



Eugene T. Mahoney STATE PARK

Eugene T. Mahoney State Park overlooks the picturesque Platte River Valley near Ashland. Managed by the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, this premier 690-acre park is open year-round, and its location on Interstate 80 between Nebraska's two largest cities – Omaha and Lincoln – makes it readily accessible for all-season outdoor recreation.

LODGING

Lodging is available year-round. Off-season rates are available.

Modern Cabins – Forty nine of these modern cabins have two bedrooms, three have four bedrooms and five have six bedrooms. Amenities: linens, tableware, basic cookware, air conditioning and heat, fireplace, satellite television, refrigerator, range, outdoor deck and grill. Some cabins are handicap accessible.

Peter Kiewit Lodge – Each of the 40 guest rooms has two queen beds or one king bed; 16 have sleeping lofts; 24 have decks. Amenities: telephone, satellite television, wireless Internet, electric fireplaces and private bath.

CAMPING

Little Creek and Lakeside campgrounds – There are 99 hard-surfaced pads in Little Creek and 50 in Lakeside situated among mature shade trees near Baright Lake. Each site has 30- and 20-amp electrical hookups, with some having 50-amp service. Seven sites also offer water and sewer hookups. Modern shower/latrine buildings and drinking water are located in both areas, and there is a coin-operated laundry in the Little Creek shower building. Trailer dump stations and water are available near the park entrance. Tent camping is available.

MAKING RESERVATIONS

- Cabin and lodge room reservations are accepted for two nights or more up to a year in advance. A two-night minimum stay is required, unless it is a one-night stay positioned between two prior reservations or a walk-in registration for same day.
- Half of the modern campsites may be reserved up to a year before arrival; the rest are available on a first-come basis.
- There is a nonrefundable reservation fee for each reserved site or unit.
- Reservations can be made at:
 - OutdoorNebraska.org

- 402-471-1414, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Central Time, Monday-Friday

FOOD SERVICE

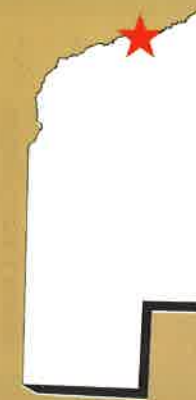
Mahoney Grille – This restaurant, located in Peter Kiewit Lodge, is open every day except Christmas. It offers a variety of delicious menu items, as well as a Sunday brunch. It also caters within the park.

Owen Marina – Situated on Baright Lake, it serves sandwiches, snacks, and drinks daily from Memorial Day through Labor Day. The camp store at the marina carries ice, soft-serve ice cream and basic grocery and camping supplies.

GROUP and MEETING FACILITIES

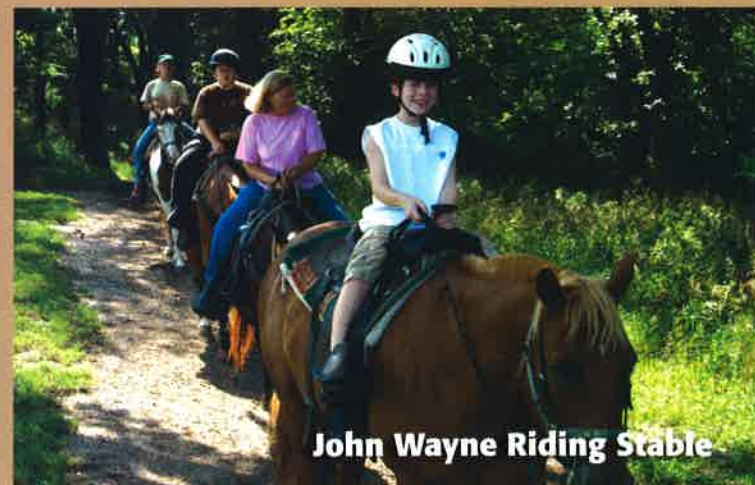
The park has ample facilities with wireless Internet and satellite television to accommodate groups for meetings, retreats, banquets and reunions. Facilities may be reserved up to one year in advance.

Lee and Helene Sapp Riverview Lodge – The hall can seat 144 people at tables and is rented with a fully-equipped kitchen. The lodge has air conditioning and heat, fireplace and a deck overlooking the Platte River. The lower level houses the park nature center.



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John Wayne Riding Stable



Owen Marina



Activity Center & Ice Rink



Family Aquatic Center

Ice Rink Pavilion – This may be reserved for large group picnics during the summer.

