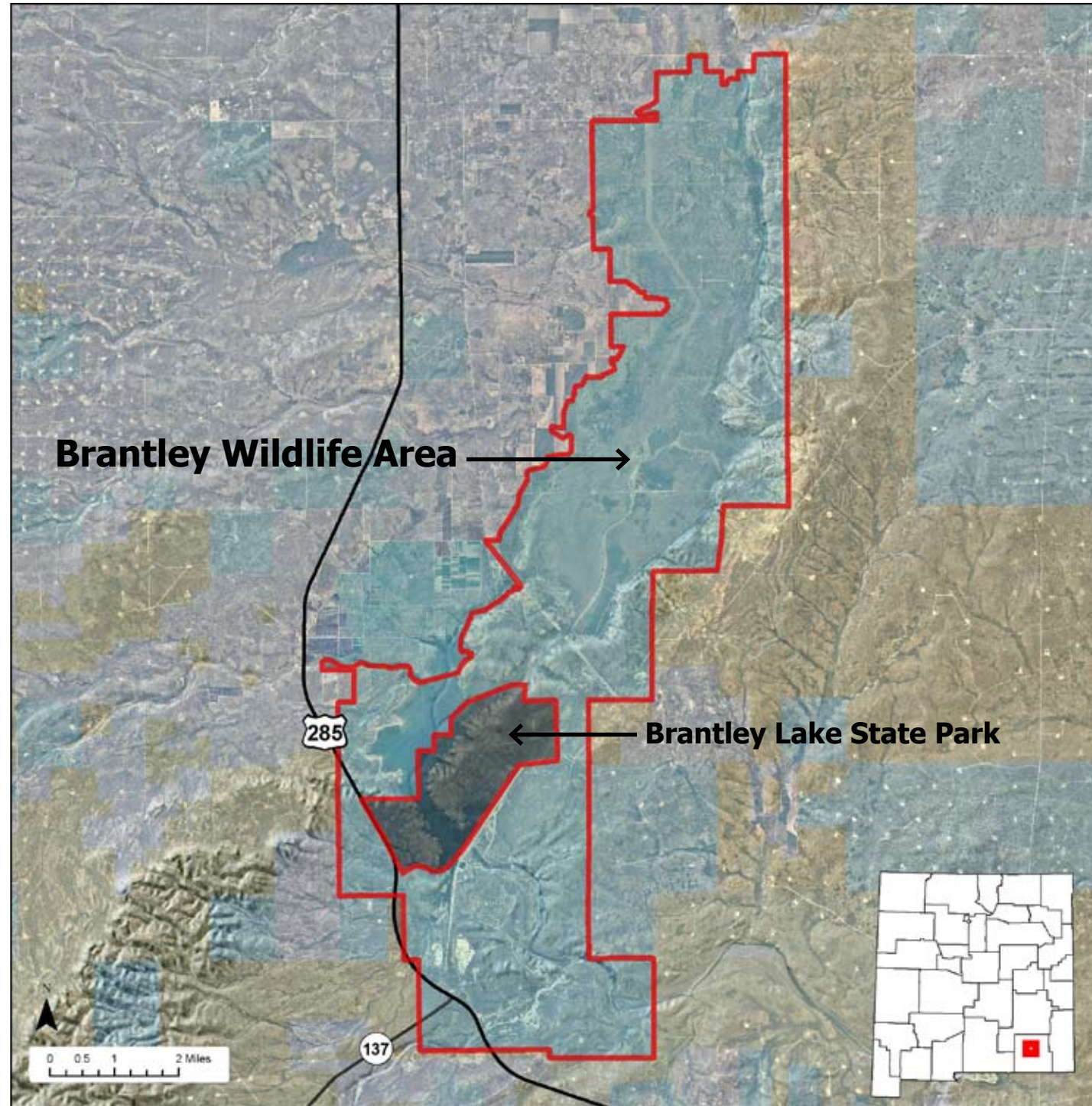




# Brantley Wildlife Area



**Location:** Brantley Wildlife Area is located 15 miles north of Carlsbad.

**Total Acreage:** More than 28,000 acres.

**Purchase:** Management of Brantley Wildlife Area began in 1989 to provide fishing and hunting access and habitat for wildlife.

**Description:** The lake is surrounded by grassland savannahs, shrubs, and trees.

**For More information:** More information about hunting, fishing and other activities, may be found on the Department's website: [www.wildlife.state.nm.us/](http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us/).

GAIN Activities	What to See, Do, and Learn
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Wildlife Viewing</li> <li>✓ Photographing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Wildlife Viewing</b>-Wildlife watchers may see deer, waterfowl, and songbirds. Good binoculars are important. The best time to view wildlife is at dawn or dusk.</p>
<b>Access</b>	<p><b>Photographing</b>-The best time to photograph wildlife is at dawn or dusk. A telephoto lens is important.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Hiking</li> </ul>	<p><b>Hiking</b>-Hiking is the best way to see wildlife at the Brantley Wildlife Area or other wildlife management areas.</p>
<b>Hunting and Fishing</b>	<p><b>Bicycling</b>-Not Allowed.</p> <p><b>Horseback Riding</b>-Not allowed.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Hunting</li> <li>✓ Fishing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Camping</b>-Not allowed at Brantley Wildlife Area but allowed in Brantley Lake State Park.</p>
<b>Closures</b>	<p><b>Hunting</b>-Deer, small game and waterfowl hunting allowed during open season. Coyote and rabbit hunting allowed year-round without dogs.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ No</li> </ul>	<p><b>Fishing</b>-Year-round fishing.</p> <p><b>Closures</b>-No closures at Brantley Wildlife Area.</p>
<b>Facilities</b>	<p><b>Facilities</b>-Brantley Wildlife Area does not have rest rooms, camp sites or drinking water.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ No rest rooms</li> <li>✓ No camp sites</li> <li>✓ No drinking water</li> </ul>	<p><b>Fees</b>-Hunters and anglers must have appropriate licenses and permits. Wildlife viewers, photographers, hikers, and horseback riders must have a current GAIN Permit and a Habitat Management and Access Validation.</p>
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Yes</li> </ul>	<p><b>Motorized Vehicles</b>-Not allowed beyond roadways or parking facilities.</p>
<b>Motorized Vehicles</b>	<p><b>Possession of Alcohol</b>-Possession or consumption of alcoholic beverages is strictly prohibited</p>
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**For more information on hunting and fishing rules and seasons, please read current hunting or fishing Rules and Information Booklets available on the Department's website, at Department offices, or from license vendors state-wide.**