

HISTORY

The Seminoe Mountains surrounding Seminoe State Park were once the site for gold prospecting during the late 1800s. The name “Seminoe” is commonly assumed to come from the Seminole tribe, but is an Americanized spelling of the French name Cimineau. Basil Cimineau Lajeunesse was a French trapper in the area in the 1800s.

Seminoe State Park, located on the northwest side of the reservoir, was established in 1965 through an agreement between the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation and the Wyoming Recreation Commission (predecessor to Wyoming State Parks and Historic Sites).

FACTS & FIGURES

Seminoe Dam was completed April 1, 1939. The dam is a concrete arch construction and contains 210,000 cubic yards of concrete. It is 295 feet high, 530 feet long, 15 feet wide at the top, and 85 feet wide at the bottom. The crest elevation is 6,361 feet. The reservoir has 180 miles of shoreline and a reservoir capacity of 1,017,279 acre feet of water.

WILDLIFE

Wyoming wildlife is at its finest in and near Seminoe State Park. Patient visitors will be rewarded with a variety of creatures passing by: big horn sheep, elk, moose, mule deer, antelope, coyote, mountain lion, bobcat, fox, raccoon, skunk, jack rabbit and cottontail rabbit. Bird watchers may glimpse the American or Bald Eagle plus several types of waterfowl. Bring your binoculars, sit back and enjoy!

FISHING

Good river fishing can be found along the North Platte River from I-80 at Fort Fred Steele State Historic Site all the way to the Gray Reef Area



below Alcova Dam. In between lies the famous “Miracle Mile,” well-known for its blue ribbon fishing.

Seminoe Reservoir offers some great fishing, particularly in June and July, for both trout and walleye. Both species inhabit the entire reservoir, though there are areas of greater concentration for each. State record walleye have been pulled from Seminoe in years past.

Fishing licenses are required and may be purchased in the area from: The Seminoe Boat Club, Seminoe; Bi-Rite Drug Store & Sporting Goods and Trails West Taxidermy, Rawlins; Three Forks Muddy Gap Service (gas station), Muddy Gap; and Miracle Mile Ranch, Miracle Mile.

PARK FEES

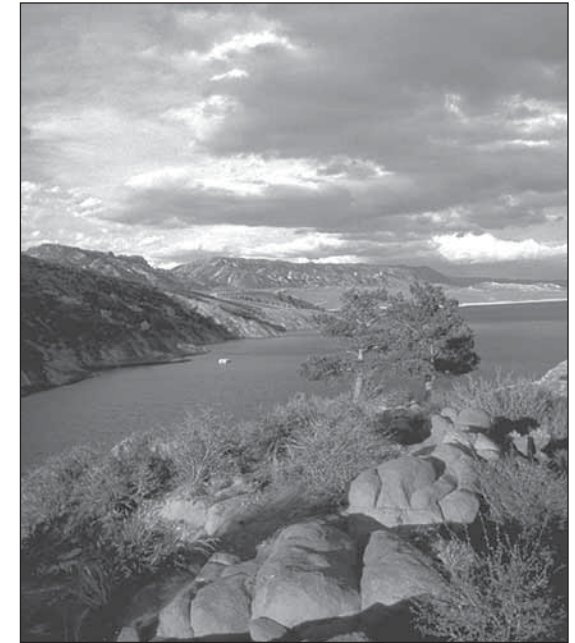
An annual camping permit is available for both residents and non-residents. Daily camping permits are also available. Without the annual camping permit, visitors must pay daily camping fees.

An annual daily use permit is available for both residents and non-residents, and valid for the holder and occupants of the holder’s vehicle. Without the annual daily use permit, visitors must pay daily use fees.

PARK RULES

- All visitors must abide by posted speed limits.
- Motorized vehicles must be operated on designated roads or trails. A valid driver’s license/learner’s permit is required.
- Camping is permitted for a maximum of 14 consecutive days. Valid camping permits are required.
- Campsites cannot be left unattended over 24 hours.
- Park dumpsters are for park refuse only – litter and trash must be disposed of in provided containers.
- Glass containers prohibited.
- Quiet shall be maintained in all camping areas between 10 p.m. and 6 a.m.
- Areas designated as “day use only” must be vacated by 10 p.m.
- All pets must be kept on a leash.
- Metal detectors are not allowed.
- No lifeguards – swim at your own risk.
- Fires are permitted in fireplaces or grills as provided and must be extinguished before leaving.
- Fishing and boating are permitted subject to regulations prescribed by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission.
- Fishing is not permitted within 20 yards of any boat ramp/dock or designated beach area.
- Hunting is allowed only during official seasons and subject to Game and Fish Department rules and regulations.
- Fireworks are prohibited.
- For a complete listing of Wyoming State Park rules and regulations, visit the nearest Park Headquarters.

