

Guide to Environmental Education and Interpretive Services in Iowa

COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARDS

ADAIR COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website:
Intern: No
Newsletter: No, weekly newspaper column
Facilities: County parks, hiking trails at Ken Sidey Nature Area E.E.
Center: No

ADAMS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Travis Paul, Park Ranger/Naturalist
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Address: 1688 Lake Icaria Road, Corning IA 50841
Phone: 641/322-4793 Fax: 641/322-5431
Website: <http://www.corningia.com>
Intern: Yes
Facilities: Interpretive trails, native prairie and woodlands, 700-acre lake
E.E. Center: Yes (room in office)

ALLAMAKEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: James Janett, Director
Email: accb@acegroup.cc
Address: 427 N. 1st Street, PO box 278, Harpers Ferry IA 52146
Phone: 563/586-2996
Website: none
Intern: No
Facilities: Rossville Park: sink hole exhibit; self-guided trail with brochure providing interpretive information; located at the intersection of Highway 76 & X32, 1.5 miles east of Rossville, Iowa
Clear Creek Preserve: self-guided interpretive trail along wet area and cold water stream; able to view in-stream trout habitat improvements; located south of Highway 9 on west edge of Lansing, Iowa

APPANOOSE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff:
Email:
Address: 25100 520th Street, Centerville IA 52544
Phone: 641/856-8528
Website: <http://www.appanooseconservation.org>
Intern: No
Newsletter: Quarterly public, "Fox Fire"

Facilities: 5,600 sq ft EE center with indoor classroom, conference room, animal display and exhibit area. The facility is handicapped accessible. Office/nature center with extensive mammal and mounted animal display, on a 144-acre area with 3.5 miles of hiking trails; wildlife display with extirpated and native animals (i.e. elk, deer, hawks, and owls)
E.E. Center: Yes

AUDUBON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Christina Groen, Naturalist (PT shared with Shelby CCB)

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Address: 516 Maple Road, Harlan IA 51537

Phone: 712/744-3403 Fax: 712/268-2762

Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly public newsletter

Facilities: Interpretive woodland trail at Littlefield Recreation Area and year-round meeting area at Nathaniel Hamil Park E.E.

Center: No

BENTON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Karen Phelps, Naturalist

Email: bccbnaturalist@fmtcswb.com

Address: 2113 57th Street Trail, Vinton IA 52349

Phone: 319/472-4942 Fax: 319/454-0089

Website: none

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly public

Facilities: County parks with labeled nature trails and wildlife areas E.E.

Center: Not yet

BLACK HAWK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 319/277-2187 Fax: 319/277-4420

Email: hartmanreserve@co.black-hawk.ia.us

Website: <http://www.co.black-hawk.ia.us/depts/conservation>

Intern: Yes, graduate and undergraduate

Newsletter: Quarterly, "The Oak"

Facilities: Hartman Reserve Nature Center and Buckles Program Center. Interpretive center on a 300-acre area with exhibits, a meeting room, and a gift shop; two self-guided trails; a butterfly garden/prairie for display

E.E. Center: Yes

BOONE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Emily Herring, Naturalist

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Address: 1601 322 Lane, Madrid, IA 50156

Phone: 515/795-2809 Fax: 515/353-4237

Website: <http://www.wccta.net/gallery/bccb/>

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly public newsletter and bi-annual teacher newsletter

Facilities: County parks and shelters

E.E. Center: No

BREMER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Heather Freidhof

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Tamara Turner, Recycling Coordinator/Naturalist

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Address: 1104 South Main Street , PO Box 412, Tripoli, IA 50676

Phone: 319/882-4742 Fax: 319/882-4742

Website: <http://www.co.bremer.ia.us/new/conservation.htm>

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Bremer Bulletin" to county residents, and "Bremer Bulletin-Environmental Education Edition" to all teachers in the county

Facilities: County uses all 2,052 acres of public lands for E.E. programs. Office with interpretive displays, but not a "nature center".

E.E. Center: No

BUCHANAN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Sondra Cabell, Naturalist

Email: fontanapark@iowatelecom.net

Address: Fontana Interpretive Nature Center, 1883 125th Street, Hazleton, IA 50641

Phone: 319/636-2617 Fax: 319/636-2624

Website: <http://www.east-buc.k12.ia.us/BCCB/home.htm>

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Otter Creek Quarterly"

Facilities: Interpretive nature center with exhibits, meeting rooms, and library; county parks with two self-guided trails, other labeled nature trails, wildlife display (with native animals, i.e. black bear, bison, foxes, hawks, and waterfowl)

E.E. Center: Yes

BUENA VISTA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Naturalist: Katie van der Linden

Phone: 712 -295 -7985

Fax: 712 -2975- 7985

Address: 377 440th Street, Peterson, IA 51047

Website: http://www.bvcountyiowa.com/index.php/conservation_department

No intern and no newsletter

Facilities: County uses all public and accessible private lands for E.E. programs.

E.E. Center: No, but have large display at courthouse showing the plants and animals of the prairie, wetland, and upland forest.

