

dip net or throw net.

- Salvage seining of non-game fish for personal use is permitted only with written permission of the Conservation Department.
- Privately owned carry-in boats are permitted at Catchlaw, Cottontail, Gopher, and Jackrabbit lakes and all designated waterfowl hunting pools. Carry-in boats must be launched by hand only, no trailers may be backed into water or used anywhere other than where vehicles are permitted. Electric motors only.
- Float tubes may be used for authorized fishing and hunting activities on lakes and pools where carry-on boats are permitted.



### Hunting and Trapping

Area is open to hunting under statewide regulations, except as further restricted by the following special regulations:

- Hunting may be restricted on designated portions of the area, including shooting ranges, residences, work areas, and other public-use or service areas.
- Firearms firing single projectiles are prohibited except during special hunts.
- Dove hunting is permitted only by managed hunt during the first seven (7) days of the dove hunting season, except that dove hunting is prohibited on Labor Day and the weekend immediately preceding. Shooting hours are from 1:00 p.m. to sunset for the entire season.
- Use or possession of lead shot is prohibited for hunting doves at James A. Reed MWA.
- Dove hunters must possess a valid area daily hunting tag while hunting and must accurately report their harvest immediately upon completing their hunting trip.

- Rabbits, squirrels and crows may be taken between sunrise and sunset from December 1 through the end of the statewide season by holders of a valid area daily hunting permit.
- Deer and turkey hunting is permitted only during managed hunts. See Deer & Turkey regulations.
- Quail hunting is prohibited except during special hunts.
- Furbearer hunting may be authorized by Special Use Permit, except furbearers may be taken during managed deer hunts that coincide with the prescribed furbearer season using methods allowed for deer by participants holding a valid managed deer hunting permit and the prescribed permit for taking furbearers.
- Trapping of furbearers is allowed only with a Special Use Permit.
- Waterfowl may be hunted by reservation only by holders of a valid area daily hunting tag on designated days and only in designated areas. Contact area office for more information.

#### For local information, contact:

Missouri Department of Conservation  
James A. Reed Memorial Wildlife Area  
12405 SE Ranson Rd.  
Lee's Summit, MO 64082  
816-622-0900

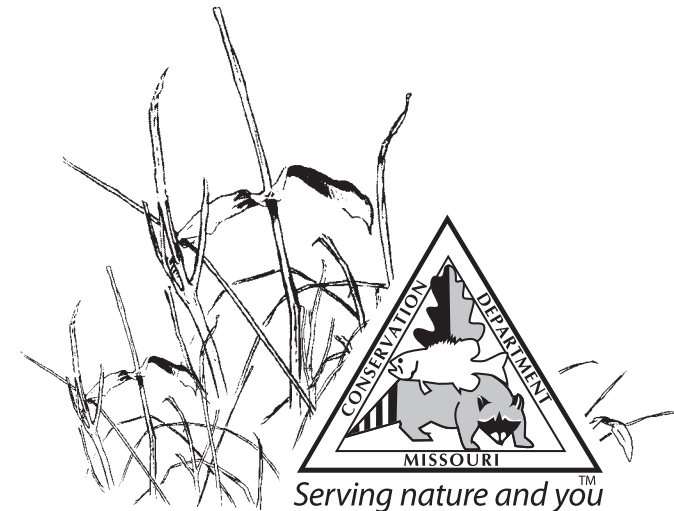
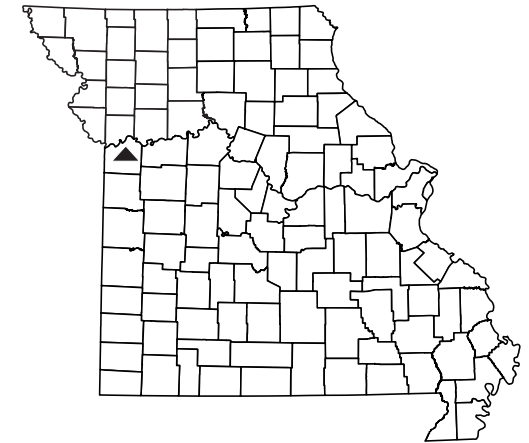
*Additional area information is posted on bulletin boards located in parking areas and area offices.*

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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](http://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.

