

## Wildlife of the Wetlands...

As you walk through the wetland trails, you might be fortunate enough to see some of the many wildlife species that either stop over during migration or take advantage of this habitat for nesting or permanent residence.

In addition to over 130 bird species, we have seen beaver, river otter, fox, raccoon, muskrat, deer, wild turkey, opossum, mink, and many species of reptiles, insects and amphibians.

In partnership with the Atlanta Audubon Society, weekend bird walks are scheduled at this site throughout the year. Birding classes and workshops are also offered periodically. Special programs on such topics as *Waterfowl*, *Bats*, *Reptiles* and *Gardening* are scheduled annually.

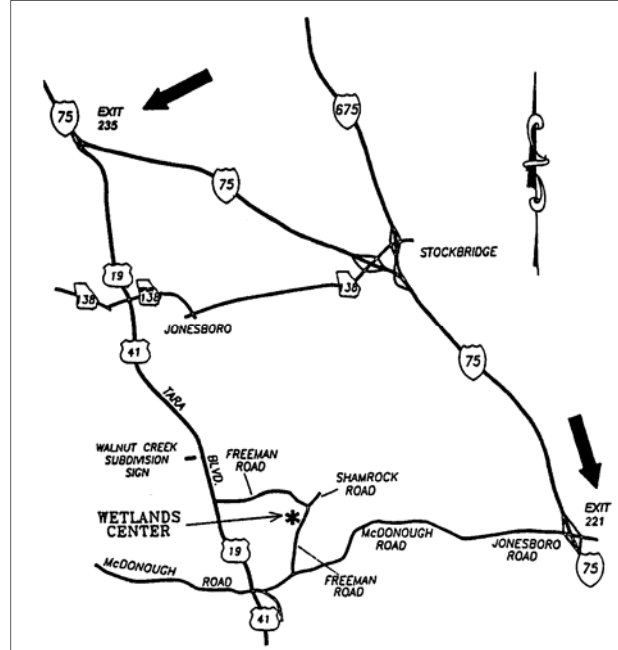
Please report any unusual or interesting sightings to a staff naturalist.

- *Wildlife is best observed quietly and from a distance.*
- *Do not attempt to touch or catch any wildlife species on this site.*
- *Do not pick or damage any plant species.*
- *Smoking is prohibited everywhere here except in private vehicles.*
- *Any inappropriate behavior by visitors should be reported to our staff.*



**Dogs and other pets are not allowed at this facility.**

## Location Map...



### Hours of Operation

#### Trail: Open daily

7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. March - October

7:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. November - February

#### Building:

Open 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Monday - Friday September - May

Tuesday - Saturday June - August

Holiday schedules will be posted.

# NEWMAN WETLANDS CENTER

Clayton County  
Water Authority

*Promoting public awareness,  
education and conservation  
of wetlands and other  
natural environs.*



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Welcome to the Newman Wetlands Center. Opened in 1995, this area was created to demonstrate the importance of preserving wetland environments and to provide public education in matters of natural resource conservation. Approximately 20,000 visitors per year from around the world find their way to this unique facility.

The Clayton County Water Authority has long been recognized as a leader in the water industry for our environmentally sound approach to wastewater treatment and resource management. Through innovative programs such as land application of treated wastewater, the development of systems for producing marketable fertilizer products from solid waste and the newest technology involving "treatment wetlands," we have set the standard in Georgia and the southeast for water provision and wastewater service.

As part of our continuing commitment to the community, we hope that visitors to the Wetlands Center will understand the crucial role that wetlands play within the watershed and the cycle of water.



### *The Wetlands Center...*

The Newman Wetlands Center consists of 32 acres, and includes a wetlands trail and 4,888 sq. ft. building complex comprised of central exhibit/learning lab area, 50-seat auditorium, offices, restrooms and conference facility. Picnic areas are located near the building and may be reserved for groups participating in programs at the Wetlands Center. Visitors may wish to view our informative wetlands video, examine our exhibits, or head straight out onto the wetlands trail for self-guided walks. The entire facility, including trail, is wheelchair accessible.



*Admission to the Wetlands Center is free, but group programs may require fees.*



### **Volunteer Opportunities**

We are always looking for a few good people to help with our educational programs and projects. If you are interested in helping out, please let us know!

### *The Trail...*

Our wetlands trail is  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile long, a very easy walk on a surface alternating between crushed stone through forested areas and boardwalk over the swamp. It is very flat, with seating, covered areas and a water fountain. Wheelchairs and baby strollers can be accommodated on the trail.



### *Guided Walks & Programs...*

Visitors are welcome to either wander through our wetlands on their own, or they may wish to be part of a larger group guided by our staff. Groups of 10 or more who wish to tour the Center with a guide may reserve time by calling (770) 603-5606

School groups (grades 1-12) wishing reservations for the spring or fall are urged to call well in advance to be assured of their date preference.

During the summer months (June-August) weekday guided walks are often scheduled for visitors without reservations. Times for these walks are posted on the bulletin board at the trail entrance, as well as notices for special classes or events.

Our **Wetlands & Watershed Festival** is held each year on a Saturday in October.