

# NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION

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## 2020 Region 6 Adult Pheasant Release Site Information Page

Adult Pheasants are released prior to the youth hunt weekend and prior to opening day of the regular season, as well as throughout the month of October. A map of each release site is attached to this page. If you have any questions regarding the hunting locations or release schedule, please call the appropriate wildlife office. For more information, visit the DEC website ([www.dec.ny.gov](http://www.dec.ny.gov)).

A new stocking site on Point Peninsula WMA was added in 2018. This WMA will be stocked the week of October 4 and October 11, but not opening day.

Pheasant hunting on Verona Beach State Park requires a self issued permit available at <https://parks.ny.gov/parks/102/hunting.aspx>

Please respect all posted signs. Please do not use motorized vehicles where prohibited or without permission from landowners.

### Seasons:

#### Youth Hunt Weekend:

The youth-only (ages 12-15) pheasant hunt is Sept. 26 and 27. Perch River WMA, Upper and Lower Lakes WMA, and Oriskany Flats WMA will be stocked and open for hunting on the Youth Hunt Weekend.

**Regular Season:** Jefferson, St Lawrence, Lewis, Herkimer, Oneida counties - October 1 – February 28.

#### Herkimer County/Oneida County Release Site

Contact: Herkimer Wildlife Office

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation-Region 6

225 N. Main St., Herkimer, NY 13350

Phone: (315)-866-6330

#### Jefferson County/Lewis County Release Site

Contact: Watertown Wildlife

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation-Region 6

317 Washington Street, Watertown, NY 13601-3787

Phone: (315) 785-2261

#### St. Lawrence County Release Site

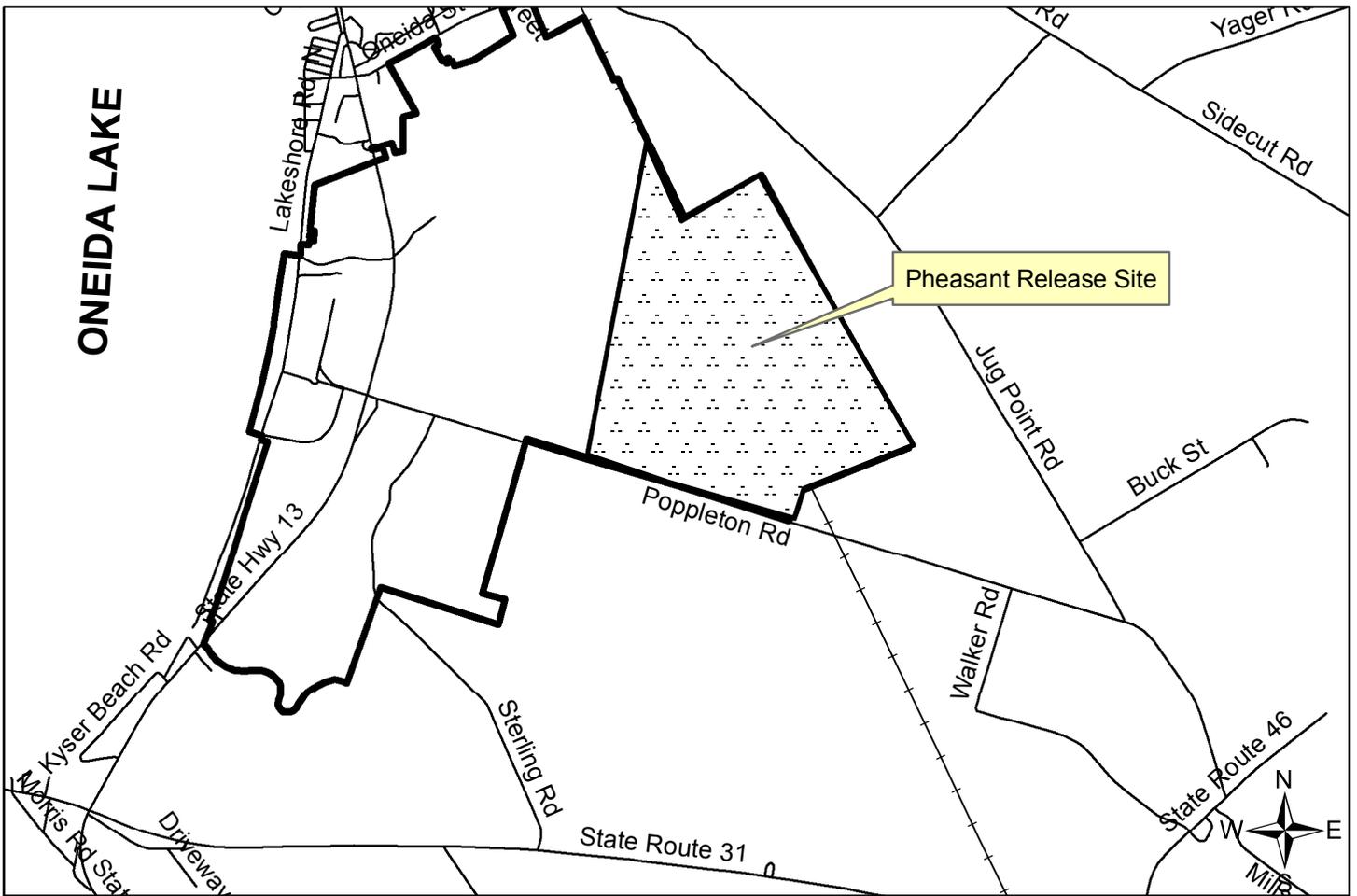
Contact: Potsdam Wildlife

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation-Region 6

6739 US Highway 11, Potsdam, NY 13676 Phone: (315) 265-3090



# Verona Beach State Park Pheasant Release Site ( Oneida County)



## Verona Beach State Park (T/O Verona)

The park is located just south of Sylvan Beach along Rt. 13 on the very east end of Oneida Lake.

