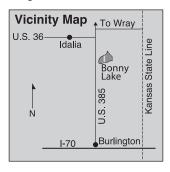
OTHER FACILITIES

The Bonny Marina offers a full range of products and services. The store has fishing tackle, live bait, food and beverages, ice, boat supplies and ski equipment. Visitors may rent fishing boats, boat slips and fenced storage spaces for boats or camping trailers. Phone (970) 354-7339. The marina is not accessible to disabled visitors without assistance.

A self-guiding nature trail is located near North Cove Campground. This short trail takes the visitor back to a time when the short-grass prairie covered the eastern plains of Colorado. Shaded picnic tables are available for use at the trailhead. This trail is not accessible to disabled visitors.

FIRST AID

Emergency first aid can be obtained from park rangers. An ambulance can be summoned from Idalia by dialing 911. Public telephones are located south of the marina store and at the camper services building in the Wagon Wheel Campground. Kit Carson Hospital is located in Burlington, 25 miles south.





Bonny Lake State Park

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B onny Lake State Park in eastern Colorado is a recreational oasis in the broad valley of the South Fork of the Republican River, which offers a variety of year-round recreational opportunities.

Bonny Lake offers excellent camping, picnicking and hunting. The park is well known as a spring and summer water-sports area for fishing, boating and other water sports. Bonny Lake also welcomes visitors pursuing an extended recreation season during fall and winter. Please call the park for information on facility closures.

Willow trees and large cottonwoods are characteristic of the 3,700-foot elevation and offer colorful vistas in the fall as well as excellent opportunities to observe a variety of birds and animals.

The reservoir was built as a flood control facility in 1951 by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation. The reservoir is about 1,900-surface acres, which is roughly equivalent to three-square miles of water or over 300-square city blocks. The reservoir is typified by shallow, gradually sloping shorelines with ample sand at the water's edge.

PASSES & PERMITS

Visitors to Bonny Lake State Park are required to display a current Colorado State Parks Pass, issued by vehicle, on their auto windshield. Two types of park passes are available. A **daily pass** is valid from the day purchased until noon the following day. An **annual pass** is valid at any Colorado state park. For annual pass holders who own additional vehicles, multiple passes are available for a reduced fee. Passes are available at the main park entrances and self-service dispensers.

Colorado residents 64 or older qualify for a special **Aspen Leaf Annual Pass**, available at a discounted rate. These allow admission to all state parks every day and reduced-fee camping on weekdays. The regular fee is charged on weekends and holidays. Where available, an electrical fee is charged.

Colorado disabled veterans displaying Colorado Disabled Veteran (DV) license plates are admitted free without a pass, however, camping fees still apply.

In addition to a parks pass, campers are required to purchase and display a camping permit at their campsites.

FISHING

One of the state's finest warm-water fisheries, Bonny Lake has a thriving population of walleye, northern pike, freshwater drum, white bass, largemouth bass, crappie, bluegill, bullheads, channel catfish and wipers.

A fish-cleaning station is located near Wagon Wheel Campground.

