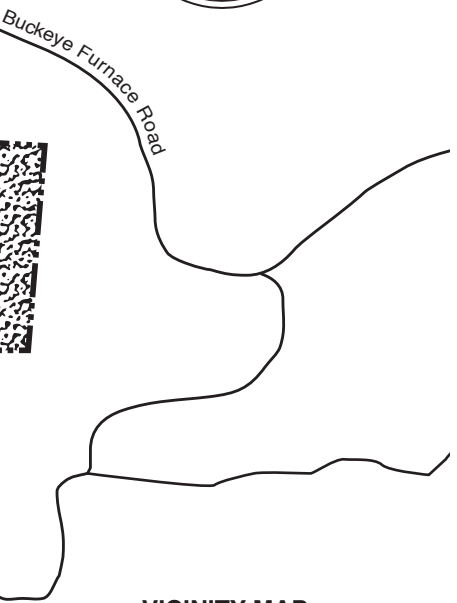
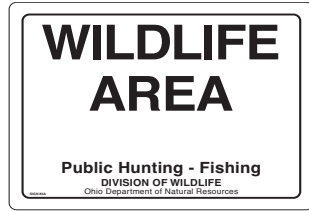


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WILDLIFE AREAS**  
Jackson County

Public Hunting & Fishing  
3,480 Acres





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### DISTANCE FROM MAJOR POPULATION CENTERS

30 miles from Athens

35 miles from Portsmouth

79 miles from Columbus

75 miles from Marietta

115 miles from Cincinnati

### LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The Flint Run and Broken ARO wildlife areas are adjacent properties that total 3,480-acres. These two wildlife areas are open to public hunting, fishing, bird watching, and other non-motorized recreation.

Flint Run and Broken ARO wildlife areas are located in Bloomfield and Milton townships of Jackson County, approximately three miles south of the city of Wellston. This former MeadWestvaco property is accessible by way of township and county roads.

The topography of this wildlife area varies from steep and rocky to rolling hills. Well established logging roads allow easy access on foot. Nearly all of this wildlife area is wooded. Oak, hickory, and yellow poplar are the dominant tree species. Young forest, brushland, pole, and saw log timber can be found here due to regular timber harvesting operations that have occurred through recent decades. Pine plantings occupy a small portion of the wildlife area and many recent clearcuts are scattered throughout this property as well.

### HISTORY AND PURPOSE

The wooded hills of southern Ohio are part of the Appalachian Forest, the oldest and most diverse forest system in North America. When healthy, these forests are home to a rich array of flowering and medicinal plants, dozens of tree species, songbirds, game species like ruffed grouse and wild turkey, and other wildlife including bobcat, bats, salamanders, and snakes. Broken ARO, a former MeadWestvaco property, was purchased in 2003 and the Flint Run Wildlife Area was a donation from the Division of Mineral Resources Management after they completed a reclamation project to improve water quality.

### FISH AND WILDLIFE

The diverse mixture of habitat types, ranging from recent timbering operations to forested ridge tops, provides for a rich variety of both game and non-game species. White-tailed deer, wild turkey, and gray squirrel are the principal game species. The timber management occurring on this property provides habitat for grouse, turkey, white-tailed deer, and cottontail rabbits.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

The nearest wildlife district office is located at 360 East State Street, Athens, Ohio 45701-1895; phone (740) 589-9930.

### TURN IN A POACHER

Ohio's TIP, "Turn In a Poacher," program is helping to curtail poaching throughout the state. TIP is designed to involve the public in reporting wildlife violations. Citizens who observe wildlife violations should call the TIP toll-free hotline at 1-800-POACHER.