

When taken together with its neighbor to the immediate north, Eggers Woods (site 23, p. 54), William Powers Conservation Area is one of the city's richest and largest natural areas. The land surrounding Wolf Lake holds endangered sedges and orchids and an abundance of wetland habitat.

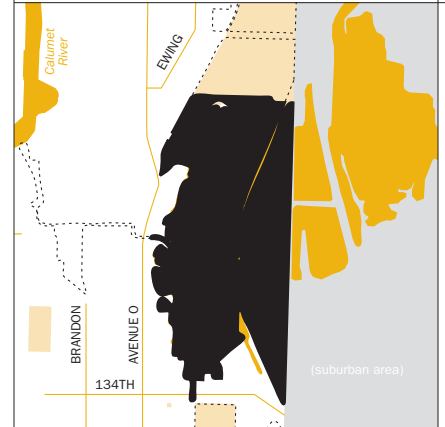
The area is best visited by parking around the middle of the park and hovering near the edges where the land meets the lake. It's possible to launch a boat. From a canoe, visitors fish for some of the lake's twenty-six different species. A boat also provides a good vantage point to go in close to shore to examine the terrestrial plant and animal life. This is the only place within the city of Chicago where hunting of waterfowl is allowed.

The marshes and uplands located at the southern end of Wolf Lake are privately owned — 13 14 15. Although not of very high ecological quality, it is important to protect this area. It would create a continuous greenway between Eggers Woods and Powderhorn Lake and Marsh complex (site 64, p. 104), making this a four-mile long stretch of protected land north to south.

This site is part of the Calumet Open Space Reserve.

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CONSERVATION AREA

Site No 88

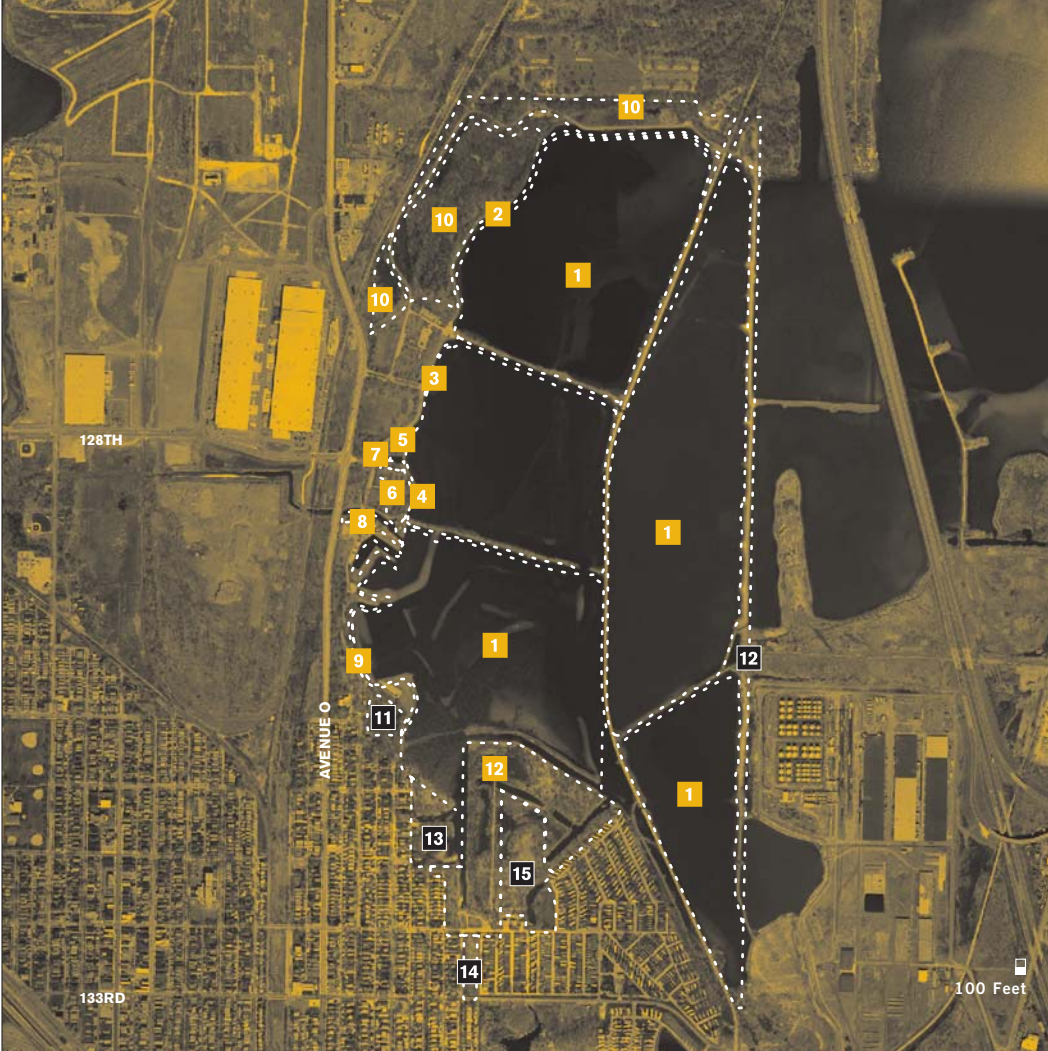


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HABITATS  
 1 8 Aquatic  
 2 3 4 9 Potential Habitat  
 12 13 14 15  
 5 6 Prairie / Grassland  
 7 Wetland  
 10 11 Forest / Woodland

DIRECTIONS For Wolf Lake, access is off Avenue O, at 126th Street. The expansion areas are private land, but can be viewed from 134th Street.

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