

FORD

Ford State Fishing Lake is located in Ford County, approximately three miles north and five miles east of Dodge City. The property consists of 260 acres of uplands, 10 acres of wetlands, and a 45-acre lake. The uplands and wetlands are made up of heavily timbered riparian areas

along the creek, native grass on the side slopes, and old crop fields on the flatter upland terrain. An old 4-H camp is located on the east side and is presently maintained as a Boy Scout area.

The dam was originally built in 1936. In 1990, the area was donated to the Kansas Department of

Wildlife and Parks in order to renovate the lake for fishing. At the same time, Ford County assumed management of the area for public use. In 1991-92, the lake was renovated and soon filled due to above-normal rainfall. The lake was stocked soon after filling.

PUBLIC USE FACILITIES

Two large picnic shelters and numerous picnic tables have been installed in the public access area on the northwest portion of the lake. Pit-type restrooms have also been installed on both the east and west sides of the lake and in the camping area.

Camping is allowed only in the designated camping area. Camping pads have been established, and fire pits and picnic tables are provided.

Hiking is allowed throughout the area; many unimproved trails exist around the upper end of the lake.

A boat ramp is available on the northwest corner of the lake, but boats may only be used for fishing.

Vehicles must stay on established roadways. No off-road travel is allowed.

FISHING

Fishing is allowed on Ford State Fishing Lake. It is stocked with largemouth bass, channel catfish, and bluegill. Although not stocked by the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, crappie have also found their way into the lake. Fishing here should be excellent for years to come. Please check printed regulations and information signs to obtain current length and creel limits.

HUNTING

At present, by county ordinance, no hunting is allowed on the area

PUBLIC USE FACILITIES

For information concerning fish and wildlife activities on the area, please contact:

Kansas Department of Wildlife & Parks
Area Manager
10270 NW 130th Ave.
Haviland, KS 67059
(620) 895-6446

or

Kansas Department of Wildlife & Parks
Region 3 Office
1001 W. McCartor
Dodge City, KS 67801
(620) 227-8609

For information concerning management of the property, please contact:

Ford County Public Works Department
100 Gunsmoke
Dodge City, KS 67801
(620) 227-4520

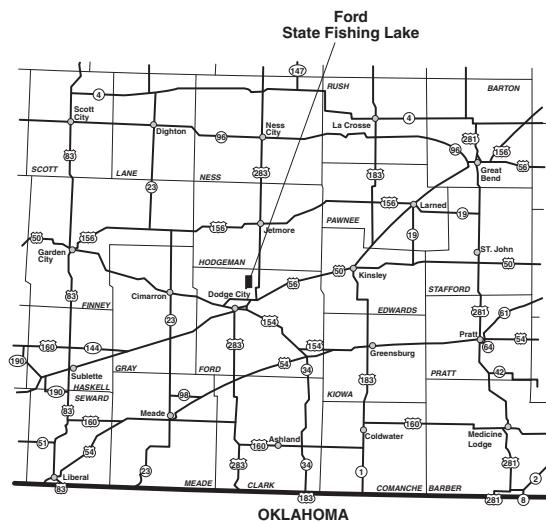
THINGS TO REMEMBER

Vehicles are 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 on the area. Special regulations may be in effect.

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State Fishing Lake & Wildlife Area



General Area Map

Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs described herein is available to all individuals without regard to race, color, national origin, sex, age, disability, sexual orientation, gender identity, political affiliation, and military or veteran status. Complaints of discrimination should be sent to Office of the Secretary, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, 1020 S Kansas Ave., Topeka, KS 66612-1327. 05/12

