Hodgeman State Fishing Lake and Wildlife Area is a 501-acre public hunting and fishing area located in Hodgeman County, two miles south and three miles east of Jetmore. Approximately 366 acres of the area is native grass with timber along the drainage and lake edge. There is also 48 acres of cropland and an intermittent lake that covers approximately 87 acres when full. The original 254 acres was purchased in 1956 and the new 247 acres was purchased in 2014.

Although the drainage has an excellent history of supplying water to the lake, the lake has a history of losing this water within a year or two after filling. Numerous studies have been carried out in an attempt to identify the leak. Results have been less than decisive. It is believed that the lake bottom may be porous enough to allow widespread loss. In 2005 approximately 4 acres of the lake bottom were covered with a liner. It has proven somewhat successful, prolonging the lake drying. When water is available, all attempts are made to stock the area with channel catfish, largemouth bass, bluegill and redear sunfish. If possible, catchable size fish are stocked to supply immediate opportunities. Please check current written regulations and posted information at the entrance for creel and size limits.

Vehicles are allowed to the west end of the dam year round and a parking area to the east to access the new property. One vault toilet can be found just south of the entrance. A boat ramp can be found near the parking area near the west end of the dam. Both are accessible by vehicle if the gate is open. Camping is allowed on the area but few facilities are offered. Hunting is allowed on all portions of the property. Species available include white-tailed and mule deer, pheasant, dove, rabbit and waterfowl when water is present. A parking lot is available at the west and east entrances for visitor convenience. This area serves as a handicapped hunting area. If you have a handicapped hunting permit contact the manager at 620-276-8886 to better gain access to the property.