BUTLER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Steve Martin, Naturalist

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Address: Heery Woods Nature Center, 27887 195th Street, Clarksville IA 50670

Phone: 319/278-1130 Fax: 319/278-4639

Website: <http://www.butlercoiowa.org>

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Three times per year, "Conservation Conversation"

Facilities: Nature center including display room located in 380-acre park; 21 county parks including a 12-mile rail trail for hiking and cross-country skiing

E.E. Center: Yes, 2400 Sq foot building with office space, exhibit area and small conference room

CALHOUN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Shelley Schossow, Naturalist/Environ. Specialist

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Address: 1228 High Street, Rockwell City IA 50579

Phone: 712/297-7131 Fax: 712/297-7296

Website: <http://www.calhoundev.com>

Intern: No

Newsletter: Monthly newspaper column; quarterly public newsletter

Facilities: Display area in office building; county areas

E.E. Center: Yes

CARROLL COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Aaron Hershberger, Naturalist

Email: aaron@carrollcountyconservation.com

Address: Swan Lake Conservation Education Center, 22676 Swan Lake Drive, Carroll IA 51401

Phone: 712/792-4614 Fax: 712/792-8078

Website: <http://www.carrollcountyconservation.com>

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "In a Nutshell"

Facilities: Swan Lake Conservation Education Center has permanent and seasonal displays, live and mounted animals, meeting rooms, local art, concession stand and gift shop. 510-acre Swan Lake State Park with hiking trails, outdoor theater, cabin, campground, live wildlife exhibits, arboretum, and museum; one quarter-mile self-guided trail; 22 county parks; 3.8-mile hard surface hiking/biking trail

E.E. Center: Yes

CASS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Andria Cossolotto, Naturalist

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Address: 5 West 7th Street, Box 371, Atlantic IA 50022

Phone: 712/243-3542 Fax: 712/243-6660

Website: www.atlantic.k12.ia.us:16080/~cccb/

Intern: No

Newsletter: Monthly newsletter to schools; newspaper article periodically; quarterly conservation newsletter for general public

Facilities: Turkey Creek Nature Trail and Outdoor Classroom; Hitchcock Recreation Area featuring the restored Hitchcock House and 1.5-mile trail; various wildlife areas and parks

E.E. Center: No

CEDAR COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Sarah Subbert, Naturalist

Email: cedarccb@iowatelecom.net

Address: 400 Cedar Street, Courthouse, Tipton IA 52772-1752

Physical Address: 713 South Street, Tipton, IA 52772

Phone: 563/886-6930 Fax: 563/886-3339

Website: www.cedarccb.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Cedar Valley Visions" for the general public

E.E. Center: No

CERRO GORDO COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Todd Von Ehwegen, Natural Resource Manager, EE

Email: tvonehw@co.cerro-gordo.ia.us

Address: Lime Creek Nature Center, 3501 Lime Creek Road, Mason City IA 50401

Phone: 641/423-5309 Fax: 641/423-1566

Website: <http://www.co.cerro-gordo.ia.us>

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "In Nature's Care" and teacher newsletter 3x per year

Facilities: Lime Creek Nature Center with permanent and seasonal displays, children's displays, live and mounted animals, bee hive, library, outside observation decks, amphitheater, and auditorium; located on a 440-acre woodland/wetland/prairie area with eight miles of multi-use trails and a handicapped-accessible trail

E.E. Center: Yes

CHEROKEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Laura Kohn, Naturalist

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Address: 629 River Road, Cherokee IA 51012

Phone: 712/225-6709 Fax: 712/225-6707

Website: <http://www.cherokeecountyparks.com>

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Cherokee Smoke Signals" for general public

Facilities: County parks and natural areas including native prairies, woodlands, canoe trail, lakes, rivers; public programs held in the conservation office

E.E. Center: No

CHICKASAW COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Dana Dettmer, Naturalist

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Address: Twin Ponds Nature Center, 1811 240th Street, Ionia IA 50645

Phone: 641/394-4714 Fax: 641/394-5541

Email: ccb_19@hotmail.com

Website: <http://www.chickasawcoia.org/conservation>

Intern: No

Newsletter: Bi-weekly newspaper column, "Natural News"; "Environmental Flash", a list of suggested programs for each teacher in the county, is released each semester.

Facilities: County parks, wildlife areas, historical park, campgrounds and Twin Pond Nature Center E.E.

Center: Yes

CLARKE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Beth Brown, Conservation Awareness/Project Coordinator (PT)

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Address: P.O. Box 217, Osceola IA 50213

Phone: 641/342-2783 Fax:

Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: Yes

Facilities: 2 self-guided trails, county parks

CLAY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Vacant

Email:

Address: 420 10th Ave SE, Spencer IA 51301

Phone: 712/262-2187 Fax: 712/262-2856

Website: <http://www.co.clay.ia.us/consboard/consbrd>

Intern: No

Facilities: County parks, cabin, outdoor shelter and natural areas including native prairie, woodland, river, and wetlands; 30.3 miles of the Inkpaduta Canoe Trail on the Little Sioux River; log lodge located at the Oneota Little Sioux Access Area

Newsletter: Quarterly newsletter, "Field Notes"

E.E. Center: No

CLAYTON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Julie Brazell, Naturalist

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Angi Reid, Naturalist

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Address: Clayton County Conservation Board, Osborne Nature Center, 29862 Osborne Road, Elkader IA 52043-8247

Phone: 563/245-1516 Fax: 563/245-2222

Website: <http://www.claytoncountyconservation.org>

Intern: Yes, summer

Newsletter: Bi-monthly, "Osborne Oracle"

Facilities: Iowa Welcome Center and gift shop and nature center on 350-acre area; lower level nature center with display area and classroom; main level tourist information and services, and historical/cultural displays; three self-guided nature trails; exercise/fitness trail; archery course; live animal exhibit; facilities for skating, sledding, and cross-country skiing; pioneer village used for historical interpretation.

E.E. Center: Yes

CLINTON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Mark Roberts, Environmental Education Coordinator

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Chuck Jacobsen, Naturalist

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Jessica Steines, Naturalist

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Address: P.O. Box 68, Grand Mound IA 52751-0068

Phone: 563/847-7202 Fax: 563/847-7204

Website: <http://www.clintoncountyiowa.com/conservation>

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Prairie Whispers"

Facilities: Eden Valley Refuge Nature Center near Lost Nation is a 200-acre area with a nature center, one mile long self-guided nature trail, observation tower, suspended bridge, and spelunking at a nearby cave. Wapsi River Environmental Education Center (run cooperatively by Scott and Clinton County; See Scott CCB for full listing) near Dixon is a 225-acre area with six miles of trails, Eagle View Eco-Center, rental cabin, two lodges, observatory, dormitory (52 cap), overnight facilities, cross country skis, and bald eagle night roost. Rock Creek Park 100 acre park on back-waters of the Mississippi, boats, canoes, and fishing and Soaring Eagle Nature Center.

