

# SHERMAN

The Sherman Wildlife Area is located nine miles south and two miles west of Goodland in the southern portion of Sherman County.

The area was built primarily for fishing, but since construction the lake has leaked severely to the point that, when flows fill the lake, the lake drains

dry again within two years. The area is now managed primarily as a wildlife area except for short periods when there is fishable water in the lake.

## WILDLIFE

This is the only area in Sherman County where wildlife is the top priority. Most of the area has only walk-in access to reduce wildlife disturbances and improve hunting opportunities.

Whitetail, mule deer, pheasants and a few turkey and quail are found on the area. When the lake has water in

the fall it can produce excellent waterfowl hunting. Demand for public hunting opportunity exceeds the supply of this small wildlife area.

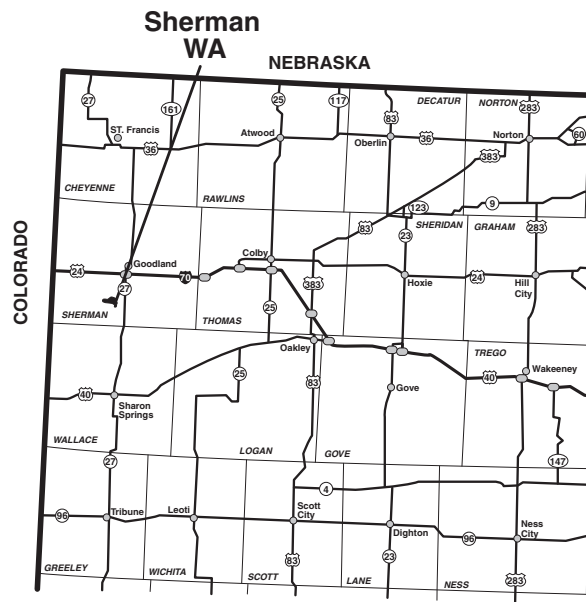
Habitat management includes periodic short-term intense spring grazing, control burns and food plots of milo, legumes and wheat.

## FISHING

Two small pits located along the northern border provide limited walk-in fishing opportunities for largemouth bass, channel catfish, sunfish and bullheads. Catchable size fish are stocked into the lake when it periodically fills and road access is extended to the boat ramp on the west end of the dam. Due to the intermittence of the lake, fish management efforts are directed towards the Smoky Gardens Community Lake, adjacent to the east of the area. Smoky Gardens is managed intensely for fishing and has trout stocked each fall.

## THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Vehicles are restricted to maintained roads and parking lots.
- Drinking water is not available.
- Steel shot is required for waterfowl hunting.
- Consult the information signs on the area for more complete rules and regulations that apply to the area.
- Camping is not allowed on the area but is allowed at Smoky Gardens to the east.
- Please take all trash with you when you leave.

