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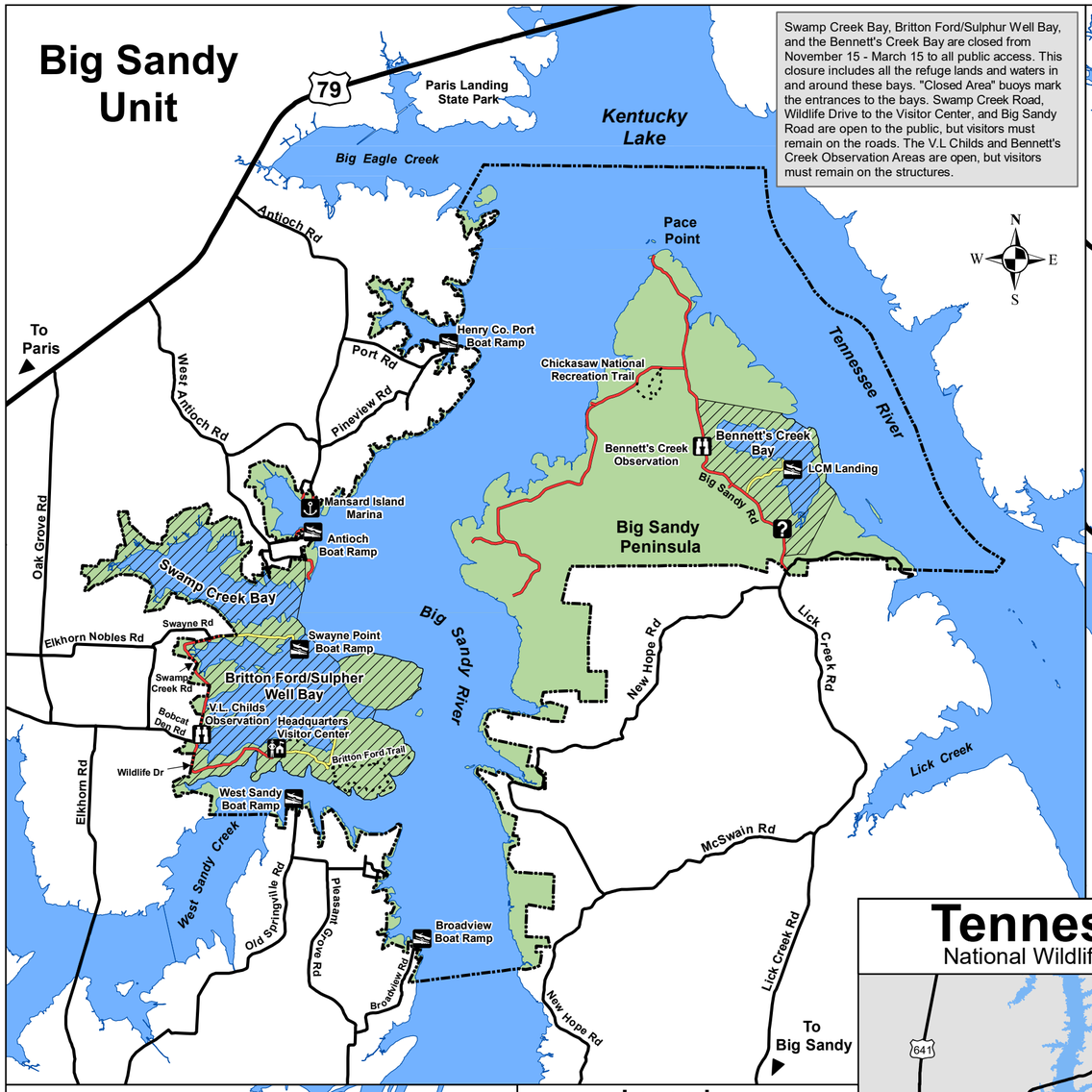
