

GLEN ELDER

Glen Elder Wildlife Area encompasses almost 13,200 land acres surrounding a 12,500-acre reservoir and harbors diverse wildlife species.

Management efforts are geared toward early successional habitat that benefits all wildlife, but particularly small game and upland birds.

From Nov. 1 to Jan 31, 1,200 acres (land and water) in the Cawker City Refuge and 600 acres (water) in the Granite Creek Refuge are closed to all activities.

HUNTING

All hunters on the property are required to check in and out daily through the GoOutdoorsKansas app or ksoutdoors.gov/checkin.

The area produces fair to good numbers of pheasants and bobwhite quail, but receives heavy hunting pressure from upland hunters. In some areas, vegetation is very thick and difficult to walk through.

The white-tailed deer population has been strong on the area in recent years. Hunting pressure peaks during the firearm season and in the November archery season.

Waterfowl numbers can be impressive during migration peaks. Duck usage is often dependent on the amount of flooded vegetation that can be found. An annual management plan calls for water levels to be increased during fall months, but this only happens with good regional precipitation at the proper time of the year. Geese rest on the reservoir and the refuge but most goose hunting occurs on surrounding private land where birds feed.

Doves are plentiful early in the season, especially on man-

aged fields, but late season hunts can also be productive.

Turkey numbers are fair to good, but their usage of the area fluctuates throughout the year. Small game species generally do quite well and receive low hunting pressure.

Vehicle access for disabled hunters is allowed through special permit from area manager. Limited-access special hunts on refuge areas are also offered through online application at www.ksoutdoors.gov and are generally geared toward youth and novice hunters. A public shooting range is available just south of Downs and is open during daylight hours.

YOUTH-MENTOR AREA

The west Granite Creek area has more than 450 acres set aside for Youth-Mentor hunting from Oct.1-Jan.31. Youth must be age 17 or younger. Adult mentors must be at least 18 years of age and are allowed to hunt with the youth. Remember, each hunting mentor must be accompanied by at least 1 youth who is actively hunting.

ciated habitat. They will congregate near brush piles, fish attractors, and other forms of structure.

Wipers are stocked every few years to provide trophy opportunities, and striped bass are present in low numbers.

Rainbow trout are stocked in the state park pond during fall and winter months and in the river below the dam to provide seasonal “put-and-take” fishing.

Voluntary catch and release fishing will greatly extend fishery resources. A properly released fish is an investment in future fishing opportunities.

Length and creel limits are in effect for most species. Be sure to check the Kansas Fishing Regulations Summary and local posted notices annually.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

Six boat ramps are located around the wildlife area and two are in the state park. Low water hazards may exist on the western portion of the main lake.

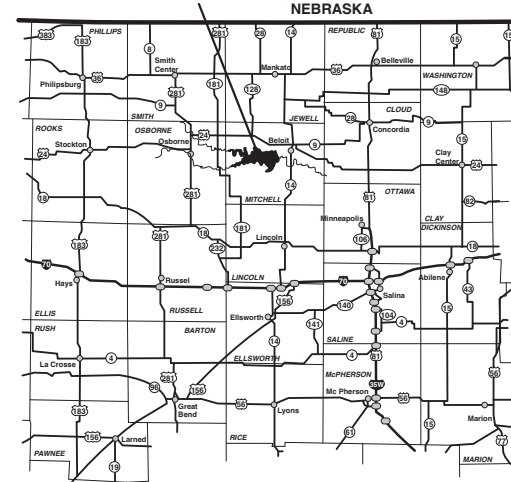
Modern campgrounds with utilities are available in the state park. There are six designated primitive camping areas on the wildlife area where no fees are charged. Camping stays are limited to a maximum of 14 days, and camping units must be attended once every 24 hours. There is a “no trash” policy on the wildlife area, so please take your trash with you.

Hiking and biking is permitted throughout the area, but not within refuges or special use areas. Horse riding is limited to open, maintained roads. Motorized vehicles may only be operated on open, maintained roads. Some roads are only open seasonally for fishing access, and there are many trails on the property that are only for authorized use by area staff and permittee farmers.

Trapping is allowed on the wildlife area. Trappers are encouraged to notify the area manager of their activities.

Zebra mussels are present in the reservoir. Be sure to clean, drain, and dry all equipment before moving to other waters!

