

COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARDS

ADAIR COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: No, weekly newspaper column

Facilities: County parks, hiking trails at Ken Sidey Nature Area

E.E. Center: No

ADAMS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Travis Paul, Park Ranger/Naturalist

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Intern: Yes

Facilities: Interpretive trails, native prairie and woodlands, 700-acre lake

E.E. Center: Yes (room in office)

ALLAMAKEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

James Janett, Director

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Website: none

Intern: No

Facilities: Rossville Park: sink hole exhibit; self-guided trail with brochure providing interpretive information; located at the intersection of Highway 76 & X32, 1.5 miles east of Rossville, Iowa

Clear Creek Preserve: self-guided interpretive trail along wet area and cold water stream; able to view in-stream trout habitat improvements; located south of Highway 9 on west edge of Lansing, Iowa

APPANOOSE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Martin Muir, Park Technician/Naturalist

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Phone: 641/856-8528

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Website: www.appanooseconservation.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly public, "Fox Fire"

Facilities: 5,600 sq ft EE center with indoor classroom, conference room, animal display and exhibit area. The facility is handicapped accessible. Office/nature center with extensive mammal and mounted animal display, on a 144-acre area with 3.5 miles of hiking trails; wildlife display with extirpated and native animals (i.e. elk, deer, hawks, and owls)

E.E. Center: Yes

AUDUBON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly public newsletter

Facilities: Interpretive woodland trail at Littlefield Recreation Area and year-round meeting area at Nathaniel Hamil Park

E.E. Center: No

BENTON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: none

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly public

Facilities: County parks with labeled nature trails and wildlife areas

E.E. Center: Not yet

BLACK HAWK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.co.black-hawk.ia.us/depts/conservation

Intern: Yes, graduate and undergraduate

Newsletter: Quarterly, "The Oak"

Facilities: Hartman Reserve Nature Center and Buckles Program Center. Interpretive center on a 300-acre area with exhibits, a meeting room, and a gift shop; two self-guided trails; a butterfly garden/prairie for display

E.E. Center: Yes

BOONE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly public newsletter and bi-annual teacher newsletter

Facilities: County parks and shelters

E.E. Center: No

BREMER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.co.bremer.ia.us/new/conservation.htm

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Bremer Bulletin" to county residents, and "Bremer Bulletin-Environmental Education Edition" to all teachers in the county

Facilities: County uses all 2,052 acres of public lands for E.E. programs. Office with interpretive displays, but not a "nature center".

E.E. Center: No

BUCHANAN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Fontana Interpretive Nature Center

1883 125th Street

Hazleton, IA 50641

Phone: 319/636-2617

Fax: 319/636-2624

Website: www.east-buc.k12.ia.us/BCCB/home.htm

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Otter Creek Quarterly"

Facilities: Interpretive nature center with exhibits, meeting rooms, and library; county parks with two self-guided trails, other labeled nature trails, wildlife display (with native animals, i.e. black bear, bison, foxes, hawks, and waterfowl)

E.E. Center: Yes

BUENA VISTA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Lisa Meusburger, Naturalist

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Storm Lake, IA 50588

Phone: 712/749-2563

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Website: www.co.buena-vista.ia.us

Intern: No

Newsletter: No

Facilities: County uses all public and accessible private lands for E.E. programs.

E.E. Center: No, but have large display at courthouse showing the plants and animals of the prairie, wetland and upland forest.

BUTLER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Heery Woods Nature Center

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Clarksville, IA 50670

Phone: 319/278-1130

Fax: 319/278-4639

Website: www.butlercoiowa.org

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Three times per year, "Conservation Conversation"

Facilities: Nature center including display room located in 380-acre park; 21 county parks including a 12-mile rail trail for hiking and cross-country skiing

E.E. Center: Yes, 2400 Sq foot building with office space, exhibit area and small conference room

CALHOUN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Rockwell City, 50579

Phone: 712/297-7131

Fax: 712/297-7296

Website: www.calhoundev.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Monthly newspaper column; quarterly public newsletter

Facilities: Display area in office building; county areas

E.E. Center: Yes

CARROLL COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Swan Lake Conservation Education Center

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Carroll, IA 51401

Phone: 712/792-4614

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Website: www.carrollcountyconservation.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, *"In a Nutshell"*

Facilities: Swan Lake Conservation Education Center has permanent and seasonal displays, live and mounted animals, meeting rooms, local art, concession stand and gift shop. 510-acre Swan Lake State Park with hiking trails, outdoor theater, cabin, campground, live wildlife exhibits, arboretum, and museum; one quarter-mile self-guided trail; 22 county parks; 3.8-mile hard surface hiking/biking trail

E.E. Center: Yes

CASS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Intern: No

Newsletter: Monthly newsletter to schools; newspaper article periodically; quarterly conservation newsletter for general public

Facilities: Turkey Creek Nature Trail and Outdoor Classroom; Hitchcock Recreation Area featuring the restored Hitchcock House and 1.5-mile trail; various wildlife areas and parks

E.E. Center: No

CEDAR COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Tipton, IA 52772-1752

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Website: www.showcase.netins.net/web/cedarconservationweb

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Cedar Valley Visions" for the general public

E.E. Center: No

CERRO GORDO COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Lime Creek Nature Center

3501 Lime Creek Road

Mason City, IA 50401

Phone: 641/423-5309

Fax: 641/423-1566

Website: www.co.cerro-gordo.ia.us

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "In Nature's Care" and teacher newsletter 3x per year

Facilities: Lime Creek Nature Center with permanent and seasonal displays, children's displays, live and mounted animals, bee hive, library, outside observation decks, amphitheater, and auditorium; located on a 440-acre woodland/wetland/prairie area with eight miles of multi-use trails and a handicapped-accessible trail

E.E. Center: Yes

CHEROKEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.cherokeecountyparks.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Cherokee Smoke Signals" for general public

Facilities: County parks and natural areas including native prairies, woodlands, canoe trail, lakes, rivers; public programs held in the conservation office

E.E. Center: No

CHICKASAW COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Twin Ponds Nature Center

1811 240th St

Ionia, IA 50645

Phone: 641/394-4714

Fax: 641/394-5541

Website: www.chickasawcoia.org/conservation

Intern: No

Newsletter: Bi-weekly newspaper column, "*Natural News*"; "*Environmental Flash*", a list of suggested programs for each teacher in the county, is released each semester.

Facilities: County parks, wildlife areas, historical park, campgrounds and Twin Pond Nature Center

E.E. Center: Yes

CLARKE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Intern: No

Newsletter: Yes

Facilities: 2 self-guided trails, county parks

CLAY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Intern: No

Facilities: County parks, cabin, outdoor shelter and natural areas including native prairie, woodland, river, and wetlands; 30.3 miles of the Inkpaduta Canoe Trail on the Little Sioux River; log lodge located at the Oneota Little Sioux Access Area

Newsletter: Quarterly newsletter, "*Field Notes*"

E.E. Center: No

CLAYTON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Osborne Nature Center
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Elkader, IA 52043-8247

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Website: www.claytoncountyconservation.org

Intern: Yes, summer

Newsletter: Bi-monthly, "*Osborne Oracle*"

Facilities: Iowa Welcome Center and gift shop and nature center on 350-acre area; lower level nature center with display area and classroom; main level tourist information and services, and historical/cultural displays; three self-guided nature trails; exercise/fitness trail; archery course; live animal exhibit; facilities for skating, sledding, and cross-country skiing; pioneer village used for historical interpretation.

E.E. Center: Yes

CLINTON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Grand Mound, IA 52751-0068

Phone: 563/847-7202

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Website: <http://www.clintoncountyiowa.com/conservation>

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Prairie Whispers*"

Facilities: Eden Valley Refuge Nature Center near Lost Nation is a 200-acre area with a nature center, one mile long self-guided nature trail, observation tower, suspended bridge, and spelunking at a nearby cave. Wapsi River Environmental Education Center (run cooperatively by Scott and Clinton County; See Scott CCB for full listing) near Dixon is a 225-acre area with six miles of trails, Eagle View Eco-Center, rental cabin, two lodges, observatory, dormitory (52 cap), overnight facilities, cross country skis, and bald eagle night roost. Rock Creek Park 100 acre park on back-waters of the Mississippi, boats, canoes, and fishing and Soaring Eagle Nature Center.

