POTTAWATOMIE

Pottawatomie State Fishing Lake No. 1 is located five miles north of Westmoreland or two miles south of Blaine on Kansas Highway 99. The land to build this lake on was purchased in April, 1932. Eventually, the dam became part of K-99. The lake covers 24 acres of the 190 acres purchased.

Maximum depth of the lake is 17 feet near the spillway of the dam; average depth is 6 to 8 feet. A destratification unit makes bubbles in the lake to help control the aquatic vegetation.

FISHING

Channel catfish are stocked annually, providing a good population of fish in the lake. Preferred baits for channel catfish are chicken livers, crawfish, cut shad, and prepared bait.

A good to excellent population of largemouth bass exists in the lake, and they congregate around the shoreline and in brush piles throughout the lake. Worms, minnows, spinner baits, and crank baits are your best bets.

From the first of April to mid-May the crappie run swings into action. There is a good population of crappie up to 3/4 pound. Jigs and minnows around the sunken habitat are your best bets for catching crappie.

A good population of bluegill awaits harvest from May through September. Bluegill can be taken lakewide along the shoreline using small lures and live baits.

CAMPING and BOATING

There are primitive camping sites available around the lake. The area offers a quiet place to park your camper and take a hike around the area. There is a marked hiking trail that takes you on a scenic hike around the west side of the lake.

Boats requiring registration are restricted to fishing only. There is no limit to size but speed should be reasonable and prudent. Boaters should abide by the state boating laws. Non-registered vessels such as kyaks are allowed on the lake for recreational use.

WILDLIFE

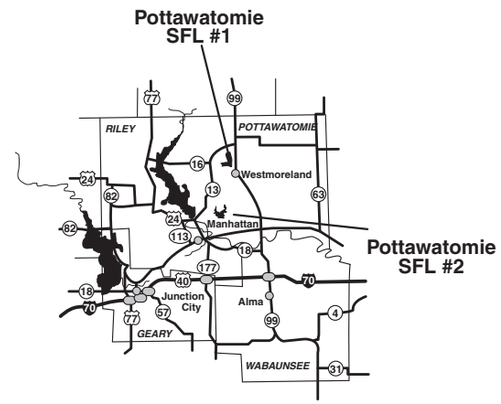
The 166 acres surrounding the lake is open to hunting and trapping during legal seasons. The boundary around the property is marked. There is a fair population of deer on the area. Portable deer stands are allowed for hunters but should be removed within 14 days after the season is over. A strong population of squirrels call the area home. Look for mast-producing trees for your best odds on harvesting a bushytail.

Quail are in fair supply and can be found along the borders of grass and brush.

The area is open to trapping during the trapping season. Typical catches include raccoon bobcat, coyote and opossum.

THINGS TO REMEMBER

- Alcohol/cereal malt beverages are prohibited.
- Vehicles permitted on maintained roads only.
- Primitive camping is permitted, but please take your trash with you.
- Consult area information signs for additional rules and regulations. Special length and creel limits may be in effect for some fish species. Check the Kansas Fishing Regulations Summary and all posted notices before fishing.
- Pottawatomie State Fishing Lake No. 1 is subject to all state laws and regulations regarding hunting, fishing, and public use. Pertinent information is posted. For further information about the area, contact the office listed on the front panel.
- Unregistered, non-insured vehicles are prohibited at the lake. (includeing ATV's golf carts, etc.)
- AREA OPEN TO TRAPPING.



General Area Map

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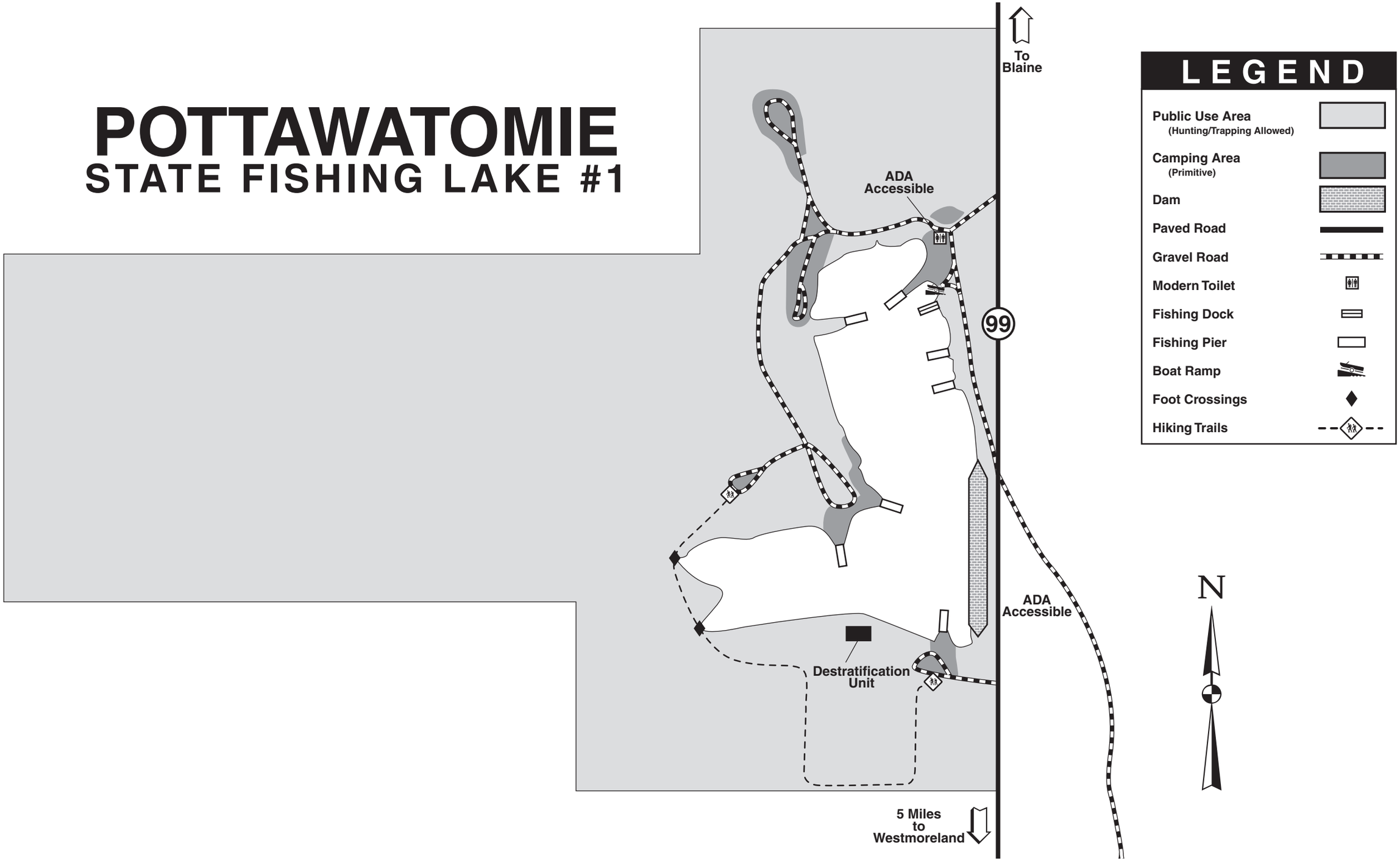
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