

**Closed Areas, Sanctuaries, No Hunting Zones, and Managed Hunts
Upper Mississippi River NW&FR
Nelson/Stemper April 2009**

	Pre-CCP Number of Units / Acres		CCP implemented, 2007 and 2008 Number of Units / Acres		CCP Planned 2009 Conditions Number of Units / Acres		Comments for CCP Actions
Managed Hunts	2	2,434	1	1,923	1	1,923	Wisconsin River Delta included in Closed Area tally.
Grand Total	25	50,533	36	54,461	39	51,162	
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4	Nelson-Trevino	WI	3,773	Closed Area	3,773	Closed Area prior to 2009	0	Open to Hunting in 2009	
4	Big Lake	WI	Open to Hunting		Open to Hunting pre-2009		2,210	Closed Area; VA	VA = Voluntary Avoidance
4	Rieck's Lake	WI	Part of Peterson Lake closed Area		496	Closed Area	499	Closed Area; VA; No motors	
4	Peterson Lake	MN	3,111	Closed Area	3,111	Closed Area	572	Closed Area; VA; no motors	Has travel corridor.
5	Weaver Bottoms/Lost Is.	MN-WI	3,139	Closed Area	3,139	Closed Area	3,508	Closed Area; VA	Has travel corridor.
5	Spring Lake	WI	Open to Hunting		243	Closed area, VA; no motors	254	Closed Area; VA; no motors	
5A	Polander Lake	MN-WI	1,589	Closed Area	1,907	Closed Area	1,873	Closed Area; VA	Has travel corridor
6	Trempealeau NWR	WI	n/a	n/a	0	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	Closed Area; with pre-2006 VA section	7,366	Traditional Closed Area	Has pre-2006 VA of 3,365 acres. No change from pre-2006 regulations.
8	Goose Island No Hunt Zone	WI	876	No hunt zone and closed area	986	No Hunt Zone / Closed Area	984	No Hunt Zone / Closed Area; VA; no motors	Part of existing closed area system.
8	Wisconsin Islands	MN-WI	6,510	Closed Area	6,510	Closed Area	6,538	Closed Area; VA	Includes no wake zone in travel corridor or Raft Channel
9	Pool Slough	MN-IA	1,112	Closed Area	1,112	Sanctuary	1,126	Sanctuary	Is adjacent to state (IA) sanctuary
9	Harpers Slough	IA-WI	5,209	Closed Area	5,209	Closed Area	5,209	Closed Area; VA	
10	Sturgeon Slough Closed Area	WI	Open to Hunting		340	Closed Area; VA; no motors	340	Closed Area; VA; no motors	
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10	12-Mile Island	IA	540	Closed Area	540	Closed Area; VA; no motors	540	Closed Area; VA; no motors	
11	Guttenberg Ponds	IA	Part of 12-Mile Island Closed Area		252	Sanctuary	252	Sanctuary	Sanctuary located within 12-Mile Island Closed Area
11	12-Mile Island	IA	1,396	Closed Area	1,396	Closed Area	1,139	Closed Area; VA	
11	Bertom McCartney Lake	WI	2,415	Closed Area	2,384	Closed Area	2,384	Traditional Closed Area	VA not in place.
11	Bertom Island	WI	Within Bertom McCartney Closed Area		31	Sanctuary	31	Sanctuary	No entry year round
11	John Deere Marsh	IA	Open to Hunting		439	Closed Area; VA; no motors	439	Closed Area; VA; no motors	Has travel corridor.

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13	Pleasant Creek	IA	2,603	Closed Area	2,067	Closed Area; VA	2,191	Closed Area; VA	
13	Spring Lake	IL	3,686	Sanctuary	3,686	Sanctuary	3,697	Sanctuary	
13	Elk River	IA	1,237	Closed Area	1,237	Closed Area; VA; no motors	1,248	Closed Area; VA	
14	Beaver Island	IA	Open to Hunting		717	Closed Area; VA; no motors	864	Closed Area; VA; no motors	
Total Acres			44,544		48,693		45,011		
Total UMR Refuge Units			14 closed areas 1 sanctuary		20 closed areas 4 sanctuaries		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. No entry is allowed year round on the island

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****Sanctuary** = no entry October 1 to the end of the state duck season, except Bertom Island, Pool 11, is no entry year round.

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5A	Fountain City Bay	WI	Open to Hunting		Remained Open to Hunting		24	No Hunting Zone	
7	Upper Halfway Creek Marsh	WI	141	No Hunting Zone	141	No Hunting Zone	143	No Hunting Zone	
7	Mathy Tract (Brice Prairie)	WI	Not in Refuge until Aug 2008		Not in Refuge until Aug. 2008		75	No Hunting Zone	Will establish no hunting zone in 2009.
8	Hunter's Point	WI	82	No Hunting Zone	82	No Hunting Zone	82	No Hunting Zone	
10	Sturgeon Slough	WI	Open to Hunting		66	No Hunting Zone	66	No Hunting Zone	
11	Goetz Island Trail	IA	Open to Hunting		32	No Hunting Zone	31	No Hunting Zone	
13	Crooked Slough Backwater	IL	2,467	No Hunting Zone	2,467	No Hunting Zone	2,453	No Hunting Zone	Contaminants present; no entry.
13	Crooked Slough Proper	IL	Open to Hunting		192	No Hunting Zone	270	No Hunting Zone	No hunting zone to avoid potential user conflicts.
13	Mesquaki Lake/Great River Trail	IL	193	No Hunting Zone	193	No Hunting Zone	193	No Hunting Zone	
13	Frog Pond	IL	64	No Hunting Zone	64	No Hunting Zone	64	No Hunting Zone	
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13	Buffer - Potter's Marsh Managed Hunt Area	IL	491	No Hunting Zone	491	No Hunting Zone	491	No Hunting Zone	
Total Acres			3,555		3,845		4,228		
Total Units			8		11		14		

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