

State Senator
Andrew Koenig
District 15
Hunting and Fishing Directory

A person wearing a hat and a plaid shirt is sitting in a small green boat on a calm lake. They are holding a fishing rod that extends across the water. The sky is a mix of orange, yellow, and blue, suggesting sunset or sunrise. The water reflects the colors of the sky. In the background, there is a dark line of trees.

Discover,
Missouri's
Outdoors

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Dear fellow conservationists,

As your state senator, I am always looking for ways to promote conservation and the responsible use of our state's natural resources. That is why I have prepared this booklet specifically for the constituents of the 15th Senatorial District. This publication contains just a snapshot of Missouri's best outdoor recreation areas located within a short drive from St. Louis.



Whether you want to catch fish, paddle a canoe, bike on a trail or simply take a hike through nature, we have included numerous places you can take the entire family. For the outdoor enthusiast willing to traverse the entire state, I encourage you to contact our office for more information.

The state of Missouri has one of the finest conservation departments in the country. I hope this guide provides your family with the information you need to begin your next adventure into our state's great outdoors.

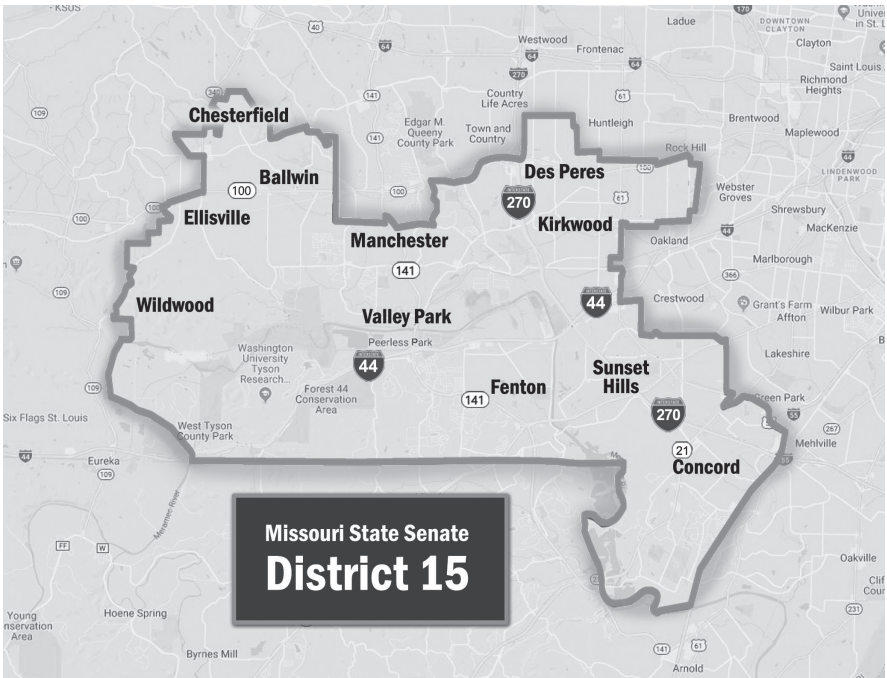
Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Andrew Koenig".

State Sen. Andrew Koenig, District 15

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The 15th Senatorial District is comprised of parts of West and South St. Louis County.

HUNTING SEASONS

Missouri offers some of the best deer, turkey, waterfowl and small game hunting in the nation.

Deer hunting seasons are typically scheduled for the late fall and early winter months. Turkey hunting season dates vary from the late fall to early winter months and usually include a spring hunting season.

Please visit www.huntfish.mdc.mo.gov to learn more about Missouri's hunting season dates and regulations, and for more information on the permits required during certain seasons.

If you witness or suspect a wildlife violation, report it to your local conservation agent or call the toll-free number 1-800-392-1111 - which is operated 24 hours a day.



SPECIES WITH HUNTING/TRAPPING SEASONS IN MISSOURI

Below is a list of species that have hunting and/or trapping seasons in Missouri. For full information on hunting season dates, requirements and regulations per species, please visit the Department of Conservation's website or call the department at 573-751-4115.

