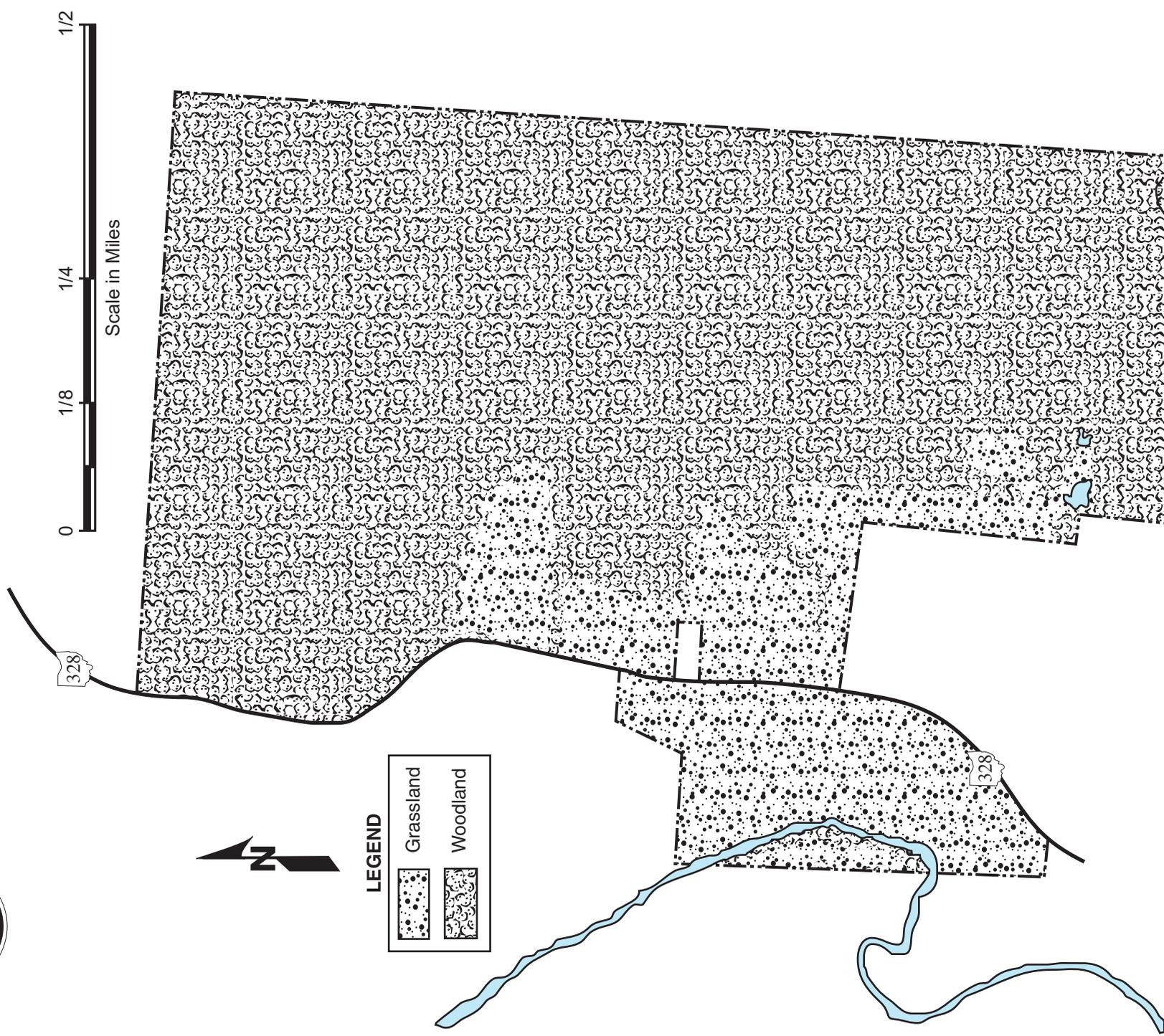




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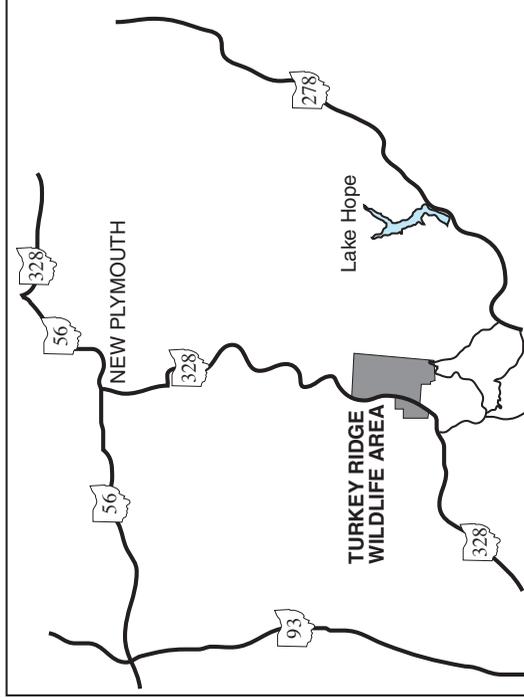
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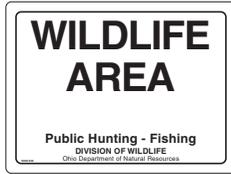


### LEGEND

	Grassland
	Woodland

### VICINITY MAP





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### DISTANCE FROM MAJOR POPULATION CENTERS

- 3 miles from New Plymouth
- 26 miles from Athens
- 40 miles from Chillicothe
- 64 miles from Columbus
- 74 miles from Portsmouth

### LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The 377-acre Turkey Ridge Wildlife Area is located in Brown Township, Vinton County.

Turkey Ridge is approximately three miles south of the village of New Plymouth on State Route 328.

Turkey Ridge Wildlife Area consists predominantly of clear-cut woodland within the Appalachian Foothills Focus Area, connects to Zaleski State Forest, and will be managed to provide forestland habitat. Turkey Ridge consists of 80 percent forestland, 19.5 percent open land, and less than one percent of wetlands and open water.

### HISTORY AND PURPOSE

The Ohio Division of Wildlife acquired Turkey Ridge Wildlife Area in September 2004.

The wildlife area will be managed as one forestland unit with management efforts focusing on maintaining boundaries and access for our users.

### FISH AND WILDLIFE

Turkey Ridge provides access to Raccoon Creek allowing angling opportunities for largemouth bass, bullhead catfish, and bluegill.

The major game species are cottontail rabbit, white-tailed deer, turkey, ruffed grouse, and squirrel. Most all furbearers common to the region also occur on the area. A variety of songbirds, reptiles, and amphibians also live on the area in association with the mixture of habitat types.

### HUNTING AND FISHING

The area provides limited fishing, but should provide excellent hunting opportunities for rabbit, deer, turkey, grouse, and squirrel.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Further information may be obtained by contacting the Wildlife District Four Office at 360 East State Street, Athens, Ohio 45701; telephone (740)589-9930; or the Area Manager at Cooper Hollow Wildlife Area, 5403 C.H.& D. Road, Oak Hill, Ohio 45656; telephone (740) 682-7524.

The Division of Wildlife enforces all state laws on these lands including hunting regulations. Enforcement priorities include prohibiting litter, off-road vehicle use, and timber theft and destruction.

### TURN IN A POACHER

Ohio's TIP, "Turn In a Poacher," program is helping to curtail poaching throughout the state. TIP is designed to involve the public in reporting wildlife violations. Citizens who observe wildlife violations should call the TIP toll-free hotline, 1-800-POACHER.