



Some activities and events may require a special permit. This includes, but is not limited to, large groups, educational events, commercial uses, and research. Find more information at [fcgov.com/naturalareas/permits](https://fcgov.com/naturalareas/permits).

Natural Areas and Trails Rangers at 970-416-2147

Natural Areas Department at 970-416-2815 or [naturalareas@fcgov.com](mailto:naturalareas@fcgov.com)

Gateway Natural Area Ranger Office 970-407-1106

Bobcat Ridge Natural Area Ranger Office 970-461-2700

Check Trail Status and Hours at [fcgov.com/naturalareas](https://fcgov.com/naturalareas)

EMERGENCY CALL 911



[fcgov.com/naturalareas/espanol](https://fcgov.com/naturalareas/espanol)

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Guardas de Áreas Naturales y Senderos: 970-416-2147

Departamento de Áreas Naturales: 970-416-2815  
o en [naturalareas@fcgov.com](mailto:naturalareas@fcgov.com)

Oficina de Guardas del Área Natural de Gateway: 970-407-1106

Oficina de Guardas del Área Natural de Bobcat Ridge: 970-461-2700

Consulte el estado y horario de los senderos en [fcgov.com/naturalareas](https://fcgov.com/naturalareas)

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## NATURAL AREAS REGULATIONS

YOUR GUIDE TO SAFETY AND THE PROTECTION OF NATURAL AREAS

## REGULACIONES DE LAS ÁREAS NATURALES

GUÍA DE SEGURIDAD Y PROTECCIÓN DE ÁREAS NATURALES

This brochure is only a summary of sections of the Fort Collins Municipal Code that specifically regulate activities in natural areas but is not comprehensive. To view all Natural Areas Code provisions, see Chapter 23, Article IX at [library.municode.com/co/fort\\_collins/codes/municipal\\_code](https://library.municode.com/co/fort_collins/codes/municipal_code). Select the language of code in the upper right-hand corner of the page or in your browser preferences.



Natural Areas Rangers are responsible for approaching visitors to enforce the municipal code.

### IMPORTANT REGULATIONS

- NO** off-trail access is permitted; exceptions are in the chart provided.
- Camping or pitching a tent is **NOT** permitted in natural areas.
- Do **NOT** use cigarettes or drugs in natural areas, including the use of vapor producing products.
- Dogs are **NOT** allowed at Bobcat Ridge, Cottonwood Hollow, Coyote Ridge, Fossil Creek, Running Deer, and Soapstone Prairie natural areas.
- Dogs and other pets are always required to be on leash and under physical control in natural areas.
- Do **NOT** permit dogs and other pets to harass wildlife.
- Keep alcohol out of natural areas, whether open or unopened.
- Natural areas hours are either 5 a.m.-11 p.m. or dawn to dusk. See chart provided.
- NO** Campfires or other fires are permitted. This includes anything that produces a flame.
- Know what safety equipment and licensing are required for your vessel, including a life vest and sound producing device. Visit [cpw.state.co.us](https://cpw.state.co.us) for all state fishing regulations and vessel safety requirements.
- Do **NOT** enter natural areas that are signed closed, including closures for wet and muddy conditions or natural areas not yet open to the public.
- Do **NOT** collect or deposit any material. Leave what you find.
- NO** littering or dumping.

### RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES BY

NATURAL AREA	OPEN 5 A.M. - 11 P.M.	OFF-TRAIL HIKING	BOATING	FISHING
ARAPAHO BEND	🕒	H	🚤	🐟
BOBCAT RIDGE Open dawn to dusk				
BUTTERFLY WOODS	🕒			
CATHY FROMME PRAIRIE	🕒			
CATTAIL CHORUS	🕒			
COLINA MARIPOSA	🕒			
COTTONWOOD HOLLOW	🕒			
COYOTE RIDGE	🕒			
FISCHER	🕒	H		
FOSSIL CREEK RESERVOIR Open dawn to dusk				
FOSSIL CREEK WETLANDS	🕒			
GATEWAY Open dawn to dusk		H	🚤	🐟
GOOSE HOLLOW	🕒	H	🚤	🐟
GUSTAV SWANSON	🕒	H		🐟
HAZALEUS	🕒			
HOMESTEAD	🕒			
KESTREL FIELDS	🕒			
KINGFISHER POINT	🕒		🚤	🐟
MAGPIE MEANDER	🕒			🐟
MALLARD'S NEST	🕒	H		🐟
MAXWELL	🕒			
MCMURRY	🕒	H	🚤	🐟
NORTH SHIELDS PONDS	🕒	H	🚤	🐟

### RECREATION OPPORTUNITIES BY

NATURAL AREA	OPEN 5 A.M. - 11 P.M.	OFF-TRAIL HIKING	BOATING	FISHING
PELICAN MARSH	🕒			
PINERIDGE	🕒		🚤	🐟
PRAIRIE DOG MEADOW	🕒			
PROSPECT PONDS	🕒	H	🚤	🐟
PUEENTE VERDE	🕒			
RED FOX MEADOWS	🕒	H		
REDTAIL GROVE	🕒			
REDWING MARSH	🕒	H		🐟
RESERVOIR RIDGE Gated parking lots open dawn to dusk	🕒			
RIVERBEND PONDS	🕒	H	🚤	🐟
RIVER'S EDGE	🕒	H		🐟
ROSS	🕒	H		
RUNNING DEER	🕒			
SALYER	🕒	H		🐟
SOARING VISTA	🕒			
SOAPSTONE PRAIRIE Open dawn to dusk, March-November.				
SPRINGER	🕒			
THE COTERIE	🕒			
TANGLEWOOD	🕒	H		
TWO CREEKS	🕒			
UDALL	🕒			
WILLIAMS	🕒			