E.E. Center: Yes

CRAWFORD COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Denison, IA 51442

Phone: 712/263-3409

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Website: www.geocities.com/crawfordconservation/

Intern: yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Wildlife Echo*"

Facilities: Neal Moeller Environmental Education Center has permanent and seasonal displays, children's displays, live and mounted animals, bee hive, indoor turtle pond located on a 440-acres with 40 acre lake, woodland/wetland/prairie areas with 4 miles of multi-use trails and a handicapped-accessible trail at Yellow Smoke Park, other county parks, cabins, campgrounds, several native prairie remnants and the historical Dow House in Dow City.

E.E. Center: Yes

DALLAS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.co.dallas.ia.us

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Raccoon River Greenbelt Newsletter, with a circulation of 11,000

Facilities: **Forest Park Museum** features 19th and 20th century Euro-American artifacts, Native American artifacts, restored log cabin, restored one-room school house and arboretum containing 125 species of shrubs and trees

Hanging Rock: a 438-acre park focusing on the geologic, natural, and cultural heritage of the middle Raccoon River and terminal moraine

Kuehn Nature Center includes a classroom and exhibit area with displays about geology, wetlands, plants, and animals

Redfield Depot includes exhibits with memorabilia about the history of Redfield and the Raccoon River Valley Trail

Sportsmans Park: 40-acre park, woodland camping and picnicking along bluffs of Northern Raccoon River

Voas Nature Area and Museum includes a large collection of minerals, rocks, fossils, and gemstones

E.E. Center: Yes, Bear Creek Nature Center at Kuehn Conservation Area

DAVIS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Bloomfield, IA 52537

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Intern: No

Newsletter: None

DECATUR COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Intern: No

DELAWARE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Manchester, IA 52057

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Website: www.delawarecountyia.com/parks.htm

Intern: No

Facilities: Conservation center in 80-acre area with interpretive displays in Nature Discovery Room; outdoor wildlife display; monthly display at courthouse; hiking trails; historical school museum; 27 county parks

E.E. Center: Yes

DES MOINES COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Erica Hartman, Naturalist

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Starr's Cave Nature Center

11627 Starr's Cave Road

Burlington, IA 52601

Phone: 319/753-5808

Fax: 319/754-6910

Website: www.dmcconservation.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, *"Wild River Ramblings"* and *"E.E. Edition"* for county teachers

Facilities: Nature center on 200-acre area that includes an interactive display area, library, and meeting room; two self-guided nature trails; trails for cross-country skiing, hiking, and nature study; several caves; observatory at Big Hollow Creek Recreation Area; self-guided trails on timber and wildlife management at other county parks

E.E. Center: Yes

DICKINSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Milford, IA 51351

Phone: 712/338-4238

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Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: In-school Elementary Newsletter; "Nature News For Kids"

Facilities: County parks and wildlife areas, paved hiking/biking trail (11 miles)

E.E. Center: Yes, work in progress

DUBUQUE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Address:

Swiss Valley Nature Center
13606 Swiss Valley Road
Peosta, IA 52068

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Fax: 563/589-7885

Website: dubuqucounty.com

Intern: Yes

Facilities: Interpretive center on 500-acre area includes displays and historical information; contains over 10 miles of hiking and cross-country ski trails, half of which are self-guided; demonstration arboretum

E.E. Center: Yes

EMMET COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Intern: No

Newsletter: Bi-annual teacher newsletter

Facilities: County parks and wildlife areas; a lakeside use area; wildlife habitat arboretum; self-guided trail at Wolden Park

E.E. Center: No

FAYETTE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 563/426-5740

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Website: www.elginiowa.org\GILBERTSON.html

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Three times per year

Facilities: Nature Center features mounted and live animals, interactive and informative displays; located on 345-acre area with campground, primitive campground, fishing pond, five miles of multi-purpose trails; petting zoo, 2 historical buildings, tillage demonstration area and part of National Park Stamp program.

E.E. Center: Yes

Sue Lueder, Naturalist/Office Manager

Address-2:

Wildwood Nature Center
1867 Lane Road
Fayette, IA 52142

Phone: 563/422-5146

Website: (see above)

Facilities: Located on a 10-acre area and offers a display area with many mounted animal and interpretive displays, and outdoor native animal display.

E.E. Center: Yes

FLOYD COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Fossil and Prairie Center
1227 215th St., PO Box 495
Rockford, IA 50468-0495

Phone: 641/756-3490

Fax: 641/756-3492

Website: www.fossilcenter.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Annual Teacher's newsletter for K-12 "Nature Trails" and quarterly public newsletter "Conservation Quarterly"

Facilities: Fossil & Prairie Park Preserve. A 7,000 sq ft. facility – upper level has museum quality exhibits on native prairie and Devonian fossils, resource library, offices and restrooms. The lower level has a large classroom/meeting room with kitchenette, laboratory with 15 stereo-microscopes and restrooms.

E.E. Center: Yes

FRANKLIN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Hampton, IA 50441

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Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: Newsletter "Franklin County Falcon"

Facilities: Mobile displays; self-guided trail

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Sidney, Iowa 51652

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Website:

GREENE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Dan Towers, Director

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Jefferson, IA 50129

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Website: www.co.greene.ia.us

Facilities: County parks

GRUNDY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Morrison, IA 50657-0036

Phone: 319/345-2688

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Website: www.grundycenter.com/grundycountyconservation

Intern: Occasionally

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Grundy County Museum contains meeting room, human and natural history exhibits, animal displays, 1200 gallon aquarium with native fish and reptiles; Black Hawk Creek Wildlife Area contains two self-guided nature trails, labeled plant species, and a prairie forb and grass demonstration area

E.E. Center: Yes

GUTHRIE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.panora.org/gccb/

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Prairie Woodland Journal"

Facilities: Raccoon River Valley Multi-purpose Trail; Guthrie County Historical Village, county parks and wildlife areas

HAMILTON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Webster City, IA 50595-7479

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Fax: 515/832-9578

Website: www.conservation.hamiltoncountyiowa.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: No

Facilities: County parks & Briggs Woods

HANCOCK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Garner, IA 50438

Phone: 641/923-2720

Fax: 641/923-4007

Website: www.hancockcountyia.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly newsletter, "*Prairie Pothole Journal*"; monthly newspaper columns, "*Nature Link*" and a annual teacher newsletter

Facilities: Interpretive trails; county parks and 2 open shelters

E.E. Center: No

HARDIN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Wesley Wiese, Naturalist

Sarah Droste, Naturalist

Address:

Calkins Nature Center

18335 135th Street

Iowa Falls, IA 50126-8511

Phone: 641/648-9878

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Website: www.hardincountyconservation.com

Intern: High school intern during school year

Newsletter: Quarterly newsletter, "*Calkins Nature Notes*" and Bi-annual teacher newsletter

Facilities: The Calkins Nature contains a multi purpose room, seasonal and permanent displays, classroom, kitchen, conference room, library and gift shop on 76 acres, which consists of woodland, wetland and a reconstructed prairie, with over 2 miles of trails bordered by the Iowa River. A live animal exhibit area includes: pheasants, waterfowl, mammals, raptors, and expanding to reptiles; 42 recreational areas: two with electrical hook-ups for camping, some primitive, others with picnic and fishing, and the majority with wildlife areas

E.E. Center: Yes

HARRISON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Woodbine, IA 51579-9739

Phone: 712/647-2785

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Website: www.HarrisonCountyParks.org

Intern: High school intern during school year

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Prairie Hills Journal*"; weekly newspaper column, "*Conservation Concerns*" is published in all county papers.

Facilities: County parks and wildlife areas include Loess Hills, native prairies, wetlands, lakes and timbered areas; park trail-systems including one self-guided trail; Harrison County Village/Welcome Center (a facility of the HCCB) is used for historical interpretation and tourism information; Nature Encounter Center at the headquarters/office features interactive and interpretive displays and classroom area; Teacher Resources include: teacher tubs, reference library, and teacher training workshops

E.E. Center: Yes

HENRY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.henrycountyconservation.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Under the Oak Tree*"

Facilities: Oakland Mills Nature Center offers a display area with many mounted animal and interpretive displays, and outdoor native animal display

Hours: Sun. afternoons

E.E. Center: Yes

HOWARD COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 563/547-3634

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Website: www.howcocon.home.rconnect.com/hccb/Recreation.html#ncenter

Newsletter: No

Intern: No

Facilities: Prairie's Edge Nature Center functions as a learning center for area residents to become more familiar with their natural surroundings. The Nature Center has an aquarium, native fish in 180 gallon tank, library, displays on prairie, wetland and woodland habitats and a live honey bee display.

