

History

In 1955, the Iowa legislature passed a law permitting individual counties to establish County Conservation Board for the purpose of acquiring and developing lands for parks, hunting, fishing, recreation and other conservation purposes within the county. The Worth County Conservation Board was authorized by a vote of the people at the Primary Election of 1958. Board members are appointed for five-year terms by the Board of Supervisors. These board members serve without pay. To date there have been 25 board members that have served on the conservation board.

On August 26, 1958 the Worth County Conservation Board held its first monthly meeting. The Board meets on the first Thursday of every month at 7 PM at the conservation board office. The meetings are open to the public. The office is located at 503 1st Ave N in Northwood. The phone number is 641-324-1524 and e-mail address is wccb@worthcounty.org.

The original conservation board members were: Thelan Elthon 1958 to 1975; Oren Igou 1958 to 1974; Chet Mortenson 1958 to 1975; LaVon Tostenson 1958 to 1975; Guy Williams 1958 to 1961.

The current conservation board members are: Matt Smith 1990; Jeff Vansteenbutg 1994; Troy Christiasen 2002; Justin Faber 2002; Randy Sime 2002.

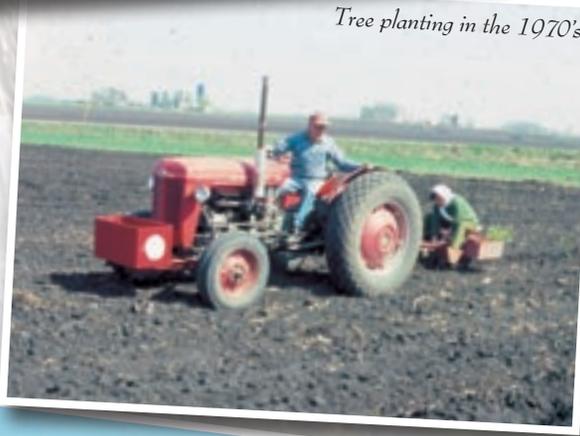
Trumpeter swan restoration, 2000's



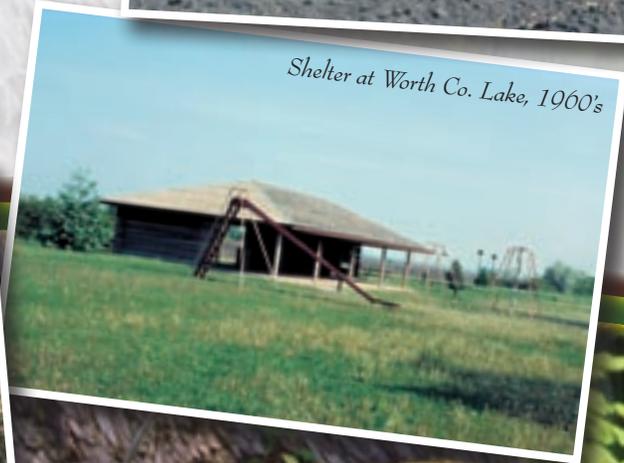
Naturalist program started in the 1980's



Tree planting in the 1970's



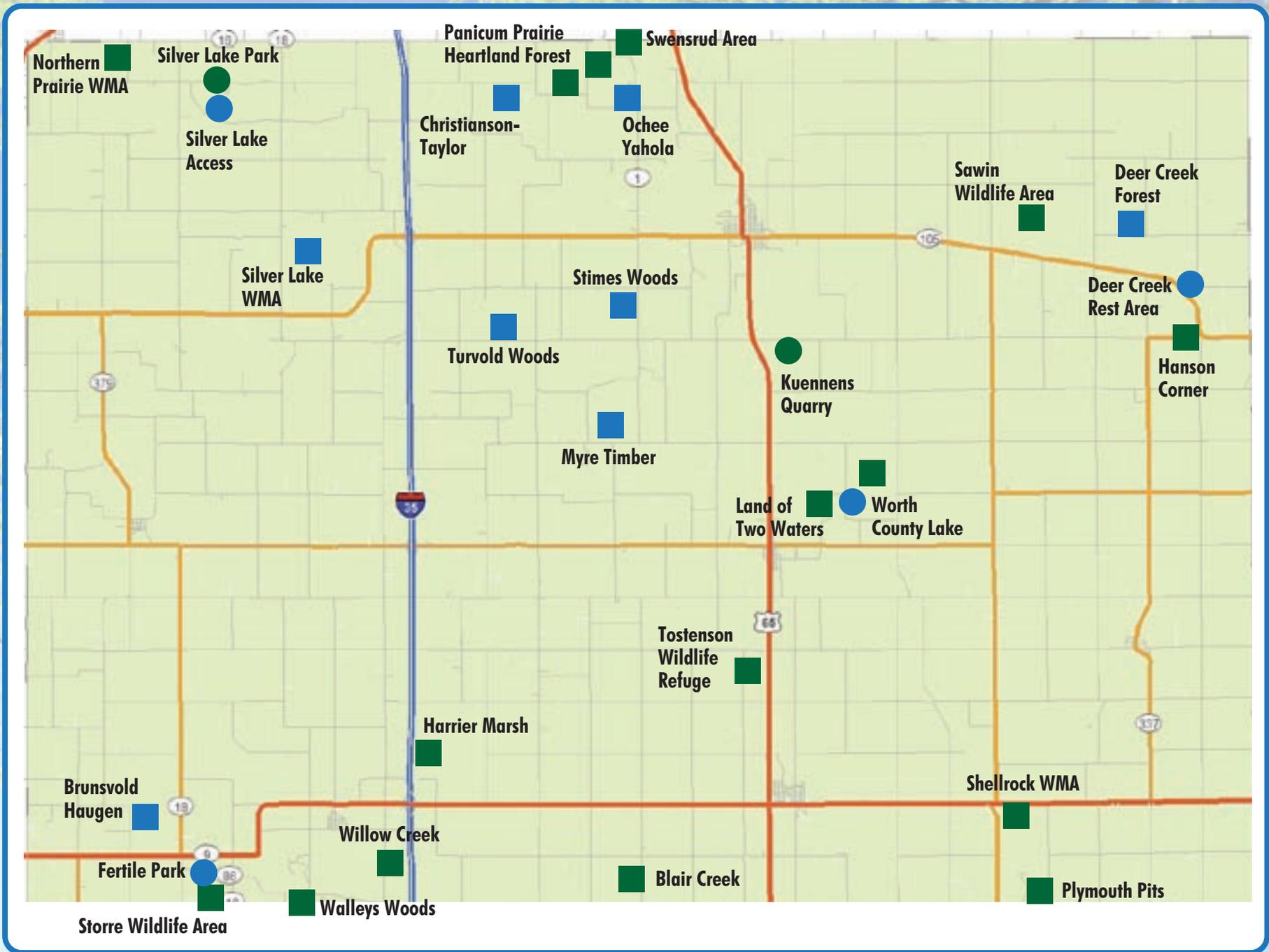
Shelter at Worth Co. Lake, 1960's



Worth County Conservation Board
50
years

1958-2008





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Purchased by Original Board before 1975

Purchased after 1975

● Park ■ Wildlife Area

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