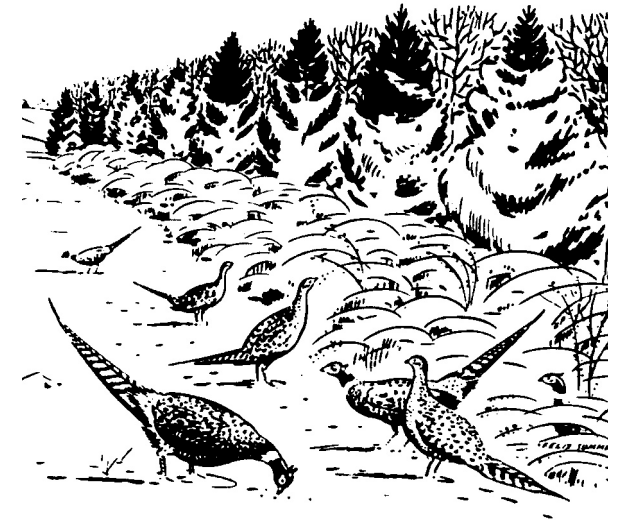


General Area Map

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## Wildlife Area



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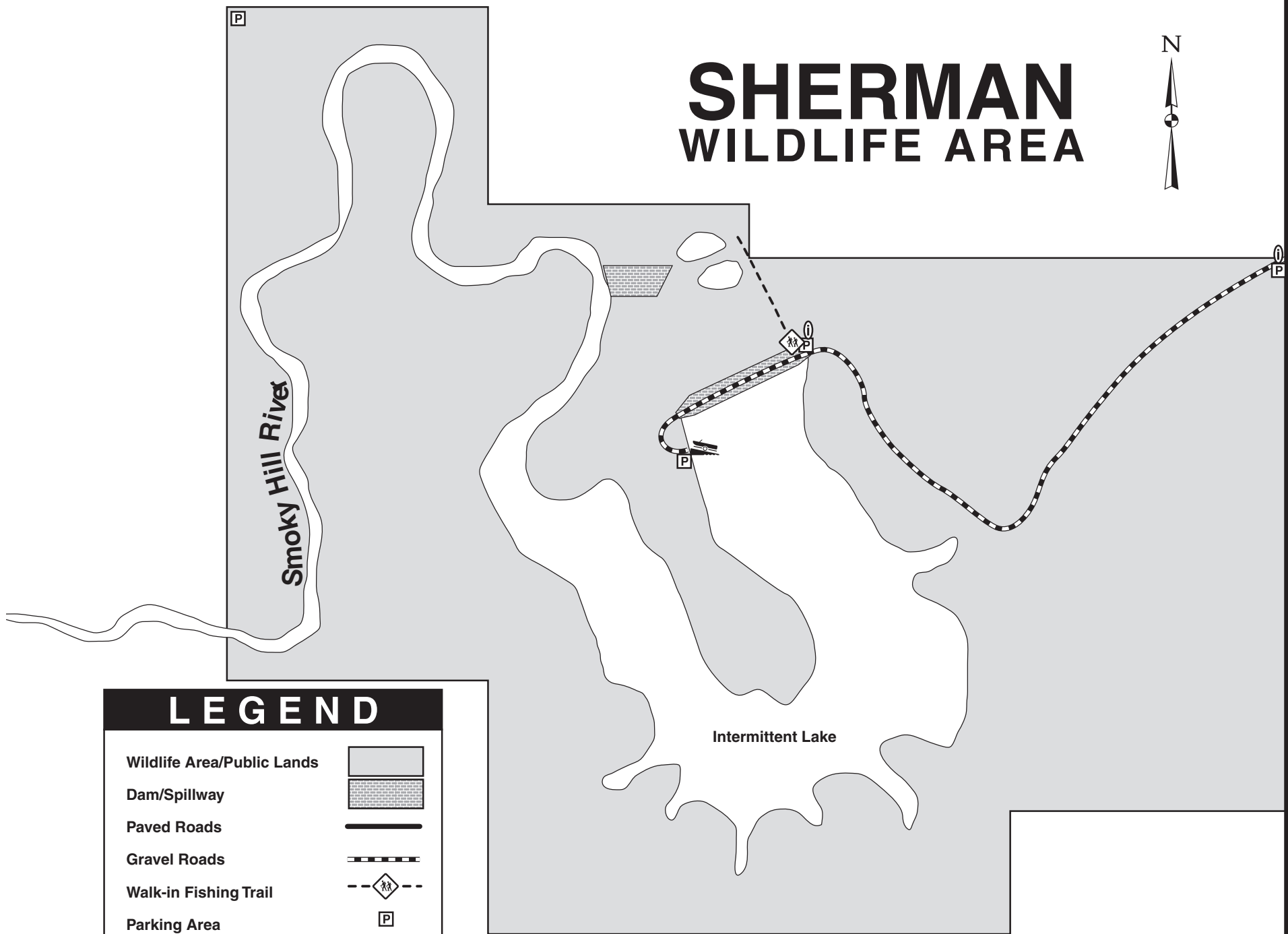
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# SHERMAN WILDLIFE AREA



LEGEND	
Wildlife Area/Public Lands	
Dam/Spillway	
Paved Roads	
Gravel Roads	
Walk-in Fishing Trail	
Parking Area	
Information Center	
Boat Ramp	