

Public Notice

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service at Willapa National Wildlife Refuge Complex (Complex) announces the opportunity for a seasonal grazing program at Julia Butler Hansen Refuge for the Columbian White-tailed Deer (Cathlamet, WA), Lewis and Clark National Wildlife Refuge (NWR, Knappa, OR) and Willapa NWR (Ilwaco, WA). The program is managed under a Cooperative Land Management Agreement (CLMA), with the cooperators providing in-kind services by helping the Complex manage for wildlife habitat. In-kind services that are most commonly utilized are fence repair, mowing, and/or spraying of weeds. Interested cooperators will be evaluated based on bid amount, ability to comply with in-kind services, and prior knowledge of grazing on wildlife conservation lands. Bids will only be accepted between February 2 and February 20, 2015. Bid envelopes must be received in the refuge office by February 20, 2015 at 4:00 pm PST. All bids will be opened on March 2nd. Current cooperators for each unit will have the option to match the high bid. High bidders will be notified promptly of their selection. For further information regarding this opportunity, please contact Eva Kristofik at 360-484-3482 or Keely Lopez at 360-795-3915 or visit <http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Willapa/> and [http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Julia Butler Hansen/](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Julia_Butler_Hansen/).