

# PRAIRIE DOG

When you pass the prairie dog statue at the entrance, you know you've arrived at a unique state park. Prairie Dog State Park, on

the north shore of Sebelius Reservoir, is a near perfect spot to get away from it all. The park's charm lies in the modest number of visitors who use

the area. But don't let that fool you. Just like the larger, busier parks, there's plenty to do at Prairie Dog State Park.

## THE PARK OFFICE

The area office, open regularly year-round, provides brochures and staff to answer questions. Vehicle, camping, and utility permits are required year-round and

may be purchased either from the office or the convenient self-pay station. Hunting and fishing licenses and boat registrations are available at the park office.

## CAMPING

Campsites at Prairie Dog include 77 designated sites with electric and water hookups, 10 designated sites with full hookups, 7 designated primitive sites, and 125 non-designated primitive sites. Designated sites are reservable. Shower and restroom facilities are located throughout the park, as are two RV dump stations. Water is available from mid-April through mid-October and as mother nature allows.

## CABIN RENTALS

Cedar Crest and Cottonwood cabins are primitive cabins located adjacent to Prairie Dog campground. Prairie Dog and Eagle View cabins are modern cabins with a fantastic view of the lake and located near a public fishing dock. Cabins are available year-round. Mattresses are provided, but you will need to bring your own bedding and toiletries. Other camping units (tents and/or campers) are not allowed in the area surrounding the cabins.

The primitive cabins include a fire ring outside, and inside there is heating, air-conditioning, refrigerator/freezer, and a microwave. Each sleeps at least eight. During the peak season of mid-April through mid-October, a nearby showerhouse, restroom facilities, and a water hydrant are available at each cabin. During the off-season, a vault toilet is within walking distance, but no water is available.

The modern cabins sleep five comfortably, as many as six, and come with a full kitchen and bathroom. Exterior amenities include a picnic table and fire ring.

## BOATING & FISHING

The 1,000-acre reservoir is a great place to boat, water-ski, windsurf, and fish. Black bass, walleye, wiper, crappie, catfish, and saugeye are popular sportfish. The public fishing dock is perfect for a family outing.

Relax and enjoy the swimming beach, picnic shelters, and historic sites. Don't miss these special features. The East Leota Cove Area gives anglers a chance to test their skill on walleye and saugeye gathering in a limestone spawning bed just offshore. Other boating facilities include a two-lane boat ramp on the west side of Leota Cove and a single-lane ramp on the east side of Leota Cove.

## OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

A 1.4-mile nature trail complete with interpretive signage is a great way to explore the park. It is also a good area for wildlife watching. Two vintage 19th-century buildings are preserved in the park. A one-room schoolhouse (just south of the park office) and a renovated adobe house (northwest of Prairie Dog Campground) are snapshots of Kansas history. Wildlife watching is an exciting treat. Food plots and a waterfowl refuge have been established to enhance this opportunity. Pheasant, Canada geese, wild turkey, badger, mule deer, and white-tail deer can be observed. Just inside the park entrance, you'll find a growing prairie dog town.

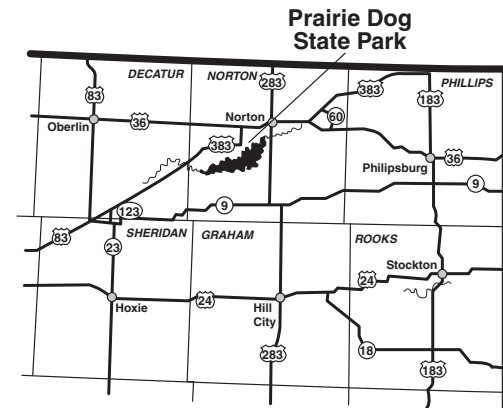
In the Prairie Dog campground, for young and old alike, there are horseshoe pits, a sand volleyball court, basketball court, and playground. A newest addition is a Frisbee golf course.

## THINGS TO REMEMBER

If you're in a campground, use one of the centrally-located dumpsters for trash. In day-use areas, take your trash with you.

	Prairie Dog	Cottonwood	Shady Rest	Leota Cove	Meadowlark	Branded Cedar	CedarRidge
Full Hookups							10
Water & Electric	50			21			6
Electric Only	1						
Primitive *	5	30	8	20	30	40	
Open Year Round	X	X	X		X	X	X
Shower House	X					X	
Vault Toilet			X	X	X	X	
Reservable	X	X	X			X	X
Beach Nearby	X		X				

\* = numbers indicate approximate number of sites available.