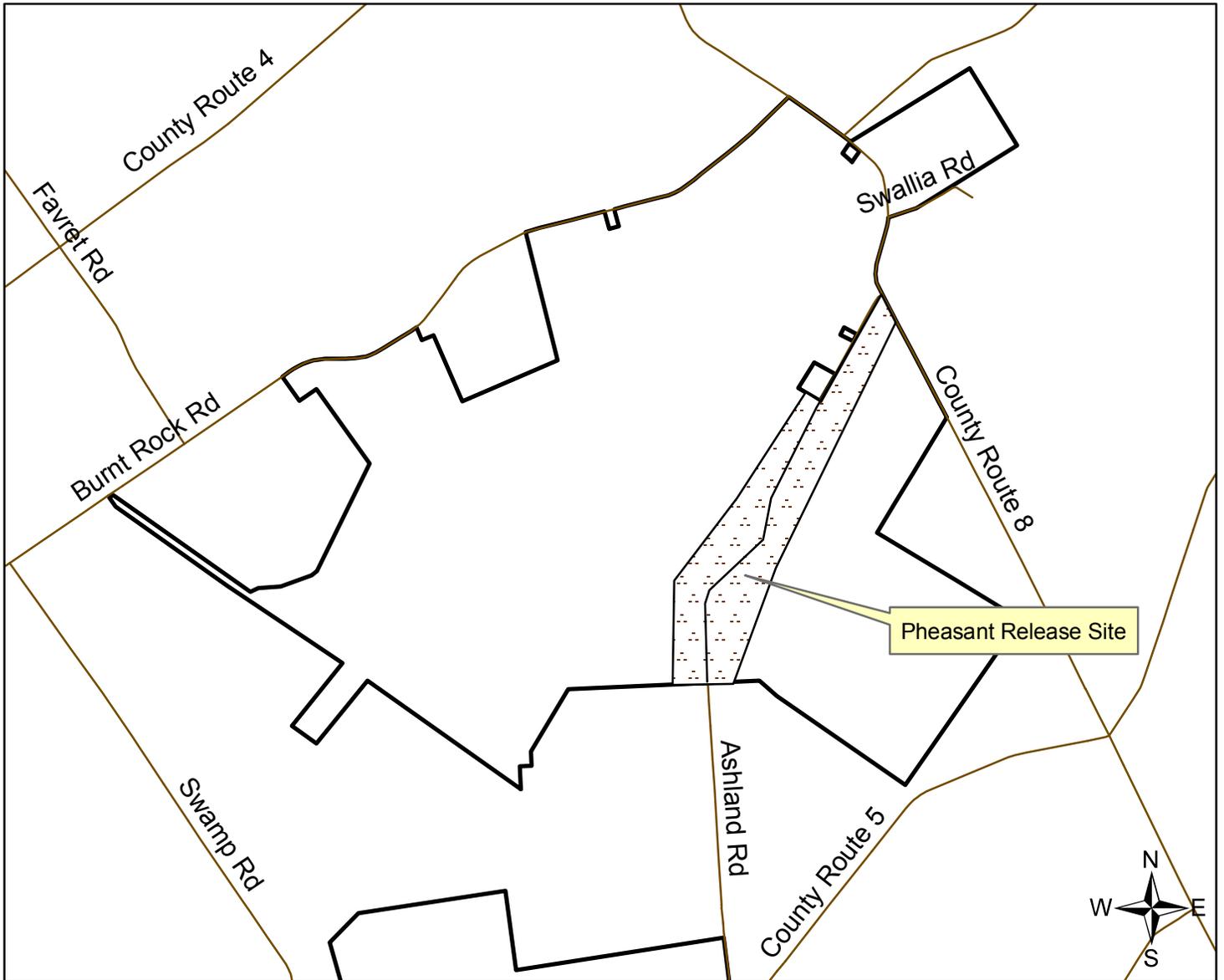
Pheasants will be stocked in the fallow fields along the north side of Poppleton Road.

Self issued permits for pheasant hunting Verona Beach State Park are available at: <https://parks.ny.gov/parks/102/hunting.aspx>

All regulations for hunting the park are clearly outlined in the permit.

VERONA BEACH STATE PARK  
Box 245  
Verona Beach, NY 13167  
(315) 762-4463

# Ashland Wildlife Management Area Pheasant Release Site (Jefferson County)



Ashland Wildlife Management Area (T/O Cape Vincent and Lyme)

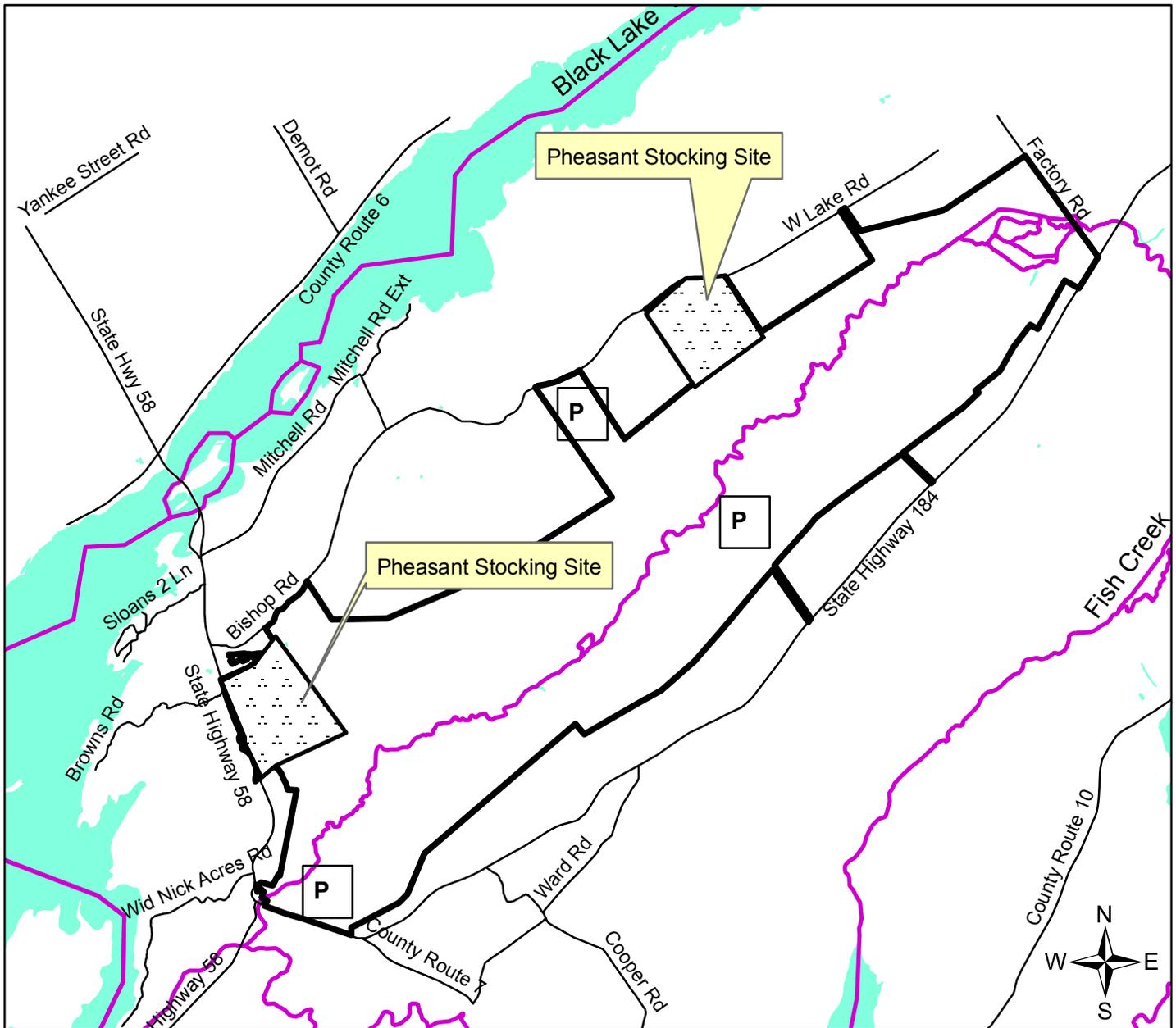
Located in northern Jefferson County. Access area off County Route 8, along Ashland Rd.

