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Fishing



Introduction

Refuge areas are open for fishing one half-hour before sunrise to one halfhour after sunset. There is road access to most waters, foot travel to others. Refuge waters for fishing include Hanks Road (1-acre pond and stream access), Pool 9 (some bank fishing and non-powered-boat fishing), Meyers Pond (15 acres), Pool K (10 acres with access for disabled anglers). Reitz Pond (5 acres), and Muddy and Dead Creeks. All fishing seasons are in accordance with Pennsylvania state regulations. Available species include rainbow, brook and brown trout, largemouth bass, yellow perch, bluegill, sunfish, carp, crappie and bullhead.

Public Fishing Areas (see maps)

1 Woodcock Creek at north end from northern refuge boundary, upstream or south past Hickory Corners Rd. 627 about one-tenth of a mile.

- 2 Woodcock Overlook Pond—west side of Hanks Road.
- 3 Woodcock Creek south downstream from Hanks Road for 150 feet.
- Pool 4 outlet—downstream from Shaffer Road for 150 feet.
- Pool 9 dike area—bank fishing on the dike and below the dike along Lake Creek for about 400 feet.
 Boats without motors and ice fishing upstream from the dike north to Area Closed signs (3000').
- 6 Meyers Ponds
- Pool K—bank fishing along dike and 300 feet of southwestern shore.
- 8 Reitz Pond dike.
- Bank fishing all creeks and beaver ponds in the Seneca Unit, with the exception of the closed area (north of Muddy Creek and west of Swamp Road) from Jan. 15 - Aug. 15.



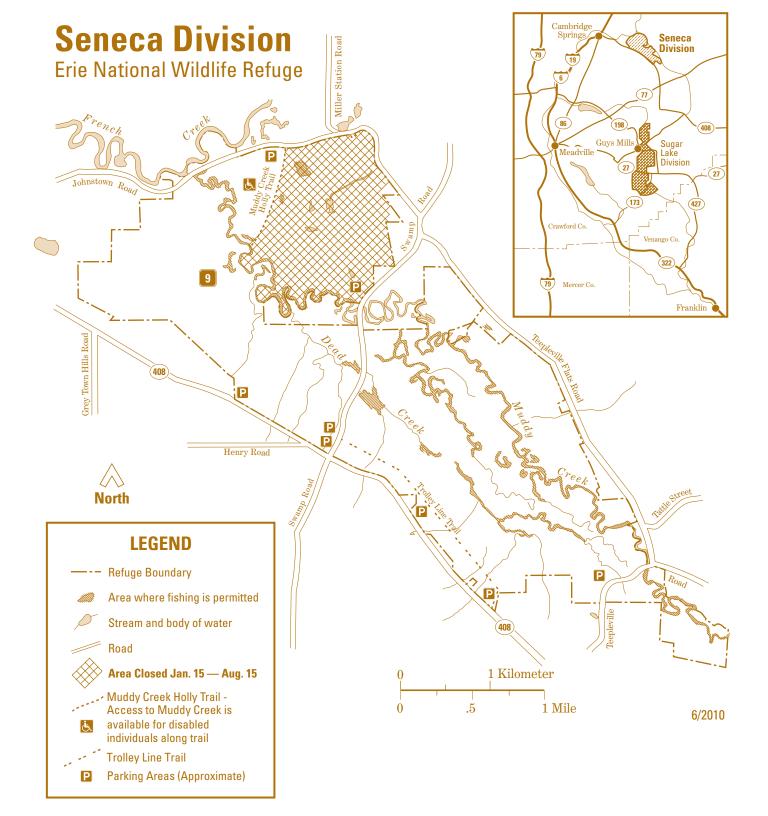
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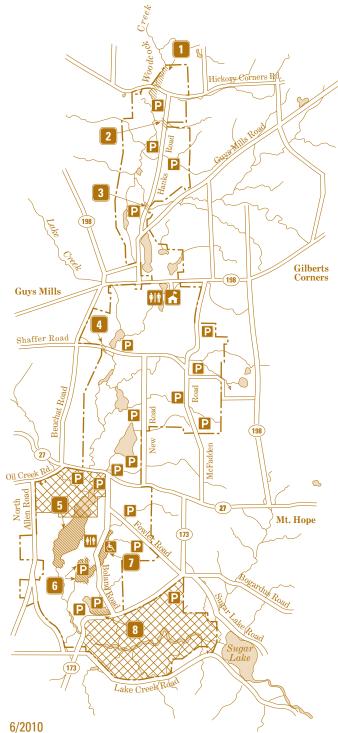
Conditions

Fishing access is available for disabled individuals at Pool K (on the Sugar Lake Division), and on Muddy Creek via Muddy Creek Holly Trail (on the Seneca Division).

All fishing must be in compliance with PA Fish & Boat Commission regulations and the following special conditions.

- 1. Area 9 is open to bank fishing only. Wading is not permitted.
- 2. Fishing is permitted from ½ hour before sunrise till ½ hour after sunset.
- 3. Boats (without motors) are only permitted in Area 5 and only from the second Saturday in June through September 15. Boats must remain in an area from the dike to Area Closed signs (3000' upstream).
- 4. All watercraft must be removed from the refuge within ½ hour after sunset.
- 5. Ice fishing is permitted in Areas 5 and 7 only.
- 6. The taking of frogs is prohibited.
- 7. The use or possession of live baitfish is prohibited on the Seneca Unit.
- 8. The taking or possessing of shellfish is prohibited.





Sugar Lake Division Erie National Wildlife Refuge



North