General Area Map

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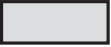










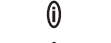

















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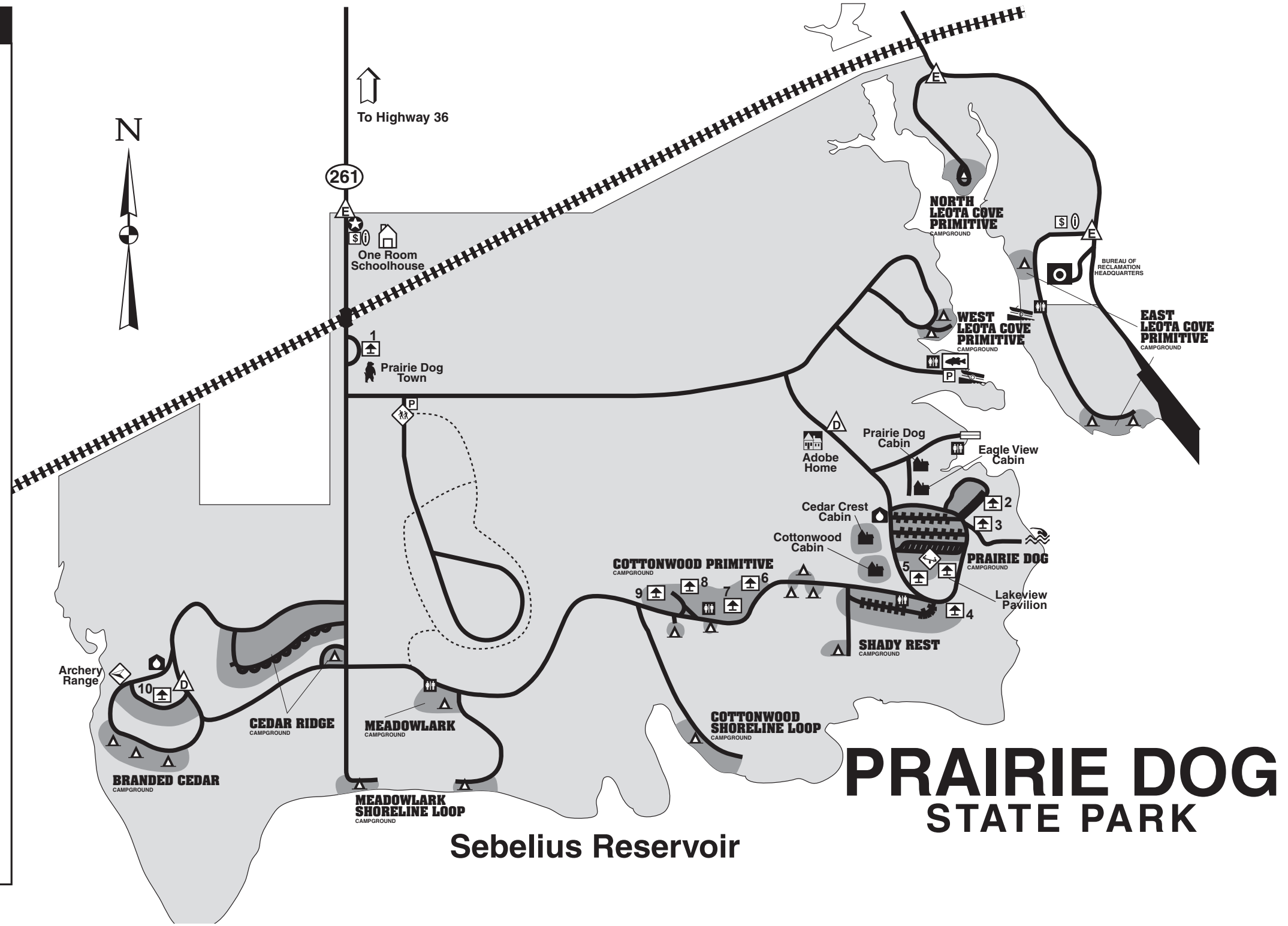
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# LEGEND

- State Park Area 
- Paved Road 
- Gravel Road 
- Seasonal Road  
(closed Nov.1-Jan.31) 
- Trails 
- Railroad Tracks 
- Park Entrance 
- Parking Area 
- Camping Area 
- Office 
- Dam 
- Self Pay Station 
- Information Center 
- Showerhouse with Toilet 
- Vault Toilet 
- Trailer Dump Station 
- Cabins 
- Primitive Camping 
- Playground 
- Boat Ramp 
- Fishing Dock 
- Fish Cleaning Station 
- Picnic Shelter 
- Swimming Area 
- Bureau of Reclamation HQ 
- Archery Range 
- Adobe Home 
- Prairie Dog Town 
- One Room Schoolhouse 



Sebelius Reservoir

261

To Highway 36

One Room Schoolhouse

Prairie Dog Town

NORTH LEOTA COVE PRIMITIVE CAMPGROUND

WEST LEOTA COVE PRIMITIVE CAMPGROUND

EAST LEOTA COVE PRIMITIVE CAMPGROUND

BUREAU OF RECLAMATION HEADQUARTERS

Adobe Home

Prairie Dog Cabin

Eagle View Cabin

Cedar Crest Cabin

Cottonwood Cabin

COTTONWOOD PRIMITIVE CAMPGROUND

PRAIRIE DOG CAMPGROUND

SHADY REST CAMPGROUND

Lakeview Pavilion

Archery Range

BRANDED CEDAR CAMPGROUND

CEDAR RIDGE CAMPGROUND

MEADOWLARK CAMPGROUND

MEADOWLARK SHORELINE LOOP CAMPGROUND

COTTONWOOD SHORELINE LOOP CAMPGROUND