

Rocky Mountain Arsenal

National Wildlife Refuge
Wildlife Drive and Trails Map

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Accessibility

All trails are accessible, except for portions of the Prairie, Havana Ponds, and Rattlesnake Hill Trails. All restrooms and parking lots are accessible. Equal opportunity to participate in and benefit from programs and activities of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is available to all individuals regardless of physical or mental ability. For more information please contact the U.S. Department of the Interior, Office of Equal Opportunity, www.doi.gov/accessibility.

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Photograph by: Elisa Dahlberg/USFWS



This blue goose, designed by J.N. "Ding" Darling, is the symbol of the National Wildlife Refuge System.

Trails



Bicycles



Wildlife Drive

The Wildlife Drive podcast website link is on the back of the brochure.



Welcome to Rocky Mountain Arsenal National Wildlife Refuge (Refuge). This 15,000-acre expanse of prairie is home to more than 330 species of wildlife, including bald eagles, bison, black-footed ferrets, deer, covotes, burrowing owls, and prairie dogs. The site began as a U.S. Army base and is now managed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to protect wildlife and habitat.

- Enjoy 20 miles of trails open year-round.
- Follow all posted signs and park vehicles in designated areas only.
- No hiking in bison area where the road becomes one-way only.
- Bicycles and Class 1 e-Bikes are permitted on blue and green trails only.
- Bicycles and Class 1, 2, and 3 e-Bikes are permitted on designated Refuge roads, and on the First Creek Trail and Perimeter Trail.
- No bicycles are permitted on the one-way road.

The 11-mile self-guided auto Wildlife Drive takes approximately 1 hour to complete.

- The Wildlife Drive is open to motorized vehicles; speed limit is 30 mph.
- Follow the directional symbols and park vehicles in designated areas only.
- Stay on paved roads and observe all posted signs such as "Stay in Vehicle" or "Area Closed".
- Stav in your vehicle when the road becomes one-way only and stay at least 75 feet (23 meters) away from bison.

Fishing



Refuge Hours and Regulations

Catch-and-Release Fish daily at Lakes Mary and Ladora the first Saturday of April through November 30. A valid Colorado Fishing License and a Refuge \$3 daily fishing fee or \$60 season pass are required for ages 16 and over.

> The Refuge is open daily from sunrise to sunset fall, winter, and spring. May 1 through August 1 the Refuge is open sunrise to 8:00 pm. The Refuge is closed on Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's Day, unless otherwise noted. Visitor access is limited to designated trails and roads only. All other Refuge lands and staff roads are closed to visitors. Know all Refuge rules and regulations for the protection of wildlife and visitors.

Prohibited Activities

The following is a list of prohibited activities at the Refuge:



Pets (dogs, cats, etc.) on the Refuge.



Swimming, wading, and bathing in all Refuge waters.



Use of boats, canoes, kayaks, float tubes, paddle boards, and other flotation devices.



Use or possession of alcohol.



Use or possession of drugs, including marijuana and any illegal controlled substance.



Drones.



Sleeping, camping, and overnight parking on the Refuge.



Grilling or fires.



Searching for, collecting, or removing any natural (antlers) or historic objects, wildlife, or plants.