Habitat on this 2040 acre WMA consists primarily of grasslands.

Pheasants are stocked from Ashland Rd. and Burnt Rock Rd.

No permit required.

# Fish Creek Wildlife Management Area Pheasant Release Site (St. Lawrence County)



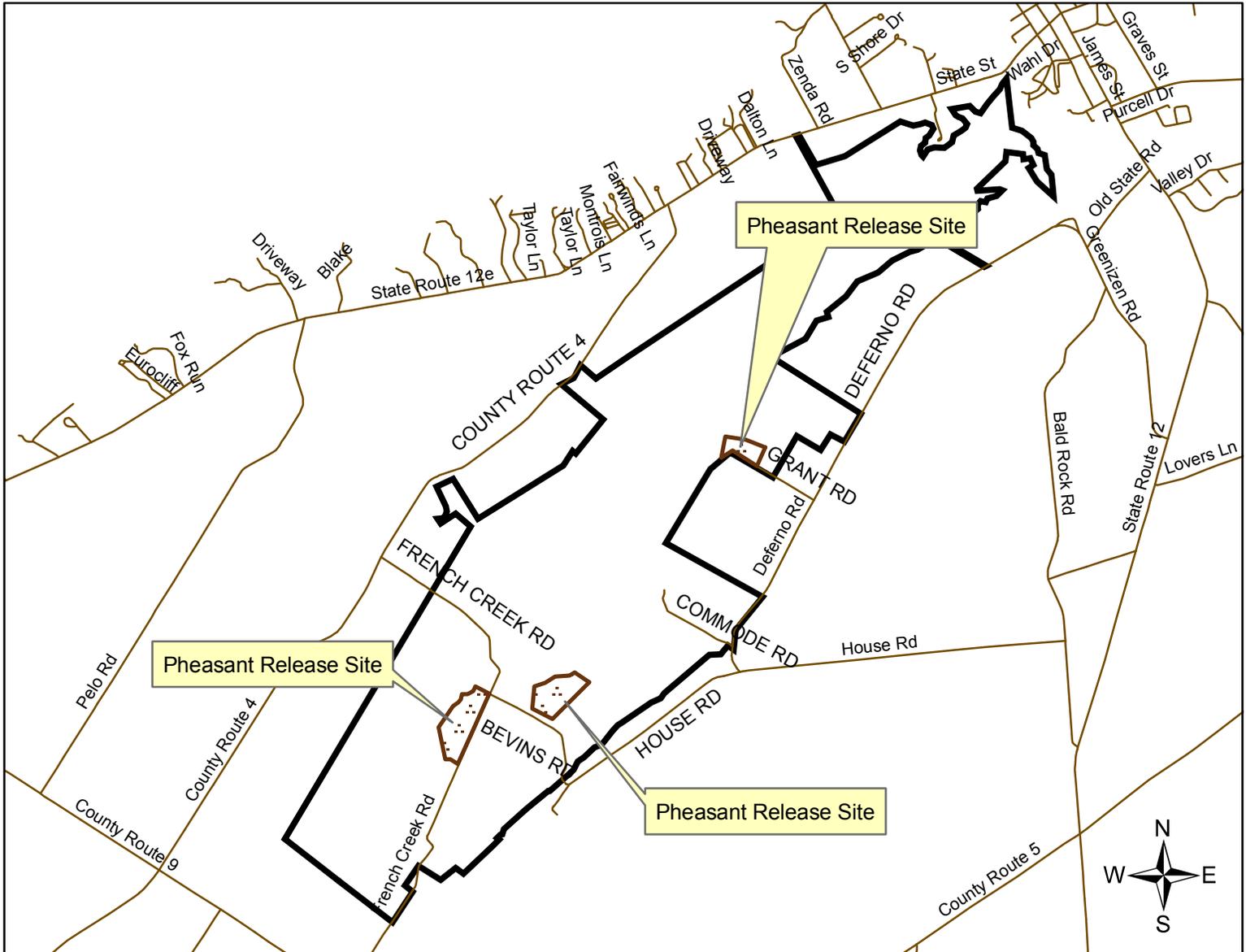
## Fish Creek Wildlife Management Area ( T/O Macomb)

Pheasants are released along the fields associated with the access roads off State Highway 58 and West Lake Road.

Habitat is typical mowed hayfields and early successional shrub areas.  
Birds may also be encountered along wetland edges.

