

# MARSH WETLANDS STATE NATURE PRESERVE AND WILDLIFE AREA

**Portage County** 

DISTANCE FROM MAJOR POPULATION CENTERS

30 miles from Akron 38 miles from Cleveland 43 miles from Youngstown

# LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

This 152-acre area is located in north-central Portage County, Mantua Township. One parking lot is located on Peck Road on the north-east portion of the area. Headwaters trail borders to the north and the Cuyahoga River borders to the west. Most of the area consists of an emergent marsh. The upland habitat is mostly located at the southern and eastern boundaries.

# HISTORY AND PURPOSE

This area was purchased by the Division of Wildlife in 1989. In 1990 this area was dedicated as a state nature preserve. This land acquisition ensures the protection of the wetland area. There are two other wetlands in the area in public ownership. This purchase will result in long-term protection of a larger expense of wetland habitat which will in turn increase the diversity of wetland wildlife species.

#### FISH AND WILDLIFE

The principle game species is white-tailed deer.

# HUNTING, FISHING, AND TRAPPING

Special regulations apply for hunting and trapping on Marsh Wetlands. Marsh Wetlands is an **archery-only area.** A special permit is required to hunt on Marsh wetlands. Contact the Division of Natural Areas and Preserves for permit and drawing information. A permit is required to trap on this Division-owned land. Contact the Division of Wildlife for the permit drawing date. Persons legally trapping furbearing animals on Marsh Wetlands may use a rimfire firearm to kill a wild animal caught in a trap. There is a no-hunting zone along the northern boundary that runs along the Headwaters trail.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Additional information may be obtained from Berlin Wildlife Area, 1806 Bonner Rd, Deerfield, Ohio 44411; telephone (330) 654-2392 or Wildlife District Three Office, 912 Portage Lakes Dr., Akron, Ohio 44319; telephone (330) 644-2293 or Natural Areas and Preserves (330) 527-5118.

# TURN IN A POACHER

Ohio's TIP (Turn In a Poacher) program helps to curtail poaching throughout the state. TIP is designed to involve the public in reporting wildlife violations. Citizens who observe wildlife violations should call the TIP toll-free hotline. 1-800-POACHER.