EE Center: Yes

HUMBOLDT COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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IDA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly newsletter and park notes once a month for the general public

Facilities: County parks, cabins and wildlife areas; self-guided trail.

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IOWA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Ladora, IA 52251

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Website: <http://showcase.netins.net/web.iccb>

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, Iowa County Conservation Board "*Conservation News*"

Facilities: County parks and natural areas, including wetlands, native prairies and woodlands; hiking trails; campground nature center

E.E. Center: Yes

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JACKSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Hilary Johnson, Naturalist

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Maquoketa, IA 52060
Phone: 563/652-3783
Fax: 563/652-2191

Website: www.jacksonccb.com/

Email: jacksonccb@jacksonccb.com

Intern: Seasonal Americorp volunteer

Newsletter: Quarterly, “*Up and Down the River*”; teachers' newsletter throughout the school year

Facilities: Hurtsville Interpretive Center, state and county parks and wildlife areas include: restored one room school, historic lime kilns, and recreation trail

E.E. Center: Yes

JASPER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Katie Cantu, Naturalist

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Newton, IA 50208-3241

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Phone: 641/792-9780

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Website: www.co.jasper.ia.us/conservation.htm

Intern: Occasionally

Newsletter: Quarterly public and three times per year, “*Environmental Education Bulletin*” for teachers and administrators

Facilities: County parks with native prairies, woodlands, lakes, and marshes; two labeled nature trails; museum; historic operating water-powered mill; 10 km groomed cross-county ski trail; astronomical observatory with two attached rooms and large classroom; 20-mile hiking/biking/recreational trail.

E.E. Center: No

JEFFERSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Fairfield, IA 52556-8801

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Phone: 641/472-4421

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Website: www.jeffersoncountyconservation.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, “*Naturally Speaking*” for the general public

Facilities: Nature Center with displays and small classroom area located in Jefferson County Park, 175 acres; 7 miles of trails; butterfly garden; bird blind; 3.5-acre pond

E.E. Center: Yes

JOHNSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Bradley Freidhof, Naturalist

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F.W. Kent Park

2048 Hwy. 6 NW

Oxford, IA 52322-9211

Phone: 319/645-1011

Fax: 319/645-2204

Website: www.johnson-county.com/conservation/

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: "*Conservation Connection*"

Facilities: Interpretive center on 1,082 area includes displays and historical information; contains over 10 miles of hiking and cross-country ski trails, 3- fishing ponds stocked with Largemouth Bass, Bluegill and Channel Catfish, 27-acre lake stocked with Largemouth Bass, Bluegill and Channel Catfish. Numerous historical bridges throughout F.W. Kent Park. Wetlands, woodlands and prairie areas. Campground and Youth Group Campground.

JONES COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Michele Olson, Naturalist

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12515 Central Park Road

Center Junction, IA 52212

Phone: 563/487-3541

Fax: 563/487-5034

Website: www.co.jones.ia.us/conservation

Newsletter: bi-annual public and bi-monthly teacher newsletter

Facilities: Jones County Nature Den/Nature Center, Natural history and live animal displays, resource area, small meeting room holds 50 people, includes kitchen area and restrooms at Central Park.

E.E. Center: Yes

KEOKUK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Sigourney, IA 52591

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Website: www.keokukcountyia.com/Conservation/conservation.htm

Intern: No

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Outdoor classroom, small nature center, and country school at Belva Deer Recreation Area; self-guided trails; portable, changing displays

E.E. Center: Yes

KOSSUTH COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Billie Willie, Naturalist

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Algona, IA 50511

Phone: 515/295-2138

Fax: 515/295-5479

Website: www.co.kossuth.ia.us/conservation/conservation.htm

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Northern Prairie Star*" for general public; "*Prairie Winds*", three times per year for teachers; K-3rd student newsletter "*Tracks*", three times per year

Facilities: Burt Lake Nature Trail; Stinson Prairie State Preserve; boating or canoeing access to Devine Wildlife Area, Plum Creek Dam, Patterson Recreation and Wildlife Area, Plum Creek Wildlife Area, Siems Park, and Smith Lake: maple syruping at Smith Wildlife Area; county parks with woodlands, wetlands, and prairies; tree garden and wildflower plot at Smith Lake

E.E. Center: No

LEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Michelle Broderson, Assistant Naturalist

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PO Box 218

Montrose, IA 52639

Phone: 319/463-7673

Fax: 319/463-5013

Website: www.leecounty.org

Intern: Seasonal assistant for the fall, spring, and summer

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*River Country Conversations*"

Facilities: County parks, portable displays; in school winter programming

E.E. Center: No

LINN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Chuck Unga, Conservation Education Specialist
Jenny Corbett, Conservation Education Specialist

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10260 Morris Hills Rd
Toddville, IA 52341

Phone: 319/892-6485

(Alt.): 319/892-6450

Fax: 319/892-6419

Website: www.linncountyparks.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "The Oak-Hickory News"

Facilities: Wickiup Hill Outdoor Learning Center is a 9,300 square feet with classroom and exhibit space. Exhibit themes include, archaeology, American Indians and Iowa habitats. Arboretum at Morgan Creek Park; Wickiup Hill Outdoor Learning Area is 270 acres with wetland, prairie, woodland and archaeological interpretive trails and accompanying curriculum guides

E.E. Center: Yes

LOUISA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Katie Hammond, Naturalist
Kathy Dice, Naturalist

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12635 County Road G-56
Wapello, IA 52653

Phone: 319/523-8381

Fax: 319/729-2131

Website: http://www.lccb.org/

Intern: Yes, summer

Newsletter: Four times per year, "*LCCB Newsletter*"

Facilities: County parks with an interpretive nature trail and a camp owned by the county conservation board; Langwood Education Center includes: lodge with kitchen and seating for up to 90, woodburning stove and air conditioner, a frame lodge with 24 cots available, restroom with showers, (by reservation only).

LUCAS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Box 78

Chariton, IA 50049

Phone: 641/774-2438

Fax: 641/774-4128

Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Cinder bike-trail on abandoned railroad track from Chariton to Derby-first Rails to Trails in Iowa (14 miles) -as well as several wetlands and wildlife areas. 4,500 sq ft facility with display room including a variety of taxidermy mounts, multi-purpose room, restrooms and handicapped accessibility.

E.E. Center: Yes

LYON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Rochelle Ebel, Naturalist

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311 1st Avenue East

Rock Rapids, IA 51246

Phone: 712/472-2217

Fax: 712/472-2214

Website: www.lyoncountyiowa.com

Newsletter: Quarterly; Lyon County Conservation Newsletter

Facilities: Main office with E.E. meeting room and outdoor nature classroom at Rock Rapids; Lake Pahoja Recreation Area includes: 81 site campground, 2 enclosed shelters, 6 cabins, trails, beach area, restrooms and showers, 6 open shelters, day-use area, 72-acre lake; eight other wildlife/park areas; state-owned, county-managed Blood Run National Landmark Site

E.E. Center: No

MADISON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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MAHASKA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.mahaskaconservation.com

Intern: Occasionally

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Prairie Star"; monthly newspaper column

Facilities: Conservation Center built in 220-acre Russell Wildlife Area includes: fossil and mineral displays, 125 gal. native fish aquarium, terrariums with snakes and turtles; hiking trails and fishing ponds, backyard wildlife demonstration area with pond, butterfly garden, prairie restoration area, tree planting and bird viewing blind.