No Permit Required

# French Creek Wildlife Management Area Pheasant Release Site ( Jefferson County)



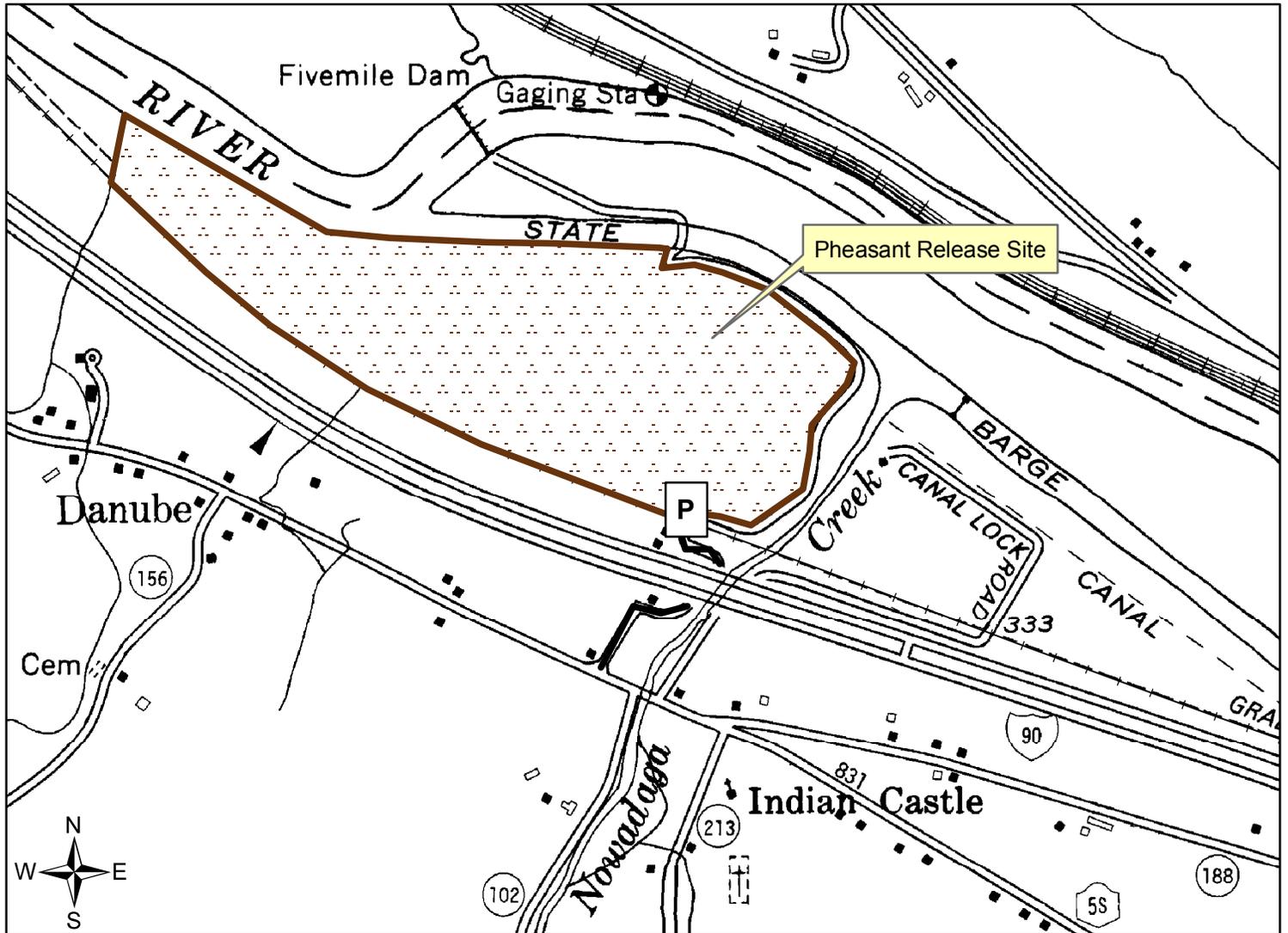
## French Creek Wildlife Management Area (T/O Clayton)

Located southwest of Clayton in Jefferson County. Access is best gained 4 miles from the village on French Creek Road. The DeFerno, House and Grant Roads also provide access to the south.

This 2300 acre WMA contains over 300 acres of maintained grassland, along with woodland and wetland components. Pheasants are stocked within the WMA from French Creek, House, and Grant Roads, and Rte.12E.

No permit is required.

# Pheasant Release Site (Herkimer County)



Nowadaga Creek (T/O Danube)

Hunting in fields at the end of Depot Road between Canal and Hike-way trail.

Parking is located at yellow gate.

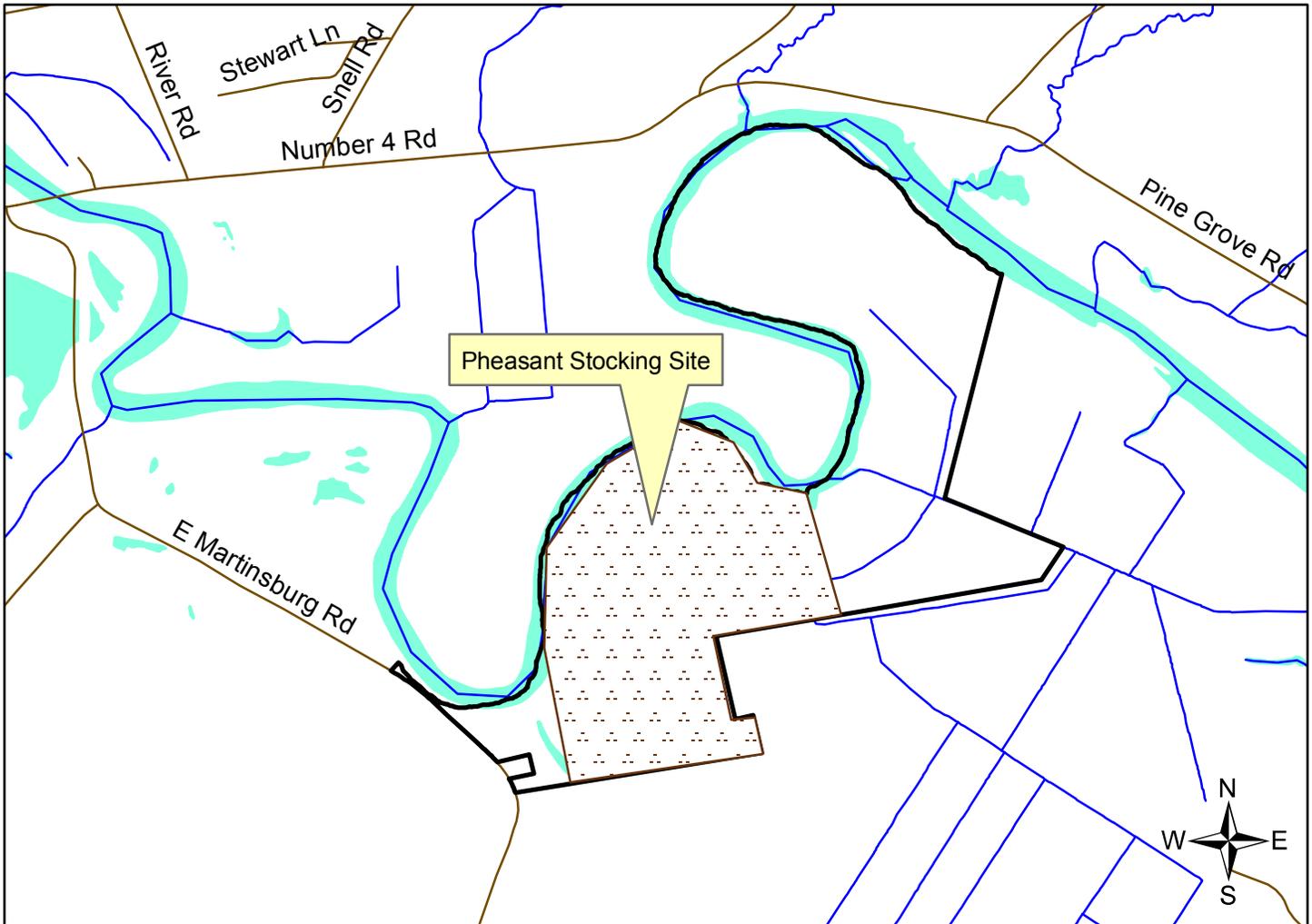
This stocking area is a combination of State Canal land and private lands.

