

Cheadle Marsh Trail

1 mile one way **Open April 1 to October 31**

Trailhead is located at turnout off Bruce Road.

Walk past the gate here, onto the dike. This flat trail (out and back) follows the banks of Cheadle Marsh and the riparian forest of Muddy Creek, ending close to Irwin - Cheadle Barn. Here you can observe native wetland plants, influenced by changes in water levels. Great blue herons may be

seen wading in and around these areas.

NOTE: Irwin - Cheadle Barn is NOT open to the public.



Pigeon Butte Trail

1.3 miles one way **Open 4/1 to 10/31**

Trailhead is at the parking area off the south side of Bruce Road. Follow the interior refuge road north towards Cheadle Barn on the hill. Go left where the road splits at Cheadle Barn Pond and hike toward Pigeon Butte. Turn left at the trail marker and follow the road to the top of the hill. Pigeon Butte is the highest point on the Refuge and allows for great views of the Willamette Valley. Band-tailed pigeons and migratory songbirds often stop at the mineral springs near the quarry.

Beaver & Cattail Ponds Trail

(Unimproved trail)

2 miles round trip **Open 4/1 to 10/31**

Trailhead is located at a turnout off Bruce Road. Walk up the interior service road to an old rock quarry site. Turn left, cross the bridge and follow trail through the Maple Knoll Research Natural Area to Beaver Pond. Return to the service road, and follow signs to Cattail Pond. Turn right and follow the field edge to the wooded trail that returns to Pigeon Springs. Be sure to look for wood ducks, pied-billed grebes, and mergansers at the ponds.

Homer Campbell Memorial Trail

.4 miles one way **Year-Round**

Trailhead is at the parking area east of the historical Fiechter House. This accessible boardwalk winds through the Muddy Creek riparian area that is seasonally flooded with winter rains. Oregon ash and big-leaf maple are the common tree species, providing canopy for many songbirds. Thrushes, bushtits and juncos are commonly heard. The trail ends at an observation blind overlooking Cabell Marsh. A seasonal extension (Open Apr 1 to Oct 31) offers access to Cabell Marsh and the Refuge interior

Cabell Marsh Trail

***1.4 miles one way from observation deck to west end of Cabell Marsh at wooden memorial bench** **Open 4/1 to 10/31**

Trailhead is at the Cabell Lodge parking lot. A path to an observation deck and scope is open year-round. Here you can see an abundance of wildlife on the marsh. During the open season, head east from this deck onto the service road and turn right. At the junction there is a sign indicating directions to Beaver & Cattail Ponds and Mill Hill. This is the turn-around point; or you may continue to those trails. Cabell Marsh is hunting territory for bald eagles, osprey and other raptors. Look for coyotes, beaver, and black-tailed deer on the fringes.

** A portion of Cabell Marsh Trail is open year-round*

McFadden's Marsh Trail

.14 miles one way **Year-Round**

Trailhead is located on the north side of Bruce Road near the eastern boundary. A porta-potty is located near the trailhead. This accessible trail and boardwalk meanders beside McFadden Marsh, ending in an observation blind overlooking the Marsh. During the winter season, visitors may see thousands of waterfowl using the Marsh. Nesting waterfowl are present during the summer. Raptors soar overhead searching for an easy meal. Shorebirds frequent the shallow water's edge. Songbirds use shrubs along the trail for food, shelter and nesting.



William L. Finley National Wildlife Refuge Trail Descriptions

Woodpecker Loop Trail

1.1 Miles round trip **Year-Round**

Trailhead is located just off Finley Refuge Road. A porta-potty is located near the trailhead. An interpretive brochure is available at the trailhead kiosk. The trail begins in an oak woodland habitat. Take the right hand fork and climb slightly to an overlook with exceptional views of the valley and the Cascade Range. Native oak savannah habitat is visible on Bald Top, just to the west. Follow the trail through open fields to a seasonal pond where rough-skinned newts and other amphibians are commonly seen. The trail continues into a Douglas fir-dominated forest. As the trail drops down, mature Maple trees and evidence of past logging practices are visible. Interpretive signs throughout the trail provide information about different animal and plant species. This is an excellent trail for bird watching.



Mill Hill Loop Trail

2.5 miles round trip **Year-Round**

Trailhead may be accessed from the Display Pond or Headquarters parking areas. Follow the trail signs as you hike from either access point. This up-and-down trail takes you through many different forest types: oak, woodland, mature maple, and Douglas fir. Look for wood ducks or beavers on Gray Creek, or rest on one of the benches to watch for elk, deer and other wildlife around the forest margins.

Intertie Trail

.5 miles one way **Year-Round**

Trail can be accessed near the midway point on Woodpecker Loop or near the beginning of Mill Hill Trail. This trail ties together these two popular loops for hikers who want to explore more of the refuge. The trail takes you through the understory of a mixed deciduous and fir forest.