E.E. Center: Yes

CRAWFORD COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Kelly Sonnichsen, EE Coordinator

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Address: Neal Moeller Environmental Education Center, 2237 Yellow Smoke Road, Denison IA 51442

Phone: 712/263-3409 Fax: 712/263-3409

Website: <http://www.geocities.com/crawfordconservation/>

Intern: yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Wildlife Echo"

Facilities: Neal Moeller Environmental Education Center has permanent and seasonal displays, children's displays, live and mounted animals, bee hive, indoor turtle pond located on a 440-acres with 40 acre lake, woodland/wetland/prairie areas with 4 miles of multi-use trails and a handicapped-accessible trail

at Yellow Smoke Park, other county parks, cabins, campgrounds, several native prairie remnants and the historical Dow House in Dow City.

E.E. Center: Yes

DALLAS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Laura Zaugg, Naturalist

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Address: 1477 K Avenue, Perry IA 50220

Phone: 515/465-3577 Fax: 515/465-3579

Website: <http://www.co.dallas.ia.us>

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Raccoon River Greenbelt Newsletter, with a circulation of 11,000

Facilities: Forest Park Museum features 19th and 20th century Euro-American artifacts, Native American artifacts, restored log cabin, restored one-room school house and arboretum containing 125 species of shrubs and trees

Hanging Rock: a 438-acre park focusing on the geologic, natural, and cultural heritage of the middle Raccoon River and terminal moraine

Kuehn Nature Center includes a classroom and exhibit area with displays about geology, wetlands, plants, and animals

Redfield Depot includes exhibits with memorabilia about the history of Redfield and the Raccoon River Valley Trail

Sportsmans Park: 40-acre park, woodland camping and picnicking along bluffs of Northern Raccoon River

Voas Nature Area and Museum includes a large collection of minerals, rocks, fossils, and gemstones

E.E. Center: Yes , Bear Creek Nature Center at Kuehn Conservation Area

DAVIS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Rick A. Krenz, Director

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Address: McGowen Recreation and Wildlife Area, 22893 215th Street, Bloomfield IA 52537

Phone: 641/664-2572 Fax:

Website: <http://www.daviscountyconservation.org>

Intern: No

Newsletter: None

DECATUR COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Richard Erke, Director

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Phone: 641/446-7307 Fax: 641/446-7159

Website:

Intern: No

DELAWARE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Shirley Lyons, Office Manager/Naturalist

Address: Bailey's Ford Park, 2379 Jefferson Road, Manchester IA 52057

Phone: 563/927-3410 Fax: 563/927-3410

Website: <http://www.delawarecountyia.com/parks.htm>

Intern: No

Facilities: Conservation center in 80-acre area with interpretive displays in Nature Discovery Room; outdoor wildlife display; monthly display at courthouse; hiking trails; historical school museum; 27 county parks

E.E. Center: Yes

DES MOINES COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Kim Perlstein, E.E. Coordinator

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Erica Hartman, Naturalist

Address: Starr's Cave Nature Center, 11627 Starr's Cave Road, Burlington IA 52601

Phone: 319/753-5808 Fax: 319/754-6910

Website: <http://www.dmccconservation.com>

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Wild River Ramblings" and "E.E. Edition" for county teachers

Facilities: Nature center on 200-acre area that includes an interactive display area, library, and meeting room; two self-guided nature trails; trails for cross-country skiing, hiking, and nature study; several caves; observatory at Big Hollow Creek Recreation Area; self-guided trails on timber and wildlife management at other county parks
E.E. Center: Yes

DICKINSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: 2279 170th St. Okoboji, IA 51355 Phone: 712-336-6352 Email: naturecenter@co.dickinson.ia.us
Website: www.dickinsoncountynaturecenter.com

Intern: yes

Newsletter: electronic newsletters monthly

Facilities: County parks, wildlife areas, recycling center, shooting range, beach, disc golf course, winter sports facility, historical sites, paved hiking/biking trail and Nature Center

E.E. Center: Yes

DUBUQUE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Brian Preston, Director
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Jenny Lawler, Naturalist
Address: Swiss Valley Nature Center, 13606 Swiss Valley Road, Peosta IA 52068
Phone: 563/556-6745 Fax: 563/589-7885
Website: <http://www.dubuquecounty.org/Conservation/tabid/54/Default.aspx>

Intern: Yes

Facilities: Interpretive center on 500-acre area includes displays and historical information; contains over 10 miles of hiking and cross-country ski trails, half of which are self-guided; demonstration arboretum

E.E. Center: Yes

EMMET COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Anita Fisher, Naturalist
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Address: P.O. Box 155, Estherville IA 51334
Phone: 712/362-2510 Fax: 712/362-7243
Website: <http://www.emmetcountyconservation.com>

Intern: No

Newsletter: Bi-annual teacher newsletter

Facilities: County parks and wildlife areas; a lakeside use area; wildlife habitat arboretum; self-guided trail at Wolden Park

E.E. Center: No

FAYETTE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Dawn L. Amundson, Env. Education Coordinator
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Address-1: Gilbertson Nature Center, 22580 A Avenue, Elgin IA 52141
Phone: 563/426-5740 Fax: 563/426-5741

Website: <http://www.elginiowa.org\GILBERTSON.html>

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Three times per year

Facilities: Nature Center features mounted and live animals, interactive and informative displays; located on 345-acre area with campground, primitive campground, fishing pond, five miles of multi-purpose trails; petting zoo, 2 historical buildings, tillage demonstration area and part of National Park Stamp program.

