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Seney

National Wildlife Refuge

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1674 Refuge Entrance Rd

Seney, MI, 49883

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Groundbreaking Ceremony and Open House at Seney National Wildlife Refuge

Seney, Michigan - The Seney National Wildlife Refuge is pleased to announce a groundbreaking ceremony and open house on May 10th, 2023. The event will be held from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. and is open to the public.

The groundbreaking ceremony will take place at 3 p.m. to commemorate the start of construction on the refuge's new visitor center. When completed, the new visitor center will provide visitors with a modern, interactive experience that highlights the refuge's natural wonders and wildlife.

During the open house there will be presentations at 4 p.m. and 5 p.m. highlighting the ongoing work projects supported through the Great American Outdoor Act. These funds are allowing us to complete much needed work on several refuge structures which have been on a maintenance backlog.

The funding has supported work on four big projects. The presentations will highlight the progress on each of these projects.

1. The new combined visitor center and headquarters building
2. Marshland Wildlife Drive and Fishing Loop bridge and water control structure repairs
3. Show Pool Site rehabilitation and improvements

4. Pine Ridge Nature Trail improvement project

Throughout the open house, visitors will have the opportunity to ask questions and chat with refuge staff about the current projects, upcoming events, and volunteer opportunities.

"We're thrilled to invite the public to join us for this exciting event," said Seney National Wildlife Refuge Manager, Sara Siekierski. "The groundbreaking ceremony and open house provide an excellent opportunity for the community to learn about the Seney National Wildlife Refuge and our ongoing efforts to preserve and protect our natural resources."

The open house and groundbreaking ceremony will be held at the maintenance shop about one mile from M-77 down the Refuge Entrance Road. Admission to the event is free, and refreshments will be provided. We hope to see you there!

Location

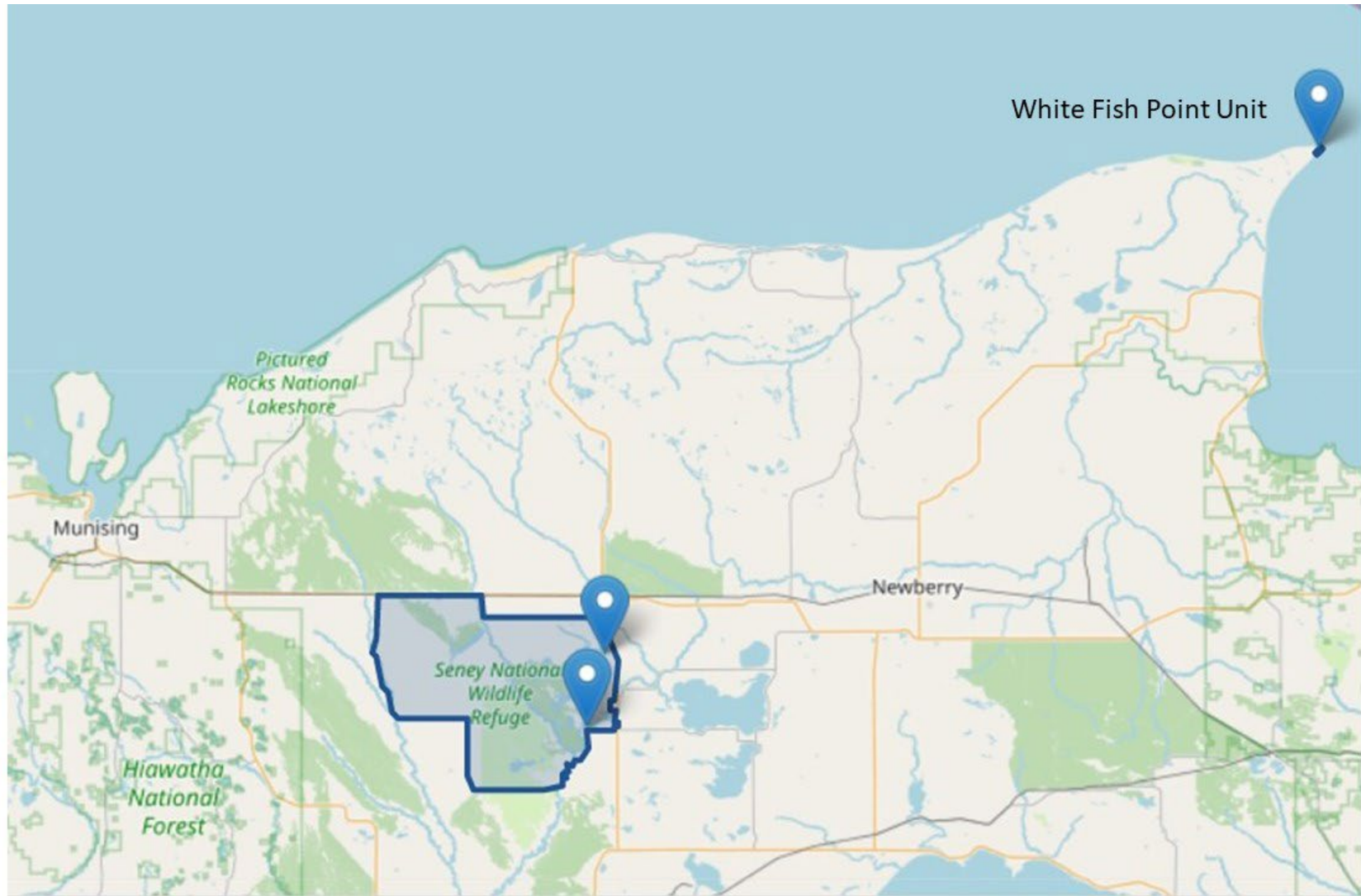
Refuge maintenance shop about 1 mile west of M-77 on Refuge Entrance Road.

Date

Wednesday, May 10, 2023

Open Hours

3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.



Graphic 1: A location map of the Seney National Wildlife Refuge and the Whitefish Point Unit.



Graphic 2: The location of the shop on the Refuge Entrance Road.



USFWS Seney National Wildlife Refuge
Visitor Center and Administration Building

Birdseye of Main Entry

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Graphic 3: A birdseye view rendering of the new visitor center and office.