E.E. Center: Yes

MARION COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Marla Mertz, Naturalist

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Cordova Park
1378 Hwy. G28
Otley, IA 50214

Phone: 641/627-5935

Fax: 641/627-5148

Website: no

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly

Facilities: County parks and wildlife areas

E.E. Center: No

MARSHALL COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Grimes Farm and Conservation Center
2359 233rd Street

Marshalltown, IA 50158

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Fax: 641/752-5496

Website: www.co.marshall.ia.us/departments/conservation

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Seasons*"; bi-monthly, "*Nature Notes*" for teachers

Facilities: Conservation Center is a 6,481 sq ft interpretive nature center with exhibits, meeting room, library and MCCC offices. County parks and wildlife areas with native and restored prairies, woodlands, lakes, wetlands, restored log cabin, interpretive trails; hike/bike/equestrian recreational trail; seasonal interpretive display at courthouse; live bison and swan display, swinging bridge and remnant of old stone cutting mill; astronomical observatory and Rails to Trails bike path

E.E. Center: Yes

MILLS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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56235 Deacon Road
Pacific Junction, IA 51561

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Fax: 712/527-5124

Website: www.milscoia/consboard/consmap.html

Facilities: County Parks and wildlife areas; self-guided trail; restored prairie

MITCHELL COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Osage, IA 50461

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Fax: 641/732-1138

Website: www.osage.net/~mccb

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly

Facilities: EE center with displays, seating for 30, and live trumpeter swans. Four county parks with modern camping, Four self-guided theme trails; New Haven Potholes Outdoor Classroom; also 4-mile and 10-mile limestone surfaced hiking and biking trails

E.E. Center: Yes

MONONA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Fax: 712/423-3034

Website: mononacountyconservation.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Published five times during the school year, "*Nature News*"

Facilities: Display/program room at the office with changing displays; live animal exhibits and nature-oriented collections; arboretum; county parks with native prairie, woodlands, ponds and rivers; Loess Hills Wildlife Area

E.E. Center: No

MONROE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Mark Graham, Director

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Courthouse
10 Benton Avenue E
Albia, IA 52531

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Website:

Facilities: County park and wildlife areas including self-guided trail, lake, and live animal exhibit, enclosed shelter and 3 rental cabins.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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2059 190th St
Red Oak, IA 51566

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Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Wolfe Nature Center in 229-acre area with display and classroom/meeting area; trails, prairie and marsh; Anderson Conservation Area

E.E. Center: Yes

MUSCATINE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Leslie Eichelberger Naturalist

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Muscatine County Environmental Learning Center

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Muscatine, IA 52761

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Fax: 563/264-6097

Website: www.co.muscatine.ia.us\conservation

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*County Conservation News*"

Facilities: Learning Center has seasonal and permanent displays, 2 large aquariums, live animal displays, a classroom, gift shop and concession stand. It has 2 fishing ponds, extensive paved trails and is considered an urban retreat. Saulsbury Bridge Recreation Area has an amphitheater, walking bridge over the Cedar River; and wildflower and butterfly demonstration gardens and a discovery center with shelters and arboretum.

E.E. Center: Yes

O'BRIEN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Charlene Elyea, Naturalist

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Prairie Heritage Center

4931 Yellow Avenue

Peterson, IA 51047

Phone: 712-295-7200

Fax: 712-295-7222

Website: www.obriencounty.com/community/parks or www.prairieheritagecenter.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly newsletter, "*Little Sioux Wanderings*", for county residents; teacher newsletter "*You, Me, and E.E.*" distributed to all county teachers

Facilities: County parks and natural areas including native prairie, woodland, river, and wetlands; 6.2 miles of the Inkpaduta Canoe Trail on the Little Sioux River; enclosed lodge at Mill Creek State Park; camping facilities

E.E. Center: Yes

OSCEOLA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

Ronald Spengler, Director/Naturalist

Address:

Willow Creek County Park
5945 Hwy. 9, Box 118
Ocheyedan, IA 51354-0118

Phone: 712/758-3709

Fax: 712/758-3669

Website: no

Intern: Advanced biology students

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Willow Creek Nature Center houses interpretive displays and office; self-guided and guided nature hikes at several prairie preserves and Ocheyedan Mound State Preserve; enclosed lodge (with heat) available and a classroom building under construction

E.E. Center: Yes

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PAGE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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112 East Main
Clarinda, IA 51632
Phone: 712/542-3864

Fax: 712/542-3864

Website: No

Newsletter: Quarterly "Conservation Connections"

Facilities: County parks, self-guided trails and other wildlife areas

E.E. Center: Yes, Conservation Center under construction

PALO ALTO COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Phone: 712/837-4866

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Website: www.paccb.org

Intern: Yes, summer

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Cattails" to all K-6 students; Quarterly, "Palo Alto Conservation News" to the general public

Facilities: Lost Island Prairie Wetland Nature Center with exhibit room with displays focusing on "Prairie Potholes" and wetland wildlife, meeting/classroom, info/sales area, reference library, Conservation Board offices; park with wildlife observation blind, boardwalk, and self-guided trail for hiking and skiing; Sod House at West Bend sponsored by both Palo Alto and Kossuth counties

E.E. Center: Yes

PLYMOUTH COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Hillview Recreation Area

PO Box 1033

Hinton, IA 51024-1033

Phone: 712/947-4270

Fax: 712/947-4371

Website: www.plymouthcountyparks.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Bluestem Quarterly*", subscription free to public upon request

Facilities: County parks and natural areas including: Hillview Recreation Area (230 acres with self-guided trail, cross-country ski trail, and butterfly garden) at Hinton, Five Ridge Prairie Preserve (790 acres), O'Brien Prairie (40 acres), South East Wildwood (36 acres) near Kinsley, Millsite Access (16 acres and boat ramp), Silver Maple Primitive Area (60 acres and boat ramp) near Akron, Big Sioux Park (33 acres and boat ramp) near Akron, and Meadow Wildlife Area (5 acres) near Remsen

E.E. Center: No

POCAHONTAS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Phone: 712/335-4395

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Website: www.evertek.net/pokyccb

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: No

Facilities: County parks, natural areas, and recreational facilities; Wiegert Prairie Farmstead, portraying the late 1800's; one-room schoolhouse, portraying the early 1900's; Three Rivers Trail, converted from an abandoned railroad line; Whitetail Ridge Interpretive Trail

E.E. Center: No

POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Jester Park

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Granger, IA 50109

Office Phone: 515/323-5300

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Website: www.leadingyououtdoors.org

Intern: Seasonal naturalists

Newsletter: Semi-annually, "*Nature News*"; semi-annually teacher newsletter

Facilities: Jester Park Lodge is a 7,000 sq ft modern facility with a 250 person capacity, full kitchen, restrooms, fireplace, dance floor, and large deck; 17 park and wildlife areas (over 10,000 acres) including native and restored prairies, wetlands, woodlands, lakes, forest preserve, hiking and biking trails; 5 informational/educational kiosks; bison/elk wildlife exhibit

POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Honey Creek, IA 51542

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Website: www.pottcoconservation.com

Intern: Volunteers-Graduate and Undergraduate Students

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*The Conservator*"

Facilities: Loess Hills Lodge opens summer 2007, now open observation deck and 45' observation tower. Five county parks and three wildlife areas.

E.E. Center: Yes

POWESHIEK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Montezuma, IA 50171

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Website: www.poweshiekcountyia.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: No

Facilities: County parks and wildlife areas; mobile displays; self-guided trails, Conservation Education Center at Diamond Lake

E.E. Center: Yes

RINGGOLD COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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SAC COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Sac City, IA 50583-7474

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Fax: 712/662-4536

Website: www.saccounty.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, *"Looking Out the Back Door"*

Facilities: Three County parks, cabin, including hiking trails, wildlife areas, pine tree plantation and Sauk Rail Trail

E.E. Center: No

SCOTT COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD/WAPSI RIVER ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

Staff:

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31555 52nd Avenue

Dixon, IA 52745

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Fax: 563/843-2845

Website: www.scottcountyiowa.com\conservation\wapsi

Newsletter: "The W.R.E.N." is the quarterly newsletter of the Wapsi River E.E. Center

Facilities: Eagle View ECO Center; Wapsi River Environmental Education Center (a joint project between the Scott and Clinton County Conservation Boards) and 225-acre preserve located on a bluff overlooking the Wapsipinicon River; Eagle View Eco Center building includes interpretive displays, live animals, laboratory, meeting room, and kitchen and overlooks a bald eagle night roost, other on-site facilities include a lodge, dormitory, rental cabin, astronomical observatory, hiking and cross-country ski trails

E.E. Center: Yes

SHELBY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Harlan, IA 51537

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Website: www.conservation.shco.org

Intern: No

Facilities: Nishna Bend Recreation Area

EE Center: Small nature center with wildlife displays, live animal exhibits and a meeting room with seating for 35.

