

# WOODSON

**T** Welcome to Woodson State Fishing Lake and Wildlife Area, constructed by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the 1930's. Five and one-half

miles east of Toronto, Woodson includes a 180 acre lake and 2,705 acre wildlife area. Nestled in the northern edge of the spectacular Chautauqua Hills of southeast

Kansas, Woodson is an ideal setting for outdoor enthusiasts, from bird watchers and hunters to fishermen and campers.

## FISHING & BOATING

The lake was drained 1992 for rehabilitation. Rough fish were removed, and sportfish restocked. Reopened in May of 1994, Woodson State Fishing Lake now boasts excellent fish populations. Programs to maintain this fishery include water-level management, supplemental feeding, restrictive harvest regulations, and increased stocking rates of larger channel catfish, wipers and walleye.

As with all state fishing lakes, power boats may be

used for fishing only at "no wake" speeds. Sailboats and canoes are also allowed. A boat ramp, dock make access to water and care of fish easy and convenient.

Through a combination of stocking and length and creel limits, fishing is good for most species. Bluegill, channel catfish, crappie, largemouth and smallmouth bass, redear sunfish, walleye and wiper can all be caught.

## WILDLIFE

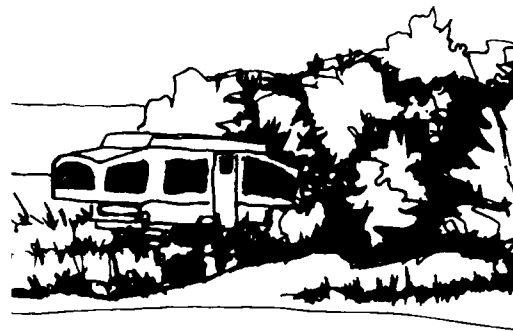
The wildlife area is a mixture of native grassland and hardwood timber. During open seasons, hunters have the opportunity to take bobwhite quail, prairie chicken, waterfowl, rabbits, squirrels, furbearers, white-tailed deer and turkey.

Wildlife watchers have year-round opportunity to

view and photograph these game species, plus a wide variety of song birds, raptors, small mammals, reptiles and amphibians. The sandstone outcroppings near the lake are especially good places to find frogs, salamanders, lizards and other cold-blooded critters.

## CAMPING

Although no electrical hookups are available at Woodson, both primitive and recreational vehicle camping are allowed at approximately 30 sites. Picnic tables and grills are available at 20 sites, and vault toilets, a dump station, a potable water supply and shelter house make camping something more than primitive. Primitive camping is also allowed.



## THINGS TO REMEMBER

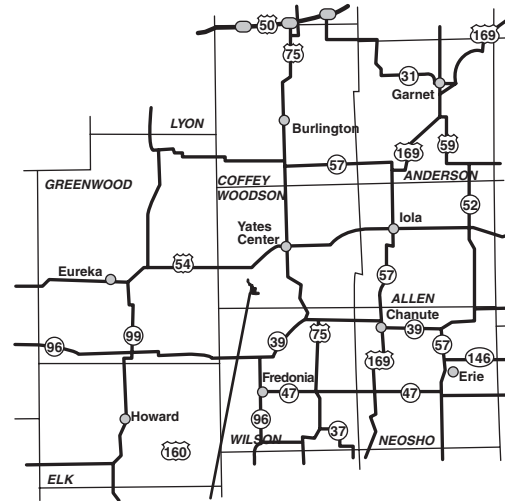
All trash must be removed from the area when you leave.

Power boats may be used for fishing only at no-wake speeds.

Large groups may need a Special Event Permit.

Special length and creel limits are in effect for most fish species at Woodson State Fishing Lake. Check the Kansas Fishing Regulations Summary and all posted notices before fishing.

Visitors are encouraged to consult information centers on the area.

