



PARK REGULATIONS

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01.0 General Regulations Governing the Administration & Use of District Recreation Area Property.

Under the provisions of Sections 2-3202, 39-612, 39-663, 39712.01 and 39-602, Revised Statutes of Nebraska, and LB 861 of the 88th Legislature of Nebraska, the following rules and regulations are adopted and promulgated by the Little Blue Natural Resources District to govern the administration, use, maintenance and protection of all District parks, and recreation areas under the ownership or control of said District. These rules and regulations are effective July 1, 1986.

The rules and regulations contained in this section shall apply to all persons entering, using, residing in, visiting, or otherwise within the boundaries of any District-owned or controlled park or recreation area administered by the District. The special regulations contained in this section also apply to all persons entering, using, residing in, or visiting the areas for which such special regulations are adopted.

Definitions

The following definitions shall apply to all regulations contained in this section.

District: *shall mean the Little Blue Natural Resources District.*

Manager: *shall mean the General Manager of the Little Blue Natural Resources District.*

Law Enforcement Officer: *shall mean any duly constituted and credentialed law enforcement officer, local, state, or federal, including Nebraska Game and Parks Commission Conservation Officers.*

Recreation Area: *shall mean all District-owned or controlled parks, recreation areas administered by the District.*

01.01 Abandoned Property

01.01A Abandonment of any vehicle or other personal property is prohibited, and the Manager or Law Enforcement Officer may impound such property.

01.01B Leaving any vehicle or other personal property unattended for longer than seventy-two (72) hours without the Manager's prior permission is prohibited. The Manager or Law Enforcement Officer may impound any left property. If unattended property interferes with the safe or orderly management of the park area, it may be impounded at the owner's expense.

01.02 Aircraft, Powerless Flight, and Model Airplanes

- 01.02A The operation or use of aircraft on lands or waters other than at landing areas designated in special regulations is prohibited. Where water surface is designated as a landing area, the operation or use of aircraft on the water within five hundred (500) feet of bathing beaches, boat docks, piers, ramps, or within one (1) mile of water control structures is prohibited.
- 01.02B Except in extreme emergencies involving the safety of human life or threat of serious property loss, the air delivery of any person or thing by parachute, helicopter, or other means without prior written permission of the District is prohibited.
- 01.02C The provisions of this section shall not apply to aircraft engaged on official business of the Federal or State government or the District, or used in emergency rescue, or forced to land due to circumstances beyond the control of the operator.
- 01.02D The operation of aircraft shall be in accordance with current regulations of the Federal Aviation Agency.
- 01.02E The launching or landing of sailplanes, gliders, balloons, body kites, hang gliders, ultralights, and other devices designed to carry persons or objects through the air in powerless flight is prohibited without a written permit from the District specifying the conditions under which such launching or landing is to be conducted.
- 01.02F The operation of remote-controlled model airplanes, other hobby craft, and drones are allowed by permission of the District, and only in areas designated by the District. Operators must follow all safety rules, including operating aircraft within the operator's visual line of sight, operating under a 400' ceiling and in a manner that does not interfere with other recreationalist's activities, or in a manner that poses a hazard or threat to any person. (1.02F Added 5-10-16)

01.03 Audio Devices

- 01.03A The operation or use of any audio devices including radio, television set, musical instrument, or a device producing noise such as an electric generating plant, a motor vehicle, a motorized toy, or other equipment driven by a motor or engine in such a manner or at such time to annoy or endanger persons in campgrounds unreasonably, picnic areas or at other public places or gatherings is prohibited.
- 01.03B The operation or use of a public address system, whether fixed, portable, or vehicle-mounted, on lands, waters, or highways, is prohibited, except when

such use or operation is in connection with a public gathering or special event for which a permit has been issued.

01.04 Begging and Soliciting

- 01.04A Begging is prohibited.
- 01.04B Hitchhiking or the soliciting of transportation is prohibited, except in emergencies and vehicle breakdown cases.
- 01.04C Commercial soliciting of any kind is prohibited: Provided that this section shall not apply to transactions with authorized concessionaires.

01.05 Camping

- 01.05A Camping is defined as the temporary lodging out-of-doors for outdoor recreational purposes. It presupposes occupancy of a shelter designed for such purpose (i.e., sleeping bag, tent, trailer, or other recreational vehicles).
- 01.05B Camping and the use of trailers or other camping units are permitted only at designated locations. Within designated locations, the pitching of tents or parking of trailers or other camping units is permitted only at designated sites.
- 01.05C Campsites are provided on a first-come, first-served basis.
- 01.05D The reservation of campsites by leaving a vehicle or other property unattended is prohibited without the Manager's prior permission. Such unattended property is subject to impoundment by the Manager, the Manager's designee, or Law Enforcement Officer. A fee may be assessed to the owner to recover any impounded property.
- 01.05E Camping equipment placed on a campsite by an unregistered party or any equipment left on a campsite after the end of the rental period may be impounded by the NRD. Such impounded equipment may be claimed by contacting the N.R.D. Office. A fee may be assessed to the owner to recover any impounded property.
- 01.05F Handicapped campers have first preference to handicapped camper pad sites, and non-handicapped campers will be required to forfeit the site to a handicapped camper.
- 01.05G Only one camper unit is permitted per camper pad, and all associated vehicles and trailers should be contained within the confines of that camper pad area. Driving and parking on the grass are prohibited.
- 01.05H Daily camper hookup fees and the payment and enforcement of such fees will be established by Board Policy.

- 01.05I Camping is permitted for a maximum of fourteen (14) consecutive days on any single area during any thirty (30) - day period. The installation of permanent camping facilities is prohibited.
- 01.05J The digging or leveling of ground at any campsite is prohibited except with permission of the Manager.
- 01.05K Camper units may not exceed 102" in width and forty (40) feet in length as defined by Statute 39-602, R.R.S.N.
- 01.05L Camping equipment must be completely removed and the sites cleaned prior to departure.
- 01.05M Quiet shall be maintained in all campgrounds between the hours of ten (10) p.m. and six (6) a.m.
- 01.05N Where indicated by an appropriate sign at the entrance to a designated camping area, permission to enter or occupy such area is reserved to campers between the hours of ten (10) p.m. and six (6) a.m. No other persons shall have permission to enter or occupy such areas unless specifically authorized by the Manager.

01.06 Closures

- 01.06A The District may establish a reasonable schedule or visiting hours for all or portions of a park area and close to public use all or any portion of a park area when necessary for the protection of an area or the safety and welfare of persons or property by the posting of appropriate signs indicating the extent and scope of such closure.
- 01.06B All persons shall observe and abide by officially posted signs designating closed areas and visiting hours.

01.07 Dogs, Cats, Other Pets and Livestock

- 01.07A Dogs, cats, and other pets are prohibited unless they are crated, caged, on a leash, or otherwise under restrictive physical control at all times.
- 01.07B Pets are prohibited in public eating places, food stores, public buildings, and designated swimming beaches. This paragraph shall not apply to guide dogs.
- 01.07C Dogs, cats, or other pets running at large and observed by an authorized person in the act of killing, injuring, or molesting humans or wildlife may be disposed of in the interest of public safety and protection of the wildlife.
- 01.07D In park areas where hunting is permitted, hunting dogs is allowed provided the area is open to hunting. The dogs' owners or handlers accompany and have control of such dogs and are responsible for such dogs' actions.

