Recreational Opportunities

Bird Watching – Camping – Fishing – Hiking Hunting – Wildlife Viewing

Conservation Areas are closed from 10:00 pm to 4:00 am except for authorized camping, fishing and hunting activities.

• Groups of more than 10 people and some special activities may require a special use permit. Please visit out website for more information.

• Camping is permitted only in designated areas and is limited to 14 consecutive days in a 30-day period. Groups of more than 10 campers require a special use permit.

• Bicycles allowed on designated service roads year-round. Service roads can be located at https:// mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places

• Target shooting is permitted only on designated public shooting ranges.

• Swimming, scuba diving, water skiing, skateboarding, caving and rappelling are not allowed.

• Use of fireworks is prohibited.

Fishing and Boating

Fishing and frogging are permitted under the following special regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

• In lakes, ponds and impoundments, fish may be taken only by pole and line and no more than three poles and lines may be used by any one person.

• Daily limits are six black bass and four catfish in the aggregate, and 30 crappie. All other fish, statewide limits, but the total number taken may not exceed 20.

• All black bass between 12 and 15 inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught. Fishing is permitted in streams under statewide regulations.

• Boats may not be stored or left unattended over-

night. Electric motors only are allowed.

Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply.

• Deer and turkey regulations are subject to annual changes. Please refer to Spring Turkey or Fall Deer and Turkey booklets for current regulations.

• Only portable tree stands may be placed or used and only between Sept. 1 and Jan. 31. Each stand must be identified with the name and address of the user and must be removed from the area by Feb. 1. Use of nails or other materials that would damage the tree is prohibited.

• Decoys and portable blinds are permitted but must be removed from the area daily. Blinds may be constructed on-site, but only from willows or non-woody vegetation.

• Trapping allowed with a special use permit. Visit our website for more information.

• Trail and game cameras are prohibited.

For local information, contact:

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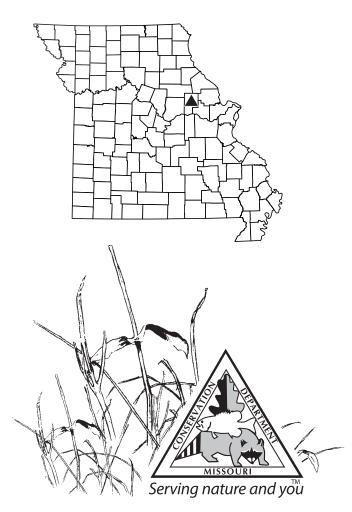
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(Regulations are from the Wildlife Code of Missouri and selected statutes of the State of Missouri. Special area regulations are in Chapter 11 of the Wildlife Code. A free printed copy of the Wildlife Code, which lists most area regulations, is available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

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