CAMPING

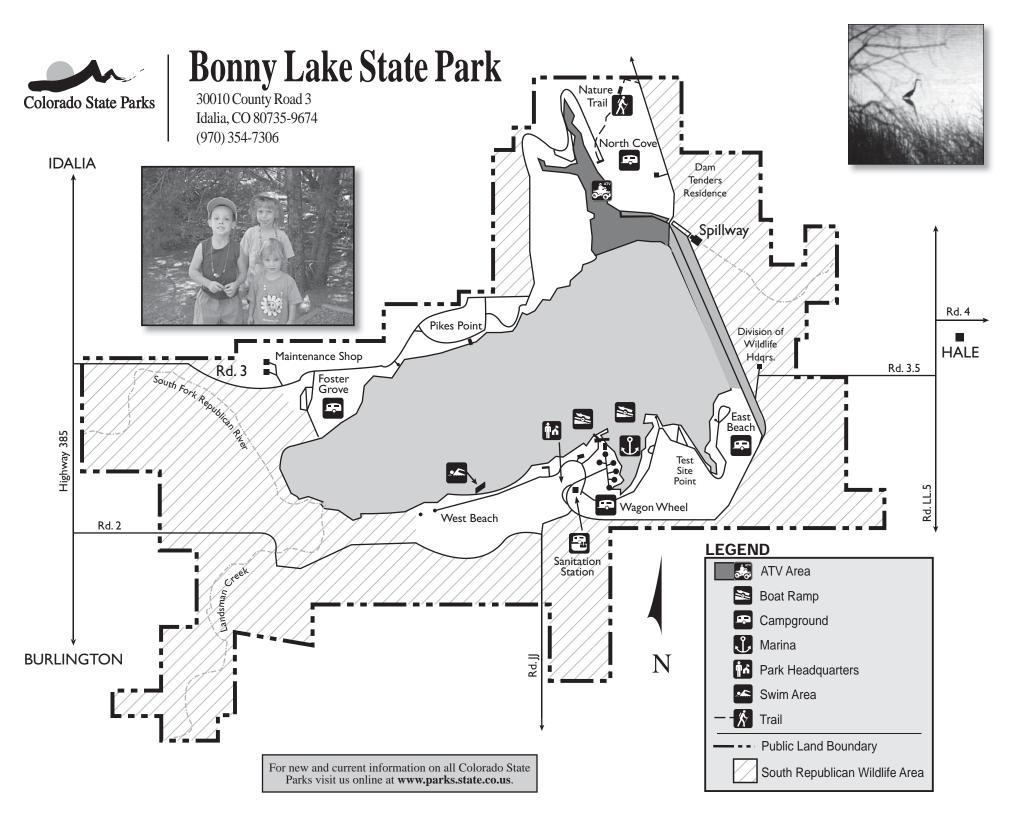
Bonny Lake State Park has four campgrounds with 190 campsites for your enjoyment. Sites within each campground can accommodate tents, motor homes, pick-up campers or trailers. Wagon Wheel Campground has all sites equipped with electrical hookups. Facilities and campsites are available for visitors with disabilities. Please call the park for more information.

Campers are limited to one camping unit and a maximum of six people per campsite. Campsite reservations are encouraged for weekends and holidays. For reservations call 1-800-678-CAMP (2267) outside the Denver metro area, (303) 470-1144 in the Denver metro area or visit us online at www.parks.state.co.us.

| ● - Facility in Campground × - Facility within walking distance | Flush Toilets | Vault Toilets | Showers | Laundry | Boat Ramp | Dump Station | Electrical Sites | Telephone |
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| Foster Grove | • | • | • | | | • | 13 | |
| North Cove | | • | | | | | | |
| East Beach | | • | | | | | | |
| Wagon Wheel | • | • | • | • | × | × | 87 | • |

WILDLIFE & HUNTING

The park supports a diverse community of wildlife species. A few common resident species include whitetail deer, wild turkey, coyote, rabbit, pheasant and red-tailed hawk. Many different species of birds migrate through the park, including goose, duck, pelican, bald eagle, turkey vulture and a variety of shore birds. During hunting season, all legal methods of hunting may be used unless otherwise posted. Hunting is allowed from the Tuesday after Labor Day through the Friday prior to Memorial Day.



PICNICKING

In addition to individual sites, Bonny Lake has a group picnic facility that can accommodate up to 100 people. The group area is accessible to disabled visitors and has reserved parking, a covered pavilion, water, electricity, a restroom, horseshoe pits and a variety of group cooking facilities. The group area can be reserved by calling the park office at (970) 354-7306.

BOATING & WATER RECREATION

The lake features seven concrete boat ramp lanes with courtesy docks to facilitate your launching and loading needs.

Water-skiers are asked to ski counterclockwise. Each ski boat must have an observer on board as well as a driver. A 12" x 12" red flag must be displayed when a skier is down or equipment is in the water.

Please refer to lake zoning information at our boat ramps for areas where wakeless boating is required and where water-skiing is permitted.

Park rangers patrol the lake and conduct boat safety inspections.

SWIMMING

Swimming and single chambered swim toys are allowed in the designated West Beach area. This area is delineated with buoys and a swim line for your safety. No lifeguards are provided.

REGULATIONS

Bonny Lake State Park was built and is maintained for your enjoyment. In the interest of safety and for the preservation of your park, we insist that you please:

- 1. Keep pets on a leash no longer than six feet, and keep them off the swim beaches.
- 2. Operate vehicles within the posted speed limits and only on designated roads and parking lots.
- 3. Observe quiet hours each evening from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m.
- 4. Build fires in the grills and rings provided.
- 5. Keep glass containers off the swim and ski beaches.
- 6. **STATE LAW**: Only 3.2% alcohol is allowed in public places.