Located in the northeast section of the County near Calhan with approximately 750 acres, the Paint Mines have evidence of human life as far back as 9,000 years ago. The colorful clays were used by American Indians. The park features fantastic geological formations including spires and hoodoos that were formed through erosion action that created incised gullies and exposed layers of solfatite clay and Jasper. The park includes a restroom facility, four miles of trails, interpretive signage, and many natural wonders.

~ Park Rules ~

This fragile environment requires many years for nature to restore it once the vegetation and soil have been damaged. These rules have been established for your safety and enjoyment and for the protection of this unique resource.

- All plants, wildlife, rocks, minerals, and historic artifacts within park boundaries are protected by law. Do not remove, destroy, or disturb any of these features.
- Pets, horses, and bicycles of any kind are prohibited.
- Entering the Paint Mines formations is prohibited.
- Avoid patches and gullies during wet weather.
- Climbing on formations is prohibited.
- Motorized vehicles must remain in parking area.
- Overnight parking is prohibited.
- Please remove your own trash and litter.
- Alcoholic beverages and glass containers are prohibited.
- Discharge of guns, BB guns, pellet guns, or paintball guns is prohibited.
- Fireworks and explosives are prohibited.