E.E. Center: Yes

Sue Lueder, Naturalist/Office Manager

Email: fayeteccb@trxinc.com

Address-2: Wildwood Nature Center, 1867 Lane Road, Fayette IA 52142

Phone: 563/422-5146

Website: <http://fayettecountyiowa.org/CONSERVATION.html>

Facilities: Located on a 10-acre area and offers a display area with many mounted animal and interpretive displays, and outdoor native animal display.

E.E. Center: Yes

FLOYD COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Laura Elfers, Naturalist

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Heidi Reams, Naturalist

Address: Fossil and Prairie Center, 1227 215th St., PO Box 495, Rockford IA 50468-0495

Phone: 641/756-3490 Fax: 641/756-3492

Website: www.fossilcenter.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Annual Teacher's newsletter for K-12 "Nature Trails" and quarterly public newsletter "Conservation Quarterly"

Facilities: Fossil & Prairie Park Preserve. A 7,000 sq ft. facility - upper level has museum quality exhibits on native prairie and Devonian fossils, resource library, offices and restrooms. The lower level has a large classroom/meeting room with kitchenette, laboratory with 15 stereo-microscopes and restrooms.

E.E. Center: Yes

FRANKLIN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Joel Vinson, Naturalist

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Address: 1002 Central Ave. West, Box 164, Hampton IA 50441

Phone: 641/456-4375 Fax:

Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: Newsletter "Franklin County Falcon"

Facilities: Mobile displays; self-guided trail

FREMONT COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Vacant

Address: 2281 US Hwy 275, P.O. Box 628, Sidney, Iowa 51652

Phone: 712/374-2347 Fax:

Website:

GREENE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Dan Towers, Director

Email:

Address: Courthouse, 114 N Chestnut, Jefferson IA 50129

Phone: 515/386-5674 Fax: 515/386-5274

Website: www.co.greene.ia.us

Facilities: County parks

GRUNDY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Cole Anderson, Naturalist Conservation Technician

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Address: P.O. Box 36, Morrison IA 50657-0036

Phone: 319/345-2688 Fax: 319/345-2688

Website: www.grundycenter.com/grundycountyconservation

Intern: Occasionally

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Grundy County Museum contains meeting room, human and natural history exhibits, animal displays, 1200 gallon aquarium with native fish and reptiles; Black Hawk Creek Wildlife Area contains two self-guided nature trails, labeled plant species, and a prairie forb and grass demonstration area

E.E. Center: Yes

GUTHRIE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Brad Halterman, Ranger/Naturalist

Email: gccb@netins.net

Address: 206 West South Street, Panora IA 50216-1015

Phone: 641/755-3061 Fax: 641/755-4066

Website: www.panora.org/gccb/

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Prairie Woodland Journal"

Facilities: Raccoon River Valley Multi-purpose Trail; Guthrie County Historical Village, county parks and wildlife areas

HAMILTON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: John Laird, Naturalist

Email: hccblaird@wmtel.net

Address: 2490 Briggs Woods Trail, Webster City IA 50595-7479

Phone: 515/832-9570 Fax: 515/832-9578

Website: www.conservation.hamiltoncountyiowa.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: No

Facilities: County parks & Briggs Woods

HANCOCK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Jason Lackore, Naturalist

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Address: 875 State Street, Garner IA 50438

Phone: 641/923-2720 Fax: 641/923-4007

Website: www.hancockcountyia.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly newsletter, "Prairie Pothole Journal"; monthly newspaper columns, "Nature Link" and a annual teacher newsletter

Facilities: Interpretive trails; county parks and 2 open shelters E.E.

Center: No

HARDIN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Wesley Wiese, Naturalist

Sarah Droste, Naturalist

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Address: Calkins Nature Center, 18335 135th Street, Iowa Falls IA 50126-8511

Phone: 641/648-9878 Fax: 641/648-9878

Website: www.hardincountyconservation.com

Intern: High school intern during school year

Newsletter: Quarterly newsletter, "Calkins Nature Notes" and Bi-annual teacher newsletter

Facilities: The Calkins Nature contains a multi purpose room, seasonal and permanent displays, classroom, kitchen, conference room, library and gift shop on 76 acres, which consists of woodland, wetland and a reconstructed prairie, with over 2 miles of trails bordered by the Iowa River. A live animal exhibit area includes: pheasants, waterfowl, mammals, raptors, and expanding to reptiles; 42 recreational areas: two with electrical hook-ups for camping, some primitive, others with picnic and fishing, and the majority with wildlife areas

E.E. Center: Yes

HARRISON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Connie Betts, Naturalist

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Address: 2725 Easton Trail, Woodbine IA 51579-9739

Phone: 712/647-2785 Fax: 712/647-3225

Website: www.HarrisonCountyParks.org

Facebook: Facebook.com/HarrisonCountyConservation

Intern: 1 naturalist/park ranger intern summer

Newsletter: Biannual "Prairie Hills Journal" newsletter, facebook

Facilities: County parks and wildlife areas include Loess Hills, native prairies, wetlands, lakes and timbered areas; Smart Trails self-guided trails at Willow Lake Recreation Area, Schaben Park, and the Old Town Conservation Area; Harrison County Village/Welcome Center (a facility of the HCCB) is used for historical interpretation and tourism information; Nature Encounter Center at the headquarters/office features

interactive and interpretive displays and classroom area; Teacher Resources include: teacher tubs, reference library, and teacher training workshops

E.E. Center: Yes

HENRY COUNTY CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT

Staff: Cari Nicely, Naturalist

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Phone: 319/986-5067 Cell: 319-931-2942 Fax: 319/986-5469

Website: www.henrycountyconservation.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Under the Oak Tree"

Facilities: Oakland Mills Nature Center offers a display area with many mounted animal and interpretive displays, and outdoor native animal display

Hours: Sat. and Sun. afternoons from 1-5 p.m. from mid-April to Mid-October, other times by appointment

E.E. Center: Yes

HOWARD COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Angela Bries, Naturalist

Email: howardccb@yahoo.com

Address: 11562 Valley Ave Box 157, Cresco IA 52136

Phone: 563/547-3634 Fax: 319/547-5309

Website: <http://co.howard.ia.us/offices/conservation/index.htm>

Newsletter: No

Intern: No

Facilities: Prairie's Edge Nature Center functions as a learning center for area residents to become more familiar with their natural surroundings. The Nature Center has an aquarium, native fish in 180 gallon tank, library, displays on prairie, wetland and woodland habitats and a live honey bee display.

