Salt Creek Waterfowl Management Area

HISTORY
Salt Creek WMA is located north of the Great Salt Lake, approximately 6 miles southwest of Tremonton. Acquisition of the land forming Salt Creek began in 1961 and it now totals 5,496 acres. Salt Creek serves as important nesting, resting, and feeding habitat for a variety of bird species. Waterfowl hunting is popular during the appropriate season. A watchable wildlife site exists at the Compton Knoll area which is good for viewing waterfowl, shorebirds and raptors during the migration seasons. Bald Eagles are visible during the winter months as they feed on carp.

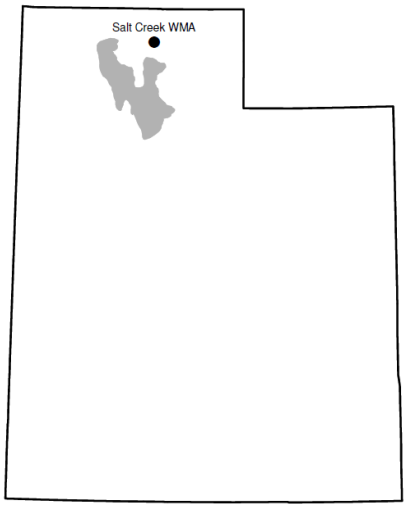
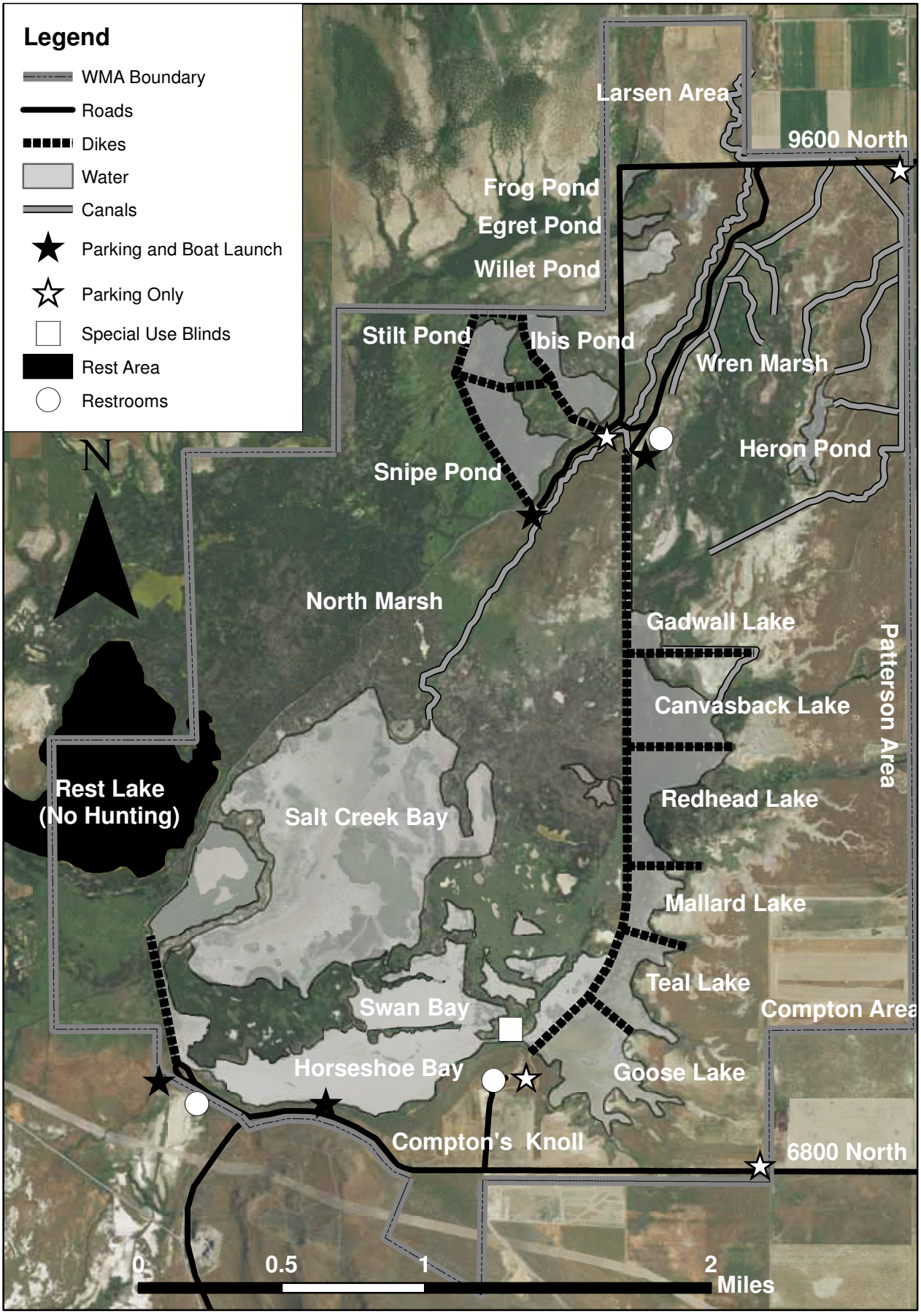
HABITAT
Salt Creek WMA is a freshwater wetland complex formed by Salt Creek. The area has extensive uplands composed of various grasses and greasewood, along with emergent marshes and open water habitat. Cattail and Olney bulrush line the edges of the diked impoundments and bays.

