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Guide*



Welcome to Lake ILO National Wildlife Refuge

The Lake Ilo National Wildlife Refuge Headquarters is 1.5 miles south of Highway 200, past the dam and on the southeast side of the lake.

Office hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Monday through Friday, except
when the staff is in the field.

*Enjoy the day
fishing at Lake Ilo.*



Dawn Chargin

Visitor Regulations

To make your visit enjoyable, safe, and avoid damage to wildlife habitat, please follow these regulations.

- Wildlife observation, hiking, fishing, and photography are allowed in areas open to public use as shown on Refuge map.
- The Refuge is open sunrise to sunset daily.
- All plants and animals, including feathers, antlers, flowers, and other objects of nature are protected from disturbance and collection.
- Archaeological resources, including artifacts, projectile points, minerals, and rocks, are protected from disturbance and collection.
- No hunting is allowed on the Refuge.
- Motor vehicles must stay on established roads. Visitors may park on road sides if not blocking gates or road travel.

- Please dispose of litter in receptacles or pack it out.
- Pets must be kept on leash.
- Fires are prohibited except in grills in the Lake Ilo Park.
- Camping is prohibited. (Campgrounds are available in Killdeer, Little Missouri State Park, Little Missouri Recreation Area, and Theodore Roosevelt National Park.)
- Fireworks, firearms, and other weapons are not allowed to be carried or discharged.

Refuge Signs

To protect the public, wildlife, and other habitat resources, signs are used to inform visitors of permitted activities and their locations. Please observe these signs and understand their meanings.