- 01.07E Grazing or ranging domestic animals or poultry is prohibited without prior written authorization by the District.
- 01.07F Horseback riding and pack animals are permitted only on roadways and designated areas.
- 01.07G Riding or hitching horses, or other saddle or pack animals in campgrounds or picnic areas, or within the immediate vicinity of trail shelters, eating or sleeping establishments, or other areas of public gatherings, except where trails and facilities are provided for such use, is prohibited.
- 01.07H Riders shall slow their horses to a slow trot or walk when passing persons on foot or bicycle.
- 01.07I Pedestrians on trails shall remain quiet when horses or pack animals pass.

01.08 Explosives and Fireworks

- 01.08A The use or possession of explosives is prohibited except upon written permission of the District.
- 01.08B The use or possession of fireworks is permitted only in areas or portions of areas designated for such use by appropriate District posting. No permission is granted to use or possess such fireworks other than designated areas. Such possession and use shall conform to applicable laws of the State of Nebraska.
- 01.08C Organized fireworks displays open to the general public without charge and sponsored by a responsible agency or organization may be permitted by the District and the State Fire Marshall's written authorization.

01.09 Fires & Firewood Harvest

- 01.09A The kindling of any fire is permitted only: In designated camping and picnic grounds when the fire is confined in a fireplace provided for the use of visitors, or in grills, or locations specified by the Manager; or in stoves or lanterns using gasoline, propane, butane gas or similar fuels.
- 01.09B Fires must be kindled in such a manner that no tree, shrub, grass, or other combustible matter will be set on fire or caused to be set on fire.
- 01.09C When no longer needed, the fire shall be completely extinguished. Leaving a fire unattended is prohibited.
- 01.09D Throwing or dropping a lighted cigarette, cigar, pipe heel, match, or other burning material is prohibited.
- 01.09E The kindling of fires on parklands owned or controlled by the District may be prohibited by the Manager by posted signs when the fire hazard makes such action necessary.

- 01.09F The Manager, during periods as he may prescribe, may prohibit smoking on any parklands, including roads and trails, by posting appropriate signs.
- 01.09G The kindling of fires or the use of any type of cooking device is expressly prohibited on any designated swimming beach.
- 01.09H The use of handsaws and axes to harvest dry wood for campfires is permitted on the premises. However, the use of chainsaws and/or cutting live trees is prohibited unless the Manager grants permission.

01.10 Fishing, Hunting, Trapping

- 01.10A Fishing is permitted on all parklands subject to general fishing regulations and specific local regulations.
- 01.10B Any area or portion of the area may be closed to all or any fishing method by posting appropriate signs.
- 01.10C Fishing from or within twenty (20) yards of any public boat ramp, boat dock, mooring area, or swimming beach is prohibited.
- 01.10D Fishing from motor road bridges is prohibited.
- 01.10E Hunting or the use of firearms, bow, arrow, or other projectile devices is prohibited on District recreation areas with the following exceptions:
 - 01.10E1 *District Recreation Areas or portions thereof are open to hunting subject to general hunting regulations from the first Tuesday following Labor Day to April 1, unless prohibited or restricted by appropriate signs or specific area regulations. Hunting is prohibited within one hundred (100) yards of any public-use facility or activity area, including picnic areas, campgrounds, private cabin and concession areas, boat ramp, and parking lots.*
 - 01.10E2 *District Park Areas or portions thereof open to hunting in accordance with general hunting regulations and special area regulations*
 - 01.10E3 *Firearms used by law enforcement officers in the performance of their duties.*
 - 01.10E4 *Firearms used in training sessions by law enforcement personnel or firearms or other projectile devices used in exhibitions authorized by the District*
 - 01.10E5 *Firearms or other projectile devices authorized for use by the public on designated ranges.*
 - 01.10E6 *The use of and/or possession of paintball weapons of any type shall be prohibited in park areas.*
- 01.10F Trapping of furbearers on District-owned or controlled lands is authorized only by special permit and only at such times and locations as when the

Manager determines sufficient depredation is occurring to warrant the removal of surplus furbearers.

- 01.10G Applications for depredation trapping permits shall consist of a letter directed to the District requesting a permit to trap at a specific area or area. Applications shall be filed no later than August 31 of each year.

01.11 Ice Fishing, Hunting Blinds, Digging and Seining

- 01.11A Temporary portable shelters can be erected on District-owned waters. These shelters must be removed daily. Permanent type shelters are prohibited.
- 01.11B Ice fishing is prohibited after February 10.
- 01.11C The door to any fish shelter shall be constructed so that it can be opened from the outside at all times when in use, and the shelters may be locked when not in use. The District shall remove, burn or otherwise destroy or dispose of such structures found on the ice after February 10 each year.
- 01.11D Hole size made for ice fishing on any area under the District's jurisdiction shall not exceed ten (10) inches in diameter.
- 01.11E Daily waterfowl hunting blinds may be installed and used on District recreation areas, provided that no blinds may be installed and used on areas posted as closed to such activities.
- 01.11F Waterfowl hunters installing and using daily blinds on District recreation areas shall be responsible for removing such blinds and other personal property from the area at the close of hunting each day. Waterfowl hunters installing seasonal blinds shall obtain written permission from the District before doing so. Waterfowl hunters installing floating blinds shall secure it, so drifting of the blind is prevented.
- 01.11G Hunting blinds and other personal property remaining on a District recreation area following the close of hunting shall be impounded in accordance with Section 01.01.
- 01.11H No person shall enter any area or portion of any area temporarily closed to general public access and posted with appropriate signs.
- 01.11I Digging or seining for any purpose on District-owned or controlled areas is prohibited.
- 01.11J No publicly owned personal property may be removed from any area or be moved from its general location without specific permission from the Manager.
- 01.11K Management personnel are specifically authorized to remove structures and facilities in accordance with applicable regulations.

- 01.11L Failure by the permittee to remove his ice shelter by the dates specified and in the manner stipulated in these regulations shall cause revoke such permit and restrict the permittee for future consideration of such permits.

01.12 Intoxication: Consumption of Alcohol

- 01.12A Consumption of alcoholic beverages on parklands owned or controlled by the District is permitted with the following exceptions.
 - 01.12A1 *Consumption is prohibited on all roadways, parking areas, designated swimming areas, archery, or target ranges.*
 - 01.12A2 *Consumption of alcohol may be prohibited on any park or recreation area or portions thereof with the use of appropriate signage.*
- 01.12B Presence in a park area when under the influence of alcohol, or drugs, to the degree that may endanger oneself, another person, or property, or cause unreasonable interference with another person's enjoyment of a park area prohibited

01.13 NRD Lands Managed by Nebraska Game and Parks Commission

- 01.13A Upon completion of a recreation area constructed by the District and managed by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, State Park Regulations shall apply as administered by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission.

01.14 Permits, Special Occasion

- 01.14A Sports events, pageants, reenactments, regattas, entertainments, and the like are characterized as public spectator attractions or participant activities and are prohibited unless the District has given written permission. Such permits shall be issued only after a finding that the issuance of such permits will not be inconsistent with the purposes for which the area is established and maintained and will cause the minimum possible interference with the use of the area by the general public. The permit may contain such reasonable conditions and restrictions as duration and area occupied as necessary to protect the area and public use thereof.
- 01.14B Public meetings, assemblies, gatherings, demonstrations, parades, weddings, religious services, and other expressions of views are prohibited unless the District has given written permission according to District policy.
- 01.14C The filming of still or motion pictures of lands and facilities owned or controlled by the District for commercial purposes is prohibited unless the District has given written permission.
- 01.14D The District shall receive applications for a Special Occasion Permit not later than ten (10) days prior to the requested special activity. They shall set forth the following: The name of the applicant, the date, time, duration, nature, and

place of the proposed activity, an estimate of the number of persons expected to attend, and a statement of equipment and facilities to be used in connection in addition to that.

