Banner Lakes State Wildlife Area
Weld County

From Interstate 76 at Hudson (Exit 31), go 4 miles east on Highway 52 to the property. The property is situated on both sides of the highway. Parking areas are well-marked.

Wildlife Area Offers:
Hunting: Waterfowl, Doves, (GMU 99) Rabbit, Prairie Dogs
Fishing: Warmwater
Recreation: Hiking, Wildlife Viewing

More Information:
CPW Office (Denver): (303) 291-7227
CPW Website: https://cpw.state.co.us/

#901.A: On all Division properties which have reservations available or required, those reservations may be made by phone or online (cpw.state.co.us). Reservations for small game and waterfowl hunting may not be made more than 14 days in advance of the hunt date, nor after 12:00 noon on the day before the hunt date. Reservations for big game hunting may not be made more than 45 days in advance of the start of the season for which the reservation is being made. Unless otherwise specified, reservations for big game hunting are valid throughout the season designated by the license. Hunters who wish to cancel a reservation must do so no later than 12:00 noon on the day before the hunt date. Failure to hunt a reserved area without prior cancellation, or follow check station procedures, may cause forfeiture of the privilege to make reservations for the remainder of the hunting season. Hunters are limited to a maximum of one reservation per hunt date. Hunters must possess a valid license for the species to be hunted in order to make a reservation. Reservations are not transferable. The individual named on the reservation must be at the property on the day of the hunt. Hunters with reservations may only hunt the hunt area specified on the reservation. Any exceptions to the above restrictions will be listed under property specific regulations.

Regulations:
A. Boating is prohibited, except for float tubes or craft propelled by hand.
B. Camping is prohibited.
C. Fires are prohibited.
D. Discharge of firearms or bows is prohibited, except when hunting or training hunting dogs.
E. Discharge of bows is allowed for bowfishing.
F. Horseback riding is prohibited.
G. Bicycling is prohibited.
H. Fishing is prohibited from October 1 through the end of February.
I. Public access is prohibited from the first day of the regular waterfowl season to the day before the first day of pheasant season, except for waterfowl hunting on Saturdays, Sundays, Mondays and state and federal holidays. During this period reservations are available for waterfowl, but not required. Reservations are valid throughout the reserved day until the hunter with the reservation checks out. Hunters may check in on a first come, first served basis after a hunter with a reservation checks out, or if no reservation exists for a hunt area after 12:00 midnight immediately preceding the hunt, or if a reserved area is not claimed by legal sunrise. Reservations may be made in accordance with #901.A of these regulations.
J. From the Thursday before September 1 through the end of the dark goose season, scouting is permitted only on Thursdays that are not open to hunting within and immediately prior to established waterfowl seasons. Scouting will be permitted from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm with a reservation confirmation number or letter issued by the Division, and all persons scouting must check in and check out at the check station. During scouting dates, firearms and dogs are prohibited.
K. Waterfowl hunters must check in and check out at the designated check station.
L. Public access is allowed only through designated parking areas.
M. Public access is prohibited north of Colo 52 from April 1 through July 15.
N. Public access is restricted to foot traffic only.
O. Dog training is permitted north of Colo 52 during February, March and July 16 to August 31 only. Dog training is permitted south of Colo 52 from February 1 through August 31 only.
P. Field trials may be authorized during February, March, and August only. No more than four (4) field trials will be allowed per year, except that the number of group training events will not be limited.
Q. Domestic birds, feral birds, or privately-owned game birds may be released for field trials and for dog training south of Colo 52 by permit only, in accordance with the provisions of this chapter and other applicable regulations, including, but not limited to, #007, #008, #009, #801 and #804 of these regulations. All such birds taken during training activities shall be removed from the State Wildlife Area by the dog training permittee and all privately-owned game birds shall be prepared for human consumption.
R. The Division is authorized to implement a dog training reservation system should overcrowding become an issue on the State Wildlife Area.

Hunters with reservations may only hunt the hunt area specified on the reservation.

In addition to or in place of those restrictions listed in regulation #900 the above listed provisions or restrictions apply (see Chapter 9, https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Regulations.aspx).

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