

Table 1. Closed Areas and Sanctuaries							
Upper Mississippi River National Wildlife and Fish Refuge							
From: Table 3 (revised*): Closed Areas and Sanctuaries**, Existing Conditions and CCP Actions Comprehensive Conservation Plan - CCP (Approved 2006), page 188							
Pool	Name	State	Existing conditions Acres / Status		CCP Acres / Status		Comments for CCP Actions
4	Nelson-Trevino	WI	3,773	Closed Area	0	Closed Area; Drop in 2009	Remains in effect until the 2009 waterfowl hunting season, then dropped.
4	Big Lake	WI	None		2,461	Closed Area; VA	Drop Buffalo Slough portion proposed in Alt. E, Draft. Drop travel corridor. Will not take effect until the 2009 waterfowl hunting season. Voluntary Avoidance (VA)
4	Rieck's Lake / Buffalo River	WI	Part of Peterson Lake		496	Closed Area; VA, no motors	This boundary configuration will not take effect until the 2009 waterfowl hunting season; no motors, VA
4	Peterson Lake	MN	3,111	Closed Area	677	Closed Area; no motors, VA	This boundary configuration will not take effect until the 2009 waterfowl hunting season; has travel corridor; no motors, VA; Rieck's Lake and Buffalo Slough are currently included in this area.
5	Weaver Bottoms/Lost Is.	MN-WI	3,139	Closed Area	3,508	Closed Area; VA	Drop boundary correction proposed in Alt. E Draft that added 185 acres on WI side; has travel corridor; VA
5	Spring Lake	WI	None		243	Closed Area; no motors; VA	No motors; VA
5A	Fountain City Bay	WI	None		24	Closed Area; no motors; VA	Site will be a closed area if land exchange with WDNR does not occur. No motors; VA
5A	Polander Lake	WI	1,589	Closed Area	1,907	Closed Area; VA	Has travel corridor; VA
6	Trempealeau NWR	WI	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	Part of existing closed area system; special regulations; 5520 acres
7	Lake Onalaska	WI	7,348	Closed Area	7,369	Traditional Closed Area	Adjust boundary at Proudfoot Slough and "Old channel" area, left descending bank at river mile 704.0. Has existing VA of 3,356 acres. No change from current regulations.

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			Acres / Status		Acres / Status		
8	Goose Island No Hunt Zone	WI	876	No Hunt Zone / Closed Area	986	No Hunt Zone / Closed Area; no motors; VA	Part of existing closed area system; has 110 acre expansion; no motors and VA.
8	Wisconsin Islands	MN-WI	6,510	Closed Area	6,510	Closed Area; VA	VA; adds slow, no wake zone in travel corridor on Raft Channel
9	Pool Slough	MN-IA	1,112	Closed Area	1,112	Sanctuary	Is adjacent to state (IA) sanctuary
9	Harpers Slough	IA-WI	5,209	Closed Area	5,209	Closed Area; VA	VA
10	Sturgeon Slough	WI	None		340	Closed Area; no motors; VA	No motors; VA
11	Guttenberg Ponds	IA	None		252	Sanctuary	Sanctuary located within 12-Mile Island Closed Area
11	12-Mile Island	IA	1,396	Closed Area	1,145	Closed Area; VA	Pool 11 portion of closed area; adds Swift Slough travel corridor; VA
11	Bertom McCartney Lake	WI	2,415	Closed Area	2,384	Traditional Closed Area	Does not include Bertom Island, a no entry area year round; no change from current regulations (no motor restriction or VA in this closed area).
11	Bertom Island	WI	None		31	Sanctuary	No entry year round. In B-M Lake closed area
11	John Deere Marsh	IA	None		439	Closed Area; no motors; VA	Includes travel corridor; no motors, VA
12	Kehough Slough	IL	None	343		Closed Area; no motors; VA	No motors; VA
13	Pleasant Creek	IA	2,603	Closed Area	2,067	Closed Area; VA	VA
13	Spring Lake	IL	3,686	Sanctuary	3,686	Sanctuary	Only existing sanctuary in Refuge; remains sanctuary
13	Elk River	IA	1,237	Closed Area	1,237	Closed Area; VA	VA

