

Mission Statement

The Webster County Conservation Board exists to protect, manage and interpret our natural resources and open spaces for the benefit of present and future generations.

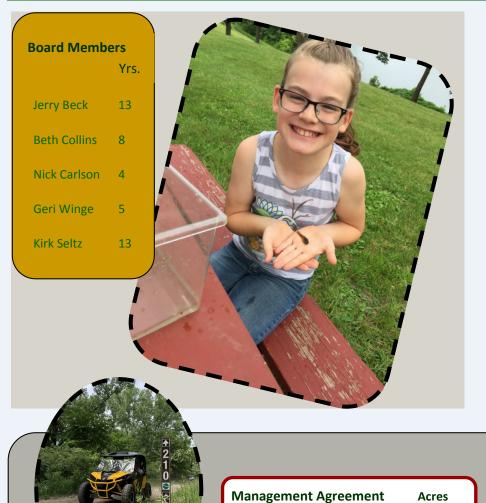
The Lodge at Camp Wa-No-Ki Becomes a Reality





Acres

Webster County's Natural Areas



Gypsum City OHV Park

1. Bob Hay Memorial Wildlife Area 225 2. Becker Wildlife Area 10 3. Carlson Recreation Area 176 4. Deer Creek Wildlife Area 17 5. Holiday Creek Wildlife Area 36 6. John F Kennedy Memorial Park 400 7. Lindquist Wildlife Sanctuary 7 8. Liska-Stanek Prairie 20 9. Lundgren Church Nature Park 1 10. Meier Memorial Marsh 35 11. Miller Marsh 185 12. Moorland Pond 23 13. Prairie Pond 18 14. Rossow Prairie 40 15. Skillet Creek Indian Mounds 19 7 16. The Diggings 17. Whispering Wings Marsh 20 18. Lentsch Access .28 19. Cunningham Access .28 20. Rasch Access 1.04 21. Kirchner-Seltz Youth Prairie 80 22. Camp Wanoki 80 **TOTAL** 1,400.6

Area

Land Management

Land Management Activity

Native Grass & CRP Seeding—public 10 acres Private acres seeded with CCB drill 60 acres **Prescribed Burning** 40 acres Acres of native seed ordered 88 acres Bridge & Ditch Clean-out plantings 20 100 Trees planted (South 1/2 of county) Canada Thistle spraying Leafy Spurge spraying (South 1/2 of county) **County Brush Contract** (4th tier)

Weed Complaints

800

2013-2

2014—3

2015—7

2016-8

2017-3

2018—3

2019-2





WCCB...Financial Report

EXPENDITURES—General Fund 2017-18 2018-19

Administration \$473,984 \$533,471

Operations & Maintenance \$228,013 \$216,760

EXPENDITURES—General Supplemental Fund \$173,864 \$188,087

EXPENDITURES—Rural Basic

Integrated Roadside Vegetation Mgmt. \$156,908 \$179,383

TOTAL EXPENDITURES \$1,032,769 \$1,117,701

MAJOR PROJECTS Eness Addition—Carlson Rec \$150,565

Yurt Kits \$ 39,420

Lodge Interior & Landscaping \$ 56,262

ICCC Tiny House \$ 13,000



Special Account Balance

REAP Account \$ 41,473

Conservation Trust \$206,504

| REVENUE | 2017-18 | 2018-19 |
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| Recreation Fees (Camping, Shelter, Rentals) | \$179,509 | \$204,280 |
| State Grants & Reimbursements | \$ 86,734 | \$126,264 |
| Rental (land & equip) | \$ 8,846 | \$ 7,621 |
| Sale of Wood, Publications, etc. | \$ 3,457 | \$ 10,344 |
| Other Income | \$ 18,350 | \$ 23,656 |
| TOTAL REVENUES | \$296,896 | \$372,165 |

2018-19 Highlights

- ▶ The Lodge at Camp Wa-No-Ki is completed and available for public rentals
- ► The Conservation Board completed a Parks, Facilities & Recreation Master Plan for all Conservation Board lands and facilities
- ► Webster County signs letter of intent with the Army Corps of Engineers for additional trail development using the Des Moines River Recreational Greenbelt Program
- ► The Conservation Board signs lease agreement with Dean & Sharon Henderson to construct a new water trail access on the Des Moines River Water Trail
- ► Board adopts a Land Acquisition Policy
- ▶ Board implements a Long Gun Policy (rifles & shotguns) for Park Rangers
- ► Department purchases a new 3-point drill through partnership with Webster County Secondary Roads and Webster County Pheasants Forever
- ► Webster County approves agreement with the City of Fort Dodge for mitigation oversight following the removal of the lowhead dams
- ▶ Board accepts .19 acre land transfer from the IDOT at Deer Creek Wildlife Area
- ▶ Boone, Hamilton & Webster Counties approve MOU with the Fort Dodge Convention & Visitors Bureau for administrative assistance with the Boone Forks Plan implementation



| STAFF | Yrs. |
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| Matt Cosgrove, Director | 23 |
| Cody Peterson, Operations Supervisor | 13 |
| Darren Herzog, Park Ranger | 12 |
| Brad Janssen, Park Ranger | 7 |
| Karen Hansen, EE Coordinator | 26 |

| Erin Ford, Naturalist | 14 |
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| Joni Hefley, Office Manager | 4 |
| Andy Stanberg, Vegetation Specialist | 7 |
| Tasha Nielsen, Trail/Natural Resource Tech. | 5 |
| Adam Moeding, Maint/ Natural Resource Tech. | 2 |
| Dave Scherff, PT Natural Resource Tech. | |
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TOTAL YEARS OF SERVICE = 147

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