

Round Lake Wetland Conservation Area & Nature Preserve

County: Starke

Size: 140 acres

Ownership: Nature Preserves - IDNR; Fish and Wildlife - IDNR



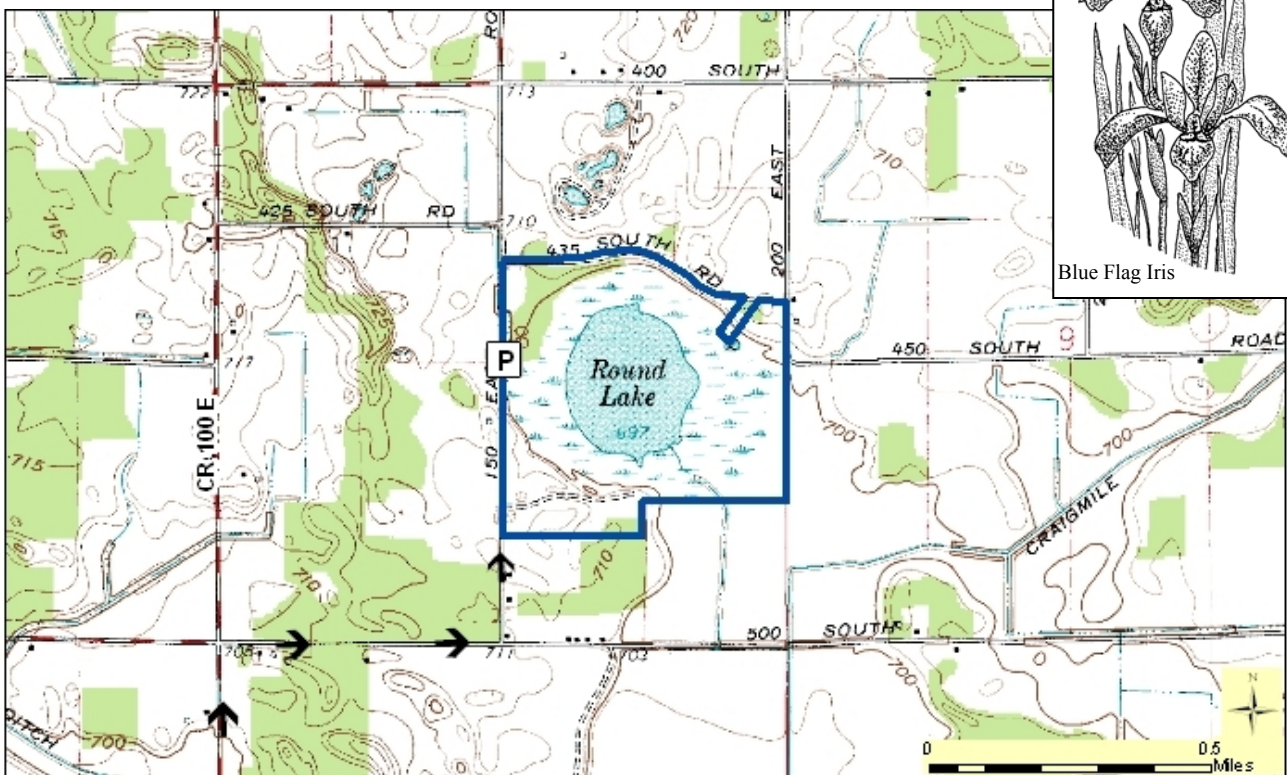
Location and Access

Parking. No trail. Visitors should use caution as hunting is allowed in season.

From North Judson go 5 miles east on SR 10 to CR 100E. Turn north on CR 100E, then east on CR 500S. Turn north on CR 150E and go 0.5 mile to a lane leading east into the preserve. You may park in the turn-around at the end of the lane.



Blue Flag Iris



Description: This area is managed both as a wetland conservation area and nature preserve. It includes the entire shore of Round Lake and its surrounding wetlands. This muck-bottomed lake has formed in a shallow depression in a sandy plain. The open water is surrounded by an emergent marsh that includes cattails and a floating sedge marsh. Several rare plants are found in the wetlands. The wooded portions of the shore grade from wet woods into upland oak mixed with maples or cottonwood. Uplands on the southwest part of the preserve were once farmed. Future plans call for prairie restoration.

Further Information:

Kankakee Fish and Wildlife Area, 4320 W Toto Rd, Box 77, North Judson, IN 46366. (574) 896-3522.

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