# Two Horse Farm

**Overview:** Two Horse Farm is an 83-acre park that features restored prairie and oak-hickory forest. The property is a former farm and several buildings on site remind the visitor of that history. A 7-acre circle in the center of the property was donated to the Iowa Tribe of Nebraska and Kansas. Sugar Bottom Recreation Area, owned and managed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, surrounds the property on two sides, creating an extensive habitat corridor.

**History:** Two Horse Farm was acquired by JCC in 2022 through purchase and donation. The purchase was funded through the Johnson County Conservation Bond, established by county voters in 2008 to purchase and protect natural areas from development, and a State of Iowa REAP Grant Program. The land was managed as a family farm throughout the late 1800s and 1900s.
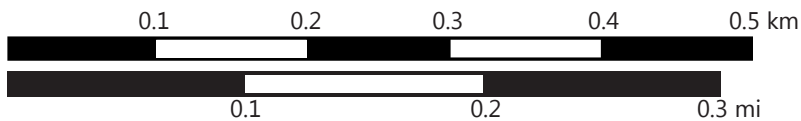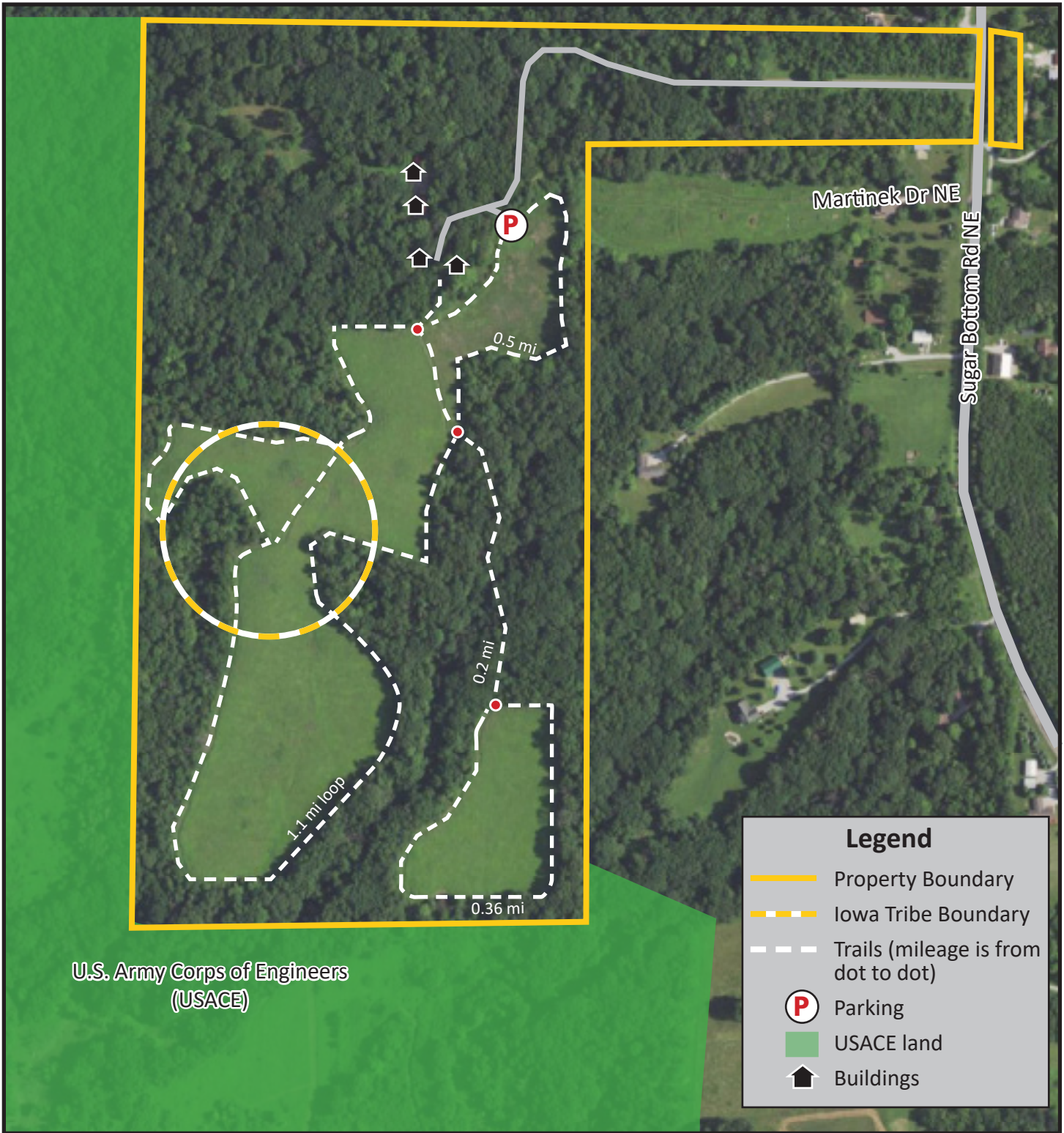
**Features:**

- This property features 64 acres of oak-hickory forest, 15.5 acres of reconstructed prairie, and a 3.5-acre farmstead. The site includes 364 species of plants including at least 14 rare and notable species. Both the forest and prairies will continue to be restored and enhanced by JCC.

- Two miles of grassed trail wind around the prairie areas. Trails are for pedestrian use only.

- An 1890 farm house, thought to be an original Sears-Roebuck & Co. kit house, is still on the property, surrounded by English gardens. A restored 1913 barn, granary, and a corn crib are also on site.

- Raptor Advocacy Rehabilitation and Education (RARE), an organization devoted to raptors, is based out of the property, and raptor education programs may take place on the property for school groups and the general public.

- Seven acres of prairie was gifted to the Iowa Tribe of Kansas and Nebraska in 2022. This donation to the Iowa Tribe is historic - currently, the Iowa Tribe has no other land holdings in the state of Iowa.

- This property is open to archery hunting.

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## 2257 Sugar Bottom Rd NE, Solon IA 52333

Martinek Dr NE

Sugar Bottom Rd NE

P

0.5 mi

0.2 mi

1.1 mi loop

0.36 mi

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)

### Legend

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|---|---|
| ——— | Property Boundary |
| – – – (yellow) | Iowa Tribe Boundary |
| – – – (white) | Trails (mileage is from dot to dot) |
| P | Parking |
| ▨ | USACE land |
| ⌂ | Buildings |

0.1    0.2    0.3    0.4    0.5 km

0.1    0.2    0.3 mi

Scale 1:5111 | 1 inch = 426 feet

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