Peter Kiewit Lodge – Nine meeting rooms are available. The Abel Nebraska Room can seat 100 people at tables. The executive-style Sandstedt Platte Room seats 12 comfortably. Four lower-level meeting rooms seat 25 people each, while another can handle 36. Rooms can be combined to serve larger groups.

Reservations – To reserve a meeting room, picnic shelter or schedule catering, call 402-944-2523, extension 7327.

PARK ACTIVITIES

Family Aquatic Center – Open Memorial Day through Labor Day, it includes a swimming pool with diving area, concession, wading pool, sundeck, wave pool and two water slides. Season passes are available.

James Family Conservatory – This facility displays native Nebraska plants and aquatic resources, and it also is a greenhouse, where plants are grown for the park.

Ruth Giger Memorial Waterway – A system of trails connects the waterway to the conservatory, Owen Marina, and the parking lot west of the pool and Owen Tennis Courts.

John R. Lauritzen Driving Range – Rental

golf clubs are available. For family fun, visit the nearby 18-hole Esther Marie Daniel Miniature Golf Course.

Denman and Mary Mallory Kountze Memorial Theater – Performances are offered in summer and winter and also available for group rental.

Walter Scott Jr. Observation Tower – This 70-foot-tower offers panoramic views of the area.

Activity Center and Ice Skating Rink – Family fun is available year-round.

Fishing – CenturyLink Lake and Baright Lake have largemouth bass, bluegill and channel catfish, while CenturyLink Lake has rainbow trout stocked in October, December and March. CenturyLink Lake has access for mobility-impaired anglers.

Other Activities and Attractions – Horseback trail rides, paddleboats, tennis courts, softball diamond, hiking and biking trails, arts and crafts center, disc golf, sand volleyball court, 3-mile concrete trail, game room and gift shop.

Winter Activities – Many park activities are offered only during the operating season from May through October. During other months special activities are held on weekends or by advance arrangements. Depending on the weather, sledding and cross-country skiing are available.

EUGENE T. MAHONEY

Eugene T. Mahoney, a former Nebraska state senator, director of the Nebraska Game and Parks Commission and executive director of the Henry Doorly Zoo Foundation, strived to help create a better Nebraska. On June 1, 1985, the Nebraska Legislature recognized his leadership in the revitalization of Nebraska's state parks by naming this park for him. The park opened in 1991.

PARK ENTRY PERMIT

A valid Nebraska Park Entry Permit is required for all vehicles entering the park. Permits can be purchased:

- At OutdoorNebraska.org
- At the park
- From Game and Parks permitting offices or permit vendors

