

# WILSON

**W**ilson State Park is located on the south side of Wilson Reservoir. The park is divided into two areas: Hell Creek and Otoe, and is one of Kansas' premier recreation hot

spots to fish, hike, bike, waterski, and enjoy the outdoors.

For licenses, permits, and other information, visit the park office (located at the Hell Creek area entrance) or the self-pay stations

at the entrance to each area. Vehicle, camping, and utility permits are required year-round. Brochures on regulations and area attractions are also available at the park entrances.

## BOATING & FISHING

Of the two boat ramps in the park, the Hell Creek area ramp is designed for use by boats too large to launch elsewhere. Handicap-accessible courtesy docks are located at both state park boat ramps. The marina in the Hell Creek area provides boat and slip rentals,

boat fuel and convenience items.

In addition to being a premier striped bass and small-mouth bass lake, anglers will also find abundant white bass, walleye, and other fish. A modern fish cleaning station is also available.

## HIKING & BIKING

The Dakota Trail gives visitors one of the best views of the Kansas prairie and Wilson Lake. An interpretive brochure is available to help hikers along the self-guided trail.

The Switchgrass Bike Trail is open for mountain bik-

ers and is approximately 25 miles long, with the trail-head located at the Switchgrass Restroom parking lot.

The Cedar Trail in the Otoe area is a handicap-accessible, one-mile loop with a concrete surface, and is great for a leisurely, low-stress walk.

## CAMPING

The park offers both utility and primitive camping. Utility sites are open year-round. Water hookups and shower buildings are available April through September. Frost-free water hydrants and several toilets are open through the winter. For RV users, the park has three

dump stations - two in Hell Creek and one in Otoe.

Selected sites can be reserved for a fee through the park office or [reserveamerica.com](http://reserveamerica.com). Available on a first-come, first-serve basis, these sites are reservable starting mid-December for the following year.

## CABINS

Wilson State Park has eight cabins available for rent. Each has a bedroom, bathroom with shower, kitchenette with a refrigerator, pots, pans, and dishes. They

have heat and air conditioning. No bedding is provided and pets are prohibited. Cabins can be reserved 364 days a year in advance online at [reserveamerica.com](http://reserveamerica.com).

## OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Equipment and facilities are available for horseshoe pitching. A small playground is available in the Otoe area. Two designated swimming beaches add to the fun.

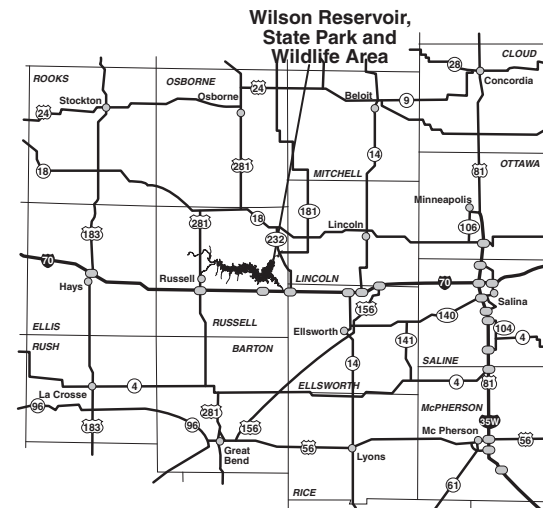
Wilson State Park offers good opportunities to view

and photograph wildlife. Deer, bobwhite quail, waterfowl, and other species can be seen from the roads throughout the area. Every season brings different opportunities to see wildlife.

## THINGS TO REMEMBER

In the campground area, please take trash to one of the centrally-located dumpsters. In day-use areas, please take trash to the campground dumpsters.

| Utility Sites            | HELL CREEK AREA |            |          |             | OTOE AREA    |             |          |            |           |        |          |           |           |   |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------------|----------|-------------|--------------|-------------|----------|------------|-----------|--------|----------|-----------|-----------|---|
|                          | Bin Bluff       | Wheatgrass | Dropseed | Switchgrass | Little Bluff | Switchgrass | Burfling | Infingrass | Portulaca | Yarrow | Superior | Goldenrod | Sunflower |   |
| Water & Electric         |                 | X          | X        | X           |              |             |          |            |           |        | X        | X         |           |   |
| Water Available          | X               |            |          |             |              |             |          | X          |           |        | X        | X         |           | X |
| Primitive                |                 |            |          |             | X            | X           | X        | X          | X         | X      |          | X         | X         | X |
| Reservable Sites         |                 |            | X        | X           |              |             |          | X          |           |        | X        |           | X         |   |
| Water, Electric, & Sewer |                 |            |          |             |              |             |          |            |           | X      |          |           |           |   |
| Shower House             | X               | X          | X        |             | X            |             |          |            |           |        | X        |           | X         |   |
| Vault toilet             |                 |            |          |             |              |             | X        |            |           |        |          |           | X         |   |
| Marina                   |                 |            |          | X           |              |             |          |            |           |        |          |           |           |   |
| Boat Ramp                |                 |            |          |             |              |             |          | X          |           |        |          |           | X         |   |
| Courtesy Dock            |                 |            |          |             |              |             | X        |            |           |        |          |           | X         |   |
| Picnicking               |                 |            |          |             | X            | X           | X        | X          | X         |        |          | X         | X         | X |
| Long-term Camping        | X               |            |          | X           |              |             |          |            |           |        |          |           |           |   |
| Reservable Cabins        |                 |            |          |             |              |             |          |            |           | X      |          |           |           | X |