Small Animals

Bullfrog and Green Frog
Squirrel
Rabbit
Groundhog
Badger
Opossum
Otter and Muskrat Raccoon
Striped Skunk

Other

Beaver and Nutria
Bobcat
Coyote
Deer
Fox
Mink

Fowl

Brant Geese
Canada Geese
Common Snipe
Crow
Dove
Ducks
Light Geese
Greater White-Fronted Geese
Pheasant
Quail
Sora and Virginia Rails
Turkey

Fishing

For information on the various fishing seasons in Missouri, please visit www.huntfish.mdc.mo.gov or call the department at 573-751-4115.



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Department of
Conservation's
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**Purchase,
Store and
View Digital
Hunting,
Fishing and
Trapping
Permits!**

**Notch and
Telecheck
your
Harvest!**

PUBLIC HUNTING AND FISHING AREAS

Hunting and fishing can be enjoyed in a number of public areas in and around the 15th Senatorial District. Site-specific details can be found online at www.nature.mdc.mo.gov/discover-nature/places.

Columbia Bottom Conservation Area

Things to Do:*Bird Watching**Fishing:* Catfish*Hunting:* Deer, Dove,*Squirrel, Waterfowl**Trails:* Biking, Hiking

Address: 801 Strodtman Road, St. Louis, MO 63138

Directions: In north St. Louis County, take the Riverview Drive exit from I-270, then Riverview north about 2.5 miles to the area.

Howell Island Conservation Area

**Things to Do:***Bird Watching**Camping:* Boat-in along Missouri River*Fishing:* Catfish, Crappie*Hunting:* Deer, Squirrel, Turkey*Trails:* Biking, Hiking*Trapping*

Directions: From eastbound I-64, exit onto Chesterfield Airport Road and take Olive Street/Eatherton Road 3 miles west to the area entrance. From westbound I-64, exit onto Long Road and take Chesterfield Airport Road west 2 miles, then Olive Street/Eatherton Road west 3 miles to the area entrance.

Pacific Palisades Conservation Area

Things to Do:

Bird Watching

Fishing: Black Bass,
Catfish, Crappie,
Sunfish, White Bass

Hunting: Deer, Dove,
Rabbit, Squirrel, Turkey

Trapping



Address: 1648 Buscher Road, Pacific, MO 63069

Directions: The Jefferson County portion of the area is 1.5 miles south of Pacific on Route F, then 0.1 mile east on English Road. The boat ramp is in St. Louis County; from I-44 take Exit 261 south to Business Loop 44, then west to Dozier Crossing, then south across the railroad tracks and west on Franklin Road to the access.

Pelican Island Conservation Area



Things to Do:

Bird Watching

Fishing: Catfish,
Crappie

Hunting: Deer

Address: Carrico Road, Florissant, MO 63034

Directions: In north St. Louis County, near Sioux Passage Park on the Missouri River. Public access is by boat only.

Saint Stanislaus Conservation Area

Things to Do:

Bird Watching

Fishing: Catfish,

Crappie

Hunting: Deer,

Turkey

Trails: Hiking

Trapping



Directions: In Hazelwood, take Hwy 370 to Exit 9 (Earth City Expressway/Hwy 141). Travel north on Missouri Bottom Road. Stay straight on Aubuchon Road at the junction with Missouri Bottom Road (Missouri Bottom road turns east). Go 2.4 miles north to area entrance.

Weldon Spring Conservation Area



Directions: Accessible from several parking areas along Hwy 94, south of I-64.

Things to Do:

Bird Watching

*Camping: Boat-in
along Missouri
River*

*Fishing: Black Bass,
Catfish, Crappie,
Sunfish, White Bass*

*Hunting: Deer,
Dove, Rabbit,
Squirrel, Turkey,
Waterfowl*

*Trails: Biking,
Hiking*

Trapping

BIRDWATCHING

Many of the hunting and fishing areas around St. Louis County also provide opportunities to birdwatch. Discover a wide variety of Missouri's beautiful birds and waterfowls at the following locations around St. Louis County:

- August G. Beckemeier Conservation Area
- Bellefontaine Conservation Area
- Columbia Bottom Conservation Area
- Forest 44 Conservation Area
- Howell Island Conservation Area
- Pacific Palisades Conservation Area
- Pelican Island Conservation Area
- Possum Woods Conservation Area
- Powder Valley Conservation Area
- Rockwoods Reservation
- Saint Stanislaus Conservation Area



Get tips, tricks, gear recommendations and more information about where to bird watch across Missouri and other resources by visiting www.nature.mdc.mo.gov.