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14	Beaver Island	IA	None	717	Closed Area; no motors; VA	No motors; VA
Total Acres		44,544		43,683		
Total UMR Refuge Units		14 Closed Areas 1 Sanctuary		20 Closed Areas 4 Sanctuaries		
* Revision = through the final rule-making process (Federal Register, Sept. 7, 2007), Bertom Island (31 acres) was added to the list of sanctuaries. The closed area system increased by 31 acres to 43,683 acres. No entry is allowed year round on the island. It is located in the Bertom McCartney Lake closed area (Pool 11).						
** Closed Area, Existing Condition = closed to all migratory bird hunting. Other hunting and trapping is only allowed beginning the day after the close of the state duck hunting season, until season closure or March 15, whichever comes first, except turkey hunting is allowed during state seasons						
** Closed Area, CCP = closed to all migratory bird hunting. Other hunting and trapping is only allowed beginning the day after the close of the state duck hunting season, until season closure or March 15, whichever comes first, except turkey hunting is allowed during state seasons. The public will be asked to practice Voluntary Avoidance (VA) i.e. limiting entry, on all closed areas ("Large" and "Small") October 15 to the end of the respective state duck hunting season. In addition, there will be a "no motor" restriction on Small closed areas October 15 to the end of the regular state duck hunting season. Large closed areas are greater than 1,000 acres and small closed areas are ~1,000 acres or less. "No motors" means the use of motors on watercraft is not allowed.						
** Sanctuary = no entry October 1 to the end of the state duck season, except Bertom Island, Pool 11, is no entry year round.						

**Table 2. Managed / Special Hunts
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From : Table 5. Managed / Special Hunts
Comprehensive Conservation Plan - CCP (Approved 2006), page 192

Pool	Feature	State	Existing Acres	CCP Acres	Up-River Mile	Down-River Mile	Comments
7	Gibb's Lake	WI		<200	708.6	707.2	By October 1, 2006, complete a step-down hunting plan
10	Wisconsin River Delta	WI		1406	633.8	630.7	Closed to all hunting and trapping from Nov. 1 to the end of the state duck hunting season and voluntary avoidance during the same dates.
12	Blanding Landing Managed Hunt	IL	412		557.7	556.8	End managed hunt; open area to general hunting
13	Potter's Marsh Managed Hunt	IL	1,923	1,923	526.0	522.7	No permanent blinds; boat blinds only
	Total Acres		2,335	~3,530			
	Total Units		2	3			

**Table 3. Administrative No Hunting Zones.
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Pool	Feature	State	Existing or Proposed	Existing Acres	CCP Acres	Up-River Mile	Down-River Mile	Comments
4	Buffalo River	WI	P		215	756	755	Added in response to comment received during the waiting period that followed release of the Final EIS/CCP. Will not take effect until the 2009 hunting season.
7	Upper Halfway Creek Marsh	WI	E	141	141	708	707.5	No hunting for public safety/wildlife observation.
8	Hunter's Point	WI	E	82	82	691.2	690.4	No hunting for public safety.
10	Sturgeon Slough	WI	P		66	635.2	634.8	No hunting/trapping for public safety/wildlife observation.
11	Goetz Island Trail	IA	P		32	614.4	613.2	No hunting for public safety/wildlife observation.
13	Crooked Slough Backwater	IL	E	2467	2467	557	552.8	Was Savanna Army depot; contaminated; no entry
13	Crooked Slough Proper	IL	P		192	557	552.8	No hunting to avoid potential user conflicts
13	Mesquaki Lake/Great River Trail	IL	E	193	193	536.8	535.8	No hunting 3/1-9/30, and also no hunting year 'round within 150 yds. of Great River Tr. for public safety and to eliminate potential conflicts w/ hunters/bikers
13	Frog Pond	IL	E	64	64	535.8	535.3	No hunting for public safety/wildlife observation.
13	Ingersoll Learning Center	IL	E	41	41	533	532.5	No hunting for public safety/wildlife observation.
13	Thomson Prairie/Great River Trail	IL	E	76	76	527.5	525	No hunting for public safety/wildlife observation.

