



ROADSIDE  
WILDFLOWERS

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# Recreational Experiences Close to Home!

Cerro Gordo County has over 950 miles of secondary roads that are managed by the County Conservation Roadside Vegetation Management staff. Since 1988, when Integrated Roadside Vegetation Management, (IRVM), was established in Cerro Gordo County, numerous miles of roadsides around the county have been returned to Iowa's native prairie vegetation. Roadside prairie restoration sites, in Cerro Gordo County, have a wide range of prairie species that periodically bloom all summer long. The peak period to view a wide range of wildflowers blooming in prairie restoration sites is mid-June through mid-August. A small sample of these sites, listed below and mapped on the back, can be experienced with a short drive around Cerro Gordo County. Once you arrive at a site that is listed, it can be identified by the native vegetation and it is marked with "Prairie Restoration" signs.

*Remember, it is illegal to pick, remove, or harvest any vegetation or seeds from roadsides in Cerro Gordo County, so, experience a sample of Iowa's native vegetation but leave it undisturbed for others to enjoy.*



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## **Prairie Restoration sites (year established)**

1. B15 and Killdeer triangles (1995)
2. B20 and Grouse triangles (1995, 2000, 2003)
3. S14 and 300<sup>th</sup> triangle (1995)
4. B35 and Fir triangle (1998, 2002, 2003)
5. B55 East of S14, North and South sides of road (1995, 1996)
6. B65 and Indigo triangles (2000)
7. B60 and Yarrow triangles (1994, 2000)
8. B43 East of S56, South side of road (2001, 2002)
9. B20 East of Rock Falls triangle, South side of road (2000)
10. B15 West of Plymouth, North and South sides (2000, 2004)

