Cranks Creek WMA Information

**Public Hunting Area Location**

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**Regional Locator**

**WMA Overview**

**Location & Size:** Harlan County, 2,155 acres  
**Contact:** (606) 654-2533  
**Elevation:** minimum 1424 feet, maximum 2948 feet.  
**Entrance GPS coordinate:** Latitude N 36.75629, Longitude W -83.19717  
**Area Habitat:** mostly forest: open land 5%, forest 95%, wetland 0%, open water 0%.

**Directions & Description:**  
15 miles southeast of Harlan on Stone Mountain RD. (off US 421). No roads within area. Mountainous, extremely steep terrain with long, deep hollows, heavily forested, primarily in hardwoods. No camping. Fishing in is allowed at the lake known both as Cranks Creek Lake and Herb Smith Lake. Rental boats available at Stone Mountain boat dock. Trout are stocked in Cranks Creek Lake, refer to the fishing guide for regulations. Picnicking at adjoining Stone Mountain, a scenic gorge area.

Owned by Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources.

**Online Resources**

Public Hunting Area users must abide by the Kentucky hunting, trapping, and fishing regulations. It is incumbent on persons using Public Hunting Areas to become familiar with these regulations. Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources provides these regulations on our Web site at [fw.ky.gov](http://fw.ky.gov) or by calling 1-800-858-1549.
Wildlife Management Area Map Notes & Legend

NOTE TO MAP USERS:

For most WMA maps the landscape is depicted using a combination of elevation contours, hillshading and a green tint indicating woodland areas that is derived from satellite imagery. On WMAs that are relatively small or have a history of surface mining aerial photography is used.

WMA Map Legend

- WMA Office
- Information Kiosk
- Check station
- Mobility-impaired Hunting Blind
- Trailhead
- Horseback Trailhead
- Parking Lot
- Picnic Area
- Restrooms
- Wildlife Viewing Site
- Interpretive Site
- Retriever Training Site
- Gate
- Campground
- Cemetery
- Corps of Engineers Office
- Waterfowl Blind
- Shooting Range
- Established Bank Access
- Fishing Pier
- Carrydown Launch
- Small Boat Ramp
- Large Boat Ramp
- State Park Office

- WMA Boundary
- Aerial photograph
- Other Public Hunting Areas
- Area Off Limits
- No Hunting
- Seasonally Restricted Access
- Mobility Impaired Hunting Area
- Primitive Hunting Only
- Foot Traffic Only
- Open Water
- Wetland
- Woodland

- Populated Place
- Kentucky Boundary
- Interstate Highway
- Kentucky Parkway
- U.S. Highway
- State Highway
- Local Road
- Forest Service Road
- Active Railroad
- Abandoned Railroad
- Federal Recreation Trail
- WMA Road
- WMA Foot Trail
- WMA Horse Trail
- Gas Pipeline
- Powerline
- Rivers and Streams
- Dam
- Trout Waters
- Elevation Contour