EE Center: Yes

HUMBOLDT COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Jeanne Baugous, Director/Naturalist

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Address: 208 5th Street N, Dakota City IA 50529

Phone: 515/332-4087 Fax: 515/332-7115

Website:

Intern: No

IDA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Steve Hummel, Naturalist

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Rhett Leonard, Director

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Address: 202 Jasper Avenue, Ida Grove IA 51445

Phone: 712/364-3300 Fax: 712/364-2764

Website: www.frontiernet.net/~idaccb

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly newsletter and park notes once a month for the general public

Facilities: County parks, cabins and wildlife areas; self-guided trail.

IOWA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 319/655-8466 Fax: 319/655-8400

Website: <http://showcase.netins.net/web.iccb>

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, Iowa County Conservation Board "Conservation News"

Facilities: County parks and natural areas, including wetlands, native prairies and woodlands; hiking trails; campground nature center

E.E. Center: Yes

JACKSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.jacksonccb.com/

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Intern: Seasonal Americorp volunteer

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Up and Down the River"; teachers' newsletter throughout the school year

Facilities: Hurstville Interpretive Center, state and county parks and wildlife areas include: restored one room school, historic lime kilns, and recreation trail

E.E. Center: Yes

JASPER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 641/792-9780 Fax: 641/792-9976

Website: www.co.jasper.ia.us/conservation.htm

Intern: Occasionally

Newsletter: Quarterly public and three times per year, "Environmental Education Bulletin" for teachers and administrators

Facilities: County parks with native prairies, woodlands, lakes, and marshes; two labeled nature trails; museum; historic operating water-powered mill; 10 km groomed cross-county ski trail; astronomical observatory with two attached rooms and large classroom; 20-mile hiking/biking/recreational trail.

E.E. Center: No

JEFFERSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Therese Cummiskey, Naturalist

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Address: 2003 Libertyville Road, Fairfield IA 52556-8801

Phone: 641/472-4421 Fax: 641/472-7911

Website: www.jeffersoncountyconservation.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Naturally Speaking" for the general public

Facilities: 11 areas, over 1300 acres of woodlands, prairie and wetlands: three campgrounds, five hunting areas, horseback trail, hiking/biking trails, shelters and picnic areas, fishing ponds, river access, bird blind, and small nature center. Main office located in Jefferson County Park.

E.E. Center: Yes

JOHNSON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Bradley Freidhof, Naturalist

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Address: F.W. Kent Park, 2048 Hwy. 6 NW, Oxford IA 52322-9211

Phone: 319/645-1011 Fax: 319/645-2204

Website: www.johnson-county.com/conservation/

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: "Conservation Connection"

Facilities: Interpretive center on 1,082 area includes displays and historical information; contains over 10 miles of hiking and cross-country ski trails, 3- fishing ponds stocked with Largemouth Bass, Bluegill and Channel Catfish, 27-acre lake stocked with Largemouth Bass, Bluegill and Channel Catfish. Numerous historical bridges throughout F.W. Kent Park. Wetlands, woodlands and prairie areas. Campground and Youth Group Campground.

JONES COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Michele Olson, Naturalist

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Address: 12515 Central Park Road, Center Junction IA 52212

Phone: 563/487-3541 Cell: 319/481-7987 Fax: 563/487-5034

Website: <http://www.jonescountyiowa.org>

Newsletter: bi-annual public and bi-monthly teacher newsletter

Facilities: Jones County Nature Den/Nature Center, Natural history and live animal displays, resource area, small meeting room holds 50 people, includes kitchen area and restrooms at Central Park.

E.E. Center: Yes

KEOKUK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: 104 North Main, Box 323, Sigourney IA 52591

Phone: 641/622-3757 Fax: 641/622-2286

Website: www.keokukcountyia.com/Conservation/conservation.htm

Intern: No

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Outdoor classroom, small nature center, and country school at Belva Deer Recreation Area; self-guided trails; portable, changing displays

E.E. Center: Yes

KOSSUTH COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: 2407 Hwy. 169, Algona IA 50511

Phone: 515/295-2138 Fax: 515/295-5479

Website: www.co.kossuth.ia.us/conservation/conservation.htm

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Northern Prairie Star" for general public; "Prairie Winds", three times per year for teachers; K- 3rd student newsletter "Tracks", three times per year

Facilities: Burt Lake Nature Trail; Stinson Prairie State Preserve; boating or canoeing access to Devine Wildlife Area, Plum Creek Dam, Patterson Recreation and Wildlife Area, Plum Creek Wildlife Area, Siems Park, and Smith Lake: maple syruping at Smith Wildlife Area; county parks with woodlands, wetlands, and prairies; tree garden and wildflower plot at Smith Lake

E.E. Center: No

LEE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: PO Box 218, Montrose IA 52639

Phone: 319/463-7673 Fax: 319/463-5013

Website: www.leecounty.org

Intern: Seasonal assistant for the fall, spring, and summer

Newsletter: Quarterly, "River Country Conversations"

Facilities: County parks, portable displays; in school winter programming

E.E. Center: No

LINN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 319/892-6485 (Alt.): 319/892-6450 Fax: 319/892-6419

Website: www.linncountyparks.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "The Oak-Hickory News"

Facilities: Wickiup Hill Outdoor Learning Center is a 9,300 square feet with classroom and exhibit space. Exhibit themes include, archaeology, American Indians and Iowa habitats. Arboretum at Morgan Creek Park; Wickiup Hill Outdoor Learning Area is 270 acres with wetland, prairie, woodland and archaeological interpretive trails and accompanying curriculum guides

E.E. Center: Yes

LOUISA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 319/523-8381 Fax: 319/729-2131

Website: <http://www.lccb.org/>

Intern: Yes, summer

Newsletter: Four times per year, "LCCB Newsletter"

Facilities: County parks with an interpretive nature trail and a camp owned by the county conservation board; Langwood Education Center includes: lodge with kitchen and seating for up to 90, woodburning stove and air conditioner, a frame lodge with 24 cots available, restroom with showers, (by reservation only).

