

SLUGHS WMA WILDLIFE VIEWING TRAIL

Sloughs Wildlife Management Area is located in Henderson and Union counties and contains approximately 10,000 acres, comprised of several tracts. Its main function is to provide outdoor recreational opportunities for various species of game. It contains a variety of habitats comprised of alternating ridges, sloughs, wetlands, woodlands, and crop lands.

The quality habitats at Sloughs provide opportunities to view wildlife at several sites. **The Sauerheber Unit** is the refuge portion of the WMA and is focused for waterfowl. Although its interior is closed each year from Nov. 1—Mar. 15 five wildlife viewing sites are provided along HWY 268.

Hardy Slough:

Is located 3 miles West of Geneva along HWY 268. This system has a total of 165 acres managed as seasonally flooded native vegetation in four (4) cells. This site provides excellent viewing opportunities for migratory waterfowl and shorebirds as well as many wetland wildlife species. This unit is open to the public March 15th through October 31st.

Woods Tract:

Is 4 miles West of Geneva on HWY 268 It is a 190 acre managed wetland impoundment that provides excellent viewing for migratory waterfowl from fall to early spring and shorebirds in fall and spring. (both sides of HWY 268).

Observation towers are on the South side of HWY 268.

Anderson Pond:

Is on HWY. 268 on the left one mile West of Woods Tract. It provides viewing opportunities for waterfowl and wading birds in cypress slough habitats. The observation tower is on the South side of HWY 268. And is mobility impaired accessible.

Pond Creek Marsh:

Is located within the Sauerheber Unit on the gravel road South of the WMA office. Remember Sauerheber Unit is closed annually from Nov. 1—Mar. 15. Pond Creek Marsh is open the remainder of the year. This site provides excellent opportunities to view shorebirds, wading birds and waterfowl in the backwaters off of Pond Creek. The surrounding fields are prone to flooding and provide quality habitat for shorebirds around remnant pools that are left after receding water levels. This site has one observation tower.

Jenny Hole:

Is located in the Jenny Hole Unit. It can be accessed by taking HWY 268 West to HWY 136. Take HWY 136 South to right on HWY 2102 heading West. Proceed South to road sign designating Jenny Hole Wildlife Viewing Area on the left side of the HWY 2102. Wildlife viewing at Jenny Hole can be enjoyed from the viewing pier but best viewing opportunities should be experienced by boat. There is a small boat access and parking lot provided. Jenny Hole contains 1800 acre and features a cypress slough where viewing opportunities include bald eagles, wading birds, waterfowl, beaver, reptiles and amphibians.

The Jenny Hole Unit is open to public hunting during all statewide hunting seasons and viewing opportunities may diminish during hunting seasons.

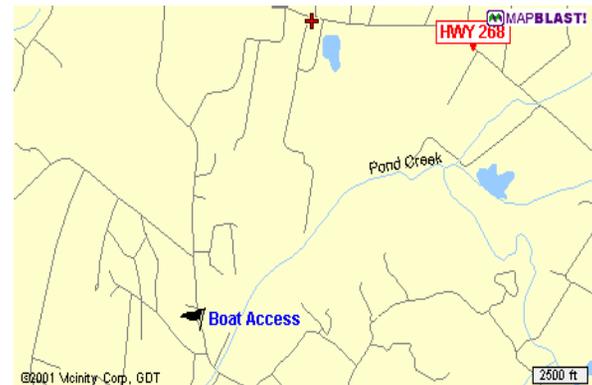
Advisories:

Keep in mind that Sloughs WMA is located along a river flood plane that is prone to flooding during periods of heavy rainfall. It is advisable during those times of year to contact the WMA office for up to date information concerning area accessibility by calling: 270-827-2673, Monday—Friday, 8:00AM—4:00PM Central time.

It is advisable to request an area map (if available) or a copy of Wildlife Viewing and Birding Trails Across Eastern and Western KY before your visit by contacting KDFWR at 1-800-858-1549 or pick up copies at the WMA office.

Wildlife Viewing and Birding Trails Across Eastern and Western KY can also be accessed on line at www.10000trails.com, page down to Birding Trails then make your selection.

Area Maps:



Featured Wildlife:



Songbirds
Perching Birds



Birds of Prey



Wading Birds



Waterfowl



Shorebirds



Reptiles
Amphibians



Freshwater
Mammals