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Refuge
boundaries*



*Area closed to
all public
visitors*



*Area open
to public
fishing*



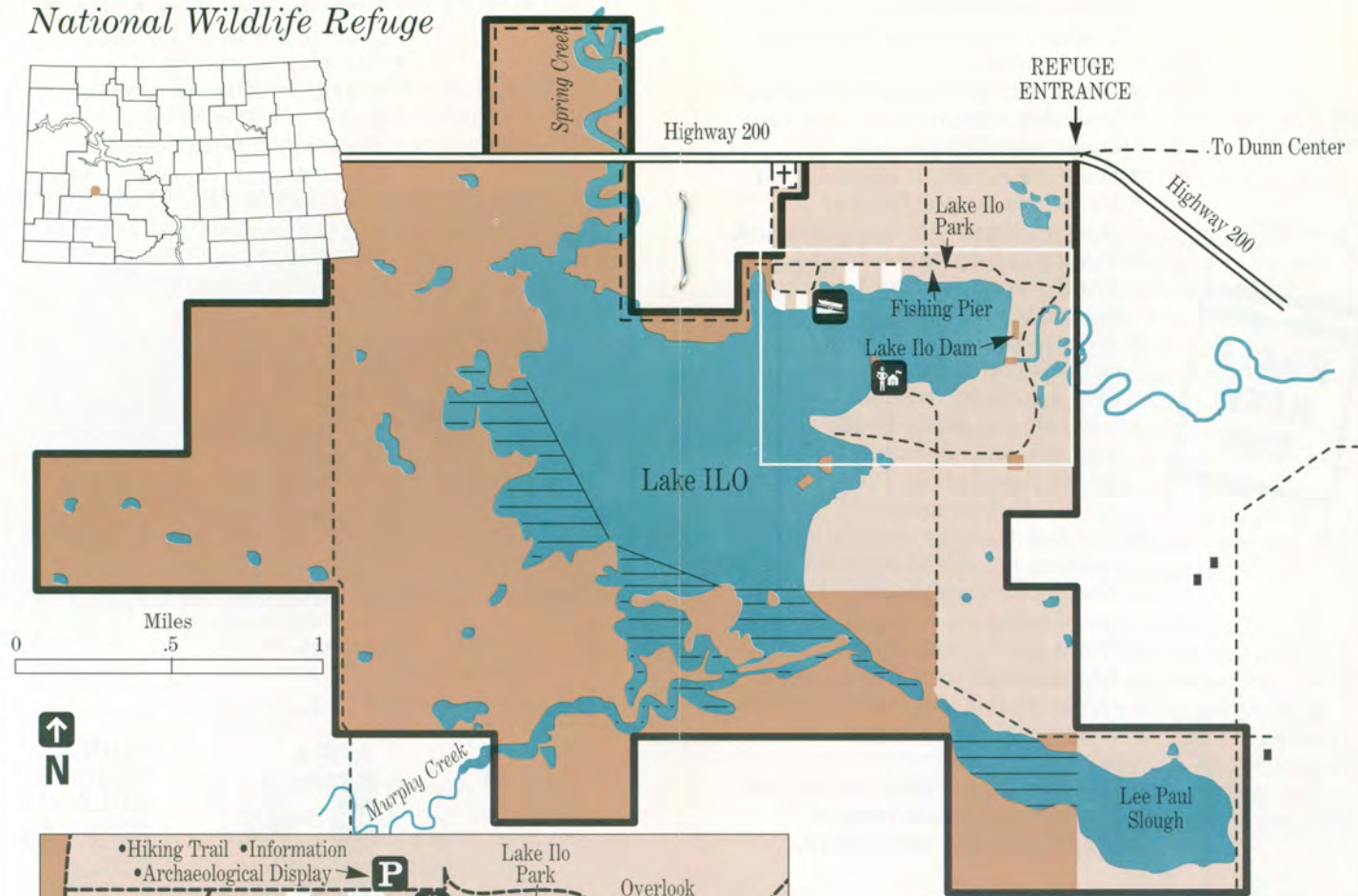
*Road designated
for foot
travel only*



*Archaeological
area - do not
disturb*

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Fishing and Boating

- Portions of Lake Ilo are open to fishing and boating in accordance with State and Refuge regulations. Consult this leaflet and the North Dakota State Fishing Guide for regulations.
- Areas open to fishing and boating are designated by signs, marker buoys, and Refuge maps.
- Shoreline fishing is open all year.
- Ice fishing is open October 1 through March 31.
- Fishing and wildlife-oriented boating are open May 1 through September 30.
- All islands are important for bird nesting and resting so they are closed to public use or landing of boats. Boats may not land on shorelines within closed areas. Please consult Refuge map.
- The dam spillway and emergency spillway are closed for public use.
- Boat motors are restricted to idle speed only.
- Water sports that are not wildlife-oriented such as waterskiing, jet skiing, racing, sail boarding, scuba diving, and swimming are not allowed.
- A fishing pier is provided in Lake Ilo Park and a boat ramp is available on the north shore.



Lake ILO Park

- Open sunrise to sunset daily.
- Swimming and camping is not allowed.
- Fires are prohibited except in grills.
- Picnic tables, grills, shelters, one rest room, hiking trail, and a fishing pier are all available and accessible to visitors who are disabled.

Wildlife Observation, Hiking, and Photography

Wildlife observation, hiking, and photography opportunities are available in areas open to public use as shown on the map. Lake Ilo Park is the beginning point of a

self-interpreted nature trail. The trail has interpretive signs and several rest benches for the visitor's outdoor enjoyment.

Environmental education opportunities are available for schools and other interested groups. Please contact the Refuge Manager for more information.

Archeological Resources

Lake Ilo NWR has significant archaeological resources that are important for studying historic and prehistoric man. The Refuge was once a quarrying site for flint used in making tools and projectile points. For several years, archaeologists and geologists have excavated Refuge sites creating a wealth of historical information. Visitors will find archaeological resources interpreted near the Park and Refuge Headquarters.

Lake ILO Dam

Originally constructed in 1936-37 and rebuilt in 1994-96, the dam is a prominent and important feature of the Refuge. An overlook parking area is located on a hill at the north end of the structure. An informative display on the dam's history and a dedication stone is located near the spillway.

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service seeks to afford persons with disabilities full accessibility or reasonable accommodation. Contact Refuge staff for information or to address accessibility needs. For the hearing impaired, use your State Relay System for the Deaf.

