

## Trails

Jackson Lake has a 1.75 mile trail that begins at the Visitor Center and runs north to Northview Campground. Part of the trail is a self guided nature trail. No motorized vehicles are allowed on the trail.

## OHV Track

The OHV track is located on the south side of the park. It is a 1.5 mile track designed with the novice rider in mind. Only registered OHVs and dirt bikes are allowed on the track. Larger vehicles such as dune buggies are not allowed. Every OHV must have current registration and every vehicle must have a vehicle pass. The OHV must be hauled to the staging area. OHVs are not permitted in campgrounds or on any roads. Track rules are posted at the staging area. The track is open every day 8:00 a.m. to sunset.

### Shoreline Marina



(Located next to boat ramp)

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Supplies • Gas & Oil  
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# Jackson Lake State Park

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Once known primarily for the hunting around its banks, Jackson Lake State Park has become one of Colorado's finest outdoor recreation and water sports sites. The area is known for its shoreline camping and its large, warm-water reservoir with sandy bottom and beaches. For fun in the sun and unlimited recreational opportunities, Jackson Lake is the place.



Besides providing a wide variety of outdoor recreation opportunities, the 2,500 surface-acre reservoir holds water used to irrigate thousands of acres of Colorado farmland to the south and east. The reservoir was built during the turn of the century and incorporates an existing lake. The surrounding park land covers an area of 892 acres.

Established in 1965, Jackson Lake State Park is administered by Colorado Parks and Wildlife. If you have questions or comments about the area, please consult the park manager at Jackson Lake State Park at (970) 645-2551.

## Passes, Permits, Fees

Visitors to Jackson Lake State Park are required to display a current Colorado State Parks Pass on their vehicle.

Two types of passes are available. A daily vehicle pass is valid from the day purchased until noon the following day. Annual vehicle passes are valid for 12 months from the date of purchase. For annual pass holders who own another car, a multiple pass is available at a discounted rate. Passes are available at the park entrances and at the Visitor Center.

Colorado residents 64 years of age or older qualify for a special Aspen Leaf Annual Pass, available at a discounted rate.

Colorado Disabled Veterans who display Colorado Disabled Veterans (DV) license plates are admitted free to all state parks without a pass.

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

## Picnicking

Jackson Lake offers 60 picnic sites. The Centennial group picnic area is available by reservation through the park office.

## Water Sports

All areas of Jackson Lake are open to water-skiing. Boats towing skiers must stay 150 feet from the swim zone, moored vessels, the concrete dike and shore fishermen. Both an observer and an operator must be in any boat that is towing a skier. Ski counter-clockwise, and please spread out across the reservoir to avoid dangerous congestion.

Jackson Lake's sandy beaches and gradually sloping lake bottom make it ideal for swimming. Swimming is entirely at the individual's own risk.

Fires are not permitted along the beaches. Children 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

## Swimming

New for 2015! We will be conducting a pilot study removing the designated swim beaches and replacing them with swimming zones. The zones will be located where the south swim beach was before, and along the west shore in front of the campgrounds.

## Boating

A boat ramp is located on the west shore of the lake. All boats must comply with current Colorado boating statutes and regulations available in pamphlet form at the entrance stations and Visitor Center. All vessels must be inspected for Aquatic Nuisance Species prior to entering the boat ramp area or launching. The lake is closed to boating from the first Monday in November through the last day of migratory waterfowl seasons and until ALL ice is off the reservoir. Hand-propelled craft may be used to set out decoys and to retrieve downed waterfowl on areas open to hunting. Shoreline Marina provides food and drink, boat rentals, boat storage, fuel and boating, fishing, camping and picnic supplies.

## Camping

Jackson Lake State Park has 260 campsites available for your enjoyment. Most accommodate campers or trailers and tents. Facilities include showers, toilets, laundry, electric hookups and drinking water. Quiet hours are observed from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Camping permits expire at noon.

All campsites are available by reservation. Please call: in Denver (303) 470-1144, or outside Denver 1-800-678-2267 (CAMP). Camping is available year-round. To reserve the group campground call the park at (970) 645-2551 or stop in at the Visitor Center.

## Visitor Center

For more information or assistance, please stop in at the Visitor Center – or call (970) 645-2551. Inquire about available group meeting facilities.



## Fishing

Jackson Lake is home to trout, walleye, saugeye, catfish, crappie, wipers, northern pike, perch and bluegill. The reservoir is a popular spot for anglers. Fishing is prohibited from the dike between 10 p.m and 6 a.m.