SIOUX COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Oak Grove Park

4051 Cherry Avenue

Hawarden, IA 51023-8907

Phone: 712/552-3057

Fax: 712/552-3047

Website: www.siuoxcounty.org/conservation.htm

Newsletter: Quarterly public and teacher newsletter

Facilities: County parks, including hiking trails

E.E. Center: No

STORY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:

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Ames, IA 50010-9651

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Website: www.storycountyconservation.org

Intern: Practicum program with Iowa State University; summer naturalist (paid)

Newsletter: Quarterly public, "*Prairie Horizon*", and program guide. Teacher newsletter, "*Gnat News*", 3 times per year and a yearly teacher's EE program guide

Facilities: Story County Conservation Center consists of administrative/naturalist office space, a multi-purpose room with seating for 100 people with an amphitheatre and limited displays. County parks and natural areas including: native prairies, marshes, woodlands, lakes, and river; hiking trails; handicapped trail; astronomy observatory.

E.E. Center: Yes

TAMA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Toledo, IA 52342

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Website: www.tamacounty.org

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Nature Center, county parks and wildlife areas

EE Center: Yes

TAYLOR COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: No

UNION COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Doug Jones, Park Ranger/Naturalist

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Creston, IA 50801-0291

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Fax: 641/782-1757

Website: No

Intern: No

Facilities: County parks including: wildlife areas, a bluebird trail, a butterfly garden, several ponds, a marsh, and a spring-fed lake with nature trail; beach and campsites; cabins with heat, and all-season comfort station; contact for handicap accessibility info

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VAN BUREN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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WAPELLO COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Pioneer Ridge Nature Center

1339 US Hwy. 63

Bloomfield, IA 52537

Phone: 641/682-3091

Fax: 641/683-4621

Website:

Intern: Occasionally

Newsletter: Bi-yearly, "Nature News" for the general public; E.E. Connection times/year for teachers

Facilities: Nature center on 737-acre area includes: displays and historical information, 15 miles of hiking, cross-country skiing and horseback riding trails, two self-guided trails and 1/2-mile handicapped accessible paved trail; Woodland Indian Village used for historical interpretation.

E.E. Center: Yes

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Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly for general public, "*Three Rivers Journal*", and quarterly for elementary teachers; regular newspaper column

Facilities: Annett Nature Center, display, classroom, office, kitchen; hiking and skiing trails; 11 county areas; conservation management; native prairies; fishing ponds; and 2 paved multi-purpose trails.

E.E. Center: Yes

WASHINGTON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: <http://co.washington.ia.us/departments/conservation>

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Earthtones*" for the general public; "*E.E. News*" for teachers, 3 times per year;

Facilities: Conservation Education center is a 5,300 sq. ft. facility with an exhibit hall, conference room, library and a lab. Eighteen county parks, totaling roughly 2,100 acres ; 14-mile Kewash Nature Trail; 6-mile hiking/horseback riding trail.

E.E. Center: Yes

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E.E. Center: No

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Website: www.webstercountyia.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, *"Pathways to Nature"*

Facilities: Kennedy Park Reception Center with wildlife displays, Children's Forest (tree species labeled); cross-country ski trails; amphitheater; county parks with lake, restored prairie

E.E. Center: Yes

WINNEBAGO COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.winnebagoccb.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, *"Our Wild Heritage"* for K-6 teachers during school year; *"Prairie Country Quarterly"* for the general public; monthly newspaper columns

Facilities: Interpretive trails; county parks and environmental learning center

E.E. Center: Yes

WINNESHIEK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Fort Atkinson, IA 52144-9775

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Website: www.hosting.acegroup.cc/~d4os/

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Weekly, *"Lake Meyer Nature Center Newsletter"* sent to 6 area newspapers

Facilities: County park, nature center, and hiking/skiing trails through 160 acres of woods, wetlands and grasslands

E.E. Center: Yes

WOODBURY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.woodburyparks.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Woodbury Wanderings*"; annual teacher's program guide for K-12.

Facilities: Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center, 14,000 sq ft., includes interpretive displays of the loess hills and natural history of the region.; classroom space; resource library; and staff offices, located in Stone State Park. County parks and natural areas including: Loess Hills prairies, woodlands, canoe trail, lakes, rivers.

E.E. Center: Yes

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Northwood, IA 50459

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Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Naturalist Notebook*" in local shopper

Facilities: County parks with trails

E.E. Center: No

WRIGHT COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Conservation Park Building

1768 O'Brien Avenue

Clarion, IA 50525

Phone: 515/532-3185

Fax: 515/532-6068

Website: www.clarioniowa.com

Intern: No

Facilities: Two self-guided interpretive trails; county parks

State Parks

Name of Area	County	Nearby City	Phone Number
<u>Ambrose A. Call</u>	Kossuth	Algona	515/295-3669
<u>Backbone</u>	Delaware	Strawberry Pt.	563/924-2527
Badger Creek	Madison	Van Meter	515/285-4502
<u>Banner Lakes at Summerset</u>	Warren	Indianola	515/961-7101
<u>Beed's Lake</u>	Franklin	Hampton	641/456-2047
<u>Bellevue</u>	Jackson	Bellevue	563/872-4019
<u>Big Creek</u>	Polk	Polk City	515/984-6473
<u>Black Hawk</u>	Sac	Lake View	712/657-8712
<u>Brushy Creek</u>	Webster	Lehigh	515/543-8298
<u>Cedar Rock</u>	Buchanan	Quasqueton	319/934-3572
<u>Claire Wilson Park</u>	Dickinson	Okoboji	712/337-3211
<u>Clear Lake</u>	Cerro Gordo	Clear Lake	641/357-4212
<u>Dolliver Memorial</u>	Webster	Lehigh	515/359-2539
<u>Elk Rock</u>	Marion	Knoxville	641/842-6008
<u>Elinor Bedell</u>	Dickinson	Spirit Lake	712/337-3211
<u>Emerson Bay</u>	Dickinson	Milford	712/337-3211
<u>Fairport Station</u>	Muscatine	Muscatine	563/263-4337
<u>Fort Atkinson</u>	Winneshiek	Fort Atkinson	563/425-4161
<u>Fort Defiance</u>	Emmet	Estherville	712/362-2078

<u>Geode</u>	Henry	Danville	319/392-4601
<u>George Wyth Memorial</u>	Black Hawk	Waterloo	319/232-5505
<u>Green Valley</u>	Union	Creston	641/782-5131
<u>Gull Point</u>	Dickinson	Milford	712/337-3211
<u>Honey Creek</u>	Appanoose	Moravia	641/724-3739
<u>Lacey-Keosauqua</u>	Van Buren	Keosauqua	319/293-3502
<u>Lake Ahquabi</u>	Warren	Indianola	515/961-7101
<u>Lake Anita</u>	Cass	Anita	712/762-3564
<u>Lake Darling</u>	Washington	Brighton	319/694-2323
<u>Lake Keomah</u>	Mahaska	Oskaloosa	641/673-6975
<u>Lake Macbride</u>	Johnson	Solon	319/624-2200
<u>Lake Manawa</u>	Pottawattamie	Council Bluffs	712/366-0220
<u>Lake of Three Fires</u>	Taylor	Bedford	712/523-2700
<u>Lake Wapello</u>	Davis	Drakesville	641/722-3371
<u>Ledges</u>	Boone	Boone	515/432-1852
<u>Lewis and Clark</u>	Monona	Onawa	712/423-2829
<u>Lower Gar Access</u>	Dickinson	Arnolds Park	712/337-3211
<u>Maquoketa Caves</u>	Jackson	Maquoketa	563/652-5833
<u>Marble Beach</u>	Dickinson	Orleans	712/337-3211
<u>McIntosh Woods</u>	Cerro Gordo	Ventura	641/829-3847
<u>Mines of Spain & E.B. Lyons</u>	Dubuque	Dubuque	563/556-0620
<u>Mini-Wakan</u>	Dickinson	Spirit Lake	712/337-3211

