

The Rich Smith Wildlife Habitat Area has different Regulations than Crawford Creek Recreation Area. It is your responsibility to know the policy differences and boundary lines.

Rules and Regulations: Rich Smith Wildlife Habitat Area

- 1) Ida County Conservation Board is not responsible for accidents or injuries.
- 2) No ATVs, UTVs, golf carts, dirt bikes, or snowmobiles permitted.
- 3) Horseback riding of any kind is not allowed on the property.
- 4) All vehicles must stay in parking areas.
- 5) No dogs are allowed on the property from March 15th through July 15th each year.
- 6) Hunting for all Iowa DNR regulated seasons is permitted on the Rich Smith WHA.
- 7) The use of non-toxic shot is encouraged on the Rich Smith WHA.
- 8) No Fires or Fireworks allowed.
- 9) Bass Length must be 15 inches minimum and harvesting grass carp is prohibited.
- 10) All trash must be carried out. Spent and empty shells are considered litter. Littering is a state-wide violation.
- 11) ICCB prohibits the use or possession of keg beer in parks and recreation areas under their jurisdiction.
- 12) All Iowa DNR state hunting, fishing, and outdoor regulations apply to this property.

Public Notice: This project was 45% funded by the Iowa DNR Wildlife Habitat Stamp Grant. Per the Iowa DNR Wildlife Habitat Stamp Regulations, the Rich Smith Wildlife Habitat Area will remain in permanent habitat for the perpetuity of time. The principal use of the property is for Wildlife Habitat and is open to public hunting without unnecessary restrictions.

Future development and maintenance projects can only include: to provide, protect, or enhance wildlife habitat, such as prairie, shrub, tree planting; or the removal of non-native or invasive species, not belonging to the ecoregions defined by the DNR that overlap in Ida County, Iowa.

The ICCB is not permitted to develop or provide public use facilities at any expense for Wildlife Habitat Stamp non-compliant activities on this property.

The only compatible activities permitted include hunting, fishing, hiking, nature-study, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, and other non-invasive activities that protect Wildlife Habitat.

This property is an investment in the future generations of Ida County and our shared outdoor recreation heritage. → Please take care of YOUR PUBLIC LANDS.

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Emergency: Call 911