

If you're looking for a relaxing place to take your family for a picnic, and maybe even a little fishing, visit CU parks and lakes.

Lake Springfield

Lake Springfield is located on the James River next to the James River Power Plant near Highways 60 and 65 and is a source of cooling water for the power plant. Boating is permitted for boats with a maximum of six horsepower motors and within restricted areas. Use the south wood road access for boat launching. Fishing, swimming, bathing, wading and water skiing are also permitted outside the restricted areas. A special use area on the north side of the lake may be reserved for group functions. For reservations or more information call (417) 864-1049. The park is open from sunrise to sunset.

Fellows Lake

Fellows Lake is located north of Springfield near Highways 65 and AA and is Springfield's source of drinking water. Boating is permitted for boats with a maximum of forty horsepower motors and within restricted areas. Boats must be launched at the designated boat launch near the marina. A recreational identification permit is required and may be purchased at the marina for \$5.00 each year. For more information on services offered by the marina, call 833-2058 March through October. Fishing is permitted within restricted areas. Swimming, bathing, and wading are prohibited. Water skiing and duck hunting are permitted only at designated times and areas on Fellows Lake. The park is open from sunrise to sunset. Call (417) 831-8881 for more information.

McDaniel Lake

McDaniel Lake is located north of Springfield on the Little Sac River from the dam to the low water bridge on Farm Road 68. It is accessible by Grant Street or Summit Street. Water from this lake is another source of our drinking water. Bank fishing only is permitted upstream from the Grant Street Bridge. No boating, swimming, bathing, wading or water skiing are allowed.

Valley Water Mill

The 17-acre Valley Water Mill reservoir at the northeast edge of Springfield on Valley Water Mill Road provides source water to Fulbright Spring by a natural underground channel. Only bank fishing is allowed at this reservoir.

General Regulations

Park areas are open from sunrise to sunset. Camping is prohibited in the reservoir and lakes areas except as allowed in the special use area at Lake Springfield for scouting groups.

Alcoholic beverages, horseback riding, unleashed pets, fireworks, firearms or dangerous weapons are prohibited.

Firearms and hunting dogs are permitted for waterfowl hunters in special use areas during waterfowl hunting season. Missouri Conservation Department requirements apply to all fishing and hunting activities.