## Hunting and Wildlife

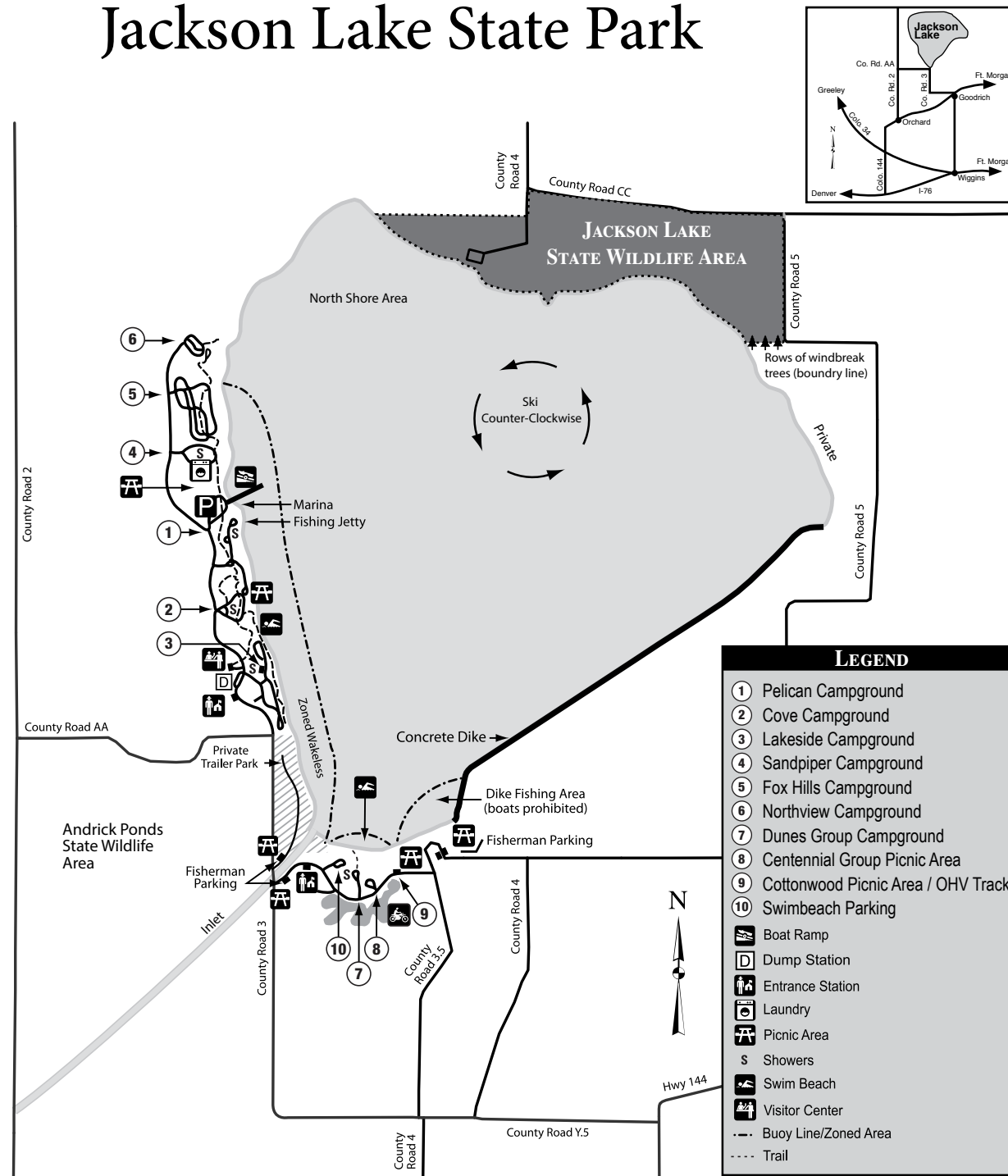
Hunters come to Jackson Lake State Park for waterfowl, deer, dove, pheasant and rabbits. Hunting in the park is controlled and permitted from the Tuesday after Labor Day through the Friday prior to Memorial Day. Method of take is limited to archery or shotgun loaded with birdshot only. Hunting is allowed in designated areas only. Please check with a ranger for further details.

An abundance of wildlife can be observed and photographed in the park. The list includes pelicans, eagles, hawks, heron, deer, coyote, waterfowl and numerous shore birds.

## Winter Recreation

During the winter months, Jackson Lake State Park offers many activities such as camping, wildlife observation, photography and ice fishing. Please check the park website for weather and ice conditions.

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## Environmental Education

Cove Campground houses an amphitheater which offers weekend interpretive programs during the summer, a self-guided nature trail and a watchable wildlife kiosk.



## Regulations

Jackson Lake State Park was built and is maintained for your enjoyment. In the interests of safety and the preservation of your park, please observe the following regulations:

- Keep your vehicle on designated roads or parking spaces.
- Keep pets on a leash no longer than six feet.
- Camp only in designated camping sites.
- Visitors are allowed two tents per campsite or one hardside unit plus one tent per campsite. A maximum of six people and two vehicles are allowed per campsite.
- Fires are allowed only in provided fire grills. Gathering firewood, of any kind is prohibited.
- The park closes from 10 p.m. until 5 a.m. to all but registered campers, within the designated camp areas.

**STATE LAW:** Only 3.2% alcoholic beverages are allowed. Any possession or consumption of 6% alcohol or hard liquor is subject to prosecution and will be confiscated and disposed.

**STATE LAW:** Marijuana use is prohibited within the park and in public. Any violation is subject to prosecution and confiscation. Please respect your neighbors.

Please report any problems to a park ranger.

## First Aid

First aid can be obtained at the park office or from any park ranger. If a ranger is not on duty dial 911.

## Dump Station

A dump station is located on the west side of Jackson Lake State Park and is available to registered campers only. It is illegal and a health hazard to dump waste water and sewage, including dishwater, anywhere else.