LUCAS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Skylar Hobbs, Director

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Address: Box 78, Chariton IA 50049

Phone: 641/774-2438 Fax: 641/774-4128

Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Cinder bike-trail on abandoned railroad track from Chariton to Derby-first Rails to Trails in Iowa (14 miles) -as well as several wetlands and wildlife areas. 4,500 sq ft facility with display room including a variety of taxidermy mounts, multi-purpose room, restrooms and handicapped accessibility.

E.E. Center: Yes

LYON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 712/472-2217 Cell: 712/460-3097 Fax: 712/472-2217

Website: www.lyoncountyiowa.com

Newsletter: Quarterly; Lyon County Conservation Newsletter

Facilities: Main office with E.E. meeting room and outdoor nature classroom at Rock Rapids; Lake Pahoja Recreation Area includes: 81 site campground, 2 enclosed shelters, 6 cabins, trails, beach area, restrooms and showers, 6 open shelters, day-use area, 72-acre lake; eight other wildlife/park areas; state-owned, county-managed Blood Run National Landmark Site

E.E. Center: No

MADISON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 515/462-3536 Fax: 515/250-8274

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MAHASKA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 641/673-9327 Fax: 641/673-8169

Website: www.mahaskaconservation.com

Intern: Occasionally

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Prairie Star"

Facilities: Conservation Center built in 220-acre Russell Wildlife Area includes: fossil and mineral displays, 125 gal. native fish aquarium, terrariums with snakes and turtles; hiking trails and fishing ponds, backyard wildlife demonstration area with pond, butterfly garden, prairie restoration area, tree planting and bird viewing blind.

E.E. Center: Yes

MARION COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: Cordova Park, 1378 Hwy. G28, Otley IA 50214

Phone: 641/627-5935 Fax: 641/627-5148

Website: no

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly

Facilities: County parks and wildlife areas

E.E. Center: No

MARSHALL COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Diane Pixler, Naturalist

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Phone: 641/752-5490 Fax: 641/752-5496

Website: www.co.marshall.ia.us/departments/conservation

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Seasons"; bi-monthly, "Nature Notes" for teachers

Facilities: Conservation Center is a 6,481 sq ft interpretive nature center with exhibits, meeting room, library and MCCB offices. County parks and wildlife areas with native and restored prairies, woolands, lakes, wetlands, restored log cabin, interpretive trails; hike/bike/equestrian recreational trail; seasonal interpretive display at courthouse; live bison and swan display, swinging bridge and remnant of old stone cutting mill; astronomical observatory and Rails to Trails bike path

E.E. Center: Yes

MILLS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 712/527-9685 Fax: 712/527-5124

Website: <http://mccb.millscoia.us/>

Facilities: County Parks and wildlife areas; self-guided trail; restored prairie

MITCHELL COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 641/732-5204 Fax: 641/732-1138

Website: www.osage.net/~mccb

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly

Facilities: EE center with displays, seating for 150, and live trumpeter swans. Six county campgrounds with modern camping, 30 other county conservation areas, New Haven Potholes Outdoor Classroom; also 4-mile limestone multi-use trail and 10-mile hard surfaced multi-use trail.

E.E. Center: Yes

MONONA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: 318 East Iowa Avenue, Onawa IA 51040-9802

Phone: 712/433-2400 Fax: 712/423-3034

Website: mononacountyconservation.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Published five times during the school year, "Nature News"

Facilities: Display/program room at the office with changing displays; live animal exhibits and nature-oriented collections; arboretum; county parks with native prairie, woodlands, ponds and rivers; Loess Hills Wildlife Area E.E.

Center: No

MONROE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 641/946-8112 Fax: 641/932-5351

Website:

Facilities: County park and wildlife areas including self-guided trail, lake, and live animal exhibit, enclosed shelter and 3 rental cabins.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 712/623-4753 Fax: 712/623-6547

Website:

Intern: No

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Anderson Conservation Area with 229 acres of prairie restoration, woodland area, trails and fishing. Andersen Wildlife Area with 200 acres for public hunting. Wolfe Nature Center with live animal displays, stream table, and classroom/meeting area. County parks with lakes, trails, picnic shelters and camping.

E.E. Center : Yes

MUSCATINE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 563/264-5922 Fax: 563/264-6097

Website: www.co.muscatine.ia.us/conservation

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "County Conservation News"

Facilities: Learning Center has seasonal and permanent displays, 2 large aquariums, live animal displays, a classroom, gift shop and concession stand. It has 2 fishing ponds, extensive paved trails and is considered an urban retreat. Saulsbury Bridge Recreation Area has an amphitheater, walking bridge over the Cedar River ; and wildflower and butterfly demonstration gardens and a discovery center with shelters and arboretum.

