

Matagorda Island

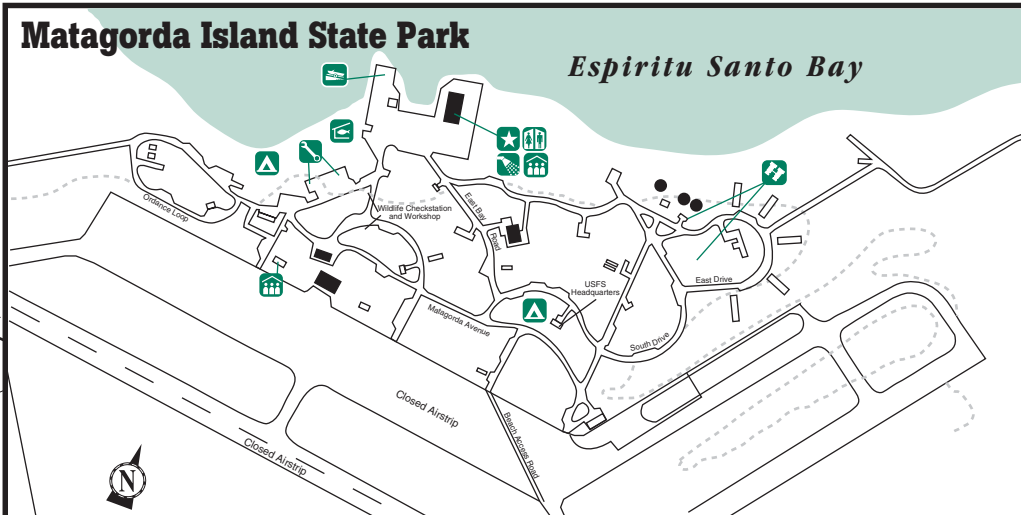
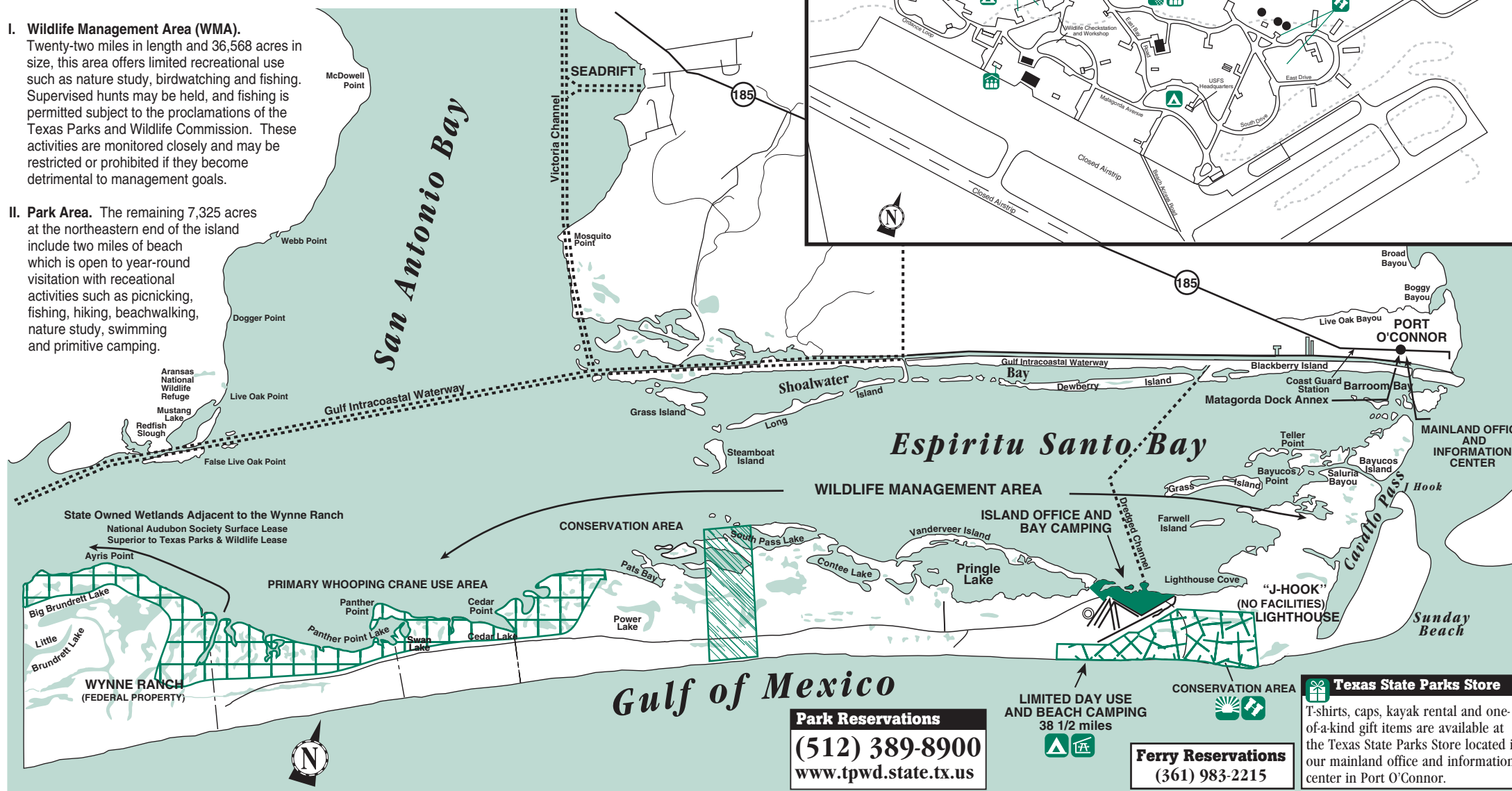
State Park and Wildlife Management Area

I. Wildlife Management Area (WMA).

Twenty-two miles in length and 36,568 acres in size, this area offers limited recreational use such as nature study, birdwatching and fishing. Supervised hunts may be held, and fishing is permitted subject to the proclamations of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission. These activities are monitored closely and may be restricted or prohibited if they become detrimental to management goals.

II. Park Area.

The remaining 7,325 acres at the northeastern end of the island include two miles of beach which is open to year-round visitation with recreational activities such as picnicking, fishing, hiking, beachwalking, nature study, swimming and primitive camping.



Legend:

- Visitor Center/ Museum
- State Parks Store
- Rest Rooms
- Showers
- Primitive Tent Sites
- Group Barracks
- Boat Dock
- Picnic Table
- Scenic View
- Bird Observation

- Park Recreation Areas
- Park Conservation Area
- Wildlife Conservation Area
- Primary Whooping Crane Use Area

- **Access.** The park operates a ferry service Thursday through Sunday. The island is about 2.5 miles wide (dock to beach); however, visitor transportation to beach areas is available.
- **Facilities.** There is limited docking space on the bay side. Rest rooms and hot showers are located in the Visitor Center. Shade is limited and visitors should provide shade or sun protection. The use of insect repellents is also suggested.

Park Reservations
(512) 389-8900
www.tpwd.state.tx.us

LIMITED DAY USE AND BEACH CAMPING
38 1/2 miles

Ferry Reservations
(361) 983-2215

Texas State Parks Store
T-shirts, caps, kayak rental and one-of-a-kind gift items are available at the Texas State Parks Store located in our mainland office and information center in Port O'Connor.

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