

## A BIRDERS' GUIDE TO MISSOURI PUBLIC LANDS

### **RINQUELIN TRAIL CONSERVATION LAKE**

**286 acres Maries Co. DeLorme 46, E-2**

**MDC owned; for information call 573-884-6861**

Directions: From Vienna go west on MO 42 to the junction with Rt. 133. From Iberia, go east on MO 42 to the junction with Rt. 133. Go south on Rt. 133 for 6.2 miles to Rt. DD. Go west on Rt. DD 3.8 miles to a T-intersection with county roads 608 and 631. Turn left onto CR 631 and follow it 1.6 miles to the entrance on the right. (From Dixon, go north on Rt. 133 and follow the above directions at Rt. DD.)

When to Visit/Species to Expect: Anytime. Spring and summer scrub species (Yellow-breasted Chat, Brown Thrasher), oak-hickory nesters (Wood Thrush, Eastern Towhee, orioles, and Barred Owl) are plentiful. Late fall and winter may be good for waterfowl.

Features of interest to birders: The 29-acre lake has easy access along the north side, including fishing jetties. The dam is accessible. Short walks lead to scrub and oak-hickory areas.

Toilets: 1 privy near boat ramp

Camping: Small area near main parking lot

Hazards/Limitations: No hazards noted. No designated trails to south side.

Nearby Birding Sites: Dixon Towersite, Clifty Creek CA