

Buttin Rock Access

Fifteen-Year Area Management Plan FY 2016-2030



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OVERVIEW

- **Official Area Name:** Buttin Rock Access, #9531
- **Year of Initial Acquisition:** 1995 (Owned by the Missouri Department of Conservation and leased to the of Eminence since January 2012.)
- **Acreage:** 9.68 acres
- **County:** Shannon
- **Division with Administrative Responsibility:** Forestry
- **Division with Maintenance Responsibility:** Maintained by City of Eminence
- **Statements of Purpose**
 - A. Strategic Direction**

Provide limited public access to Jacks Fork River for fishing, canoeing, tubing and other recreational opportunities.
 - B. Desired Future Condition**

The desired future condition of Buttin Rock Access is a forested river access along the Jacks Fork River.
 - C. Federal Aid Statement**

N/A

GENERAL INFORMATION AND CONDITIONS

- I. Special Considerations**
 - A. Priority Areas:** Upper Jacks Fork Conservation Opportunity Area, Priority Forest Landscape
 - B. Natural Areas:** None

- II. Important Natural Features and Resources**
 - A. Species on Conservation Concern:** Species of conservation concern are known from this area. Area Managers should consult the Natural Heritage Database annually and review all management activities with the Natural History Biologist.
 - B. Caves:** None
 - C. Springs:** None

- III. Existing Infrastructure**
 - 1 canoe/small watercraft access
 - 1 parking lot

IV. Area Restrictions or Limitations

- A. Deed Restrictions of Ownership Considerations:** Leased to the City of Eminence under 25-year agreement (January 27, 2012).
- B. Federal Interest:** Federal funds may be used in the management of this land. Fish and wildlife agencies may not allow recreational activities and related facilities that would interfere with the purpose for which the State is managing the land. Other uses may be acceptable and must be assessed in each specific situation.
- C. Easements:** None
- D. Cultural Resource Findings:** No known cultural resources.
- E. Hazards and Hazardous Materials:** None observed.
- F. Endangered Species:** Endangered Species are known from this area. Area Managers should consult the Natural Heritage Database annually and review all management activities with the Natural History Biologist.
- G. Boundary Issues:** Establishing accurate and identifiable boundary markers is a priority for this property.

MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

V. Terrestrial Resource Management Considerations

Challenges and Opportunities:

- 1) Remove or treat invasive species.
- 2) Maintain adequate riparian corridors.

Management Objective 1: Remove or treat invasive species.

Strategy 1: Area Manager will periodically inspect site and treat any invasive species. (Forestry)

Management Objective 2: Maintain adequate riparian corridors.

Strategy 1: Address any forest health issues. (Forestry)

VI. Aquatic Resource Management Considerations

Challenges and Opportunities:

- 1) Maintain stable stream banks.

Management Objective 1: Maintain stable stream banks along the Jacks Fork River.

Strategy 1: Address any stream bank stabilization issues. (Design and Development, Fisheries)

VII. Public Use Management Considerations

Challenges and Opportunities:

- 1) Provide public access for recreational uses of the Jacks Fork River.
- 2) Ensure City of Eminence is maintaining clean and safe access to the Jacks Fork River.

Management Objective 1: Maintain good working relationship with City of Eminence to facilitate compliance with conditions of lease agreement.

Strategy 1: Area Manager will periodically inspect site conditions and advise the City of Eminence of any concerns. (Forestry)

Management Objective 2: Ensure proper use of the area by all users.

Strategy 1: Conservation agents will periodically provide law enforcement presence in cooperation with other local law enforcement agencies. (Protection)

VIII. Administrative Considerations

Challenges and Opportunities:

- 1) Explore strategies to prevent vandalism and littering on the area.

Management Objective 1: Prevent vandalism and littering at the access.

Strategy 1: Encourage and recruit the public (e.g., businesses, organizations, individuals) to participate in the Adopt-an-Access program. (Forestry)

MANAGEMENT TIMETABLE

All strategies for this management plan are considered ongoing.

APPENDICES

Area Background:

This access provides limited river access to the Jacks Fork River; suitable as a canoe and small watercraft put in and take out.