BIKING

Bicycling is one of the most popular activities in Missouri's state parks. With its rolling hills and varied landscapes, our state is a cyclist's dream. Missouri has plenty to offer bicyclists of all levels of interest and fitness.

The Missouri Bicycle and Pedestrian Federation also offers information regarding different biking trails and options.

Looking for bicycling events in your area? Check out upcoming events at Missouri State Parks by visiting www.mostateparks.com/activity/bicycling.



KATY TRAIL

One of Missouri's most prominent trails is the Katy Trail, which stretches across most of the state. Over half of the 237-mile trail follows Lewis and Clark's historic journey along the Missouri River.

Along the trail, you can ride beneath towering river bluffs while eagles circle overhead. After leaving the river, the trail meanders through peaceful farmland and small-town America.

The Katy Trail is ideal for hiking, running or cycling on just about any kind of bike. Horseback riding is also allowed on a 35-mile section of the trail, from Sedalia to Clinton.



Runners love to use the Katy Trail for long distance runs, because it is flat and scenic and the crushed limestone trail surface is easy on their legs. The only drawback is there are long distances without access to water, so runners and hikers are encouraged to carry their own water. Certain parts of the trail do, however, provide easy access to restaurants and other facilities as you travel along.



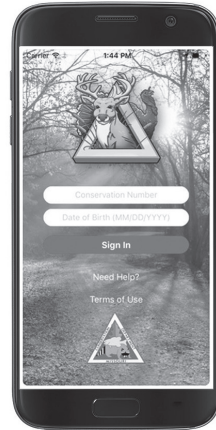
CONSERVATION AREAS

Most Missourians are within a 30-minute drive of a conservation area. For more information about conservation areas near you, please visit www.nature.mdc.mo.gov.



MISSOURI OUTDOORS APP

Download the
Missouri
Department of
Conservation's MO
Outdoors app.
Search "MO
Outdoors" in your
phone's app store.



The Missouri Department of Conservation also offers an app to explore the outdoors. You can narrow your search based on whether you are interested in birdwatching, fishing, hiking, camping, hunting or shooting. Selecting an option from the guide displays a list of areas where you can enjoy that activity.

CONSERVATION DISTRICT AREA CONTACTS

Conservation agents are assigned to each county in Missouri and provide a wide variety of programs and resources to their assigned communities.

Conservation Headquarters

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Conservation

The Missouri Department of Conservation provides opportunities for everyone to use, enjoy and learn about the state's fish, forest and wildlife resources. To find out how to get involved, please visit www.mdc.mo.gov/contact-engage.

Chronic Wasting Disease has been detected in Missouri's deer population. To learn more about this fatal disease, please visit www.huntfish.mdc.mo.gov/hunting-trapping/wildlife-diseases.

If you witness or suspect a wildlife violation, report it to your local conservation agent or call the toll-free number — 1-800-392-1111 — which is accessible 24 hours a day.

Parks

The Missouri Department of Natural Resources provides tourism information through its website. Please visit www.mostateparks.com to plan your next great adventure.



HUNTER SAFETY COURSE INFORMATION

How do I get my firearm hunting permit card?

1. Study and pass the Missouri Hunter Education Course.

The online course costs \$15. To complete your hunter safety course visit www.hunter-ed.com/missouri.

2. Complete the age-dependent certification requirements.

If you are 16 years or older, after successfully completing the online course, you should immediately print out your proof of online course completion.

If you are under 16 years of age, you should immediately print out your proof of online course completion, which you will need to bring with you to the Hunter Education Skills Session.

3. Obtain your Conservation Permit Card.

If you are 16 years or older, your permanent Conservation Permit Card will be mailed to you by the Missouri Department of Conservation.

If you are under 16 years of age, you will receive your permanent Conservation Permit Card after successfully completing the Hunter Education Skills Session.

For more information, please visit www.hunter-ed.com/missouri.

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