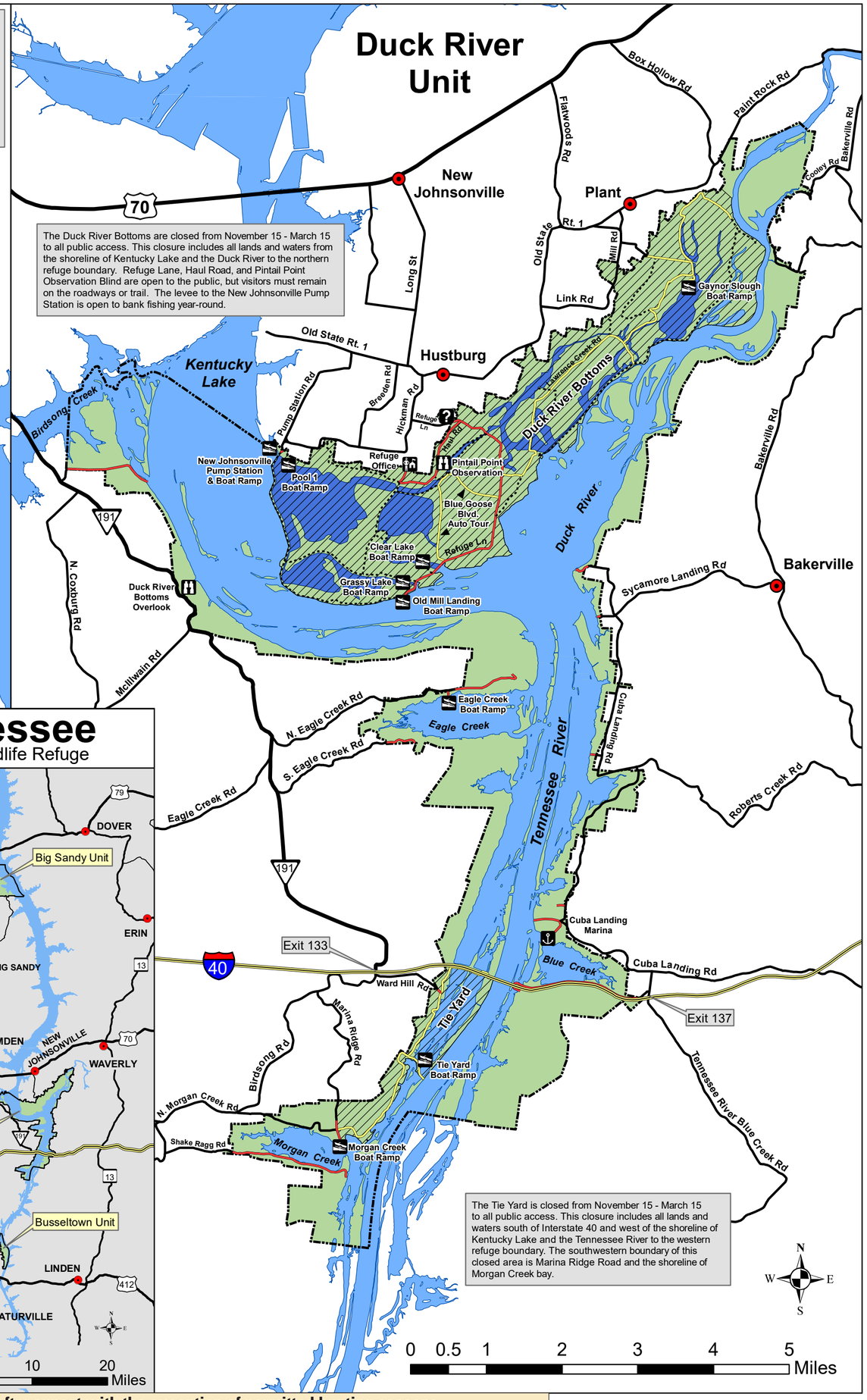
Big Sandy Unit

