

Area Highlights

Facilities/features: boat ramp, boat dock, picnic area, pavilion, fishing dock, Port Hudson Community Lake (55 acres).

Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Fishing – Hiking
Outdoor Photography – Wildlife Viewing

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

- No hunting.
- No fireworks.
- No open fires.
- Horseback riding and bicycles are permitted on service roads and roads open to vehicles.
- Dogs must be leashed when not used for training.
- 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 roads and in parking areas.
- Camping is prohibited.
- Target shooting is not allowed.
- Swimming, scuba diving, water skiing, sail-boarding, skateboarding, caving and rappelling are prohibited.

Fishing and Boating

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

Species	Daily Limit	Length Limit
Black bass	2	18" Minimum
Catfish	4	None
Crappie	30	None
Other fish	10 total	None

- All black bass less than 18 inches total length must be released immediately after being caught.
- Head and tail must remain attached to all black bass while on the area or until checked by an agent of the Conservation Department.

- Fish may be taken only by pole and line and not more than 3 poles may be used by any person.
- Boats may be used for fishing and wildlife-related activities only and may not be left unattended overnight.
- Bullfrogs and green frogs may not be taken with firearms, trotlines, limblines or juglines.
- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited on area lakes and ponds. Gizzard shad may be taken from lakes and ponds by dip net or throw net.
- Only electric motors are permitted.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is closed to hunting.

The 225-acre Port Hudson Lake Conservation Area is located in Franklin County northeast of Gerald on Bald Hill Road. It can be reached by taking Highway C north from Highway 50 to Bald Hill Road or by taking Highway C south from New Haven to Bald Hill Road and proceeding one mile west.

For local information, contact:

Missouri Department of Conservation
St. Louis Regional Office
2360 Highway D
St. Charles MO 63304
(636) 441-4554

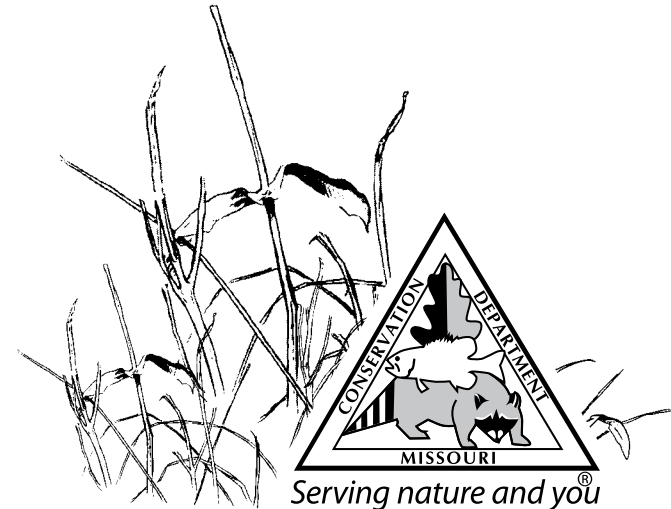
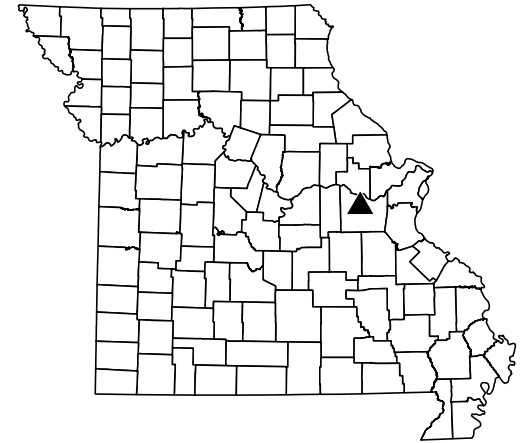
Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas.

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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, religion, national origin, sex, ancestry, age, sexual orientation, veteran status, 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 Chief, Public Civil Rights, Office of Civil Rights, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20240.

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