- 01.14E As a condition of the permit issuance, the District may require filing a bond with satisfactory surety payable to the District to cover restoration, rehabilitation, and cleanup of the area used and other costs resulting from the permittees' activity. A permittee may elect to deposit cash equal to the required bond amount in lieu of a bond.

01.15 Preservation of Public Property

- 01.15A The possession, destruction, injury, defacement, removal, or disturbance in any manner of any building, sign, equipment, monument, statue, marker or other structure, or of any animal or plant matter and direct or indirect products thereof, including but not limited to petrified wood, flower, cane or other fruit, egg, nest, or nesting site, or of any soil, rock or mineral formation, artifact, relic, historic or prehistoric feature, or of any other public property of any kind without prior permission of the Manager is prohibited.
- 01.15B The gathering or possession for personal consumption or use only such fruits and berries as the Manager may designate is permitted. All such fruits and berries shall be picked only by hand. The gathering or collecting of such objects for sale is prohibited.
- 01.15C The destroying, digging, removing, or possession of any tree, shrub, or plant is prohibited, provided that the collection and possession of dead wood found on the ground for use as fuel in campgrounds or picnic areas is permitted except as posted by appropriate signs.
- 01.15D Dead timber, which has been cut down and stockpiled for removal from the park area by the Manager's authority, maybe further cut and removed from the area by the public with the Manager's permission for personal consumption at home. The removal for the purpose of the sale is prohibited.
- 01.15E Entering, climbing upon, or tampering with District or District Contractors' motor vehicles and motorized or power equipment is prohibited.

01.16 Sanitation

- 01.16A All garbage, papers, cans, bottles, waste materials, and rubbish of any kind must be deposited in places or containers designated for disposal or removed from the area.
- 01.16B Draining or dumping refuse or wastes from any trailer or other vehicle except in places or receptacles provided for such use is prohibited.

- 01.16C Cleaning food, fish, or fowl or washing clothing, vehicles, campers, or articles of household use at campground hydrants is prohibited.
- 01.16D Polluting or contaminating any watershed, water supplies, or water used for drinking purposes is prohibited.
- 01.16E Fish entrails or other inedible parts of fish may be disposed of by placing them in a trash receptacle provided. Placing into freshwaters or onto public land is prohibited.
- 01.16F Depositing any bodily waste in or on any portion of any comfort station or other public structure except into fixtures provided for that purpose is prohibited. Placing any bottle, can, cloth, rag, metal, wood, or stone substances in any plumbing fixtures of such structure or station is prohibited.
- 01.16G Urinating or defecating other than at the places provided is prohibited.
- 01.16H Using District refuse containers or other refuse facilities for dumping household or commercial garbage or trash brought from private property is prohibited.

01.17 SCUBA Diving

- 01.17A SCUBA Diving is defined as swimming with the aid of self-contained underwater breathing apparatus (air tanks) and shall not apply to snorkeling.
- 01.17B SCUBA Diving is prohibited within two hundred (200) feet of the limits of designated swimming, boat mooring, and boat-docking areas.
- 01.17C The International Divers Flag must be displayed whenever engaged in SCUBA diving. The SCUBA diver must stay within one hundred fifty (150) feet of his flag.
- 01.17D SCUBA diving is permitted in all waters owned or controlled by the District except in waters and at times where such activity is prohibited in the interest of public safety or health, which excepted waters shall be designated by regulation and/or posted signs.

01.18 Skating, Skateboards

- 01.18A The use of roller skates and skateboards is prohibited except in locations designated by the Manager by posting appropriate signs.

01.19 Snowmobiles

- 01.19A Control Generally - Except as hereinafter provided, no person shall operate any snowmobile within areas of the District recreation area unless such snowmobile has been registered in accordance with applicable state law.
- 01.19B Definitions

- Person:** Any individual, partnership, corporation, the state, and its agencies and subdivisions, and any body of persons, whether incorporated or not;
- Snowmobile:** A self-propelled vehicle designed for travel on snow or ice steered by skis or runners and supported in part by skis, belts, or cleats;
- Owner:** A person, other than a lienholder, having the property in or title to a snowmobile entitled to the use or possession thereof;
- Operate:** To ride in or on and control the operation of a snowmobile;
- Operator:** Every person who operates or is in actual control of a snowmobile;
- Register:** The act of assigning a registration number to a snowmobile;
- Roadway:** That portion of a highway or park interior road, designed, or ordinarily used for vehicular travel;

01.19C Registration Requirements

01.19C1 All snowmobiles **MUST** be registered.

01.19C2 Applications for registration of snowmobiles should be made to the County Treasurer in your county of residence.

01.19D Out-of-State Snowmobiles

01.19D1 Snowmobiles from a state other than Nebraska may be operated within the District recreation areas providing said snowmobiles are properly registered in accordance with the laws of their home state.

01.19E Required Equipment

01.19E1 No snowmobile shall be operated within areas of the District's Park System unless equipped with the following equipment:

01.19E1A At least one headlamp and one tail lamp, each of minimum candle-power as prescribed by the Department of Motor Vehicles

01.19E1B A minimum of sixteen (16) square inches of reflective material is mounted on each side forward of the handlebars

01.19E1C Brakes, each of which shall conform to standards prescribed by the Department of Motor Vehicles.

01.19E1D muffler in good working order which blends the exhaust noise into the overall snowmobile noise and is in constant operation to prevent excessive or unusual noise. The exhaust system shall not emit or produce a sharp popping or crackling sound.

01.19F Operation

01.19F1 *No snowmobile may be operated within the District's park areas other than designated trails, roadways, and parking areas. Snowmobiles may also be operated during specified hours on the frozen lake surface unless otherwise posted.*

01.19F2 *The Manager and his designated representatives reserve the right to temporarily close any District park area or portion thereof to snowmobile activities for the following reasons: Insufficient snow cover (less than four (4) inches), insufficient lake ice (less than eight (8) inches), safety, weather, resource protection, civil emergencies or other management considerations at the sole discretion of the District.*

01.19F3 *The operation of snowmobiles on designated lake surfaces is at the sole risk of the operator. The District assumes no responsibility for the safety of said operation.*

01.19F4 *Snowmobile operators are responsible for inspecting frozen lake surfaces for sufficient ice thickness (minimum eight (8) inches) and possible hidden hazards prior to such operation. Snowmobile operators are cautioned to be alert for soft ice caused by flowing springs, streams, and rivers and also caused by variations in temperature.*

01.19F5 *Snowmobiles shall not be operated within any portion of a designated area marked off or otherwise posted as closed to snowmobile operation by the District.*

01.19F6 *Snowmobiles shall not be operated in a manner intended to or reasonably be expected to harass, drive or pursue any wildlife.*

01.19F7 *Snowmobiles shall not be operated at speed exceeding that which is safe and reasonable when passing with thirty (30) yards of any property, ice fishing shelter, trailhead, boat ramp, immobile snowmobile, or person walking on or fishing through the ice. In no case shall any person or persons operate a snowmobile to cause discomfort, hazard, or damage to the person or property of others.*