Please follow the 500' law when hunting near buidlings.

Please obey all posted signs and no motorized vehicles on field.

No permit is required.

# Martinsburg Road Pheasant Release Site (Lewis County)



## Martinsburg Road Property (T/O Martinsburg)

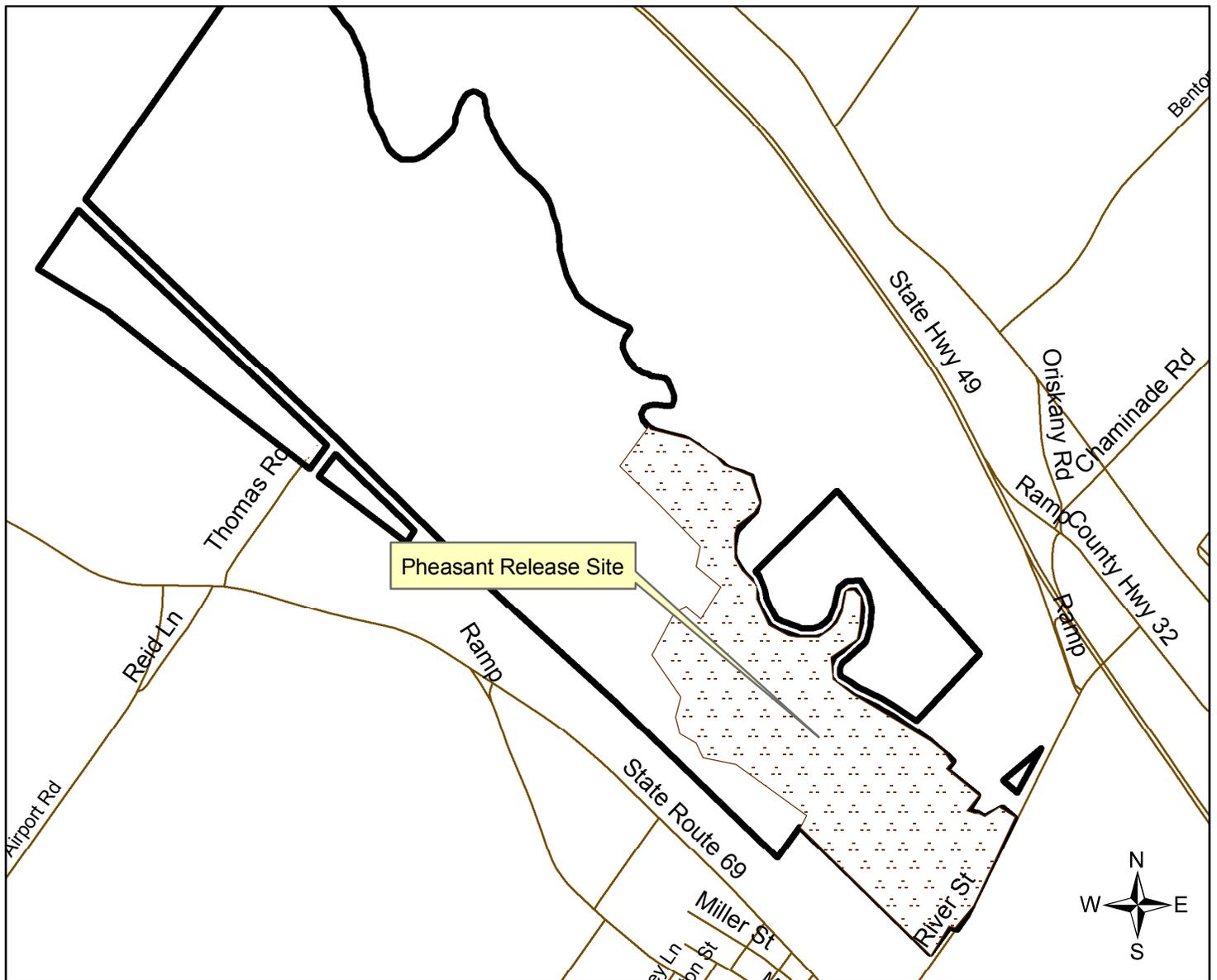
This property is located in central Lewis County at 6490 East Martinsburg Rd.

Park in designated parking areas only, located by following signs.

It is illegal to discharge a firearm within 500' of a dwelling, farm building or structure in occupation or use.

Please respect this landowners property. This is private property and it is a privilege to hunt this property

# Oriskany Flats Wildlife Management Area Pheasant Release Site (Oneida County)



## Oriskany Flats Wildlife Management Area (T/O Whitestown)

Access is gained from the parking area off River Street outside the village of Oriskany. River Street is located off the Oriskany exit of Route 49.

