

## A BIRDERS' GUIDE TO MISSOURI PUBLIC LANDS

### **MARSHALL HABILITATION CENTER LAKE**

**Edge Wade, summer 2015**

**12 acres (lake portion, only) Saline Co. DeLorme 29, H-8**

**GPS: 39.1323634-93.1813846**

**MDC managed by agreement with MO Dept. of Mental Health**

**For additional information or to report problems, contact Marshall Habilitation Center Facilities Operations Manager 660-886-2201; or MDC at 573-815-7900.**

**Directions:** From Highway 65 on the north end of Marshall go east on Hwy. 240 about two miles to the junction of Rt. O and North Lincoln Avenue. Turn south on Lincoln, which bisects the lake.

**ADA Information:** This is a good area for birding from a vehicle, as most of it is visible from the lots or from points requiring a minimum of walking.

**Features of interest to birders:** This park-like area is designed for easy access. It has seven parking lots, eight fishing jetties, a fishing dock, gravel boat ramp, picnic areas and a pavilion. Birders may walk or drive to several points to observe the lake and view birds in the immediate vicinity.

**When to Visit/Species to Expect:** Fall and winter bring a variety of waterfowl to the lake, including Greater White-fronted, Snow and Cackling Goose. Ten species of ducks have been reported at the site; more surely drop in occasionally. Great Blue and Green Herons fish there, as do kingfishers. Martins, swallows and swifts hunt overhead. In the surround trees in appropriate seasons, species as varied as Yellow-billed Cuckoo, Warbling Vireo, Red-bellied and Red-headed Woodpecker, Northern Flicker, Cedar Waxwing and Purple Finch have been observed. Sparrows reported include Chipping, Fox, Song, White-throated, as well as Dark-eyed Juncos.

**Toilets:** 1 privy

**Camping:** none

**Hazards/Limitations:** None noted

**Nearby Birding Sites:** Van Meter SP, Grand Pass CA, Malta Bend CL, Miami Access, Blue Lick CA.

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SALINE COUNTY

## LEGEND

- Paved Road
- Secondary Paved Road
- Parking Lot
- Privy
- Picnic Area
- Pavilion
- Fishing Dock
- Boat Ramp
- Disabled Accessible