01.19F8 *Snowmobiles may be operated within the District's park areas only between one-half (½) hours before sunrise and 9:00 p.m. or as posted.*

01.19G Who May Operate

01.19G1 *No person under the age of twelve (12) may operate a snowmobile on District parklands unless accompanied by a parent, guardian, or other person over eighteen (18) years.*

01.19G2 *No persons over the age of twelve (12) years and under the age of sixteen (16) years shall operate a snowmobile on District parklands unless such person holds a valid snowmobile safety certificate or is accompanied by a person fourteen (14) years of age or over who holds a valid snowmobile safety certificate, or is accompanied by a person over the age of eighteen (18) years.*

01.19H **Unlawful Acts**

01.19H1 *It shall be unlawful for any person to drive or operate any snowmobile in the following unsafe or harassing way:*

01.19H2 *At a rate of speed greater than reasonable or proper under existing conditions;*

01.19H3 *In a careless, reckless, or negligent manner to endanger the person or property of another or to cause injury or damage thereto;*

01.19H4 *While under the influence of intoxicating liquor or narcotics or habit-forming drugs;*

01.19H5 *Without a lighted head and tail lamp when required for safety; and;*

01.19H6 *In a tree nursery or other area of new plantings that damages or destroys growing stock.*

01.19I **Special Events**

01.19I1 *The Manager may issue special temporary permits to persons and organizations desiring to conduct organized group outings, trail rides, rallies, and other similar events. In permitting such events, the Manager may prescribe such restrictions or conditions as he may deem advisable.*

01.19J **In Case of an Accident**

01.19J1 *The snowmobile operator involved in a collision, accident, or other casualties shall give his name, address, and the number of such snowmobile in writing to any injured person and the owner of any property damaged in such collision, accident, or casualty.*

01.19J2 *When a collision, accident, or casualty involving a snowmobile results in death or injury to a person or damage to property in excess of one hundred dollars (\$100), the operator of such snowmobile shall file with the Department of Motor Vehicles a report of same prescribed by D.M.V. regulations.*

01.20 Swimming and Wading

- 01.20A Swimming and wading area permitted in designated areas only.
- 01.20B The use of flotation devices within designated swimming areas is permitted at your own risk. **(06/2023)**
- 01.20C Swimming from vessels underway is prohibited.
- 01.20D Swimming or wading within twenty (20) yards of a boat ramp, boat dock, or mooring facility is prohibited.

01.21 Traffic

- 01.21A It shall be unlawful to park, tow, or otherwise operate any motor vehicle, trailer, or cabin trailer within the confines of a park area that does not bear valid license plates and is not registered according to applicable state laws. All such vehicles not properly licensed and registered shall be in violation and may be impounded by the Manager or law enforcement officer.
- 01.21B It shall be unlawful for any person not possessing a valid motor vehicle operator's license to operate a motor vehicle of any type within the confines of a park area.
- 01.21C It shall be unlawful to park, tow, or otherwise operate any motor vehicle, trailer, or cabin trailer other than those areas or portions of areas, roadways, campgrounds, beaches, and parking areas as may be designated by the District for such operation.
- 01.21D All traffic laws and District park regulations governing the operation of motor vehicles on roadways of the state park system shall further apply to motor vehicle operation on those off-road portions of park areas, including but not limited to campgrounds, beaches, and parking areas, as may be designated by the District for motor vehicle operation.

01.22 Vending

- 01.22A The vending, including mobile vendors, of various goods and services, products, and commodities, is permitted on parklands with the prior written authorization of the District. The vending of any such goods and services, products, and commodities without the written authorization of the District are prohibited.
- 01.22B No park area shall be used as a headquarters or residence by any person or group engaged in commercial or professional activities without the prior written authorization of the District.
- 01.22C The sale or distribution of printed matter is permitted within the park areas, provided a permit to do so is issued in advance by the District.

01.22D Persons engaged in the sale or distribution of printed matter shall not obstruct or impede pedestrians or vehicles, harass park visitors with physical contact or persistent demands, misrepresent with purposes or affiliations of those engaged in the sale or distribution misrepresent whether the printed matter available without cost or donation.

01.23 Boating, Personal Watercraft, Jet Skis and Water Skiing

01.23A Motorboats and motorized fishing craft are permitted on all Little Blue Natural Resources District recreational areas. However, they are subject to no-wake restrictions as posted and other state boating regulations. Personal watercraft, jet skis, and other water vessels powered by combustion engines are prohibited. The towing of persons on water skis, surfboards, and similar devices by vessels is prohibited.

01.23B The use of vessels that are not powered by combustion engines, such as canoes, sailboats, sailboards, and man-powered paddle boats, are permitted, except in designated beach areas.

01.24 Water Sports – General

01.24A Areas where permitted water-related recreational activities may be zoned to separate or define activities. Such zoning may prescribe the area where the public may engage in such activities or limit the hours during which the public may engage in any such activities. Such zoning shall be indicated by such signs, markers, buoys, or other appropriate devices in widespread and common use for such purposes.

01.24B The number of participants engaging in any of the above-mentioned water-related recreation activities on any area owned or controlled by the District may be limited by management personnel of the District when conditions warrant such limitations in the interest of public health safety or welfare.

01.24C Management personnel of the District is herewith specifically authorized and empowered to declare emergencies and to require the participants in any or all of the water-related activities mentioned in the foregoing on any such areas, to cease such activity and to temporarily vacate the water area, or a portion of the water area, in the event of a water accident, severe weather, or similar emergency. No person shall have permission to engage in any such activity in any such area or portion thereof during such declared emergency.

01.24D Watercraft shall not be left unattended in or near waters owned or controlled by the District except at designated mooring, anchoring, or beaching locations.

01.24E Docks installed adjacent to boat ramps shall be used only for the following purposes: Launching and recovery of watercraft and embarking and

disembarking passengers. The mooring of watercraft at such docks for any other reason or for a period of time greater than that reasonable to accomplish the permitted activities is prohibited.

01.25 Winter Sports

- 01.25A Skiing, sledding, tobogganing, snowshoeing, skating, and similar winter sports are permitted except upon roads and parking areas when such roads and parking areas are open to motor vehicle traffic and in other places where these activities are prohibited by appropriate regulations and/or posted signs.
- 01.25B The towing of persons on skis, sleds, or other sliding devices by a motor vehicle or snowmobile is prohibited.
- 01.25C The operation and use of snowmobiles shall be in accordance with appropriate regulations and state laws.

01.26 Standards of Regulations

- 01.26A The standards established in these regulations are in furtherance of the preservation and protection of the natural scenic, historical, pastoral, and fish and wildlife values and provide for the enhancement of the recreation values of the park area.
- 01.26B Use of the property will conform with applicable Federal, State, and Local laws, regulations, and ordinances.

01.27 Exceptions to Regulations

- 01.27A Nothing in the foregoing shall be construed as prohibiting the Little Blue Natural Resources District or their duly appointed agents or employees from conducting their assigned duties in the administration, maintenance, and development of areas owned or controlled by the District.
- 01.27B In the event of natural disaster, state or national emergency, civil disorder, accident, or other situation wherein the conduct or activities otherwise permitted under these regulations may constitute a hazard to the public health, safety, or welfare, or inhibit rescue, recovery, post-disaster or development operations, management personnel of the District area herewith specifically empowered and directed to take such measures at their disposal to preserve the public health, safety, and welfare and to expedite rescue, recovery, and operations, to include the temporary suspension of any or all activities contemplated in these regulations or any area or portion of any area owned or controlled by the District and the temporary closure and/or evacuation of any such area.