# James A. Reed

## MEMORIAL WILDLIFE AREA



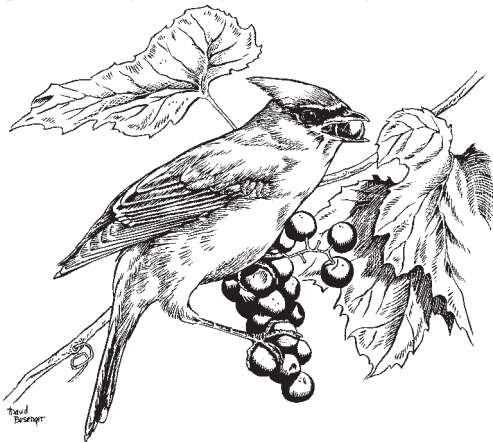
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## About This Area

The James A. Reed Memorial Wildlife Area is located in Jackson County, south of Highway 50, near Lee's Summit. This wildlife area was established in 1952 when Mrs. Reed donated 731 acres of land to the Missouri Department of Conservation, in memory of her husband, Senator James A. Reed. Additional tracts were purchased using federal monies and Department funds to bring the area to its present 3,084 acres. Development of the area and lake construction began in 1957. Over 250 acres of water have been impounded to form 12 lakes, ranging in size from one to 42 acres. Most lakes contain largemouth bass, channel catfish, crappie, bluegill, green sunfish, redear sunfish and bullheads. Striped bass hybrids have been stocked in several of the lakes. The area also has numerous small ponds. Woodlands, native grass plantings, shrub plantings and crop fields are managed to provide year-round food and cover for wildlife. The area also supports good numbers of deer and turkey. This wildlife area was acquired, developed and is managed in part through the Dingell-Johnson Sport Fish Restoration Act and the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act administered by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

## Recreational Opportunities

Fishing – Hunting – Hiking – Bird Watching – Outdoor Photography – Picnicking – Bicycling  
*Area Hours: 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. daily, except during daylight savings time (second Sunday in March to the first Sunday in November) area hours are 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. Hours are subject to change during special hunts or as otherwise posted. Kansas City Regional Office hours are from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday – Friday, closed holidays.*



## Rules and Regulations

- No littering. Waste containers may be used only for disposal of trash generated on area.
- No fireworks.
- No open fires.
- Possession of alcoholic beverages is prohibited on field archery range and adjoining parking lot.
- No free-running pets. Dogs must be leashed or confined when not being trained or used for hunting. Special Use Permits are required for field and retriever trials.
- Training of sport hunting dogs is permitted only by holders of a valid Missouri small game hunting permit Sept. 1 to March 31 and in designated areas from April 1 to August 31.
- Destroying, cutting or removing vegetation is prohibited. Nuts, berries, fruits, edible wild greens and mushrooms may be taken only for personal consumption.
- Motor vehicles are restricted to roadways and parking areas.
- Bicycles and horses are allowed only on roads open to vehicles and multi-use trails. Multi-use trails can be located at <https://mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places>. Group trail rides with 10 or more riders require a Special Use Permit.
- Bicycles and horses are not allowed on the hiking trail.
- Youth group camping permitted by Special Use Permit. No other overnight camping allowed.
- No target shooting allowed.
- Removal of water and the collecting of plants, animals or artifacts are not allowed.
- Livestock, aircraft and commercial vendors are prohibited from the area.
- No digging or soil disturbance is allowed.
- Swimming, wading, scuba diving, water skiing, sail boarding, skateboarding, caving and rappelling are not allowed.
- Trail and game cameras are prohibited.



## Fishing and Boating

*Fishing is permitted under statewide regulations. The following special regulations also apply:*

- Fishing is permitted in designated waters from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. daily, except during daylight savings time (second Sunday in March to the first Sunday in November) fishing is permitted from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m.
- On all waters, fish may be taken by pole and line only and no more than three poles and lines may be used by any one person.
- Daily limits are two black bass, four trout, four catfish in the aggregate (channel, blue and flathead catfish), white bass, striped bass and their hybrids in the aggregate shall be four, 15 warmouth and 30 crappie. The combined total number of bluegill, bullhead and all other fish may not exceed 20.
- All black bass less than 15 inches, all warmouth less than 7 inches and all hybrid stripers less than 20 inches in total length must be returned to the water unharmed immediately after being caught.
- Bullfrogs and green frogs may be taken during the statewide season only by hand, handnet, atlatl, gig, bow, snagging, snaring, grabbing and pole and line. Firearms may not be used to take bullfrogs and green frogs.
- Seining or trapping live bait, including tadpoles, is prohibited on all impounded waters and their discharge channels.
- Gizzard shad may be taken from lakes and ponds by