FOR MORE INFORMATION

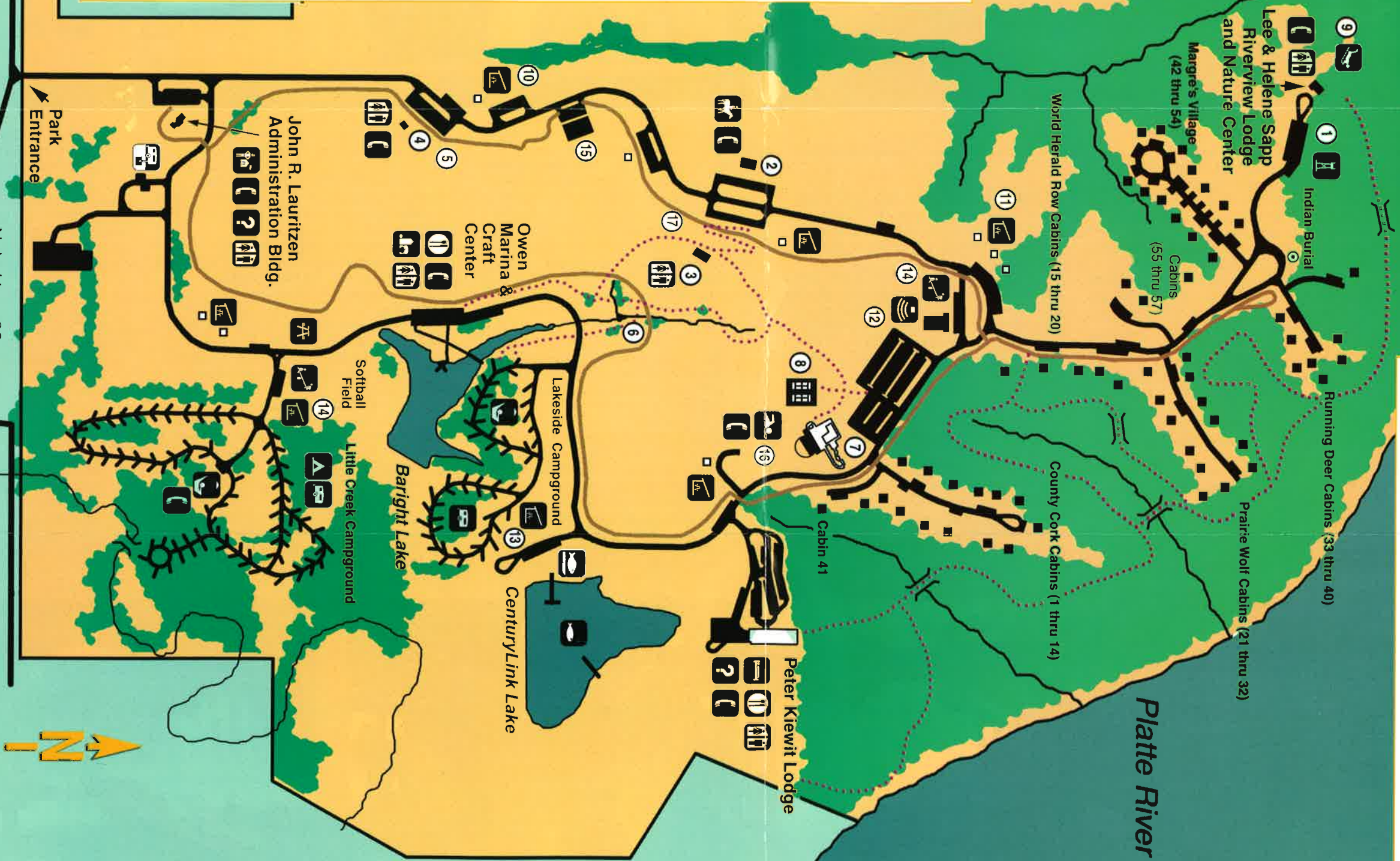
- Visit OutdoorNebraska.org.
- Write to: Parks Division, Nebraska Game and Parks Commission, P.O. Box 30370, Lincoln, NE 68503-0370
- Call toll-free 1-800-826-PARK (7275). Leave name, address and request to receive a Nebraska State Parks guide, along with any other requested information.

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- ① Walter Scott Jr. Observation Tower
- ② John Wayne Riding Stable
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- ④ John R. Lauritzen Golf Driving Range
- ⑤ Esther Marie Daniel Mini-Golf Course
- ⑥ Ruth Giger Memorial Waterway
- ⑦ Family Aquatic Center
- ⑧ Owen Tennis Complex
- ⑨ Fred H. Hawkins Toboggan Runs
- ⑩ Bur Oak Picnic Shelter
- ⑪ Leo and Irene Timmerman Wild Turkey Picnic Shelter Irene Philpot Picnic Area
- ⑫ Denman and Mary Mallory Kountze Memorial Theatre
- ⑬ Lakeview Picnic Shelter
- ⑭ Robert H. Storz Family Children's Recreational Areas
- ⑮ Activity Center and Ice Rink
- ⑯ Sand Volleyball
- ⑰ Disc Golf Course

- ☑ Headquarters and Administration
- 🚐 Recreational Vehicle Camping
- 🚚 Trailer Dump Station
- ⏏ Tent Camping
- 🚿 Shower and Restroom
- 🚻 Restroom
- 🏠 Picnic Shelter
- 🐎 Horseback Riding
- 🏊 Swimming Pool
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- ❓ Information
- ☎ Phone
- 🛒 Groceries
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- 🎭 Theatre
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- 🛷 Toboggan Run
- 👣 Hiking Trail
- 🏂 Hiking/Cross Country Ski Trails
- 🚲 Biking Trail
- 🌉 Bridges
- 🎣 Fishing
- 🐟 Fish Cleaning Station



▶ To Strategic Air and Space Museum

Neb. Hwy. 66

To Interchange 426
Interstate 80

To Lee G. Simmons Conservation Park and Wildlife Safari (1 mile)



The land for Eugene T. Mahoney State Park was acquired in the spring of 1985. Development of this exceptional park progressed rapidly, with much of the funding coming from private donations to the Nebraska Game and Parks Foundation. Federal grants and state funds also financed development projects. The park opened in May 1991, the first state park in Nebraska designed for year-round operation.