<u>Nine Eagles</u>	Decatur	Davis City	641/442-2855
Okamanpedan	Emmet	Dolliver	712/337-3211
<u>Palisades-Kepler</u>	Linn	Mt. Vernon	319/895-6039
<u>Pikes Peak</u>	Clayton	McGregor	563/873-2341
<u>Pikes Point</u>	Dickinson	Spirit Lake	712/337-3211
<u>Pilot Knob</u>	Hancock	Forest City	641/581-4835
<u>Pine Lake</u>	Hardin	Eldora	641/858-5832
<u>Pleasant Creek</u>	Linn	Palo	319/436-7716
<u>Prairie Rose</u>	Shelby	Harlan	712/773-2701
<u>Preparation Canyon</u>	Monona	Moorhead	712/423-2829
<u>Red Haw</u>	Lucas	Chariton	641/774-5632
Rice Lake	Winnebago	Lake Mills	641/581-4835
<u>Rock Creek</u>	Jasper	Kellogg	641/236-3722
<u>Shimek Forest-campground</u>	Van Buren/Lee County	Farmington	319/878-3811
<u>Springbrook</u>	Guthrie	Guthrie Center	641/747-3591
<u>Stephens Forest-campground</u>	Lucas County	Chariton	641/774-5632
<u>Stone</u>	Plymouth	Sioux City	712/255-4698
<u>Templar Park</u>	Dickinson	Spirit Lake	712/337-3211
<u>Trappers Bay</u>	Dickinson	Spirit Lake	712/337-3211
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<u>Union Grove</u>	Tama	Gladbrook	641/473-2556
<u>Viking Lake</u>	Montgomery	Stanton	712/829-2235

<u>Volga River</u>	Fayette	Fayette	563/425-4161
<u>Walnut Woods</u>	Polk	Des Moines	515/285-4502
Wanata	Buena Vista	Peterson	712/337-3211
<u>Wapsipinicon</u>	Jones	Anamosa	319/462-2761
<u>Waubonsie</u>	Fremont	Sidney	712/382-2786
<u>Wildcat Den</u>	Muscatine	Muscatine	563/263-4337
<u>Wilson Island</u>	Pottawattamie	Loveland	712/642-2069
<u>Yellow River-campground</u>	Allamakee	Waukon Junction	563/873-2341

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Position: Statewide coordination of Fish Iowa! teaching module and Project WILD Aquatic, Project WILD, and Project Learning Tree through training programs and workshops for K-12 educators (formal and non formal); development of supplemental teaching aids, informational materials and displays dealing with aquatic topics; coordination of National Fishing Week and other special events

CONSERVATION EDUCATION CENTER, SPRINGBROOK STATE PARK

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Program: Provide EE curriculum, programming, materials, and develop individualized schedules for schools (K-12) and youth groups; plan and coordinate workshops for teachers, naturalists, and youth group leaders on EE and natural resource topics (contact office for a fee schedule); offer outdoor skill opportunities for nontraditional audiences

Facilities: Residential E.E. facility in 876-acre Springbrook Recreation Area: buildings include 3 dormitories (for 104 people overnight), classroom/office building with library, dining hall (seats 150) and exhibit area; habitats include forest, prairie, lake, marsh, and stream

E.E. Center: Yes

Iowa DNR Fish Hatchery List

Website: www.iowadnr.com/fish/programs/hatchery/hatchery.html

FISHERIES MANAGEMENT FACILITY

Staff:

Scott Gritters, Management Biologist
Karen Aulwes, Management Technician

Address:

331 South River Park Drive, Box 250
Guttenberg, IA 52052-0250

Phone: 563/252-1156

Fax: 563/252-2469

Email:

Program: Admission to the public aquarium is free with tours by appointment; visitors can learn about the fish of the Mississippi, the trout of northeast Iowa, reptiles (especially turtles) of the area, freshwater mussels, and fisheries in general; the Guttenberg facility is responsible for the operation and management of Mississippi pools No. 9, 10, 11 and coordination between the Fish and Wildlife Service and the Army Corps of Engineers in the states of Iowa and Wisconsin; Northern pike are raised (April) and the fry are distributed through Iowa as required by fisheries managers

Facilities: Public aquarium with displays detailing the fish of the Mississippi, the trout of northeast Iowa, reptiles (especially turtles) of the area, freshwater mussels, and fisheries in general

E.E. Center: Yes

Iowa Nature Mapping

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515-281-3150 (Brandon)
319-335-1598 (Lynette)

Website: www.iowater.net

Program: IOWATER, Iowa's volunteer water quality monitoring program, empowers citizens to take a proactive approach to water quality. By monitoring the water resources in our backyards, we can ensure the protection, longevity and productivity of high quality water resources, as well as evaluate, assess, and improve those of lower quality. By becoming an IOWATER volunteer, you are not only provided with monitoring equipment, but you are also given the freedom to monitor wherever and whenever you choose. The program brings people closer to the landscapes that surround them and encourages them to develop a sense of place within the watersheds in which they live. This tie between ourselves and the water resources that give us life will lead to the understanding, respect, and protection of Iowa's water bodies long into the future.

Western Historic Trails Center

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Interprets four historic trails: Lewis & Clark, Mormon Pioneer, California and Oregon. EE programs available based on Project Wild/Wild Aquatic/Learning Tree. History programs and activities also available. Facility built by the National Park Service and now owned by the State Historical Society of Iowa. Lied Historic Building contains theater, exhibit area, meeting room and gift shop. The Center is located on approx 430 acres with native prairie, woods, lake and borders the Missouri River. Call for programming options and monthly events. Hours are 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. May through September and 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. October through April. Admission to the Center and the area is free. Individualized programs available by appointment for a small fee.

FEDERAL

U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS

CORALVILLE LAKE

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2850 Prairie Du Chien Road N.E.

Iowa City, IA 52240-7820

Phone: 319/338-3543

Website: www.mvr.usace.army.mil/Coralville/

Intern: Yes

Program: Primarily devoted to summer campers including movies, slides, arts and crafts, interpretive hikes, safety lectures, water safety on hands program; tours of Visitor Center, Fossil Gorge, hiking trails and dam; variety of public recreation events; serves as resource for schools, youth, and adult organizations; takes program to schools and natural areas

Facilities: Visitor Center; 3-screen theater and exhibits; dam site with electronic monitoring devices; self-guided nature trail; cross-country ski trail; prairie restoration and wildlife management area/camping/boating/fishing(open all year)

E.E. Center: Yes

Thomson Ranger Field Station

Address:

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Thomson Ranger Field Station

P.O. Box 398

Thomson, IL 61285

Phone: 815/259-3628

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Website: www.mvr.usace.army.mil/missriver/

Intern: No

Program: Although the office is on the Illinois side of the river, interpretive services are also offered in Iowa including: winter eagle watches and interpretive programs such as Miss. River history, water safety, forestry, etc. for schools and other groups; campground programs; Junior Ranger program for 3rd graders; Annual photo contest, Eco-meet, Earth Day Programs, Civil War Encampment, Annual Eagle Watch Event (held first Sat. of

January at Clinton Community College); and local viewing areas.

Facilities: Outdoor observation building at Lock & Dam 13, Fulton, IL; nature trail and on-site programs at Thomson Causeway Recreation Area

E.E. Center: No

Dubuque Ranger Field Station

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Dubuque Ranger Field Station

Lock & Dam 11

2530 Kerper Blvd.

Dubuque, IA 52001

Phone: 563/582-0881

Website: www.mvr.usace.army.mil/missriver/

Intern: Yes

Program: Interpretive services to include tours of lock and dam, programs for schools and other groups, campground programs and winter eagle watch, spring ECO-meet

Newsletter: Quarterly, "The Mississippi River Review"

Facilities: Outdoor observation building

E.E. Center: No

LOCK & DAM 14

Address: **Email:** danet.1.dexter@mvr02.usace.army.mil

Mississippi River Project

P.O. Box 534

Pleasant Valley, IA 52767

Phone: 309/794-4524

Website:

Intern: Yes

Program: Interpretive programs relating to the Mississippi River and the Corps of Engineers' role are presented on- and off-site to school groups and other organized groups. Summer programs are offered to the general public at Corps campgrounds along the river. Field trips are available to the lock and dam and Smith's Island.

Newsletter: Quarterly, "*Mississippi River Review*"

Facilities: Outdoor observation area; 1-mile interpretive trail on Smith's Island

LOCK & DAM 15/MISSISSIPPI RIVER VISITOR CENTER

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Mississippi River Visitor Center

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Rock Island District

P.O. Box 2004

Rock Island, IL 61204-2004

Phone: 309/794-5338 or 1-800-645-0248

Fax: 309/794-5741

Website: <http://www.mvr.usace.army.mil/missriver/>

Intern: Yes

Program: Although the office is on the Illinois side of the river, interpretive services are also offered in Iowa including: tours and interpretive programs for schools and other groups; and in-school programs.