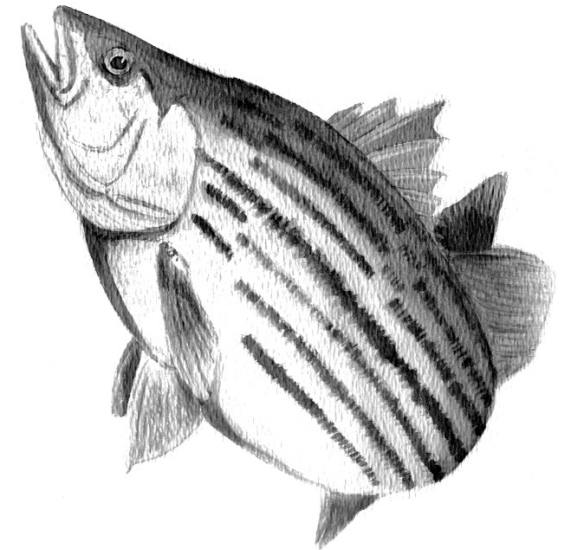


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## General Area Map

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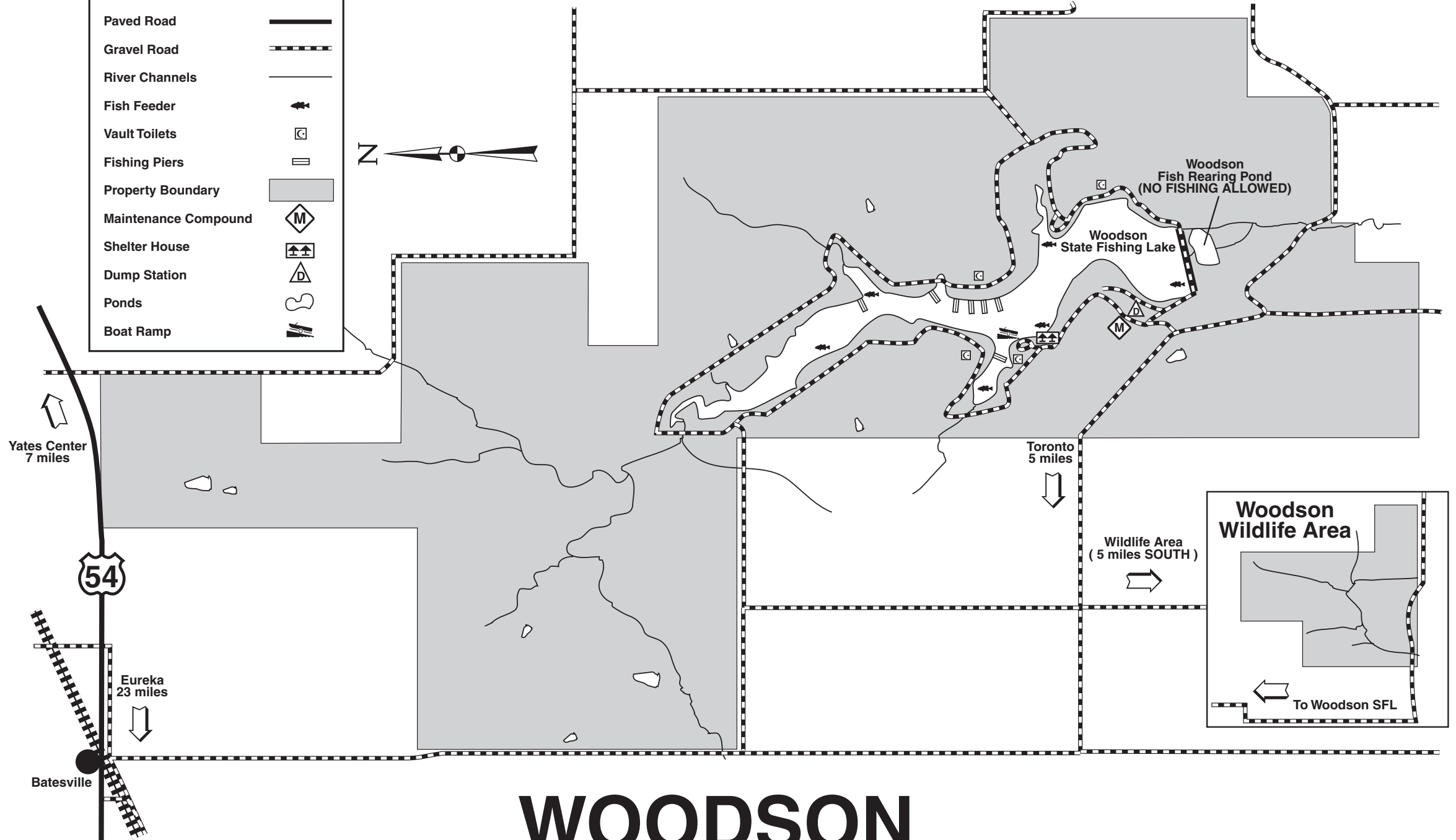


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# LEGEND

Paved Road	
Gravel Road	
River Channels	
Fish Feeder	
Vault Toilets	
Fishing Piers	
Property Boundary	
Maintenance Compound	
Shelter House	
Dump Station	
Ponds	
Boat Ramp	



Yates Center  
7 miles

54

Eureka  
23 miles

Batesville

Toronto  
5 miles

Wildlife Area  
(5 miles SOUTH)

Woodson  
Wildlife Area

To Woodson SFL

Woodson  
Fish Rearing Pond  
(NO FISHING ALLOWED)

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State Fishing Lake

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