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# Information Paper

## Missouri River Fish and Wildlife Mitigation Project Franklin Island, MO



*Shallow water riverine habitat created through dike notching along Franklin Island, June 2004*

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### Location

One mile northeast of Boonville, in Howard County, Missouri.

### Description

This mitigation site is located within the Missouri River along the bank of the Franklin Island Conservation Area. Nine bank notches were made in the existing river structures in the Spring of 2004. These modifications were made to increase the diversity of the riverine habitat at this location for a wide variety of fish, including the endangered pallid sturgeon. The increase in shoreline will also benefit a variety of native shore birds and amphibians.

The Franklin Island mitigation site is now approximately 36 acres in size but will vary over time, hopefully growing to a full 54-acre site. It is located at river miles 196 to 193 on the left descending bank of the Missouri River.

### Current Status

The Franklin Island Conservation Area is jointly owned and operated by the Missouri Department of Conservation (MDC) and the Natural Resources Conservation Service. MDC maintains the wetland, forest, and other terrestrial habitats at this site. The Corps will maintain the river structures at this location to assure adequate flows remain in the main river channel while the riverine habitat forms. Meanwhile, the site is available to the public for a variety of outdoor activities including bird and wildlife watching, hunting, photography, and fishing.



*Shallow water riverine habitat created by Corps of Engineers in-house work crews, June 04*