

## BRUSHY CREEK STATE RECREATION AREA

Brushy Creek is one of the largest outdoor recreation areas in Iowa. Its 4,200 acres of fields, woodland, and stream valley offer year-round outdoor recreation opportunities in a beautiful setting.

At present, few developed outdoor recreation facilities are present at Brushy Creek. Yet, the area is very popular for a variety of outdoor recreation pursuits. Brushy Creek has become a popular destination for trail enthusiasts. Equestrians enjoy riding through its many miles of bridle trails. In the winter, snowmobile enthusiasts and cross-country skiers enjoy the challenge which faces them on the area. Hikers enjoy walking the many miles of trail which traverse grasslands, woodland, and stream valley terrain.

## CAMPING AND PICNICKING

Camping is a popular pursuit at Brushy Creek. A major campground has been developed for both equestrian and non-equestrian camping. The 110 site campground features paved roadways, gravel pads, hitch rails and 10 electrical sites. At present, no modern shower or rest room facilities are present in the equestrian campground, although water is available. Camping permits are obtained through self-registration at the campground.

The nonequestrian camper also has the opportunity for camping in a beautiful site located along scenic Brushy Creek in the southeast corner of the park. This area is also available for picnicking.

## HUNTING

Hunting is one of the most popular activities at Brushy Creek. Every year, hunters pursue a variety of game species ranging from pheasants, quail, rabbits and squirrels to white-tailed deer and wild turkeys. A number of designated parking areas are located throughout Brushy Creek to provide convenient access to the hunter.

## FISHING

Fishing is also a popular activity at Brushy Creek. The creek provides not only scenic beauty but also a challenge to the angler with smallmouth bass and panfish favorite catches.

## NEIGHBORING TOWNS

**Lehigh** is located five miles southwest on D46.

**Duncombe** is located five miles north on P73.

**Ft. Dodge** is located approximately 15 miles northwest of Brushy Creek.

## STATE PARK USER PERMIT

At Brushy Creek, Park User Permits are required only in designated locations. These are: the main campground and the picnic/non-equestrian campground in the southeast corner of the area. Annual permits are available at the park office. Daily permits are available at posted locations in the park.

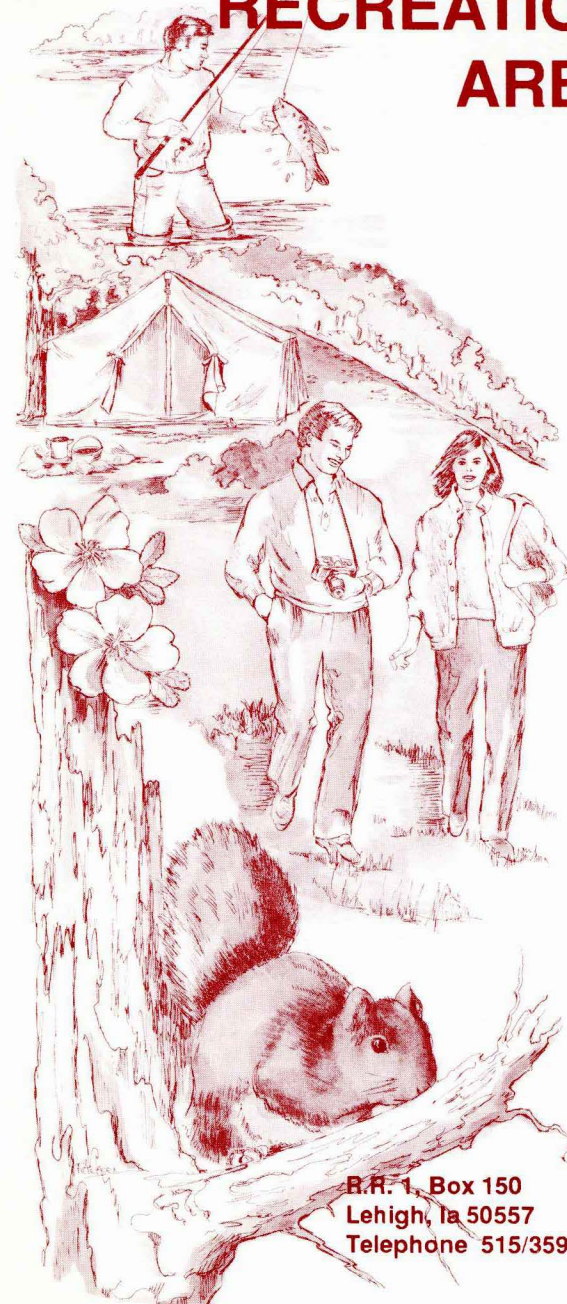
All funds raised through the sale of user permits are deposited in a trust fund to be utilized solely for the renovation and replacement of state park facilities.

## EQUAL RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

All persons are entitled to full and equal enjoyment of the recreational opportunities, privileges and advantages available in Iowa's great outdoors.

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