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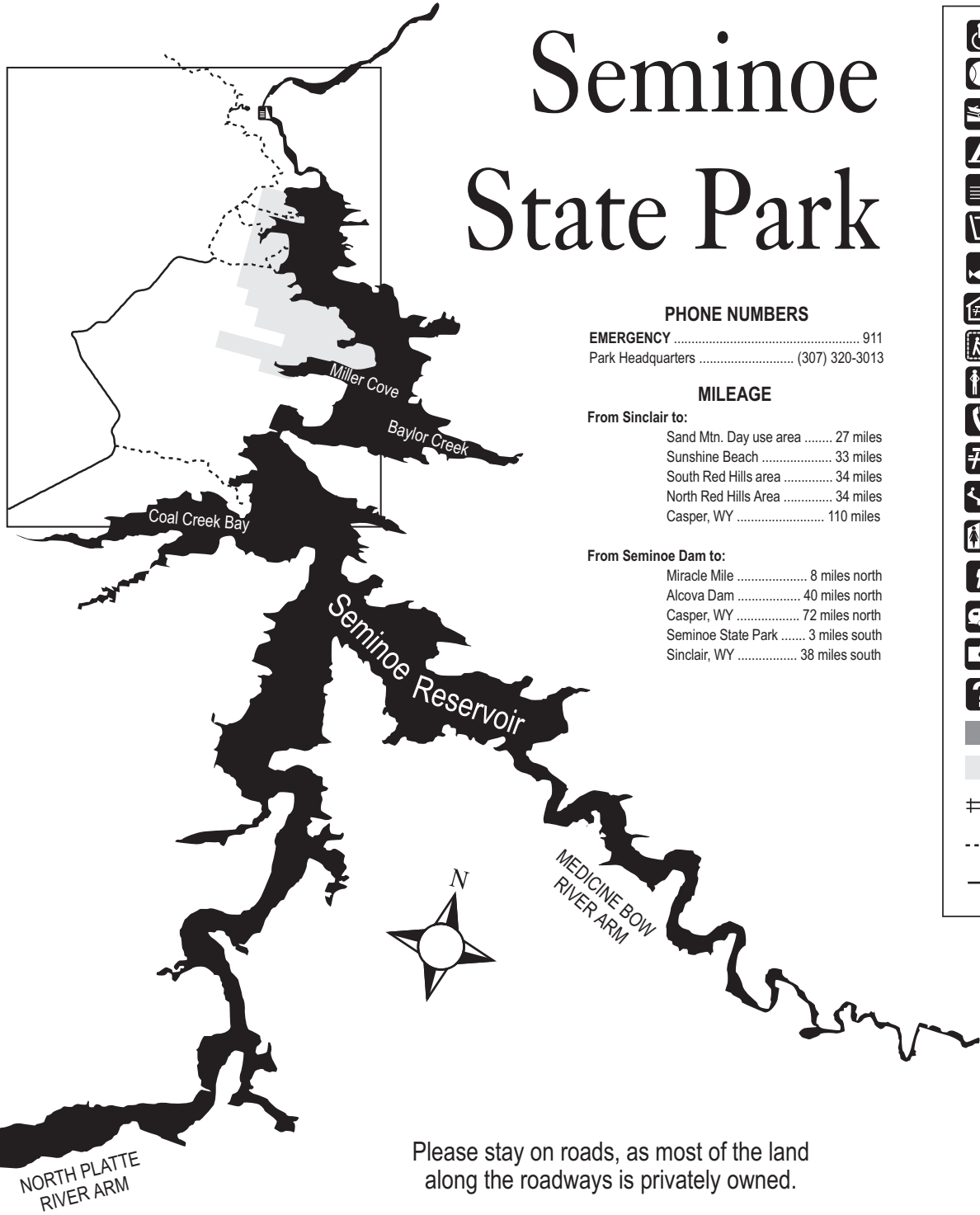
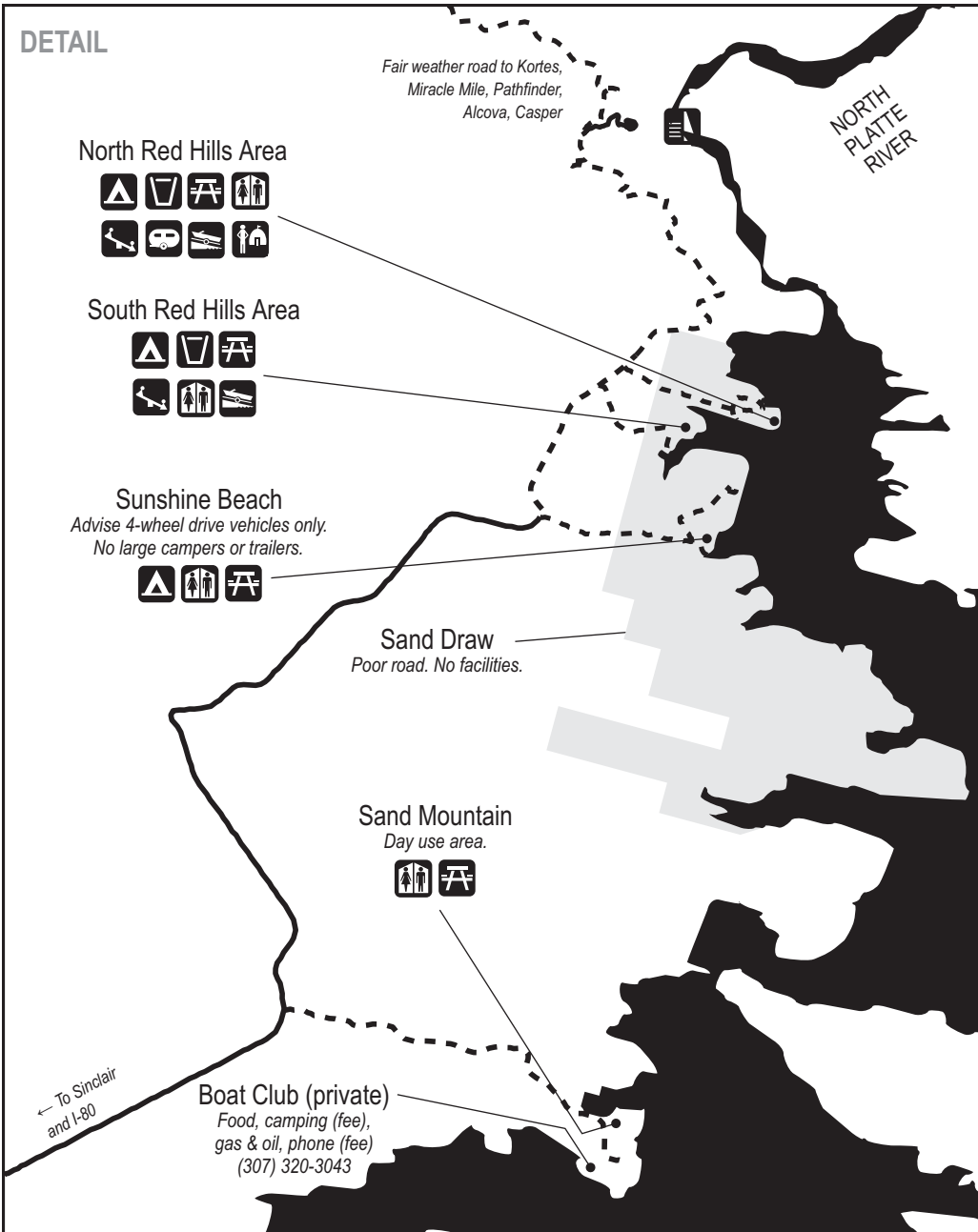
Seminoe State Park offers excellent fishing, boating and wildlife-viewing opportunities.

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Wyoming Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources

Seminoe State Park is administered by the Division of State Parks and Historic Sites, Wyoming Department of State Parks and Cultural Resources. <http://wyospcr.state.wy.us/>

DETAIL



Please stay on roads, as most of the land along the roadways is privately owned.