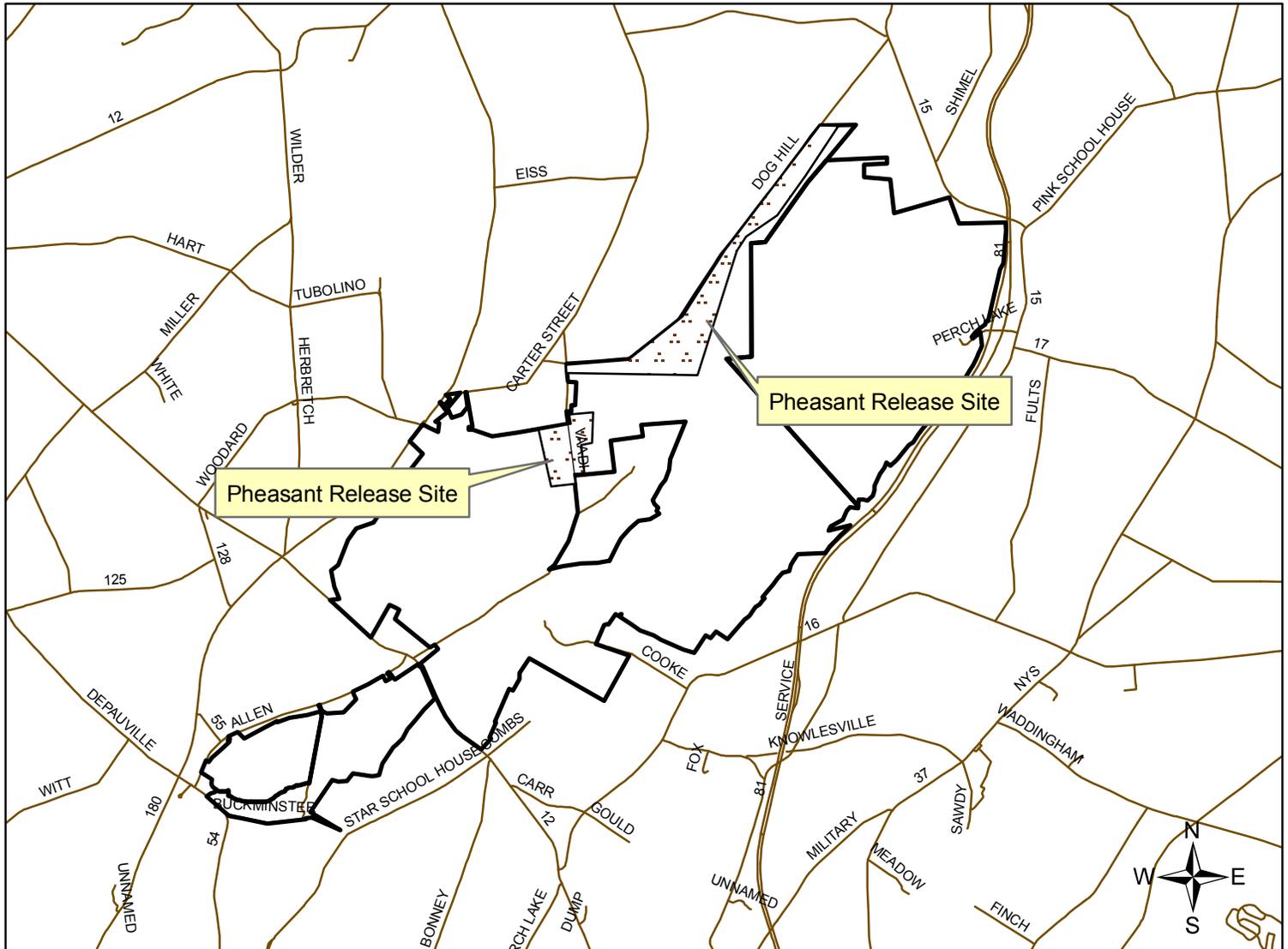
Drive south over the Barge Canal and Mohawk River.

Signs for the management area are visible from River Street.

Birds are stocked in fallow fields on the area.

No permit is required.

# Perch River Wildlife Management Area Pheasant Release Site (Jefferson County)



Perch River Wildlife Management Area (T's/O Brownville, Orleans, Pamela)

Located in central Jefferson County. Area is bisected by State Rte.12, with access along Vaadi Rd. and Dog Hill Rd.

Habitat is primarily wetland with an upland component on this 7862 acre WMA.

Pheasants are stocked on Dog Hill and both sides of Vaadi Rd.

Hunting permitted on areas posted with NYS Public Land signs.  
Hunting also permitted on areas posted with NYS Wetland Restricted signs after self-sign-in at the Vaadi Rd. check station.  
Hunting is not permitted on areas posted with Wetland Refuge signs.

