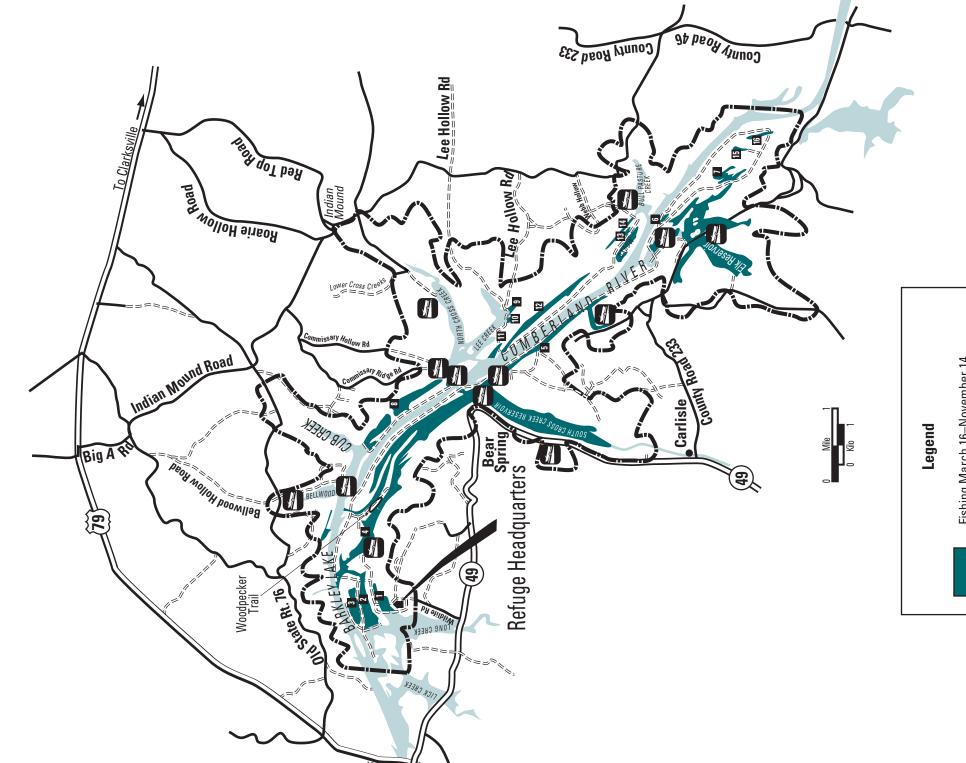
## **Cross Creeks**National Wildlife Refuge





Fishing March 16-November 14



Fishing Year-round

Office/Visitor Center



Pools/Impoundments 1–16









Boat Access (Improved and Unimproved)

Refuge Boundary



Woodpecker Trail: (1 mile) open March 16–November 14



Paved Road

**Gravel Road** 

Cross Creeks General **Provisions** 

Cross Creeks National Wildlife Refuge is one of over 500 national wildlife refuges. The primary objective of a national wildlife refuge is to provide habitat for the conservation of all species of fish and wildlife. Sport fishing is permitted at a level compatible with the environment, providing recreational opportunities and permitting the use of a renewable resource.

The regulations listed supplement the general regulations governing fishing on a national wildlife refuge as set forth in Title 50, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 33. Sport fishing will be in accordance with applicable state regulations, subject to the following special regulations.

Sport Fishing Regulations

Sport fishing on Cross Creeks National Wildlife Refuge is permitted on approximately 3,260 acres. The open season for Elk and South Cross Creek Reservoirs and all the refuge pools is from March 16 through November 14 during daylight hours. Sport fishing from a boat is permitted year-round, 24 hours a day, in the waters of Barkley Lake (see map for dates in specific areas).

Trotlines, limblines, jugs, and slat baskets are not permitted in the refuge reservoirs and pools.

Bows and arrows are prohibited.

We do not allow taking of frogs and turtles.

Boats are not to be left unattended on the refuge.

Fishing is prohibited from designated bridges.

Boats are restricted to "slow speed/ minimum wake" on all refuge pools. Take pride in your refuge. Report violations. Please take your litter with you when you leave.

The refuge may be closed to public entry due to floodwaters, nesting bald eagles or management purposes.

All vehicles must remain on maintained roads and parked so as not to interfere with other traffic, or parked in designated parking areas. Vehicle traffic around or through a closed gate is prohibited. Off-road vehicles are not permitted on the refuge.

Littering, vandalism or tampering with water control structures is strictly forbidden.

Public access to the refuge is limited to daylight use only, (30 minutes before sunrise to 30 minutes after sunset).

Facilities and activities accessible to the disabled are available. Please ask for details.

No entry beyond this sign. These signs are erected to minimize disturbance to waterfowl or other wildlife.



AREA

BEYOND THIS SIGN CLOSED

Delineates refuge boundary. Refuge property is behind the sign.



Motorized vehicles are not allowed beyond this sign.



Improved and unimproved boat launching ramp. (See map for ramp locations).



Designates parking lots. Please use these areas when available.

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