E.E. Center : Yes

O'BRIEN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 712-295-7200 Fax: 712-295-7222

Website: www.obriencounty.com/community/parks or www.prairieheritagecenter.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly newsletter, "Little Sioux Wanderings", for county residents; teacher newsletter "You, Me, and E.E." distributed to all county teachers

Facilities: County parks and natural areas including native prairie, woodland, river, and wetlands; 6.2 miles of the Inkpaduta Canoe Trail on the Little Sioux River; enclosed lodge at Mill Creek State Park; camping facilities

E.E. Center: Yes

OSCEOLA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: Willow Creek County Park, 5945 Hwy. 9, Box 118, Ocheyedan IA 51354-0118

Phone: 712/758-3709 Fax: 712/758-3669

Website: no

Intern: Advanced biology students

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Willow Creek Nature Center houses interpretive displays and office; self-guided and guided nature hikes at several prairie preserves and Ocheyedan Mound State Preserve; enclosed lodge (with heat) available and a classroom building under construction

E.E. Center: Yes

PAGE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: 112 East Main, Clarinda IA 51632

Phone: 712/542-3864 Fax: 712/542-3864

Website: <http://www.co.page.ia.us/offices/conservation/index.htm>

Newsletter: Quarterly "Conservation Connections"

Facilities: County parks, self-guided trails and other wildlife areas E.E.

Center: Yes, Conservation Center under construction

PALO ALTO COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Mailing address: PO Box 417, Ruthven IA 51358

Phone: 712/837-4866 Fax: 712/873-4831

Website: www.paccb.org

Intern: Yes, summer

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Cattails" to all K-6 students; Quarterly, "Palo Alto Conservation News" to the general public

Facilities: Lost Island Prairie Wetland Nature Center with exhibit room with displays focusing on "Prairie Potholes" and wetland wildlife, meeting/classroom, info/sales area, reference library, Conservation Board offices; park with wildlife observation blind, boardwalk, and self-guided trail for hiking and skiing; Sod House at West Bend sponsored by both Palo Alto and Kossuth counties

E.E. Center: Yes

PLYMOUTH COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 712/947-4270 Fax: 712/947-4371

Website: www.plymouthcountyparks.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Bluestem Quarterly", subscription free to public upon request

Facilities: County parks and natural areas including: Hillview Recreation Area (230 acres with self-guided trail, cross-country ski trail, and butterfly garden) at Hinton, Five Ridge Prairie Preserve (790 acres), O'Brien Prairie (40 acres), South East Wildwood (36 acres) near Kinsley, Millsite Access (16 acres and boat ramp), Silver Maple Primitive Area (60 acres and boat ramp) near Akron, Big Sioux Park (33 acres and boat ramp) near Akron, and Meadow Wildlife Area (5 acres) near Remsen

E.E. Center: No

POCAHONTAS COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: 702 NW 7th Street, Pocahontas IA 50574-2206

Phone: 712/335-4395 Fax: 712/335-3606

Website: www.evertek.net/pokyccb

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: No

Facilities: County parks, natural areas, and recreational facilities; Wiegert Prairie Farmstead, portraying the late 1800's; one-room schoolhouse, portraying the early 1900's; Three Rivers Trail, converted from an abandoned railroad line; Whitetail Ridge Interpretive Trail

E.E. Center: No

POLK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Office Phone: 515/323-5300 Fax: 515/323-5354

Website: www.leadingyououtdoors.org

Intern: Seasonal naturalists

Newsletter: Semi-annually, "Nature News"; semi-annually teacher newsletter

Facilities: Jester Park Lodge is a 7,000 sq ft modern facility with a 250 person capacity, full kitchen, restrooms, fireplace, dance floor, and large deck; 17 park and wildlife areas (over 10,000 acres) including native and restored prairies, wetlands, woodlands, lakes, forest preserve, hiking and biking trails; 5 informational/educational kiosks; bison/elk wildlife exhibit

POTTAWATTAMIE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: <http://www.pottcoconservation.com/>

Interns: Volunteers-Graduate and Undergraduate Students

Newsletter: 3x annually "The Conservator"

Facilities: Loess Hills Lodge opens summer 2007, now open observation deck and 45' observation tower. Five county parks and three wildlife areas.

E.E. Center: Yes, the Loess Hills Lodge

POWESHIEK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Vacant, Naturalist

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Address: Box 666, Montezuma IA 50171

Phone: 641/623-3191 Fax: 641/623-3630

Website: www.poweshiekcountyia.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: No

Facilities: County parks and wildlife areas; mobile displays; self-guided trails, Conservation Education Center at Diamond Lake

E.E. Center: Yes

RINGGOLD COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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SAC COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: 2970 280th Street, Sac City IA 50583-7474

Phone: 712/662-4530 Fax: 712/662-4536

Website: www.saccounty.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Looking Out the Back Door"

Facilities: Three County parks, cabin, including hiking trails, wildlife areas, pine tree plantation and Sauk Rail Trail E.E. Center: No

SCOTT COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD/WAPSI RIVER ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

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Website: <http://www.scottcountyiowa.com/conservation/wapsi.php>

Newsletter: "The W.R.E.N." is the quarterly newsletter of the Wapsi River E.E. Center.

Facilities: Wapsi River Environmental Education Center (a joint project between the Scott and Clinton County Conservation Boards) is a 225-acre preserve located on an oak-hickory bluff overlooking the Wapsipinicon River that

offers the Eagle View Eco Center building with interpretive displays, live animals, laboratory, meeting room, and kitchen overlooking a bald eagle night roost. Other on-site facilities include a lodge, dormitory, rental cabin, astronomical observatory, hiking and cross-country ski trails, an aquatic lab, a twelve-station rifle range, a twelve-station teams course, and an outdoor amphitheater.

E.E. Center: Yes

SHELBY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.conservation.shco.org

Intern: No

Facilities: Nishna Bend Recreation Area

EE Center: Small nature center with wildlife displays, live animal exhibits and a meeting room with seating for 35.