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. 04/16

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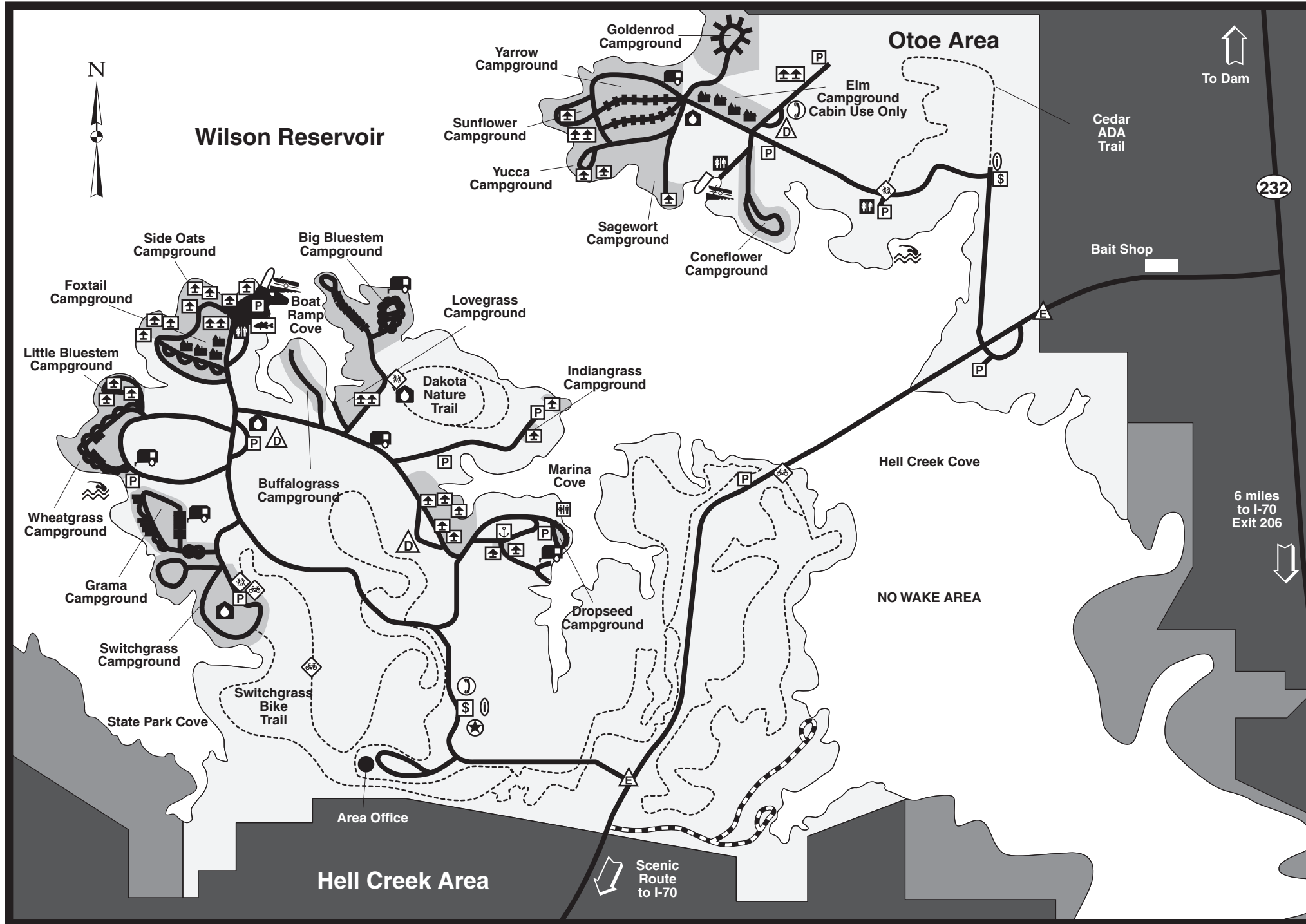


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# WILSON STATE PARK



## LEGEND

|                       |  |
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| Park Area             |  |
| Camping Areas         |  |
| Other Public Lands    |  |
| Private Lands         |  |
| Paved Roads           |  |
| Gravel Roads          |  |
| Park Entrance         |  |
| Park Office           |  |
| Parking Area          |  |
| Information Center    |  |
| Pay Stations          |  |
| Pay Phone             |  |
| Modern Cabin          |  |
| Shower/Toilet         |  |
| Modern Toilet         |  |
| Vault Toilet          |  |
| Trailer Dump Station  |  |
| Boat Ramps            |  |
| Dock/Pier             |  |
| Fish Cleaning Station |  |
| Swimming Area         |  |
| Marina                |  |
| Shelter               |  |
| Shelter Group         |  |
| Camping Improved      |  |
| Trail/Trailhead Hike  |  |
| Trail/Trailhead Bike  |  |