Current Land and Water Types:

Land/Water Type	Acres	Feet	% of Area
Gravel Wash	6.58		68
Riverfront Forest	1.7		18
Streambank / Riverbank	1.4		14
Total	9.68		100%
Stream Frontage		1,472	

Public Input Summary:

The draft Buttin Rock Access Area Management Plan was available for a public comment period August 1-31, 2015. The Missouri Department of Conservation received no comments during this time period.

Maps:

Figure 1: Area Map

Figure 2: Aerial Map

Figure 3: Topographic Map

Figure 1: Area Map

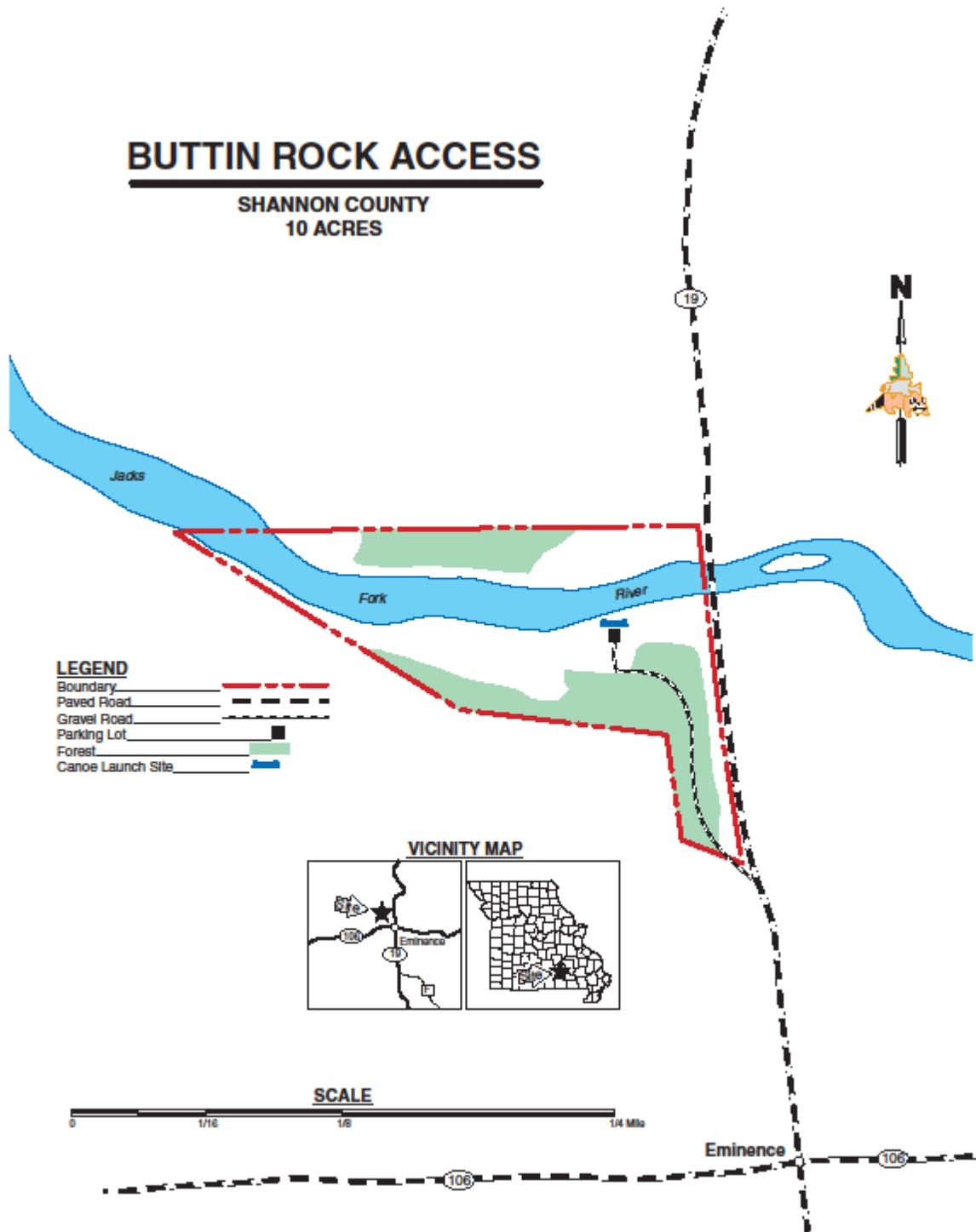


Figure 2: Aerial Map



Figure 3: Topographic Map

