About the Lake

Lake Wanahoo is part of the Environmental Restoration Project for the Sand Creek watershed. The project area comprises 1,777 acres, including a 662-acre lake.

The project area is owned by the Lower Platte North Natural Resources District (LPNNRD) and was developed in conjunction with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. The Nebraska Game and Parks Commission provided in-lake and recreation design input as well as partnering on park improvements.

Boating

The boat ramp facility is on the west side of the lake. The ramp is wide enough to accommodate three boats at the same time. There is a 5 mph/ no wake boating restriction on the entire reservoir. Boaters are urged to use caution because of underwater hazards and shallow areas that are prevalent in the upper end of the reservoir especially north of the bridge.

Fishing

Special regulations apply. Consult the current Nebraska Fishing Guide for rules and regulations.

The lake has been stocked with bullhead, bluegill, carp, crappie, largemouth bass, Northern pike and walleye. The park has four fishing jetties on the west shore and three on the east. One jetty on each shore is handicap accessible.

Tagged Fish

Anglers are encouraged to report the following information on Northern pike tagged: tag number, date caught and the fish length.

Anglers can report this information by:

- Phone: 402-471-7647
- E-mail: ngpc.fishtags@nebraska.gov

Wildlife Habitat Area

The area North of the breakwater is a wildlife habitat area managed in a cooperative agreement between the LPNNRD, Game and Parks and Pheasants Forever and serves as a Passing Along the Heritage (PATH) site for mentored youth hunts. Fishing is allowed by bank or boat North of the breakwater. Access is either by boat via the gap in the breakwater or on land via mowed grass trails.

Camping

Camping facilities on the west side of the lake include:

• 74 gravel RV pads with electricity - \$20/night

• 54 tent camping sites - \$8/night

Self-service boxes are available for depositing required fees when the entry station is not staffed. **Pork Chop Island** includes: 5 primitive tent sites, no electricity or facilities other than two compost toilets, maximum 6 people per site, maximum 30 people on whole island. Reservations required.

• \$25 per night per spot

• \$100 per night per island

Primitive cabins include: electricity, air conditioning, no plumbing, bring bedding. Reservation required.

• \$40 per night

Making Reservations

Lake Wanahoo NRD Recreation Area offers reservations for half of the campsites. The remaining campsites are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Make reservations online at www.lpnnrd.org or contact the LPNNRD Office at (402) 443-4675.

Day Use

The day-use area is on the East side of the lake. It closes at 10 p.m. Day-use facilities include picnic shelters, picnic tables, playground, hike/bike trail, fishing jetties, parking and restrooms. No swimming allowed at the lake.

Park Permit

A valid LPNNRD Wanahoo park entry permit is required for each vehicle entering Lake Wanahoo NRD Recreation Area. Permits can be purchased at kiosks, the LPNNRD Office, lpnnrd.org or by phone. Permit fees:

Property/Residence within LPNNRD - \$15 Non-district - \$25 1st Duplicate - 1/2 price of original

Daily permits - \$5

Other Information

Fires are allowed only in the facilities provided. Removing, defacing, or damaging property is prohibited. Dogs must be kept on a 6 foot or shorter leash at all times.

Contact

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