

A BIRDERS' GUIDE TO MISSOURI PUBLIC LANDS

ROBERT G. DELANEY LAKE CONSERVATION AREA --UPDATED: 8/16/2008

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160 acres, Mississippi Co., DeLorme 69, C-6

Directions: From Charleston, go north on Rt N, then one-half mile west on CR 222.

When to Visit/Species to Expect: Spring, fall, winter. 110 acre Lake Delaney, cypress-lined slough on north side attract waterfowl; mature trees along CR 222 may harbor migrants or wintering birds.

Features of interest to birders: This lake and surrounding vegetation are oases in a man-scaped agricultural area. 5 parking areas provide good open views of the lake. Scrubby border of sixth lot (across road on south side of lake) may harbor skulkers. The levee between lake and slough provides easy walking to view both. A pull-in along the dam offers a look at the area below the dam.

The upper (west) end of the lake has a small wetland. 40 acres of forest at the northwest end can be viewed from the levee.

There is no hunting on the site. Only electric motors allowed on lake.

Toilets: 2 pit toilets

Camping: None

Hazards/Limitations: Heavy use by bank anglers, some boaters, pose no problems for birding.

Nearby Birding Sites: General Watkins CA, Ten Mile Pond CA, Bird's Blue Hole, Sand Prairie CA