Facilities: Visitor center with exhibits, theater and outdoor observation area

E.E. Center: Yes

Muscatine Ranger Field Station

Address: 1611 2nd Avenue
Muscatine, IA 52761

Email: mvrodmn10@mvr02.usace.army.mil

Phone: 563/263-7913

Website:

Intern: Yes

Program: Although the office is on the Iowa side of the river, interpretive services are also offered in Illinois, including tours and interpretive programs for schools and other groups

Facilities: Overlook with outdoor displays

E.E. Center: No

RATHBUN LAKE

Address:

Rathbun Lake, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
20112 Hwy J5T
Centerville, IA 52544-9461

Phone: 641/647-2464

Fax: 641/647-2888

Website: www.nwk.usace.army.mil/rathbun/rathbun_home.htm

Intern: No

Program: Interpretive programs upon request; most programs relate to water safety, hunter safety, natural resource management, and the Corps of Engineers' role in water management; tower tours; water safety kits on loan to area fourth grades

Facilities: Visitor center with displays

RED ROCK LAKE

Address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
1105 Highway T-15
Knoxville, IA 50138

Phone: 641/828-7522 or 641/628-8690

Fax: 641/828-7952

Website: www.mvr.usace.army.mil/redrock/

Intern: Yes

Program: Major programming is for users of the campgrounds including: slide shows, movies, interpretive walks, etc.; programs for schools both on-site and in schools; youth and adult groups upon request

Facilities: Visitor Center with theater

E.E. Center: Yes

SAYLORVILLE LAKE

Address:

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
5600 N.W. 78th Avenue
Johnston, IA 50131

Phone: 515/276-4656

Fax: 515/276-2088

Website: www.mvr.usace.army.mil/Saylorville/

Intern: Yes

Program: Scheduled programs are offered on prairies, forestry, geology, water quality, wildflower walks and tours of the dam structure; weekend public programs cover a variety of natural science topics and recreational skills

Facilities: Visitor center with theater, exhibits, and gift shop; 6,000 acre reservoir; 20,000 contiguous acres of wildlife habitat; 24 mile paved bike trail; 2 hiking trails; 157-acre re-established prairie; butterfly garden; handicapped fishing access; campground, picnic, and watchable wildlife areas

E.E. Center: Yes

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Harpers Ferry, IA 52146
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HERBERT HOOVER NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

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West Branch, IA 52358
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Website: www.nps.gov/heho

NEAL SMITH WILDLIFE REFUGE\ PRAIRIE LEARNING CENTER

PO Box 399
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Prairie City, IA 50228
Phone: 515/994-3400 **Fax:** 515/994-3459
Website: www.tallgrass.org

CAMPS

The camps listed provide staff to help plan and lead EE/interpretive programming year-round to people outside their own membership. Information about other camp programs may be obtained from the American Camping Association (ACA) Great Rivers Section, James Cherry, 2335 300th Str, Ventura, IA 50482, 641/927-4429, www.acacamps.org.

CAMP COURAGEOUS

Address: **Email:** info@campcourageous.org

P.O. Box 418

12007 190th Street

Monticello, IA 52310-0418

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Website: www.campcourageous.org

Intern: Yes

Program: Provides year-round recreation and respite care for people with special needs; among the many activities offered are nature activities and E.E.; caving, acclimatization activities and small farm animals are included; programs planned to meet any needs, both regular and special education

Facilities: New nature center with display area and classroom; animal barn; self-guided trails; three cabins with a capacity of 25-40 each; a main lodge that seats 500

E.E. Center: Yes

CAMP HANTESA

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Camp Hantesa

1450 Oriole Road

Boone, IA 50036

Phone: 515/432-1417 or 1-866-254-3660

Fax: 515/432-1294

Website: www.hantesa.com

Intern: Yes

Program: Nature programs for schools, youth, and adult groups visiting the camp; cross-county skiing, rappelling, canoeing, target sports, other outdoor recreation activities and crafts (fee schedule available)

Facilities: 144-acre camp and conference center includes: nature building with some displays, 10 heated cabins and lodges, and 14 unheated cabins (summer capacity 350, spring/fall capacity 225, winter capacity 175, meal seating capacity 400)

E.E. Center: Yes

CAMP WYOMING

Address: **Email:** campwyo@netins.net

9106 42nd Avenue
Wyoming, IA 52362-7647

Phone: 563/488-3893

Fax: 563/488-3895

Website: www.campwyoming.net

Program: Special rates for schools using facilities for overnight experiences; many outdoor education activities; programming available

Facilities: 380-acre camp with meal service for up to 225, meeting space for 300, and overnight capacity for 150-180 in heated cabins plus 30 adults. Interpretive features include: Bear Creek, a pond, an inner-tubing hill, archery range, canoes, cross-country skiing, four caves and recreational areas

DES MOINES YMCA CAMP

Staff:

Mike Havlik, Head Naturalist

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Address:

1192 166th Drive
Boone, IA 50036

Phone: 515/432-7558

Alt. Phone: 515/243-0100 (in Des Moines area)

Fax: 515/432-5414

Website: www.Y-camp.org

Employment: Seasonal Naturalists hired on per semester basis.

Program: Residential environmental education including 5 and 3 day programs. Onsite overnight and day programs as well as in-school programs. Programs include birds, forest ecology, geology, senses, Native Americans, habitats, music, live birds of prey including hawks and owls, ropes and challenge courses, rappelling, and climbing wall.

Facilities: 336-acre camp and conference center includes: Environmental center with displays and collections, three miles of wooded trails, 22 heated cabins, 10 unheated cabins (year-round capacity 300)

IOWA 4-H EDUCATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES CENTER

Staff:

Traci Haselhuhn, Program Specialist

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Address:

1991 Peach Avenue
Madrid, IA 50156

Phone: 515/795-3338

Fax: 515/795-2107

Website: www.iowa4hcamp.org

Program: Summer youth camp program emphasizing E.E.; archaeology, science enrichment camps and self esteem and challenge course programs for schools, youth and adult groups year-round

Facilities: 1,100-acre year-round camping center near Luther, Iowa, along the Des Moines River; housing for 300-400 people, 9 miles of trails; rifle, archery and trap ranges; self-guided sustainable agriculture and wildlife trails and demonstration areas; prairie, woodlands, wetlands and pond; teams course, rappelling tower, high ropes, pool, canoes, etc.

E.E. Center: Yes

Colleges and Universities

IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

NATURAL RESOURCE ECOLOGY & MANAGEMENT

Staff:

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Address:

339 Science II, ISU

Ames, IA 50011-3221

Phone: 515/294-7429

Fax: 515/294-7874

Website: <http://www.extension.iastate.edu/wildlife>

As a professor: undergraduate courses and internships leading to a concentration in interpretation of natural resources through the Department of Animal Ecology; consult on techniques for interpretation, nature center displays, building design, and programs; research on interpretation, EE, and other human dimensions of wildlife management; international courses and seminars

As an Extension Specialist: workshops, presentations, publications, videos, radio, etc. in wildlife education, natural resources management; also lead statewide programs in wilderness leadership and shooting sports education

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

Staff:

Thomas Tanner

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Ames, IA 50011

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The Program offers second major and minor to undergraduate students in all colleges of the university. It cosponsors visiting speakers with the Student Environmental Council. Classes and Council do some outreach activities with local schools and nature centers. Occasional field seminars offered, such as 1990 & 1994 expeditions to Costa Rica and Utah. Internships offered.

4H EXTENSION

Staff:

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Extension 4H Youth Building

33 Curtiss Hall, ISU

Ames, IA 50011

Phone: 515/294-4764

Fax: 515/294-4443

Lead, design and develop 4-H Extension & Youth Program for camping & E.E.; consultation on Wilderness Adventure programming, Youth at Risk programming and self esteem training; workshops for professionals and volunteers; written materials available in many areas.

OUTDOOR RECREATION PROGRAM

Staff:

Jerry Rupert

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Address:

Outdoor Recreation Center and Programs

Recreation Services, 2220 State Gym

Iowa State University

Ames, IA 50011

Phone: 515/294-4774/4980

Fax: 515/294-1412

About 45 outdoor living skills workshops per year; many weekend and extended trips including backpacking, canoeing, rafting, bike touring, rock climbing, skiing, rappelling, kayaking, caving, winter camping, etc.; outdoor recreation equipment rental; resource center with information files on natural resource sites.