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Huron, SD 57350
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huronwetlands.fws.gov
http://huronwetlands.fws.gov

Lake Andes WMD
38672 291st Street
Lake Andes, SD 57356
605 / 487 7603
lakeandes.fws.gov
http://lakeandes.fws.gov

Madison WMD
P.O. Box 48
Madison, SD 57042
605 / 256 2974
madisonwetlands.fws.gov
http://madisonwetlands.fws.gov

Sand Lake WMD
39650 Sand Lake Drive
Columbia, SD 57433
605 / 885 6320
sandlake.fws.gov
http://sandlake.fws.gov

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Waubay WMD
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Waubay, SD 57273
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South Dakota Waterfowl Production Areas

Public Use Regulations



Welcome



This goose, designed by J.N. "Ding" Darling, has become the symbol of the National Wildlife Refuge System.



Waterfowl
Production Area
Boundary Sign

General Regulations

Waterfowl Production Areas (WPAs) in South Dakota are part of the National Wildlife Refuge System, a network of lands managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to conserve fish and wildlife and their habitat for the continuing benefit of the American people. There are over 670 WPAs covering more than 150,000 acres in eastern South Dakota. Many of our nation's ducks are produced here.

Waterfowl Production Areas (WPAs) are lands purchased by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service with funds generated from the sale of Federal Duck Stamps. Established to protect and restore waterfowl habitat, nearly 95 percent of WPAs in the United States are located in the prairie pothole region of North and South Dakota, Minnesota, Montana, and Iowa.

These lands are also open to wildlife-dependent recreation, including hunting, fishing, trapping, wildlife observation, wildlife photography, environmental education, and interpretation. All other activities are prohibited.

- Vehicles are permitted only on designated roads, parking areas, and the ice for ice fishing. Vehicle access to the ice is limited to waters accessible from a right-of-way or designated road. Motorized vehicles must be licensed.
- Boats are allowed on WPA waters for wildlife-dependent recreation; however water depths generally limit use to shallow draft vessels. Boats that must be launched from a trailer are limited to waters accessible from a right-of-way or designated road.
- Horses are not allowed for any purpose.
- Collection of mature wild fruits, berries, the above ground portion of asparagus, and mushrooms for personal daily (non-commercial) use is allowed.

Prohibited Activities

- The following activities are prohibited:
- overnight camping or fires, on WPAs, including parking areas
 - littering, including leaving spent shotgun shells or the remains of game birds or animals in parking areas
 - becoming intoxicated or possessing alcoholic beverages while hunting.

Hunting Regulations

Unless otherwise noted, hunting is allowed in accordance with State regulations.

Non-toxic Shot

Hunters may possess only approved non-toxic shot while in the field, except when hunting wild turkey.

Tree Stands

Except as noted below, portable tree stands and free-standing elevated platforms may be used in accordance with State regulations. The use of nails, wire, screws, or bolts to attach a stand to a tree, or hunting from a tree into which a metal object has been driven to support a hunter, is prohibited.

Equipment Removal

Boats, decoys, portable blinds, other personal property (excluding tree stands), and any materials brought onto the area for blind construction must be removed at the end of each day. Blinds constructed of dead and down materials gathered on site may be left throughout the hunting season.

Dogs

Dogs are allowed only for hunting.

Trapping

Trapping is allowed in accordance with Federal and State regulations.

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Fishing Regulations

Unless otherwise noted, fishing is allowed in accordance with State regulations.