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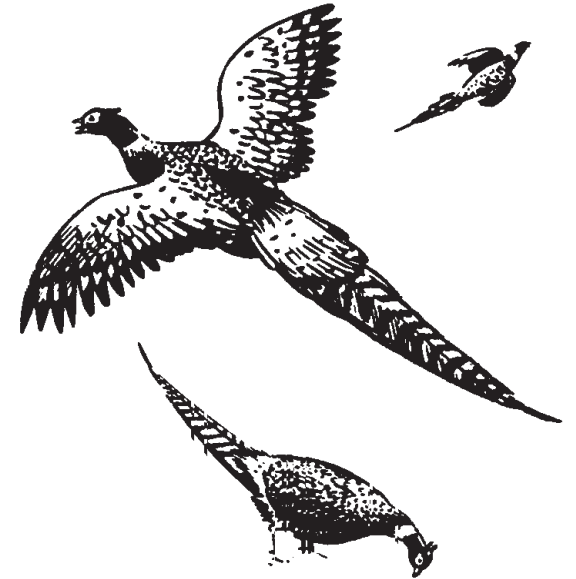


General Area Map

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Reservoir & Wildlife Area



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Designated Camp Areas

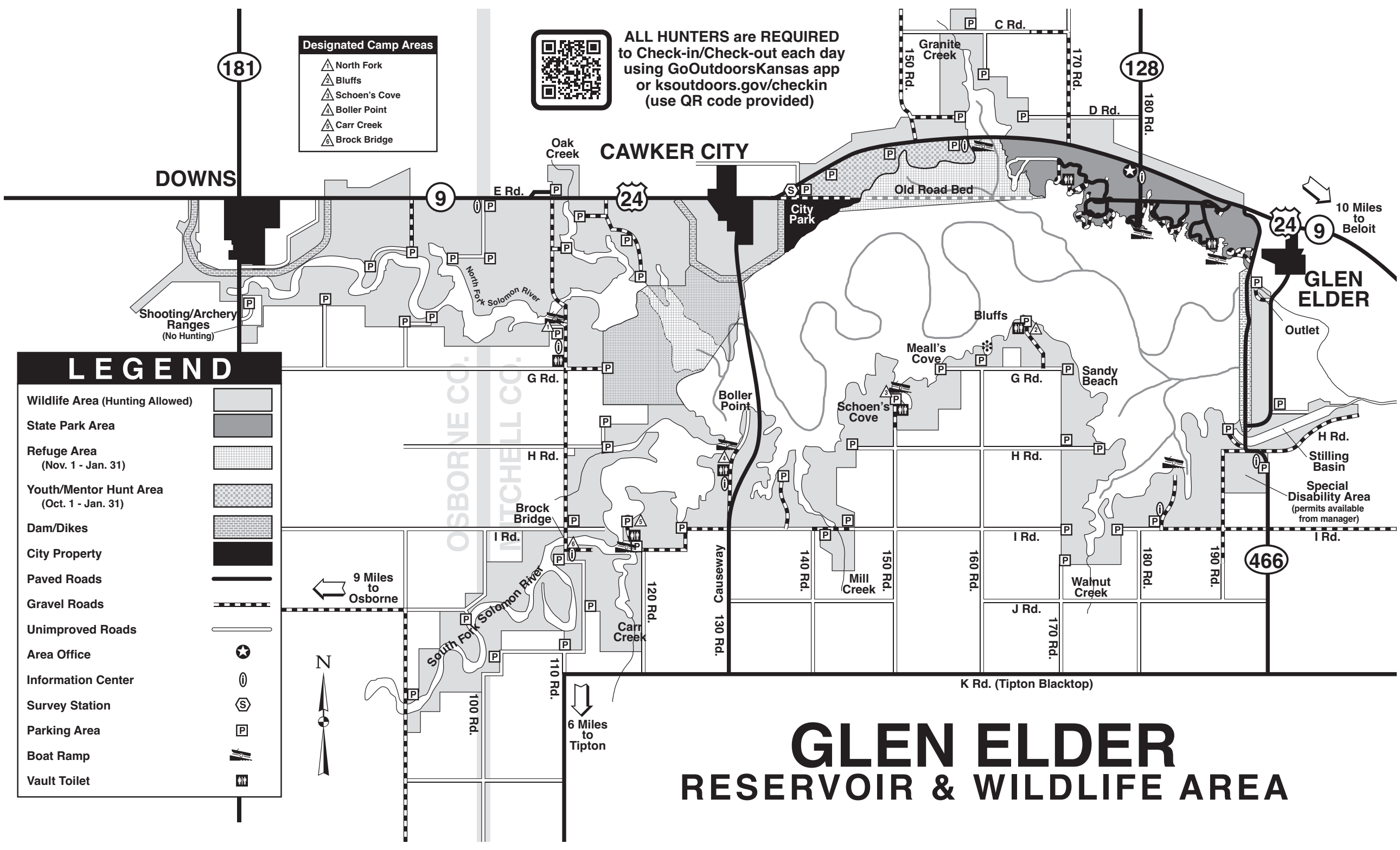
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- ▲ Bluffs
- ▲ Schoen's Cove
- ▲ Boller Point
- ▲ Carr Creek
- ▲ Brock Bridge



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LEGEND

- Wildlife Area (Hunting Allowed)
- State Park Area
- Refuge Area (Nov. 1 - Jan. 31)
- Youth/Mentor Hunt Area (Oct. 1 - Jan. 31)
- Dam/Dikes
- City Property
- Paved Roads
- Gravel Roads
- Unimproved Roads
- Area Office
- Information Center
- Survey Station
- Parking Area
- Boat Ramp
- Vault Toilet



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