IOWA LAKESIDE LABORATORY

Staff:

Bonnie Bowen, Director..... 515/294-6391

Mark Wehrspann, Resident Manager..... 712/337-3669

Judy Wehrspann, Business Manager.....712/337-3669

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Mark and Judy

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Iowa Lakeside Laboratory

1838 Highway 86 Iowa State University

Milford, IA 51351-7267

Bonnie Bowen

Botany Department

103 Bessey Hall

Ames, IA 50011-1020

Fax: 515/294-9777

Website: <http://www.lakesidelab.org>

Facilities: Lakeside Laboratory's campus consists of about 140 acres on Little Millers Bay, on the shore of West Lake Okoboji. The entire shoreline of Little Millers Bay is Lakeside Laboratory property, and the bay and adjacent uplands and wetlands are used as a natural classroom in most Lakeside courses. Many of Lakeside's buildings are listed on the National List of Historic Places and collectively they constitute the Iowa Lakeside Laboratory Historic District. The Caylor Prairie Preserve, Freda Hafner Preserve and the Excelsior Fen Complex are major natural areas close to the Laboratory.

Program: Through research facilities and natural areas, undergraduate and graduate students are given the opportunity to get hands-on experience working with a variety of natural and human environments through field-oriented summer courses. Credit and non-credit short courses are offered to the general public and public programs are held every Sunday and Wednesday evening. Students or researchers who wish to conduct independent study are also welcome for long or short-term studies.

**UNIVERSITY OF IOWA
RECREATIONAL SERVICES**

Address:

Division of Recreational Services
E216 Field House, UI
Iowa City, IA 52242-1111

Phone: 319/335-9289

Fax: 319/335-6655

Website: <http://recserv.uiowa.edu>

Intern: Yes

Program: E.E. Field Trips for 1-6 grades, Raptor Center tours and off-site programs; summer wildlife camps for grades 2-8

Facilities: Located 4 miles northeast of North Liberty, County Road F-28, Macbride Nature Recreation Area (450 acres): The University of Iowa Raptor Center (over 20 nonreleasable raptors on display), bird blind, self-guided nature trails, bluebird trail, cross country ski trails, low element teams course, high ropes course, primitive camping, archery range, sailing club, picnic shelters.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTHERN IOWA

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION

Staff:

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Biology Department, UNI
Cedar Falls, IA 50614

Phone: 319/273-2456

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Curriculum development and course offerings in E.E.; B.A. program for interpretive naturalists through the Biology Department; programs for schools and adult/family groups; consulting in conservation and E.E.

SIMPSON COLLEGE

Staff:

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Department of Biology and Environmental Science
Indianola, IA 50125-1297

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Our department offers a major in environmental studies with options in biology, chemistry, or earth science. The biology option includes internships and is designed for students with career interests in education and research, interpreting the environment, and resource management. A newsletter is available on request.

PRIVATE/LOCAL

BLANK PARK ZOO

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7401 SW 9th Street
Des Moines, IA 50315

Phone: 515/323-8330

Fax: 515/256-2593

Website: www.blankparkzoo.com

Intern: Yes

Program: Self-guided tours for schools, special programs offered on weekdays and weekends for school and youth groups (i.e. Campfire, Scouts) to assist in achieving badges or awards; outreach programs to schools, outreach programs on ICN; summer classes and camps

Facilities: 21-acre zoo with indoor exploratorium; 20 major exhibits, more than 400 animals; train and camel rides

E-RESOURCES GROUP/ADVENTURE QUEST

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Wendy Zohrer

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E-Resources Group
416 32nd Street
West Des Moines, IA 50265

Phone: 515/221-9893

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FREELANCE NATURALISTS

Name: Amy Schwartz Letsche

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Address:

208 South 10th Street
Cherokee, IA 51012

Phone: 712/225-2902

Fax:

Program: Offers classroom nature programs and field trips to natural areas.

Program List Available: Yes

Name: Laura DeCook

Address: 1145 540th Avenue
Lovilla, IA 50150

Phone: 641/946-7226

INDIAN CREEK NATURE CENTER

Staff:

Rich Patterson, Director Email: naturecenter@aol.com

Jan Aiels, Education Facilitator /Naturalist

Margaret Wolter, Program Specialist

Address:

6665 Otis Road SE

Cedar Rapids, IA 52403-7134

Phone: 319/362-0664

Fax: 319/362-2876

web: www.indiancreeknaturecenter.org

Intern: Yes

Program: Science curriculum based programming for elementary and middle schools; others by request; preschool programs; cross-country ski instruction; maple syruping; naturalist-led walks on variety of topics; natural landscaping workshops; nature camps; Boy Scout and Girl Scout badge workshops; adult/family EE programming, including 80+ programs per year to the general public; programs for active adults (senior citizens); ecological restoration of prairie and oak savanna; Prairie Burning Workshop; Woodland Burning Workshop; Beekeeping classes; Wildflower Plant Sale; Nature's Noel Greenery and hand-made local craft sale; Maple Syrup Festival; Honey Fest; energy efficient building and exhibits.

Program List Available: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly

Facilities: Privately funded nature center on 210-acres includes: four miles of trail through reconstructed prairie, restored oak savanna, creek and pond habitats, oak- hickory and riparian woodlands; Headquarters is a remodeled 1930's dairy barn which houses natural history exhibits, meeting rooms, gift shop and photo-voltaic and energy efficient exhibits. Grounds include a hard-surfaced trail to a butterfly garden, sugar house, sugar bush; constructed wetland septic system. The Center includes the Cedar Greenbelt National Recreation Trail, the Sac and Fox National Recreation Trail and is a National Environmental Study Area.

Hours: Mon.-Fri.: 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m., Sat.: 11:00-4:00 p.m.

IOWA ARBORETUM

Staff:

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Heather Bass, Horticulturist

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1875 Peach Avenue

Madrid, IA 50156

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Website: www.iowaarboretum.org

Intern: Yes

Facilities: Meeting area/office building; 340-acre area includes 3 self-guided woodland trails with free printed guides available at the trailhead and 40-acre "Library of Living Plants" with hundreds of cultivated species

LIVING HISTORY FARMS

Address:

2600 111th Street

Urbandale, IA 50322

Phone: 515/278-5286

Fax: 515/278-9808

Website: www.lhf.org

Intern: Yes (25 per summer)

Program: Recreates the daily routines of Iowa farm life of four eras: 1700 Ioway Indian village; 1850 pioneer farm; 1875 frontier town; 1900 farm includes a Crop Center on 20th century agriculture; interpreters in period clothing demonstrate and explain the historical crafts and equipment of rural Iowa; scheduled tours for schools, as well as general self-paced tours; sites are connected by a transportation system of tractor-drawn carts

Facilities: 600 acres with 4 historical eras of Iowa agriculture

MISSISSIPPI RIVER MUSEUM

Staff: Mark Wagner, Director of Education

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Amber Majerus, Historical Education Supervisor

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Address:

National Mississippi River Museum & Aquarium

350 East 3rd Street

Dubuque, Iowa 52001

Phone: (563) 557-9545 Mark ext. 206

Fax: (563) 583-1241

Website: www.mississippirivermuseum.com

Intern: Yes

Facilities: National Mississippi River Museum and Aquarium, Mathias Ham House, Ryan House, Old Jail, William M. Black, paddle wheel boat.

E.E. Center: Yes

RACCOON RIVER PARK NATURE LODGE

Staff:

Melanie Perry, Naturalist

Email: Melanie.perry@wdm-ia.com

Address:

City of West Des Moines Park and Recreation

Raccoon River Nature Lodge

P.O. Box 65320

West Des Moines, IA 50265

Phone: 515/222-3435

Fax: 515/222-3658

Facilities: The Raccoon River Nature Lodge is a facility that currently focuses on rental space for the general public. The lodge does have a classroom that is used for environmental education programs and a small display area with stuffed mounts for public viewing.

E.E.Center: Yes

SOAR (Saving Our Avian Resources)

Staff:

Kay Neumann, Executive Director

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Address:

25494 320th Street

Dedham, IA 51440

Phone: 712/683-5555

Fax: 712/683-5535

Website: www.soarraptors.org

Internships: yes, qualifying for college credits

Program: Educational programming with live birds of prey for all ages, groups, and events

Facilities: Wildlife rehabilitation facility available for guided educational tours by appointment

South Dakota Game Fish and Parks

Staff:

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272 West Shore Drive

North Sioux City, SD 57049

Phone: 605-232-0873

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Website: www.sdgfp.info

Internships: yes

E.E. Center: Yes

