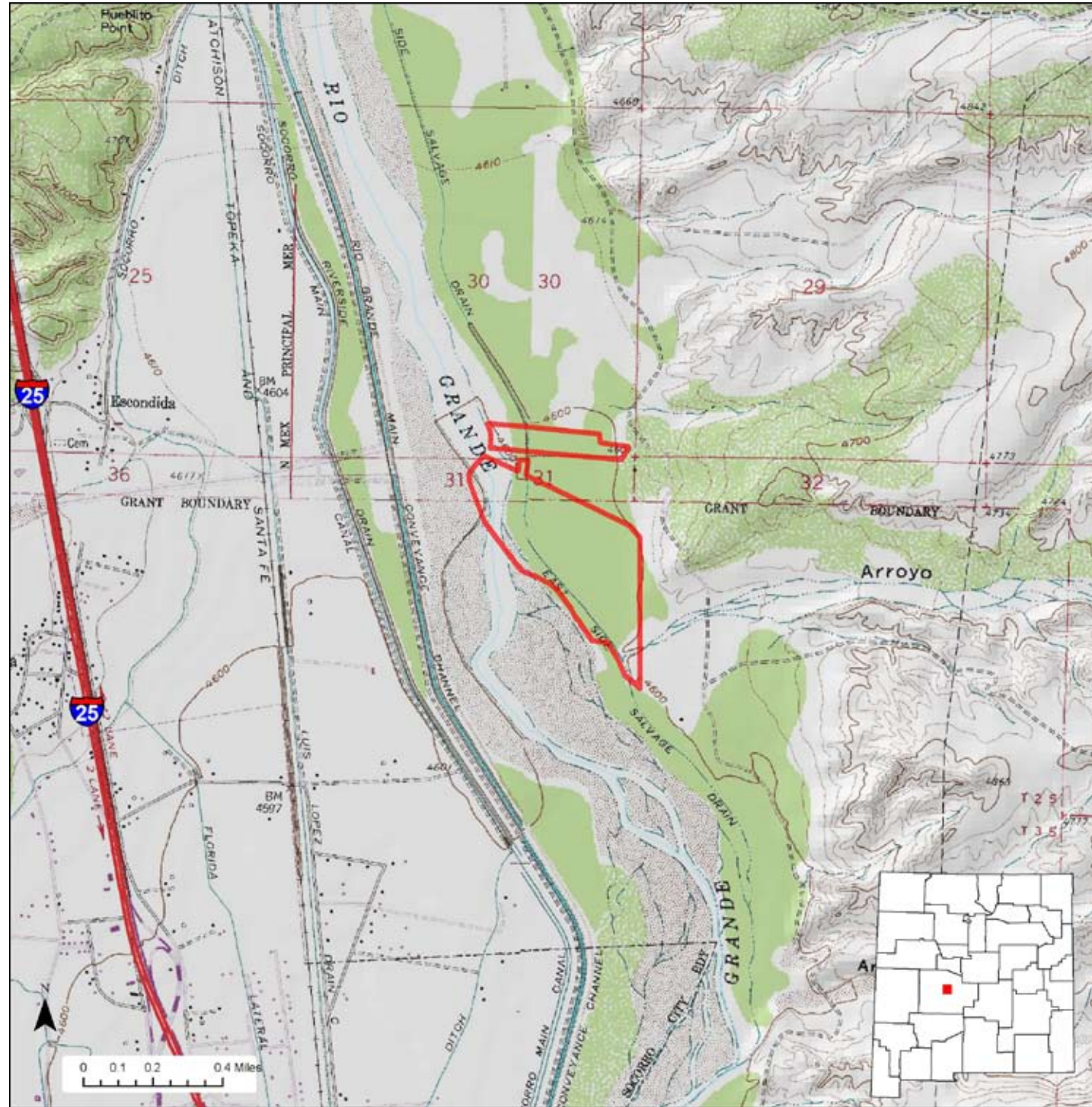




# Socorro-Escondida Wildlife Area



**Location:** Socorro-Escondida Wildlife Area is located about 2 miles east of Socorro. Access is via A135 off Highway 408 north of Escondida.

**Total Acreage:** 94 acres.

**Purchase:** Socorro-Escondida Wildlife Area was purchased in 1928.

**Description:** The area contains a river bosque and fields adjacent to the Rio Grande.

**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 viewers may see turkey, quail, and waterfowl year-round. 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> <li>✓ Horseback Riding</li> </ul>	<p><b>Hiking</b>-Hiking is the best way to see wildlife at the Socorro-Escondida Wildlife Area year-round or other wildlife management areas.</p>
<b>Hunting and Fishing</b>	<p><b>Bicycling</b>-Not allowed.</p> <p><b>Horseback Riding</b>-Allowed year-round.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Hunting</li> <li>✓ Fishing</li> </ul>	<p><b>Camping</b>-Not allowed at Socorro-Escondida Wildlife Area.</p> <p><b>Fishing</b>-Year-round fishing.</p>
<b>Closures</b>	<p><b>Hunting</b>-Turkey, small game, and waterfowl hunting allowed with legal licenses and permits during open season.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ No</li> </ul>	<p><b>Closures</b>-No closures.</p>
<b>Facilities</b>	<p><b>Facilities</b>-Socorro-Escondida 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>
<b>Fees</b>	<p><b>Motorized Vehicles</b>-Not allowed beyond parking area.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Yes</li> </ul>	
<b>Motorized Vehicles</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>✓ Not allowed beyond the roadway and parking area</li> </ul>	

**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.**