01.28 Disorderly Conduct

- 01.28A Disorderly conduct is prohibited.

- 01.28B Disorderly conduct is committed when a person causes public alarm, nuisance, jeopardy, or violence, or recklessly creates a risk thereof, by:
- 01.28B1 *Engaging in fighting or threatening, or violent behavior; or*
 - 01.28B2 *Using language, an utterance, or gesture, or engaging in a display or act which is obscene, physically threatening or menacing, or done in a manner which is likely to inflict injury or incite an immediate breach of the peace; or*
 - 01.28B3 *Making unreasonable noise, considering the nature and purpose of the actor's conduct, location, time of day or night, and other factors which would govern the conduct of a reasonably prudent person under the circumstances; or*
 - 01.28B4 *In accordance with General Rule 01.5M, quiet time shall be maintained in all campgrounds between the hours of ten (10) p.m. and six (6) a.m.*
 - 01.28B5 *Creating or maintaining a hazardous or physically offensive condition*
- 01.28C Persons committing disorderly conduct may be evicted from the area.

LITTLE BLUE NATURAL RESOURCES DISTRICT

Site-Specific Rules & Regulations

(Updated: February 2013)

Under the authority of, and in compliance with *LB 861*, as passed by session laws, the State of Nebraska, 1984, the following regulations are prescribed by the Little Blue Natural Resources District and are effective July 1, 1986, until revoked or amended. Therefore, all public use of the Recreation Areas of the Little Blue N.R.D. is regulated by the N.R.D. General Park Regulations (01) as well as the following Special Regulations.

02.0 Bruning Dam & Wildlife Management Area

Located: Southeast Quarter (SE¹/₄) Section Thirty-Five (35), Township Five (5) North, Range Two (2) West of the Sixth (6th) P.M., Fillmore County, Nebraska; two (2) miles east, one (1) mile north, and one (1) mile east of Bruning, Nebraska. (Appendix I)

02.01 Permitted Activities

- 02.01A Camping, picnicking, and hiking are permitted in the designated areas, as per the attached map, and according to General Regulation 01.05.
- 02.01B The kindling of fires and use of grills is permitted only in the designated areas, as per the attached map, and according to General Regulation 01.09.
- 02.01C Fishing is permitted in accordance with General Regulation 01.10 and 01.11.
- 02.01D Boating and Canoeing are permitted with the limitation of a five (5) m.p.h., no wake. The use of motors is restricted to small trolling motors only. Boating and canoeing will be in accordance with General Regulation 01.24.
- 02.01E Waterfowl, upland game hunting, archery, and trapping of fur-bearers will be allowed at Bruning Dam & Wildlife Management Area during the allowable hunting and trapping season as set by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, and in accordance with General Regulations 01.10 through 01.11.
- 02.01F Horseback riding is allowed on roadways and throughout the park. Riders should be aware that the area will be open for hunting and archery during the appropriate seasons. **(06/2023)**

02.02 Prohibited Activities

- 02.02A Water Skiing is not permitted.
- 02.02B The use or operation of all forms of mini-bikes, mini-cycles, trail bikes, cycles, and similar two, three, or miniature four-wheel vehicles is prohibited outside the designated roadways parking areas.

03.0 Buckley Creek Recreation Area

Located: Northwest Quarter (NW¼), Section Ten (10), Township One (1) North, Range One (1) East of the Sixth (6th) P.M. in Jefferson County, Nebraska; one (1) mile east and one-half (½) mile north of Reynolds, Nebraska. (Appendix II)

03.01 Permitted Activities

- 03.01A Camping, picnicking, and hiking are permitted in the areas designated, as per the attached map, and according to General Regulation 01.05. Daily camping fees are required. (See current fee rates schedule)
- 03.01B The kindling of fires and use of grills is permitted in the areas designated, as per the attached map, and in accordance with General Regulation 01.09.
- 03.01C Fishing is permitted in accordance with General Regulation 01.10 and 01.15.
- 03.01D Boating and Canoeing are permitted with the limitation of a five (5) m.p.h. speed limit. The use of motors is restricted to small trolling motors only. Boating and canoeing will be in accordance with General Regulation 01.24.
- 03.01E The use of snowmobiles is permitted in designated areas, as per the attached map, and in accordance with General Regulation 01.19.
- 03.01F Skiing sledding, tobogganing, snowshoeing, ice skating, and similar winter sports are permitted in accordance with General Regulation 01.25.
- 03.01G Unsupervised swimming and wading are permitted in designated areas in accordance with General Regulation 01.20.
- 03.01H An area designated for golf, as per the attached map, shall be developed and maintained by the Buckley Creek Recreation Association under a Lease Agreement with the District. (Adopted October 24, 1994)

03.02 Prohibited Activities

- 03.02A Water Skiing is not permitted.
- 03.02B The use or operation of all forms of mini-bikes, mini-cycles, trail bikes, cycles, and similar two, three, or miniature four-wheel vehicles is prohibited outside the designated parking areas except golf carts used in the golfing area.
- 03.02C Hunting and trapping of fur-bearers are prohibited, as this area has been designated a wildlife preserve.

04.0 Liberty Cove Recreation Area

Located: South Half (S½), Section Thirty-Five (35), Township Four (4) North, Township Nine (9) West of the Sixth (6th) P.M., Webster County, Nebraska; Two (2) miles west, two (2) miles south, one-half (½) mile west of Lawrence, Nebraska. (Appendix III)

04.01 Permitted Activities

- 04.01A Camping in tents, sleeping bags, and trailer or recreation vehicles is permitted in designated areas, except that only camping in sleeping bags or tents will be permitted in the area behind the dam. Vehicular campers will not be allowed behind the dam. Daily camping fees are required. (See current fee rates schedule)
- 04.01B Picnicking will be allowed throughout the area and is encouraged in areas provided for such activities.
- 04.01C Hiking is allowed throughout the area. Marked hiking trails will be provided.
- 04.01D The kindling of fires and use of grills is permitted only in the areas designated and in facilities provided or in camping stoves and lanterns tended by the camper.
- 04.01E Pets of all kinds must be crated, caged, or on a leash at all times, except that hunting dogs may be used in areas designated for hunting when under the supervision of their master. Horseback riding is allowed on roadways and designated areas.
- 04.01F Fishing is permitted in the entire lake area except that no fishing may occur within twenty (20) yards of the boat ramp or anywhere within the designated beach and swimming area.
 - 04.01F1 *Special length limits will be enforced for: Largemouth Bass – 21" minimum length*
- 04.01G Hunting of the small upland game will be allowed. According to the Game and Parks Commission seasons and daylight restrictions, the taking will occur

by shotgun only. During the appropriate season, the area will be open for archery for deer and turkeys. Hunting is prohibited within two hundred (200) yards of any public-use facility or activity area. The use of rifles in this area is prohibited.

