## A BIRDERS' GUIDE TO MISSOURI PUBLIC LANDS

## CHLOE LOWRY MARSH NATURAL AREA

115 acres Mercer Co. DeLorme 15, H-9

MDC owned; for additional information call 660-646-6122

Directions: From Hwy. 136 at Princeton, go north on Rt. FF one mile; turn left (west) onto Fernwood Place (sign for airport) and go 2 miles to the parking lot on the right.

When to Visit/Species to Expect: Anytime, but especially when marsh species are migrating or may be nesting.

Exploration of this area may turn up a good variety of marsh species not often seen in the far north of the state.

At least 6 plant species of concern in the state are found here.

Features of interest to birders: This is an extraordinary area, especially for north Missouri.

Forty acres of freshwater marsh and 15 acres of wet-mesic prairie are easily accessed via the abandoned railroad bed that transects the marsh. The railroad berm is reached from the parking area by a mowed path. This provides one of the easiest accesses in the state to a natural marsh.

A 10-acre stand of mature wood/savanna is also reached by the old railroad. The Weldon Fork of the Grand River touches the northwest corner of the area.

Toilets: None

Camping: None

Hazards/Limitations: None noted.

Nearby Birding Sites: Lake Pahoe CA, Wayne Helton Mem. WA