







National Wetlands Inventory

North Unit

Polk County



Pankratz Memorial Prairie North Unit

Directions and Notes from The Nature Conservancy

To visit the north unit: From Crookston, drive east on U.S. Highway 2 for six miles to the intersection with County Road 46. Turn south and travel one-and-a-half miles to reach the west corner of the unit. To park, turn east onto the gravel road by the preserve sign. Please do not block the township road. The boulder rubbed smooth by buffalo is located here, near the center.

Pankratz is made of two tracts of land - a 468-acre north unit and a 452-acre south unit. It is five miles from the Conservancy's largest prairie-wetland restoration project in U.S. history - Glacial Ridge.

Herds of buffalo roamed this sandy soil, polishing smooth a large glacial boulder with the weight of their bodies. This boulder stands as a testament to pre-settlement times.

Notes from MinnesotaSeasons.com

Parking

N47 44.310, W96 27.560

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