

Nebraska's Interstate Rest Areas



Rest Area Regulations

- No overnight parking or camping is allowed. Maximum length of stay permitted is eight (8) hours.
- No parking of vehicles outside designated areas.
- Consumption of alcoholic beverages of any kind, or the possession of open containers of such beverages, is prohibited.
- Loitering within or around rest room facilities or other buildings is prohibited.
- Littering is prohibited. Disposal of trash other than from travel vehicles in transit is prohibited. Disposal of garbage or trash from other sources is prohibited.
- Fires are permitted only in grills provided and must be extinguished after use.
- The moving, removing, destruction, defacing, or alteration of any state property is prohibited.
- Common pets must be on a leash at all times in the area and designated areas shall be used for pet exercise. Other animals shall be confined to a vehicle or appropriate carrier.
- Exhibiting or discharge of any firearms, pellet guns, BB guns, or other weapons is prohibited.
- Solicitation of voluntary donations is prohibited.

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All rest areas have full toilet facilities with hot and cold water, drinking fountains, public pay telephones, designated pet exercise areas, and are lighted at night. Parking areas and toilet buildings are all handicapped-accessible. Most areas contain historical plaques. Locations of individual rest areas and specific features at each area are listed below.

Milepost 431.60 – Melia Hill Rest Area (Westbound). Located 2 miles west of the Fish Hatchery Interchange, contains 11.4 acres and parking spaces for 12 trucks and 45 cars. The area has 9 covered picnic shelters, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

Milepost 425+08 – Platte River Rest Area ★ (Eastbound). Located about 4.2 miles east of the Greenwood Interchange, contains 36.8 acres and parking for 10 trucks and 45 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 6 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).
★ (*Memorial to the American Bandshell: By Richard Field*)

Milepost 405+12 – Lincoln Rest Area (Westbound). Located about 1 mile west of the Highway 77 Interchange, contains 33 acres and parking for 15 trucks and 60 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 6 open picnic tables, 2 children's play areas, and a tourist information station (*summer only*).

Milepost 375.50 – Goehner Rest Area (Westbound). Located 2 miles east of the Goehner Interchange, contains 9.3 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 4 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

Milepost 381.29 – Blue River Rest Area ★ (Eastbound). Located 1 mile west of the Milford Interchange, contains 17.3 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 8 covered picnic shelters, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).
★ (*Arrival: By Paul von Ringelheim*)

Milepost 355.23 – York Rest Area ★ (Westbound). Located 3 miles east of the York Interchange, contains 6.72 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 2 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).
★ (*Crossing the Plains: By Bradford Graves*)

Milepost 350.80 – York Rest Area (Eastbound). Located 3 miles west of the York Interchange, contains 2.02 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 4 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

Milepost 316.52 – Grand Island Rest Area (Westbound). Located 3 miles west of the Phillips Interchange, contains 5.2 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 7 covered picnic shelters, 2 open picnic tables, and a tourist information station (*summer only*).

Milepost 314.93 – Grand Island Rest Area ★ (Eastbound). Located 4 miles west of the Phillips Interchange, contains 23.5 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area presently has 7 covered picnic shelters, 2 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*). This area also includes a small lake for public fishing.
★ (*Emma's Desire: By John Raimondi*)

Milepost 270.94 – Kearney Rest Area ★ (Westbound). Located 2 miles west of Kearney, contains 22.3 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 4 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*). This area also includes a small lake for public fishing.
★ (*Nebraska Wind Sculpture: By George Baker*)

Milepost 269.04 – Kearney Rest Area (Eastbound). Located 3 miles west of Kearney, contains 7.4 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 5 covered picnic shelters, 2 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*). This area also includes a small lake for public fishing.

Milepost 227.46 – Cozad Rest Area (Westbound). Located 5 miles east of Cozad, contains 5.6 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 4 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

Milepost 226.73 – Cozad Rest Area (Eastbound). Located 5 miles east of Cozad, contains 7.9 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 4 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

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Milepost 194.35 – Brady Rest Area (Eastbound). Located 4 miles west of the Brady Interchange, contains 10.9 acres and parking spaces for 18 trucks and 45 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 4 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

Milepost 193.75 – Brady Rest Area ★ (Westbound). Located 4 miles west of the Brady Interchange, contains 55.9 acres and parking spaces for 22 trucks and 45 cars. The area has 10 covered picnic shelters, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*). This area also includes a small lake for public fishing.

★ (*Nebraska Gateway: By Anthony Padovano*)

Milepost 159.94 – Sutherland Rest Area (Westbound). Located 3 miles east of Sutherland, contains 11.4 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 2 open picnic tables, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

Milepost 159.60 – Sutherland Rest Area (Eastbound). Located 2 miles east of Sutherland, contains 16.2 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 4 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*). Historical site of original Oregon Trail – trail is still visible and preserved at this site. (*Part of O'Fallons Bluff. Listed in National Register of Historic Places.*)

Milepost 132.55 – Ogallala Rest Area ★ (Westbound). Located 4 miles east of Ogallala, contains 13.2 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 8 covered picnic shelters, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

★ (*Up/Over: By Linda Howard*)

Milepost 124.66 – Ogallala Rest Area (Eastbound). Located 3 miles west of Ogallala, contains 14.6 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 36 cars. The area has 10 covered picnic shelters, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

Milepost 87.64 – Chappell Rest Area (Westbound). Located 3 miles east of Chappell, contains 15.6 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters.

Milepost 82.40 – Chappell Rest Area (Eastbound). Located 3 miles west of Chappell, contains 17.8 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 8 covered picnic shelters.

Milepost 61.37 – Sidney Rest Area ★ (Westbound). Located about 8.4 miles west of the Sunol Interchange, contains 20.6 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 4 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

★ (*Roadway Confluence: By Hans Van de Bovenkamp*)

Milepost 51.40 – Sidney Rest Area (Eastbound). Located about 3 miles east of the Bronson Interchange, contains 77.8 acres and parking spaces for 12 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 4 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*). Observation area and "Golden Link" (*in I-80 roadway*) commemorating the completion of Interstate 80 in Nebraska.

Milepost 25 – Kimball Rest Area (Westbound). Located 2.6 miles east of the Kimball Southeast Interchange, contains 27.2 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 6 covered picnic shelters, 4 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

Milepost 9.83 – Kimball Rest Area (Eastbound). Located 1.3 miles east of the Bushnell Interchange, contains 16.5 acres and parking spaces for 7 trucks and 27 cars. The area has 8 covered picnic shelters, 2 open picnic tables, a children's play area, and tourist information station (*summer only*).

Primary System Rest Areas

McCook Rest Area – Located 2½ miles east on Highways 6 and 34, contains 21.9 acres, provides rest rooms with running water, parking spaces for 12 trucks and 18 cars. The area presently has 4 covered picnic shelters.

Pilger Rest Area – Located 3.3 miles west of the Junction of Highways 275 and 15, contains 10.6 acres, provides rest rooms with running water, parking spaces for 16 trucks and 27 cars. The area presently has 4 covered picnic shelters.

★ Indicates sculpture installed for national bi-centennial celebration – 1976. (*Sculpture Name: Artist*)