Ice Houses

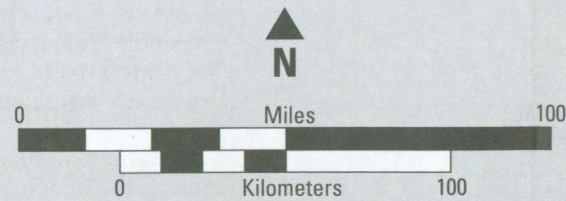
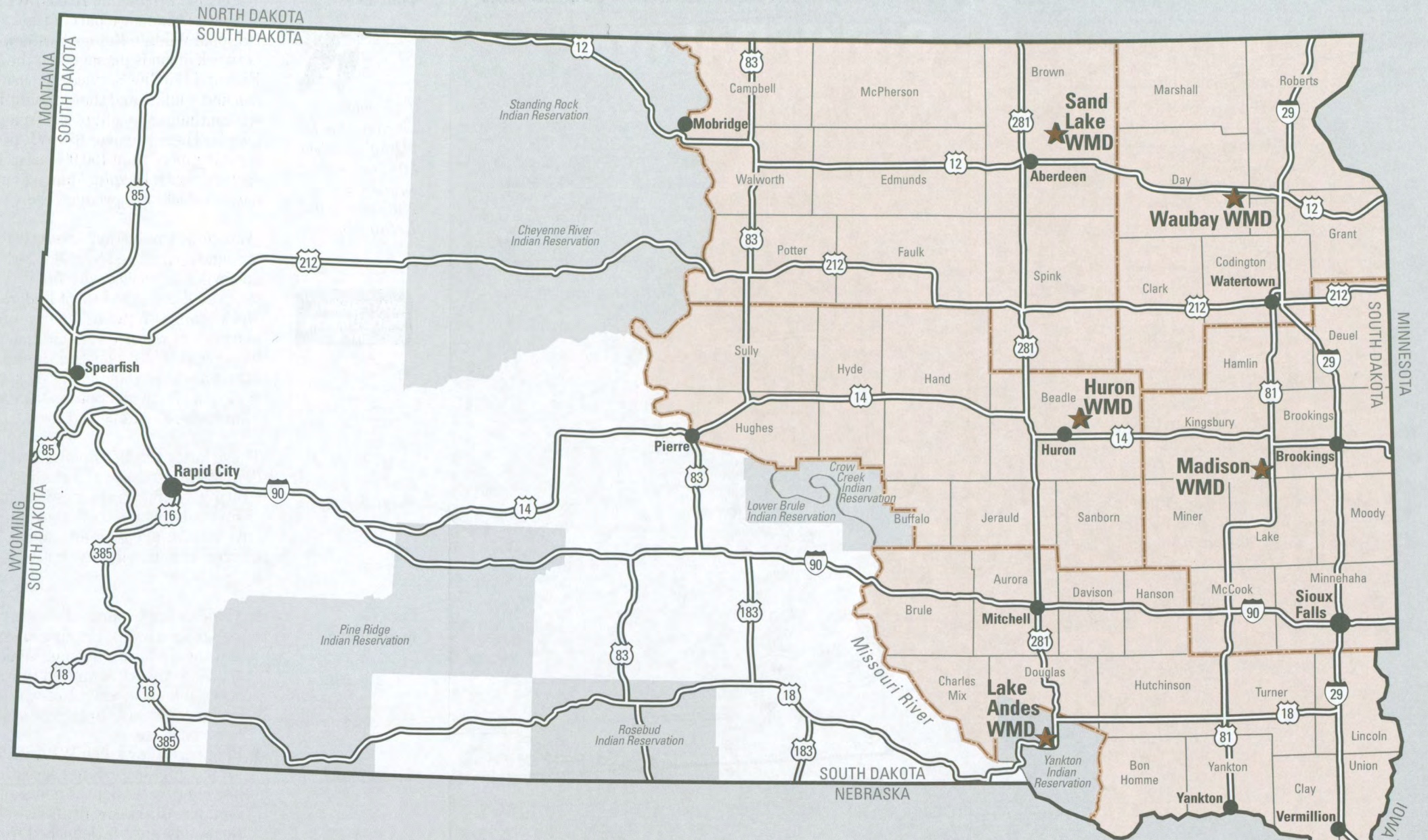
Ice houses may be used in accordance with State regulations.

Equipment Removal

Boats, motor vehicles, fishing equipment, and other personal property (excluding ice houses) must be removed at the end of each day. Night fishing is permitted.

Accessibility Information

Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs and activities of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is available to all individuals regardless of physical or mental ability. Dial 7-1-1 for a free connection to the State transfer relay service for TTY and voice calls to and from the speech and hearing impaired. For information or to address accessibility needs, please contact the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Equal Opportunity, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, D.C. 20240.



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South Dakota Wetland Management Districts**

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Wetland Management District Office	Federal Highway