Regulations are posted at Vaadi Rd. check station

# Point Peninsula Wildlife Management Area Pheasant Release Site (Jefferson County)



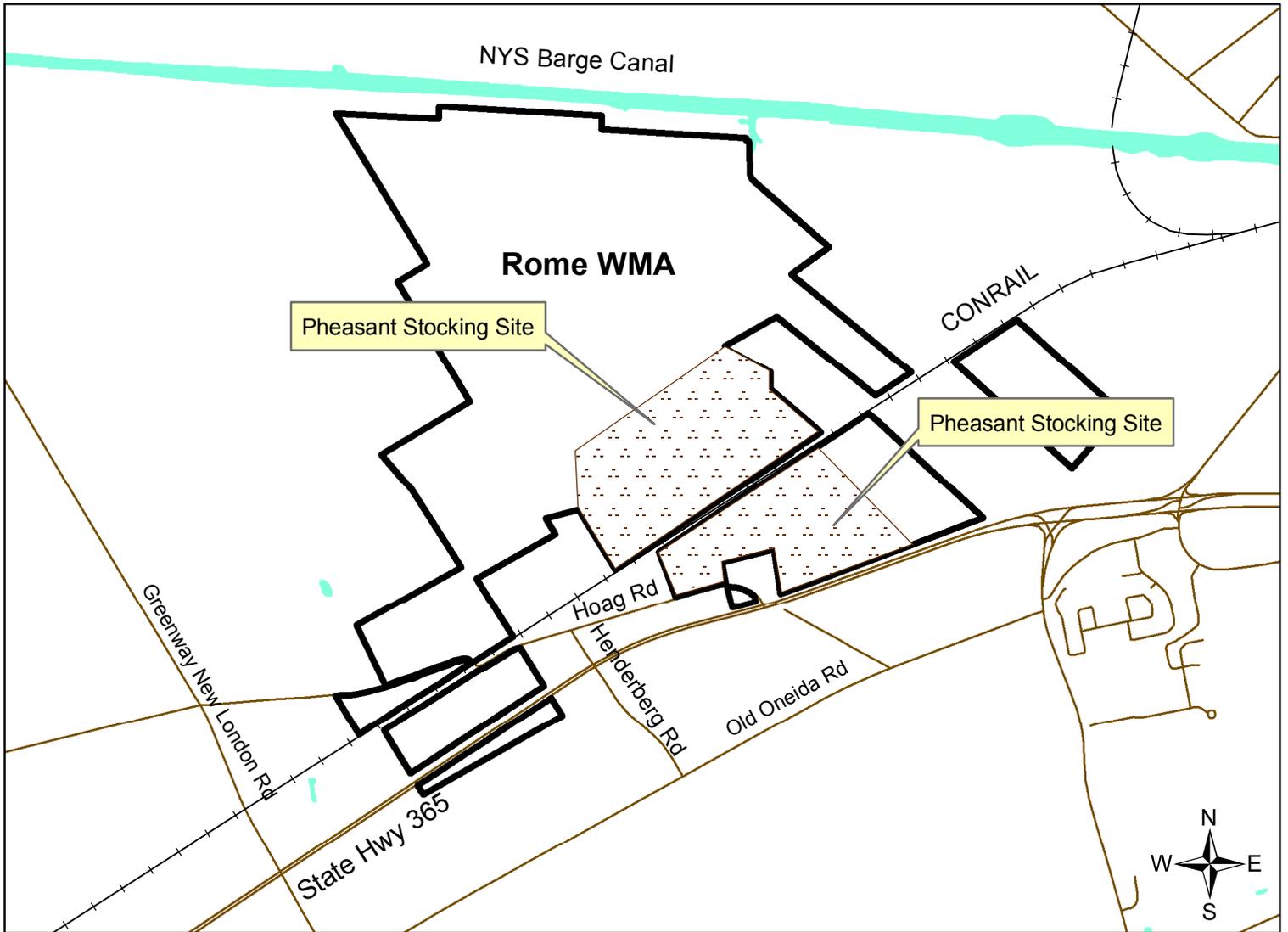
## Point Peninsula Wildlife Management Area (Town of Lyme)

Located in northern Jefferson County on the western edge of Point Peninsula approximately 8.5 miles southwest of the Village of Three Mile Bay. Access from Jefferson County Route 57 off NYS Route 12E.

This 1,045 acre WMA is predominately wetlands with a mixture of grassland. Pheasants are stocked in fields posted with NYS Public Land signs along South Shore Road and Beach Road.

No permit required.

# Rome Wildlife Management Area Pheasant Release Site ( Oneida County)



## Rome Wildlife Management Area (T/O Rome, off Route 365)

The majority of state owned lands is located north of the Conrail tracks and south of the Barge Canal.

Pheasants are released on the north side of the railroad tracks. These sites are old fallow fields that are not optimal pheasant environment.

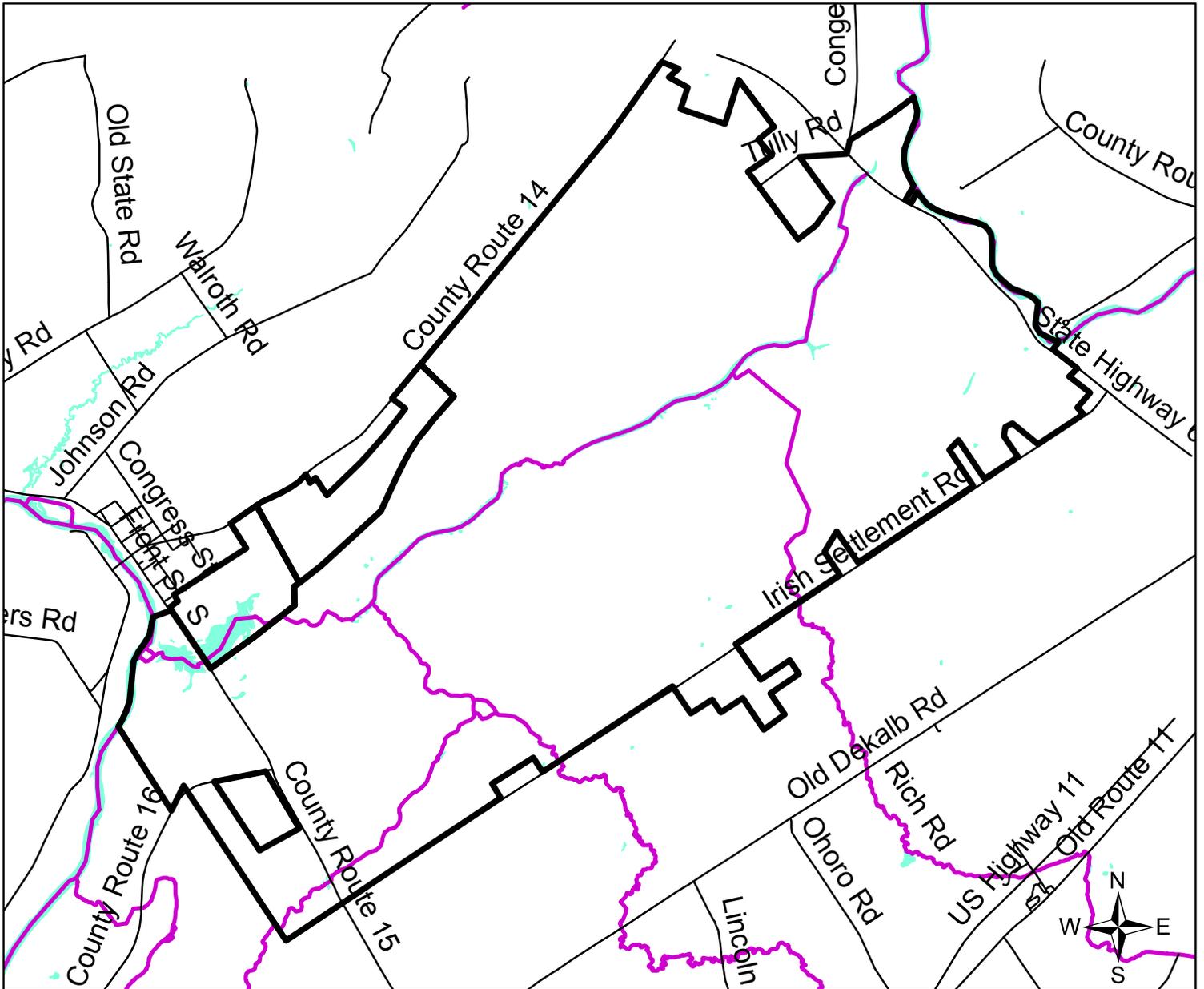
Railroad tracks are private property; hunters cannot legally cross the tracks. Access to the stocked area is by trail from parking area to hunting fields.