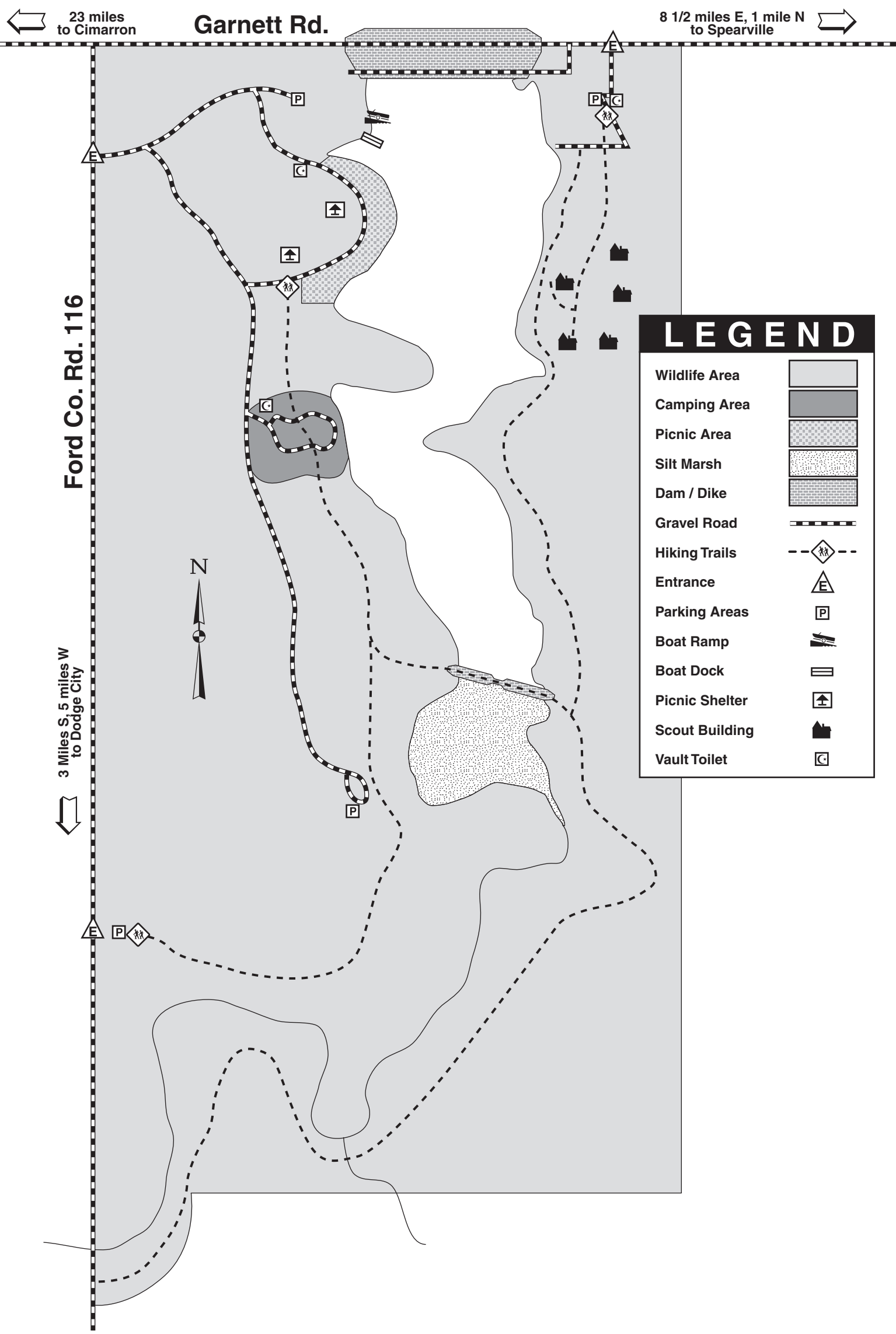
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LEGEND	
Wildlife Area	
Camping Area	
Picnic Area	
Silt Marsh	
Dam / Dike	
Gravel Road	
Hiking Trails	
Entrance	
Parking Areas	
Boat Ramp	
Boat Dock	
Picnic Shelter	
Scout Building	
Vault Toilet	