- 04.01H Trapping of furbearers is authorized by a special permit issued by the Little Blue N.R.D. Manager and only when it is determined that sufficient depredation warrants trapping.
- 04.01I Horseback riding is allowed on roadways and designated areas. Riders should be aware that the area will be open for archery for deer and turkeys during the appropriate season.
- 04.01J Swimming and wading are permitted. These activities are "at your own risk." No lifeguards on duty. The District is not responsible for any accidents or loss of life. **(06/2023)**
- 04.01K Boating and Canoeing are permitted throughout the lake, except that no boats will be allowed in the marked swimming area. The use of motors is restricted to small trolling motors only. A speed limit of five (5) m.p.h. ("no wake") will be enforced for all boats supporting motors. Boating and canoeing will be in accordance with General Regulation 01.24.
- 04.01L Winter sports such as skiing, sledding, and skating will be permitted in areas except those open to vehicular traffic or otherwise posted.

04.02 Prohibited Activities

- 04.02A The use or operation of all forms of mini-bikes, mini-cycles, trail bikes, and similar two, three, or four-wheel miniature or regular vehicles or cycles outside the designated roadways and parking areas is prohibited.
- 04.02B Begging and soliciting are prohibited.
- 04.02C The use of rifles for hunting or target practice is prohibited.
- 04.02D Water skiing is prohibited.

05.0 Lone Star Recreation Area

Located: West Half (W¹/₂), Section Twelve (12), Township Five (5) North, Township One (1) West of the Sixth (6th) P.M., Fillmore County, Nebraska; Four (4) miles east of Ohiowa, Nebraska. (Appendix IV)

05.01 Permitted Activities

- 05.01A Camping in tents, sleeping bags, and trailer or recreation vehicles is permitted in designated areas. Daily camping fees are required. (See current fee rates schedule)

- 05.01B Picnicking will be allowed throughout the area and is encouraged in areas provided for such activities.
- 05.01C Hiking is allowed throughout the area. Marked hiking trails will be provided.
- 05.01D The kindling of fires and use of grills is permitted only in the areas designated and in facilities provided or in camping stoves and lanterns tended by the camper.
- 05.01E Pets of all kinds must be crated, caged, or on a leash at all times. Horseback riding is allowed on roadways and designated areas but prohibited in main public use areas and concrete walkways.
- 05.01F Fishing is permitted in the entire lake area except that no fishing may occur within twenty (20) yards of the boat ramp or anywhere within the designated beach and swimming area.
- 05.01F1 Special length limits will be enforced for: Largemouth Bass – 21" minimum length*
- 05.01G Trapping of furbearers is authorized by a special permit issued by the Little Blue N.R.D. Manager and only when it is determined that nuisance activities or sufficient depredation are occurring to warrant trapping.
- 05.01H Swimming and wading are permitted only within the area designated and marked for such activities by a buoy line. These activities are "at your own risk." No lifeguards on duty. The District is not responsible for any accidents or loss of life.
- 05.01I Boating and Canoeing are permitted throughout the lake, except that no boats will be allowed in the marked swimming area. The use of motors is restricted to small trolling motors only. A speed limit of five (5) m.p.h. ("no wake") will be enforced for all boats supporting motors. Boating and canoeing will be in accordance with General Regulation 01.24.
- 05.01J Winter sports such as skiing, sledding, and skating will be permitted in areas except those open to vehicular traffic or otherwise posted.

05.02 Prohibited Activities

- 05.02A Begging and soliciting are prohibited.
- 05.02B All hunting is prohibited in this recreation area.
- 05.02C The use of all firearms for target practice is prohibited.
- 05.02D Water skiing is prohibited.

- 05.02E The use or operation of all forms of mini-bikes, mini-cycles, trail bikes, cycles, and similar two, three, or miniature four-wheel vehicles is prohibited outside the designated roadways parking areas.

06.0 Prairie Lake (32-Mile Creek "H")

Located: Northwest Quarter (NW¹/₄), Section Thirty-One (31), Township Seven (7) North, Range Ten (10) West of the Sixth (6th) P.M. in Adams County, Nebraska; three (3) miles south and one (1) mile east of Juniata, Nebraska. (Appendix V)

06.01 Permitted Activities

- 06.01A Camping, picnicking, and hiking are permitted in the areas designated, as per the attached map, and according to General Regulation 01.05.
- 06.01B The kindling of fires and use of grills is permitted in the areas designated, as per the attached map, and in accordance with General Regulation 01.09.
- 06.01C Fishing is permitted in accordance with General Regulation 01.10 and 01.11.
- 06.01D Boating and Canoeing are permitted with the limitation of a five (5) m.p.h. speed limit. The use of motors is restricted to small trolling motors only. Boating and canoeing will be in accordance with General Regulation 01.24.
- 06.01E The use of snowmobiles is permitted in designated areas, as per the attached map, and in accordance with General Regulation 01.19.
- 06.01F Skiing, sledding, tobogganing, snowshoeing, ice skating, and similar winter sports are permitted in accordance with General Regulation 01.25.
- 06.01G An area has been designated for public use as an archery range, as per the attached map and posted signs, in accordance with General Regulations 01.10E5. (Adopted October 24, 1994)
- 06.01H The operation of remote-controlled model airplanes is permitted on the area designated, and a landing strip is established for that purpose.
- 06.01I Horseback riding is allowed on roadways and throughout the park except in the archery area and areas designated for use by model airplane fliers.

06.02 Prohibited Activities

- 06.02A Water Skiing is not permitted.
- 06.02B The use or operation of all forms of mini-bikes, mini-cycles, trail bikes, cycles, and similar two, three, or miniature four-wheel vehicles is prohibited outside of the designated roadways and parking areas.

06.02C The use of all firearms for hunting, target shooting, and all other purposes, except those listed in General Rule 1.10E3, 1.10E4, 1.10E5, and 1.10E6, are prohibited.

06.02D The area designated as an archery range is closed to camping and picnicking.

07.0 Roseland Lake (32-Mile Creek "D")

Located: Northwest Quarter (NW¼) Section Twenty-Nine (29), Township Seven (7) North, Range Eleven (11) West of the Sixth (6th) P.M. in Adams County, Nebraska; one (1) mile south, four and one-half (4½) miles west, and one and one-fourth (1¼) miles south of Juniata, Nebraska. (Appendix VI)

07.01 Permitted Activities

07.01A Camping, picnicking, and hiking are permitted in the designated areas, as per the attached map, and according to General Regulation 01.05.

07.01B The kindling of fires and use of grills is permitted in the areas designated, as per the attached map, and in accordance with General Regulation 01.09.

07.01C Fishing is permitted in accordance with General Regulation 01.10 and 01.11.

07.01D Boating and Canoeing are permitted with the limitation of a five (5) m.p.h. speed limit. The use of motors is restricted to small trolling motors only. Boating and canoeing will be in accordance with General Regulation 01.24.