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13	Buffer – Potter’s Marsh blind mgmt.	IL	E	491	491	526	522.5	Extends 400 yds. W. of Potter’s Marsh hunting blind mgmt. zone to eliminate potential conflicts between duck blind hunters/other hunters.
			Units	8	12			
Total			Acres	3,555	4,060			

* *Administrative No Hunting Zones are closed to hunting for reasons of public health and safety, and to reduce user group conflicts. They are not intended to augment the waterfowl closed area system on the Refuge.*

Appendix A

Daily Log - Savanna District Disturbance Monitoring of Closed Areas – 2007

LOCATION (circle one) 1)Elk Rvr 2)Spr L Trap Unit 3)Spr L Sanct 4)Keh Sl 5)Bvr Isl 6) PI Crk

DATE: __/__/__ OBSERVER: _____

WEATHER CONDITIONS (Please check all that apply):

Sunny ____ Cloudy____ Partly Cloudy____ Windy____ Foggy____ Rain____ Snow____

WATERFOWL NUMBERS AND DISTURBANCE TOTALS BY TIME OF DAY:

Time	Total Waterfowl Present	Total # of Disturbances	Approx Temperature
0700	/	/	
0800	/	/	
0900	/	/	
1000	/	/	
1100	/	/	
1200	/	/	
1300	/	/	
1400	/	/	
1500	/	/	
1600	/	/	
1700	/	/	

TOTAL # OF DISTURBANCES ON THIS DATE: _____

ACTUAL HRS OBSRVTN- BEGIN: _____ END: _____

TOTAL HOURS OF OBSERVATION ON THIS DATE: _____

NOTES:

Appendix B.

Incident Data Sheet - Savanna District Disturbance Monitoring of Closed Areas - 2007

LOCATION (circle one): 1)Elk Rvr 2)Spr L Trap Unit 3)Spr L Sanct 4)Keh Sl 5)Bvr Isl 6) Pl Crk

DATE: ___/___/___ TIME OF INCIDENT: ___:___ OBSERVER: _____

BOAT ORIGIN: _____ BOAT DESTINATION: _____ [Diagram route of boat on attached map]

TYPE OF BOAT/ACTIVITY: _____ 1)Hunting 2)Fishing 3)Pleasure 4)Sailing 5)Airboat 6)Canoe 7)Commercial 8)Airplane 9)Government 10)Unknown

BOAT SPEED: _____ S)low M)oderate F)ast MOTOR: Yes_____ No _____

EVENT TYPE: _____ N)on-intrusion I)intrusion into proposed closed area

DISTURBANCE: ___ 1) NONE 2) MINOR [<1000 BIRDS] 3) MAJOR [>1000 BIRDS]
PROPORTION OF DISTURBED BIRDS INSIDE CLOSED AREA (%) _____

BIRD BEHAVIOR: _____ P)arted C)ircled _____ times M)oved to/direction of flight _____
AMOUNT OF TIME DISTURBED (minutes) _____

NUMBER OF BIRDS INVOLVED BY SPECIES

MALL ARD	SHOVE LER	PINTAI L	GADW ALL	WOOD DUCK	B WING TEAL	GWING TEAL	TNDRA SWAN	CANDA GEESE	CANVA SBACK	REDHE AD	UNKN

WEATHER CONDITIONS (Please check all that apply):

Sunny ___ Cloudy ___ Partly Cloudy ___ Windy ___ Foggy ___ Rain ___ Snow ___

Approximate Temperature (degrees Fahrenheit) _____

Notes