The parking area is located along Hoag Road. From Rome, take Route 365 west towards Oneida, and turn right on Greenway New London and then right onto Hoag Road.

The parking area is on the north side of the tracks just past the railroad bridge. Parking is in two small lots on both the left- and right-hand side of Hoag Road.

Hunters must obey private posted signs! No permit is required.

Upper and Lower Lakes  
Wildlife Management Area  
Pheasant Release Site  
( St. Lawrence County)



Upper and Lower Lakes ( T/O Canton)

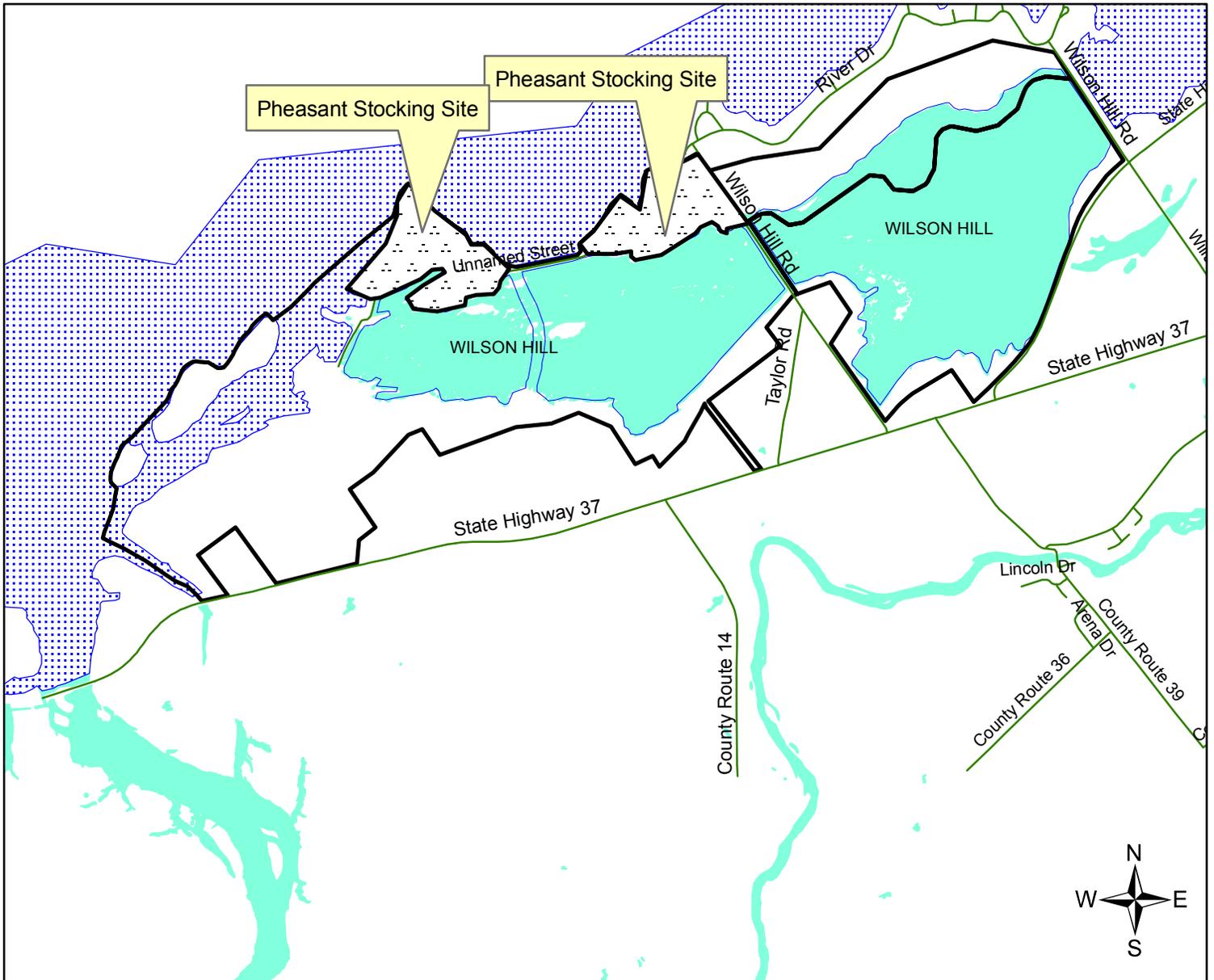
Pheasants are released along CR 14, State Highway 68, Irish Settlement Rd and on the public hunting area off of McAdoo Rd, (CR 16).

The exact locations for distribution vary slightly, depending on the number of pheasants available for stocking and ground/weather conditions.

Habitat is typically mowed hay fields interspersed with patches of dogwood, alder and willow growth. Birds may also be encountered along the edges of the wetland habitat found throughout the area.

No special use regulations

# Wilson Hill Wildlife Management Area Pheasant Release Site (St. Lawrence County)



## Wilson Hill Wildlife Management Area (T/O Louisville)

The area is accessed by taking State Route 131 to the Wilson Hill Causeway (opposite Willard Rd), and after crossing the causeway, turning left onto River Rd. There is only one way in and out of the area.

Pheasants are typically released in the upland areas surrounding the open marsh pools. Habitat is generally mowed or overgrown fields and old orchards. Once scattered, birds can also be encountered in the cattail and alder edges of the wetland areas.

Wilson Hill Wildlife Management Area is a Special Regulation Area. Regulations are posted at the kiosk in front of the Check Station Building.

**PLEASE READ THE REGULATIONS BEFORE HUNTING!**