changes. Please refer to the Spring Turkey or Fall Deer and Turkey Hunting pamphlets for current regulations.

- Portable tree stands may be used between Sept. 1 and Jan. 31. Stands must be identified with the name and address, or conservation number of the user. Screw-in steps or other materials that would damage the tree are prohibited.
- Decoys and portable blinds are permitted but must be removed from the area daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site, but only from willows and non-woody vegetation.

Driving Directions

Wire Road Conservation Area consists of several tracts. To get to the largest tract, located northwest of Crane, take Highway 413 north 1.1 miles, then Old Wire Road west 1 mile to a parking lot on the north side of the road. A small tract, with a parking lot is located in the City of Crane on the east side of Highway 413, just south of Crane Creek on the opposite side of the creek from the city ball park. Another tract is located 1 mile southeast of Crane. From the junction of Highway 413 and Swinging Bridge Road, take Swinging Bridge Road east 0.4 mile, then Grisham Ford Road north 0.15 mile across Crane Creek to a parking lot on the east side of the road.

For local information, contact:

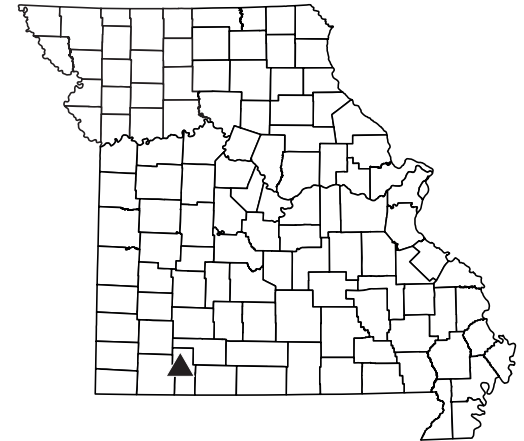
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Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices.

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

Wire Road CONSERVATION AREA



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