07.01E Waterfowl, upland game hunting, and trapping of furbearers will be allowed at Roseland Lake during the allowable hunting and trapping season as set by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission with portable blinds to be removed each day and in accordance with General Regulations 01.10 through 01.11. (Adopted October 27, 1992)

07.02 Prohibited Activities

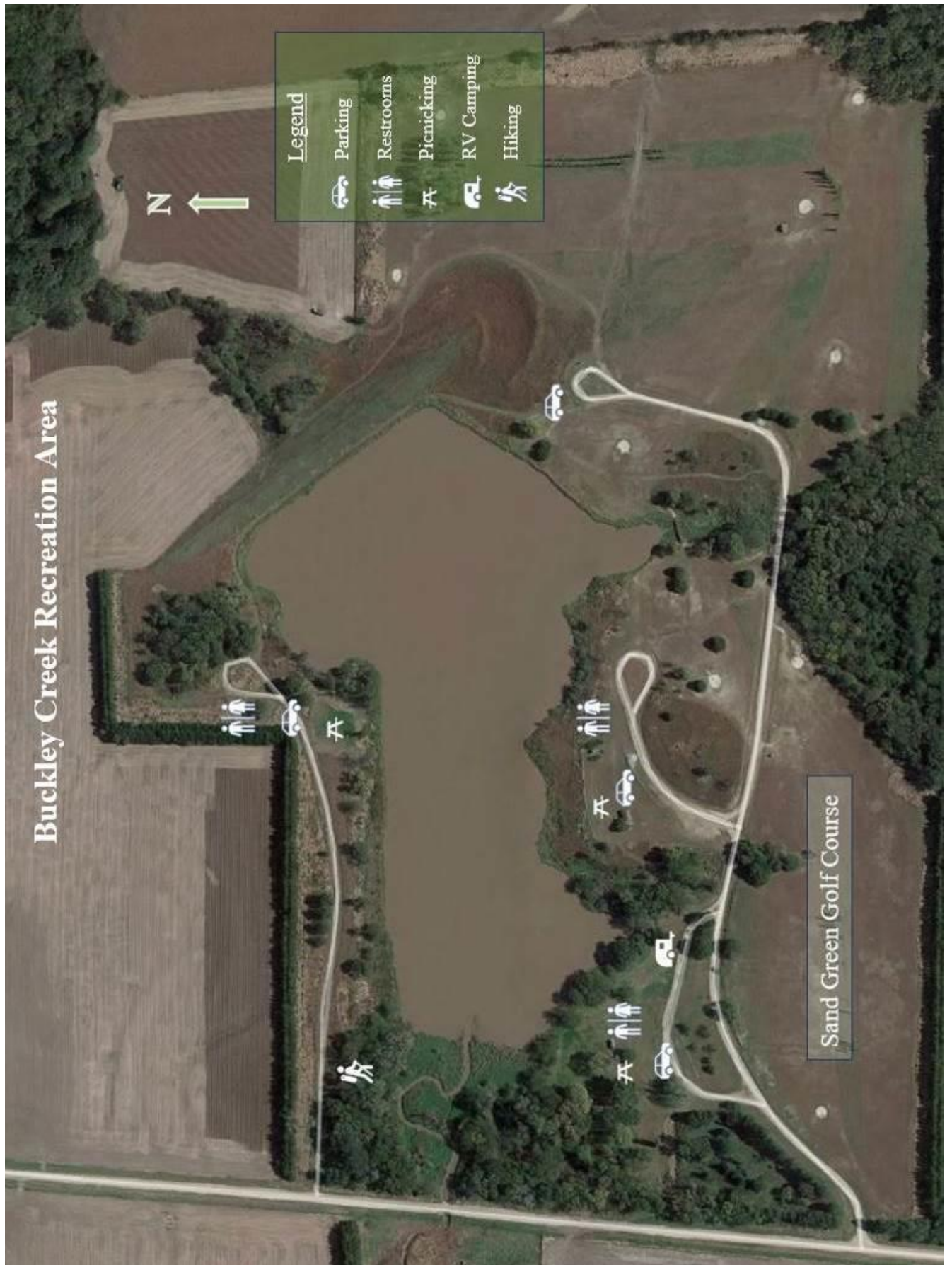
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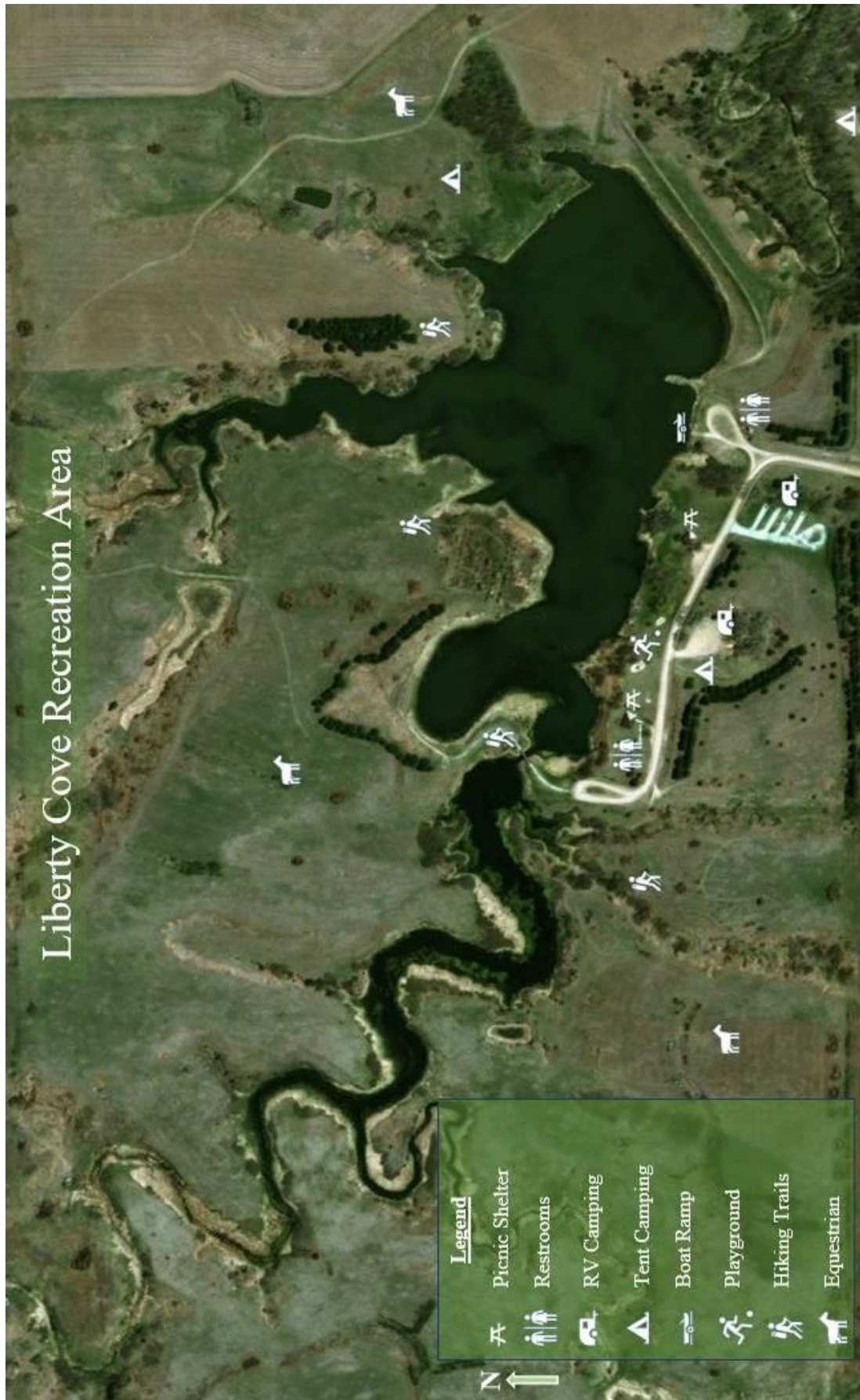
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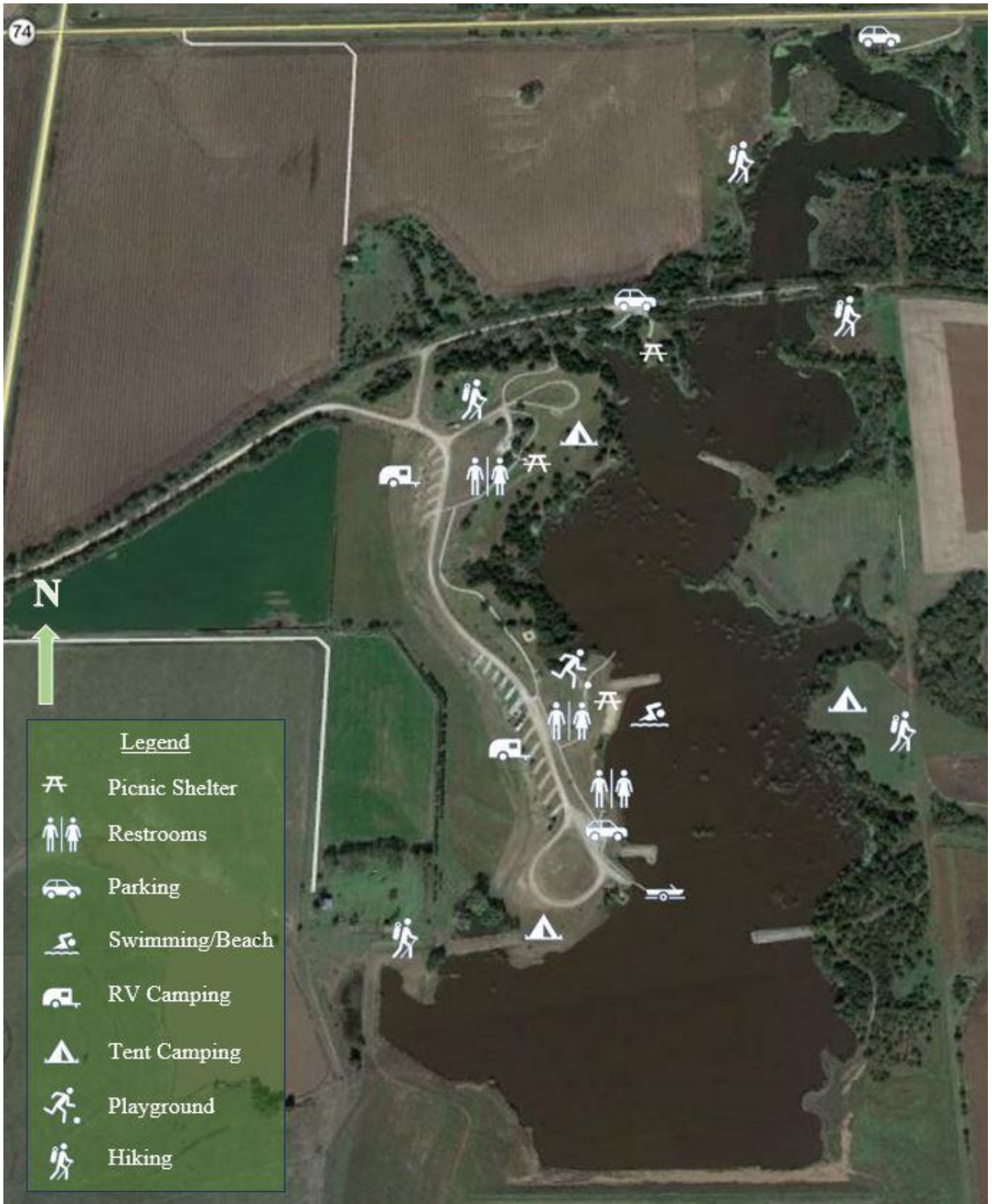
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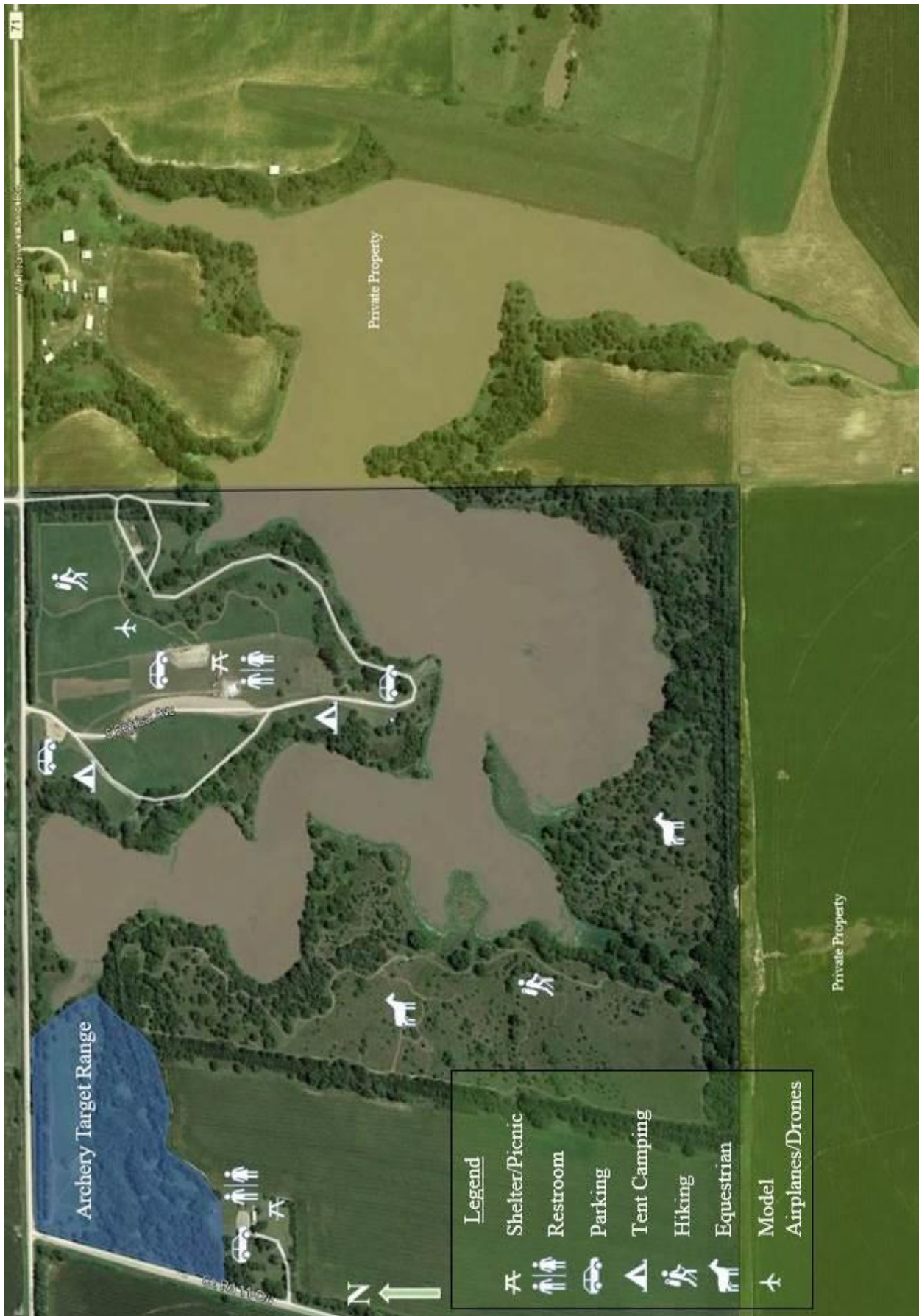
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