Swamp Creek Bay, Britton Ford/Sulphur Well Bay, and the Bennett's Creek Bay are closed from November 15 - March 15 to all public access. This closure includes all the refuge lands and waters in and around these bays. "Closed Area" buoys mark the entrances to the bays. Swamp Creek Road, Wildlife Drive to the Visitor Center, and Big Sandy Road are open to the public, but visitors must remain on the roads. The V.L Childs and Bennett's Creek Observation Areas are open, but visitors must remain on the structures.



Duck River Unit

The Duck River Bottoms are closed from November 15 - March 15 to all public access. This closure includes all lands and waters from the shoreline of Kentucky Lake and the Duck River to the northern refuge boundary. Refuge Lane, Haul Road, and Pintail Point Observation Blind are open to the public, but visitors must remain on the roadways or trail. The levee to the New Johnsonville Pump Station is open to bank fishing year-round.



The Tie Yard is closed from November 15 - March 15 to all public access. This closure includes all lands and waters south of Interstate 40 and west of the shoreline of Kentucky Lake and the Tennessee River to the western refuge boundary. The southwestern boundary of this closed area is Marina Ridge Road and the shoreline of Morgan Creek bay.

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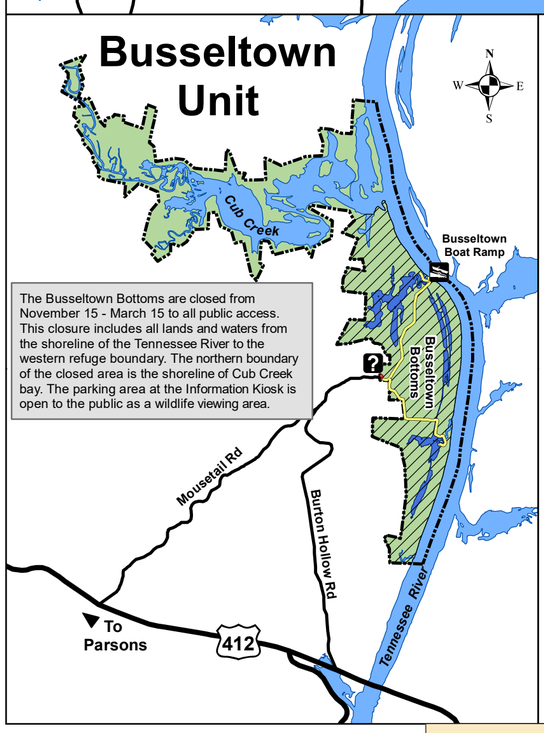
Busseltown Unit

The Busseltown Bottoms are closed from November 15 - March 15 to all public access. This closure includes all lands and waters from the shoreline of the Tennessee River to the western refuge boundary. The northern boundary of the closed area is the shoreline of Cub Creek bay. The parking area at the Information Kiosk is open to the public as a wildlife viewing area.



Legend

Refuge Roads

- Paved Access Road (open year-round)
- Refuge Road (open year-round)
- Road Closed Nov. 15 - Mar. 15
- Foot Traffic Only Mar. 16 - Nov. 14 in Closed Areas

Refuge Lands

- Refuge Boundary
- Impoundments
- Kentucky Lake
- Refuge Lands
- Closed Area (Nov. 15 - Mar. 15)

Refuge Facilities

- Refuge Office/Visitor Center
- Boat Ramps
- Information Kiosk
- Observation Deck
- Marina

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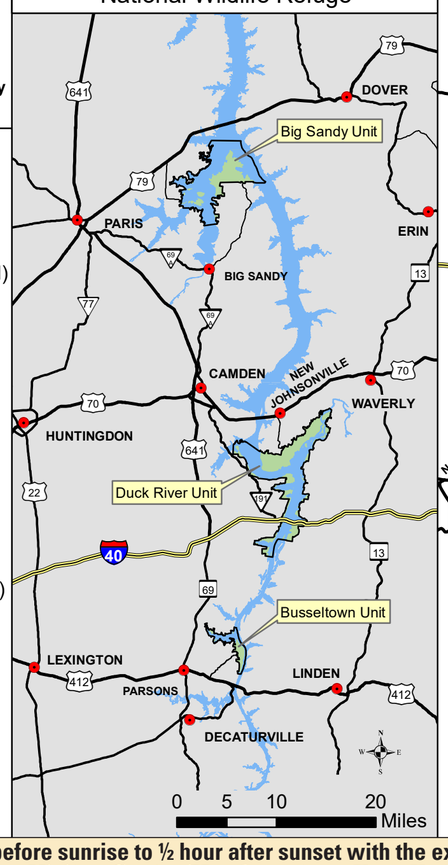

The refuge is open daily ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset with the exception of permitted hunting seasons.

Visitor Center/Headquarters, Free Entry

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