BUY A TRAIL PASS, GET BETTER TRAILS

Your voluntary trail pass donation is used exclusively to maintain existing trails. Passes are available at boxes along the trails, or by contacting the NRD.

We hope you enjoy using the trails as much as we enjoy providing them.

Trail rules and regulations are posted at trail heads. The Lower Platte South NRD is committed to doing all we can to assure your trail experience is a safe and pleasant one. Please follow our Rules and Regulations as a courtesy to fellow trail users and report any misuse of trails to the Lower Platte South NRD.

Detailed Rules and Regulations can be found at www.lpsnrd.org > Recreation > Trails

ABOUT THE NRD

The Lower Platte South Natural Resources District is one of 23 districts in the state of Nebraska formed in 1972 for the purpose of managing the state's natural resources, with an emphasis on watershed management. Programs and activities include all areas of natural resource management and development: tree planting, flood protection, wildlife habitat, stream bank stabilization, environmental education, land treatment, water monitoring and many others. The districts are partially funded by property taxes and governed by a board of directors—elected representatives who serve four-year terms. The NRD system is local government working to protect local natural resources. The Lower Platte South NRD includes nearly all of Lancaster and Cass counties and parts of Seward, Saunders, Otoe, and Butler counties.

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The MoPac East Trail is a 22-mile crushed lime-stone recreational trail through some of southeast Nebraska’s finest wildlife habitat. It offers year-round recreation for hiking, jogging, bicycling, horseback riding, cross country skiing, snowshoeing and wildlife viewing.

Water and other services are available in all of the communities. There is an NRD installed drinking fountain at the Trailhead in Walton equipped with a water bottle fill station and a pet bowl for your four-legged friends.

TRAIL HISTORY

The MoPac East trail stretches east from Lincoln, though the communities of Walton, Eagle, Elmwood and Wabash, featuring a blend of prairie, woodland and agricultural scenery along a former Missouri Pacific Railroad corridor. The rail line was active until 1984, when heavy rains destroyed a portion of track near Elmwood. The Nebraska Trails Foundation and the Great Plains Trails Network raised the funds to purchase the corridor. The property was then deeded to the Lower Platte South NRD in 1991.

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