

## A BIRDERS' GUIDE TO MISSOURI PUBLIC LANDS

### **TWIN PINES CONSERVATION EDUCATION CENTER**

**456 acres Shannon Co. Delorme 65, B-9**

**MDC owned; for information call 573-325-1381**

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Directions: The site straddles US 60, one mile east of Winona. The education center and most of the property are on the south side of US 60.

When to Visit/Species to Expect: Any season (but avoid times when school groups are present). A broad spectrum of migrants, nesters and wintering birds should be present in this pine-oak community, abandoned pasture and 2-acre pond.

Features of interest to birders: A stand of pines at the parking area should be checked for Chipping Sparrows, Pine Warblers and other nesting and migrating birds.

A loop trail from the education center wends its way through the area, giving good, easy access to woodland in various stages of succession. Two old county roads make longer distance exploration possible.

This is an easily accessed, fine site to look for Ozark forest species.

Toilets: Modern restrooms inside the education center

Camping: None

Hazards/Limitations: None noted other than an archery range. Site may be very busy when school groups are present.

Nearby Birding Sites: Peck Ranch CA, Rocky Creek CA, Birch Creek CA