A BIRDERS' GUIDE TO MISSOURI PUBLIC LANDS

BIRDSONG CONSERVATION AREA--UPDATED: 8/16/2008

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430 acres, St. Clair Co., DeLorme 43, H-8

Directions: Go west of Collins on US 54 to Rt. J, then 2.5 miles south.

When to Visit/Species to Expect: Spring migration for passerines; fall and winter for sparrows; waders in summer.

Features of interest to birders: Three parking areas. Forest (250 acres), oak savannas, dolomite glades, native grasslands (under restoration), and stretches of Brush Creek make up a good mix of habitats easily accessed along paths and field access roads (old two-tracks).

Brush Creek Natural Area forms the southeast third of the area.

Toilets: 1 pit toilet (at parking area south of J)

Camping: Primitive walk-in, no facilities

Hazards/Limitations: Portion of area on west side of Brush Creek can be accessed only from Rt. J; no parking areas on that side. Natural Area connects only at a corner; no parking area in it.

Nearby Birding Sites: Blackjack Access, Brush Creek CA, Monegaw Prairie CA