

RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Bird Watching — Bicycling — Fishing — Hiking
Hunting — Outdoor Photography

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

- No littering.
 - No fireworks.
 - No open fires except in designated areas.
 - 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, including 3-wheelers, 4-wheelers, dirt bikes and passenger vehicles, are restricted to graveled roadways and parking areas.
 - Camping is prohibited.
 - Bicycles allowed on designated service roads year-round. Service roads can be located at <https://mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places>.
 - Hiking is permitted on interior roads and trails.
 - No target shooting allowed.
 - Swimming, scuba diving, water skiing, sailboarding and skateboarding are not allowed.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing and frogging are allowed under statewide regulations, except that designated areas may be closed by posting from October 15 to the close of the area's waterfowl season. The following special regulations also apply:

- Fish may be taken only by pole and line and not more than 3 poles may be used by any person.
- Daily limit is 6 black bass and 10 channel catfish, 5 blue catfish, 5 flathead catfish and 30 crappie. Total number of all other fish may not exceed 50.
- All black bass less than 12 inches must be released immediately after being caught.
- 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:

- Waterfowl may be hunted under statewide regulations.
- 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.
- Public use is prohibited, except fishing and waterfowl hunting, when the water level is at or above 239 feet on the Hornersville Gauge at the boat ramp.
- Deer hunting is permitted under statewide seasons and methods except: only archery and muzzleloading methods may be used.
- 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 and must be removed from the area. Screw-in steps or other materials that would damage the tree are prohibited.
- Single projectile firearms are prohibited except: rimfire rifles may be used for small game hunting and muzzleloading rifles may be used during the fall deer season.
- Furbearer trapping is permitted by special use permit.

For information, contact:

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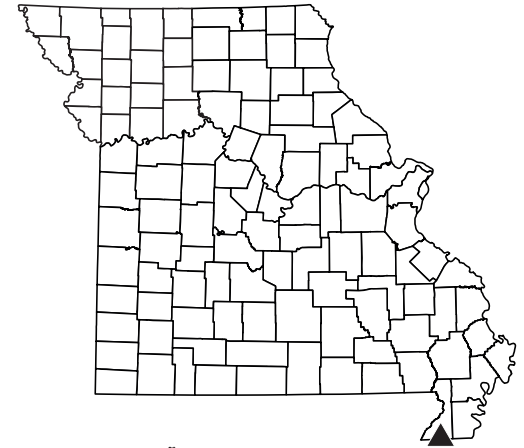
Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices.

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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/5csr/3csr.asp.) Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs of the Missouri Department of Conservation is available to all individuals without regard to their race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability. Questions should be directed to the Department of Conservation, P.O. Box 180, Jefferson City, MO 65102, (573) 751-4115 (voice) or 800-735-2966 (TTY), or to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Division of Federal Assistance, 4401 N. Fairfax Drive, Mail Stop: MBSP-4020, Arlington, VA 22203.

Hornersville Swamp

CONSERVATION AREA



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