SPECIES
Species that are commonly harvested are northern pintail, mallard, northern shoveler, and American wigeon. Salt Creek also has a robust pheasant population giving hunters an opportunity to harvest upland game and waterfowl during their respective seasons.

ACCESS
Headquarters Office: 8475 North 11600 West, Tremonton, UT 84337. Phone number is 435-854-3610.
North Entrance: accessed at 9600 North 8400 West.
South Entrance: accessed by going west on 6800 North from 6800 West (Iowa String). Access is also available from Hwy 83 (Corinne exit off I-15) to 11300 West (west of Little Mountain) and traveling north.

Access on the area is allowed the Thursday prior to the youth waterfowl hunt and throughout the waterfowl season. Permission to enter the area outside of these dates must be requested from the area manager prior to entering the area. The Compton Knoll area is open 365 days a year to provide wildlife viewing opportunities. Two blinds for wildlife viewing are located near Compton's Knoll.

OTHER RULES
- No fishing is allowed (this includes bowfishing). Deer and dove hunting is not allowed.
- Motorized vehicle access is restricted to gravel roads and parking areas. Please do not block roadways.
- ATV and airboats are prohibited.
- Motorized and non-motorized conventional watercraft are allowed. Shallow draft motors are recommended as water depths are typically less than 18 inches. Deep water areas exist in borrow areas near most of the dikes.
- Firearms are allowed only during the waterfowl hunting season and restricted to shotguns and archery equipment only. All other types of firearms are prohibited. Target and trap shooting are prohibited.
- Hunting and/or shooting is prohibited from roads open to motorized vehicles. The waterfowl rest area is located on the west side of the WMA and is closed to hunting and trespass.
- Only approved non-toxic shot is allowed on the WMA. Lead shot is prohibited.
- Littering, including empty shotgun shells and boxes, is prohibited. Failure to remove litter will result in a citation.
- Only natural vegetation found on the management area may be used to construct blinds. Consult the guidebook for additional details on regulations regarding blind construction. Remember blinds are considered common property after installation and you cannot exclude others from using them.
- A boat launch and hunting platform, which are boat accessible, exists for hunters with disabilities and their hunting partners.
- Overnight camping is permitted only in established parking lots. Open fires are allowed and permanent structures exist at many locations for your use. You are responsible for your fire and any damages.
- Trapping is restricted to special permit holders.
- Please consult the waterfowl guidebook for additional rules and regulations.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