

# EXPLORE YOUR MILLS COUNTY PARKS!

## WESTERN MILLS COUNTY

### West Oak Forest

55877 195<sup>th</sup> St Pacific Junction, IA  
2 miles North of Hwy 34 on L31



This is the largest park within the Mills County Conservation Board's park system. At 308 acres, it consists of forest, numerous hilltop prairie remnants, 7-acres of restored prairie, and well over 3 miles of hiking trails. On the lower south trail, you will find an interpretive panel with information about Iowa's Loess Hills and native prairie. Work is presently underway to restore part of the park to an Oak Savanna. West Oak Forest is inhabited by many threatened and endangered species of the Loess Hills. This park is rich in cultural history as well, once occupied by the Glenwood Culture; a pre-historic people whose earth-lodge sites and burial mounds have been documented within the park's boundaries.

Being nestled into the west side of Iowa's beautiful Loess Hills, the park provides a spectacular view overlooking the Missouri River floodplain.

### **RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR WEST OAK FOREST**

DO NOT LITTER – CARRY OUT WHAT YOU CARRY IN.  
NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES BEYOND PARKING AREA.  
NO HUNTING OR TRAPPING.  
NO FIREARMS.  
NO FIREWORKS.  
NO CAMPING.  
NO OPEN FIRES.  
PETS MUST REMAIN ON A LEASH AT ALL TIMES.

NO ANIMAL SHALL BE HITCHED OR TIED TO ANY TREE OR SHRUB, OR IN SUCH A MANNER AS TO RESULT IN INJURY TO PROPERTY.

It is illegal to remove, injure, destroy or deface any natural or man-made structures or materials, including trees, flowers or wildlife except with the written permission of the Mills County Conservation Board. (Mushrooms, fruits and nuts can be harvested for personal use.) This section shall not apply to the MCCB or its officers.