SIOUX COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: Oak Grove Park, 4051 Cherry Avenue, Hawarden IA 51023-8907

Phone: 712/552-3057 Fax: 712/552-3047

Website: www.siouxcounty.org/conservation.htm

Newsletter: Quarterly public and teacher newsletter

Facilities: County parks, including hiking trails

E.E. Center: No

STORY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 515/232-2516 Fax: 515/232-6989

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Website: www.storycountyconservation.org

Intern: Practicum program with Iowa State University; summer naturalist (paid)

Newsletter: Quarterly public, "Prairie Horizon", and program guide. Teacher newsletter, "Gnat News", 3 times per year and a yearly teacher's EE program guide

Facilities: Story County Conservation Center consists of administrative/naturalist office space, a multi-purpose room with seating for 100 people with an amphitheatre and limited displays. County parks and natural areas including: native prairies, marshes, woodlands, lakes, and river; hiking trails; handicapped trail; astronomy observatory.

E.E. Center: Yes

TAMA COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: 2283 Park Road, Toledo IA 52342

Phone: 641/484-2231 Fax: 641/484-2231

Website: www.tamacounty.org

Newsletter: No

Facilities: Nature Center, county parks and wildlife areas EE

Center: Yes

TAYLOR COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: No

UNION COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: 318 North Pine, Box 291, Creston IA 50801-0291

Phone: 641/782-1755 Fax: 641/782-1757

Website: No

Intern: No

Facilities: County parks including: wildlife areas, a bluebird trail, a butterfly garden, several ponds, a marsh, and a spring-fed lake with nature trail; beach and campsites; cabins with heat, and all-season comfort station; contact for handicap accessibility info

VAN BUREN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 319/293-3589 Fax:

Website: <http://showcase.netins.net/web/cfirst/vbcc/vb.htm>

WAPELLO COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Phone: 641/682-3091 Fax: 641/683-4621

Website:

Intern: Occasionally

Newsletter: Bi-yearly, "Nature News" for the general public; E.E. Connection times/year for teachers

Facilities: Nature center on 737-acre area includes: displays and historical information, 15 miles of hiking, cross-country skiing and horseback riding trails, two self-guided trails and 1/2-mile handicapped accessible paved trail; Woodland Indian Village used for historical interpretation.

E.E. Center: Yes

WARREN COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Website: www.warrencb.org

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly for general public, "Three Rivers Journal", and quarterly for elementary teachers; regular newspaper column

Facilities: Annett Nature Center, display, classroom, office, kitchen; hiking and skiing trails; 11 county areas; conservation management; native prairies; fishing ponds; and 2 paved multi-purpose trails.

E.E. Center: Yes

WASHINGTON COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Pamela L. Holz, Naturalist

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Address: Conservation Education Center, 2943 Hwy 92, Ainsworth IA 52201

Phone: 319/657-2400 Cell: 319/461-1664 Fax: 319/657-2500

Website: <http://co.washington.ia.us/departments/conservation>

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Earthtones" for the general public; "E.E. News" for teachers, 3 times per year;

Facilities: Conservation Education center is a 5,300 sq. ft. facility with an exhibit hall, conference room, library and a lab. Eighteen county parks, totaling roughly 2,100 acres ; 14-mile Kewash Nature Trail; 6-mile hiking/horseback riding trail.

E.E. Center: Yes

WAYNE COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Scott Ingram, Director

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Phone: 641/873-4670 Fax: 641/872-2843

Website:

E.E. Center: No

WEBSTER COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Erin Meehan, DNR shared Naturalist

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Address: Kennedy Park Reception Center, 1415 Nelson Avenue, Fort Dodge IA 50501

Phone: 515/576-4258 Fax: 515/574-3763

Website: www.webstercountyia.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Pathways to Nature"

Facilities: Kennedy Park Reception Center with wildlife displays, Children's Forest (tree species labeled); cross-country ski trails; amphitheater; county parks with lake, restored prairie

E.E. Center: Yes

WINNEBAGO COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

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Address: Lake Catherine Learning Center, 34496 110th Avenue, Forest City IA 50436

Phone: 641/565-3390 Fax: 641/582-3390

Website: www.winnebagoccb.com

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Our Wild Heritage" for K-6 teachers during school year; "Prairie Country Quarterly" for the general public; monthly newspaper columns

Facilities: Interpretive trails; county parks and environmental learning center

E.E. Center: Yes

WINNESHIEK COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Larry Reis, Naturalist and Natural Resource Manager

Lilly Jensen, Education and Outreach Coordinator

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Address: Lake Meyer Nature Center, 2546 Lake Meyer Road, Fort Atkinson IA 52144-9775

Phone: 563/534-7145 Fax: 563/534-7144

Website: www.winneshiekwild.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Yearly educational program guide sent to area educators

Facilities: County park, nature center, and hiking/skiing trails through 160 acres of woods, wetlands and grasslands

E.E. Center: Yes

WOODBURY COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Dawn Chapman, Education Program Director

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Theresa Kruid, Naturalist

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Address: Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center, 4500 Sioux River Road, Sioux City IA 51109-1657

Phone: 712/258-0838 Fax: 712/258-1261

Website: www.woodburyparks.com

Intern: Yes

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Woodbury Wanderings"; annual teacher's program guide for K-12.

Facilities: Dorothy Pecaut Nature Center, 14,000 sq ft., includes interpretive displays of the loess hills and natural history of the region.; classroom space; resource library; and staff offices, located in Stone State Park. County parks and natural areas including: Loess Hills prairies, woodlands, canoe trail, lakes, rivers.

E.E. Center: Yes

WORTH COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Dan Block, Naturalist

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Address: 503 First Avenue North, Northwood IA 50459,

Phone: 641/324-1524 Fax: 641/324-1953

Website: www.worthcounty.org

Intern: No

Newsletter: Quarterly, "Naturalist Notebook" in local shopper

Facilities: County parks with trails

E.E. Center: No

WRIGHT COUNTY CONSERVATION BOARD

Staff: Charlie bray, Naturalist

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Address: Conservation Park Building, 1768 O'Brien Avenue, Clarion IA 50525

Phone: 515/532-3185 Fax: 515/532-6068

Website: www.clarioniowa.com

Intern: No

Facilities: Two self-guided interpretive trails; county parks