



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Birding Hotspots

(spring & summer)

Area #1 Bear Creek Road from Entrance to Headquarters (Drive or Walk)

Habitat: dry forest and old field

Target birds: warblers, woodpeckers (white-headed), sparrows (vesper), nuthatches (white-breasted), western meadowlark, western tanager, spotted towhee

Area #2 Durland Springs (Walk in Only)

Habitat: dry forest, aspen stands and small spring

Target birds: owls, warblers, flycatchers, western tanager, black-headed grosbeak, nuthatches (white-breasted), Townsend's solitaire

Area #3 Along Little Pend Oreille River from Headquarters to Chimney Pasture (Walk in Only)

Habitat: riparian and old field

Target birds: warblers (redstart, common yellowthroat), swallows (bank), kingbirds, spotted sandpiper, thrushes, Bullock's oriole, red-eyed vireo, common nighthawk, finches, belted kingfisher, cedar waxwing

Area #4 Along Little Pend Oreille River from Headquarters to Cottonwood Campground and Swamp (Walk-in Only)

Habitat: riparian and old field

Target birds: warblers (redstart), swallows, spotted sandpiper, lazuli bunting, thrushes, killdeer, flycatchers, common snipe, cedar waxwing, American dipper, vireos, black-backed woodpecker north of Log Barn

Area #5 Berg Lane to Vernal Pool (Drive or Walk then Walk in Only)

Habitat: riparian, aspen stands, moist forest and old field

Target birds: owls, warblers, flycatchers, chickadees, vesper sparrow, kestrel, red-tailed hawk, woodpeckers (red-naped sapsucker), vireos, western meadowlark, ruffed grouse, western and mountain bluebirds

Area #6 2.3 Miles past Headquarters on Bear Creek Road to Bear Creek Campground (Drive or Walk)

Habitat: riparian and dry forest

Target birds: warblers (redstart), lazuli bunting, owls, flycatchers, thrushes

Area #7 Potter's Pond and Bayley Lake (Drive or Walk)

Habitat: riparian, lake and old field

Target birds: ducks (ruddy, ring-necked, common goldeneye, bufflehead, hooded merganser), warblers, marsh wren, pied-billed grebe, Canada goose, red-winged and yellow-headed blackbirds, great blue heron, bald eagle, osprey

Area #8 Beaver Ponds on Rookery Road (Walk in Only until July 15 then Drive in also)

Habitat: beaver ponds and dry forest

Target birds: ducks (wood), warblers (Northern waterthrush), chickadees, vireos, ruby-crowned kinglet, osprey, bald eagle

Area #9 River Camp to Mcdowell Marsh and Lake (Walk in Only)

Habitat: marsh, lake, dry forest

Target birds: ducks (American wigeon, ring-necked, hooded and common mergansers, bufflehead) coot, red-necked grebe, warblers (Nashville, common yellowthroat, Northern waterthrush), ruby-crowned kinglet, osprey, bald eagle

Area #10 Lower Manz Meadow (Walk in Only)

Habitat: marsh, riparian, old field

Target birds: owls, warblers, chickadees, flycatchers, common nighthawk

Area #11 Area Around Blacktail Mountain Road Bridge (Drive or Walk, Portion Walk-in Only)

Habitat: wet forest, riparian

Target birds: chickadees (chestnut-backed), warblers, brown creeper, American dipper, golden-crowned kinglet

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