Dear Wildlands Enthusiasts,

Platte River Basin Environments, Inc., and our many conservation partners are excited to open thousands of beautiful Wildland acres for public use and enjoyment. Over the last twenty years, a dedicated group of volunteers and wildlife professionals have worked diligently to expand public lands while enhancing the many plant and animal communities that utilize this biologically unique region.

We dedicated ourselves to the development of protocols and management systems to increase the opportunities of our wild resources to flourish while giving people the opportunity to experience them in their natural habitats. Over the last twenty years we have seen large mammal species such as big horn sheep and elk repopulate our region and our educators have documented numerous avian and flora species that were previously unreported.

Good science provided us with an expanded understanding of the exceptional wildlife attributes of the greater North Platte River Basin from Walden, Colorado, to North Platte, Nebraska. The archeology of the region tells us wonderful stories of ancient peoples and cultures. The paleontological discoveries add to the richness of our story.

Our lands have remained working landscapes which support the rich ranching and farming heritage of our region.

It is very satisfying to know that "**What we do is forever, and forever is a very long time.**"™

With your help and support, we will continue to protect our region’s wild places.

**ENJOY!**
Murphy Ranch Watchable Wildlife Area

This property is owned by The Nature Conservancy and cooperatively managed by Platte River Basin Environments. This area is open to the public as a Watchable Wildlife Area.

Our objective is to manage this and other properties for the benefit of wildlife, native plant communities, environmental studies, and for the outdoor enjoyment of the general public.

This property is a shared resource and remains a working ranch. Please leave gates as you find them. Be aware that multiple uses, including limited hunting, are allowed concurrently on the area.

Please help us keep this area open to the public. Respect and obey all regulations.

Regulations

As a Watchable Wildlife Area, hunting is limited to pheasant, turkey and deer. Hunting of these three game species is allowed ONLY from the spring turkey season through December 31 annually.

Birding, hiking, wildlife viewing, horseback riding, snow shoeing, and cross-country skiing are permitted throughout the area. Mountain bikes are restricted to designated trails which are under development. Dogs must be under the direct control of the owner. Camping by special use permit may be allowed.

Expressly prohibited activities include, but are not limited to; trapping, target shooting, paintball activities, motorized vehicles, open fires, and the removal of any fossils, artifacts or plant material.

For additional information visit:

www.nebwild.org and www.nature.org
Buffalo Creek
Wildlife Management Area

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 Regulations

Public use of this area is managed by NGPC. State Wildlife Management Area and State and Federal hunting regulations apply.

Hunting is not permitted within 200 yards of dwellings.

Other public uses, such as bird watching, environmental education, photography, horseback riding and hiking are permitted. Dogs must be under control of the owner. Hunting-dog training is allowed from August 1 through April 30.

Off road travel, including use of ATVs is prohibited. Parking is provided at designated areas. Please use only these areas for access parking.

Other activities that are prohibited include: the search for or removal of artifacts and/or fossils, open alcoholic containers, target shooting and paint ball, open fires, fireworks, permanent blinds and permanent tree stands.

For additional information visit:

www.ngpc.state.ne.us/wildlife/places/wmas.asp
Bead Mountain

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Bead Mountain and Buffalo Creek

Location: 4 miles south the Gering exit and 2.75 miles east of Highway 71 on County Road W.

Description: Approximately 7000 acres of a mixture of open rangeland bisected by intermittent drainages rugged pine and juniper covered buttes and canyons.

Wildlife includes: Deer, Turkey, Rabbit, Squirrel, and numerous non-game species.

Legend
- Bead Mountain Boundary
- Buffalo Creek WMA Boundary
- Parking Lots
Cedar Canyon
Wildlife Management Area

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Carter Canyon Ranch

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Carter Canyon Ranch

Directions:
Off Hwy 71,
turn west on
Carter Canyon Rd.
Drive approx.
11 miles to first
parking/access area.
Montz Point
Wildlife Management Area

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Montz Point Wildlife Management Area

Parking/access area 7 miles south of Stegall
Facus Springs
Wildlife Management Area

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For additional information visit:

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South Mitchell (Lazy J Ranch)

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This area is open to the public for the listed uses below and only those listed uses. Please help us keep these units open to the public. Respect and obey the following regulations.

Regulations

State Wildlife Management Area and State and Federal hunting regulations apply. Permitted hunting methods are limited to shotguns with non-toxic shot, archery, Muzzle loader and Rim-fire weapons. Center-fire rifles and Center-fire pistols are expressly prohibited.

Hunting is not permitted within 200 yards of dwellings.

Other public uses, such as bird watching, environmental education, photography, horseback riding and hiking are permitted. Dogs must be under control of the owner. Hunting-dog training is allowed from August 1 through April 30.

Off road travel, including use of ATVs is prohibited. Parking is provided at designated areas. Please use only these areas for access parking.

Other activities that are prohibited include: the search for or removal of artifacts and/or fossils, open alcoholic beverage containers, target shooting and paint ball, open fires, fireworks, permanent blinds and permanent tree stands.

For additional information visit:

www.nebwild.org and www.ngpc.state.ne.us/wildlife/places/wmas.asp
Directions: South of Mitchell, turn east on County Road H. Drive 3 miles to parking/access.
Diamond Bit

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Regulations

This unit is open to hunting. Permitted hunting methods are limited to shotguns with non-toxic shot, and archery. **Muzzle loader, Rim-fire weapons, Center-fire rifles and Center-fire pistols are expressly prohibited.**

Hunting is not permitted within 200 yards of dwellings.

Federal and State hunting and fishing regulations apply.

Other public uses, such as bird watching, environmental education, photography, horseback riding and hiking are permitted. Dogs must be under control of the owner. Hunting-dog training is allowed from August 1 through April 30.

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For additional information visit [www.nebwild.org](http://www.nebwild.org)
Diamond Bit

Directions: Parking/access area
3.5 miles south of Mitchell
**Spotted Tail**

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**Regulations**

This unit is open to hunting and fishing. Permitted hunting methods are limited to shotguns with non-toxic shot, archery, muzzle loader and rim-fire weapons. **Center-fire rifles and center-fire pistols are expressly prohibited.**

Hunting is not permitted within 200 yards of dwellings.

Federal and State hunting and fishing regulations apply.

Other public uses, such as bird watching, environmental education, photography, horseback riding and hiking are permitted. Dogs must be under control of the owner. Hunting-dog training is allowed from August 1 through April 30.

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For additional information visit [www.nebwild.org](http://www.nebwild.org)
Directions: Approx. 1 mile west of the Fairgrounds in Mitchell off of County Road E. Parking/access is limited to two sites along County Road E.
**Kiowa**  
**Wildlife Management Area**

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Horse Creek Wildlands

Horse Creek Wildlands Mentored Access Area is owned and operated by Platte River Basin Environments, Inc., as a non-public, special access area.

Information on mentored hunting, birding, and photography excursions are available by contacting Platte River Basin at our website nebwild.org or calling Western Trail Sports at 308-635-1556.

Our activities are directed at Veteran groups, youth hunting, and organizations like Women In The Outdoors.

This exceptional riparian and riverene complex has excellent water fowl, deer, and turkey populations.

For additional information visit:  www.nebwild.org
Chadron Creek Ranch
Wildlife Management Area

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Signs you will see on your adventure throughout the Wildlands.