



Pine Bend Bluffs SNA

Directions and Notes from Minnesota DNR

Directions: In Inver Grove Heights from I-494 7 miles S on US Hwy 52, then E over 52 on 117th St, then 0.8 mile N on Courthouse Blvd (frontage road), then 0.15 mi E on 111th St. Park in pull-off on N.

Lat/Lon: 44.788223, -93.031454

The Mississippi River Regional Trail passes through site, see detail map. This site is in an Audubon Important Bird Area. The Mississippi River Water Trail is adjacent to this site.

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Parking

N44 47.293, W93 1.887

This relatively new SNA was dedicated in May of 2004. In the spring of 2006 the Friends of the Mississippi River sowed little bluestem seed on recently-cleared prairie north of the small pond. North of the SNA is an area of private property owned by Flint Hills Resources. North of that is the Katharine Ordway Natural History Study Area.

Bike Trail

In 2012, construction began on the Pine Bend Bluffs segment of the Mississippi River Regional Trail (MRRT), which passes through the SNA. The MMRT is a paved bike trail that will eventually connect Hastings and South St. Paul. Construction of the Pine Bend Bluffs segment was completed in the summer of 2013.

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