U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

National Wildlife Refuge System

PACIFIC ISLANDS

SCALE 1:29,000,000
Albers equal area projection, standard parallels 7°S and 20°N, central meridian 174°30' E

ALASKA

SCALE 1:7,500,000
Albers equal area projection, standard parallels 55° N and 65°N, central meridian 154°W

Principal Islands of HAWAII

SCALE 1:7,500,000
Albers equal area projection, standard parallels 8° N and 18° N, central meridian 157° W

When President Theodore Roosevelt made Florida's tiny Pelican Island a refuge for birds in 1903, he wrote the first chapter of a great American conservation success story. Entering its second century, the National Wildlife Refuge System comprises 150 million acres, protected within more than 561 Refuges and thousands of small prairie wetlands that serve as waterfowl breeding and nesting areas. There are wildlife refuges in every state, and at least one within an hour's drive of every major American city, providing refuge for people as well as wildlife.

National Wildlife Refuges are far more than havens for wild plants and animals. In fact, visitors–more than 40 million each year–are welcome on 98 percent of wildlife refuges, where they are encouraged to take part in outdoor pursuits designated by law as priority activities offered by the National Wildlife Refuge System. From environmental education and interpretation to hunting and fishing to photography and wildlife watching, refuges offer visitors a truly natural and wild outdoor experience, teaching millions the importance of taking care of our natural resources.

This map shows lands and waters managed in the National Wildlife Refuge System. Private holdings exist within some of these boundaries.

The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service is a Federal Agency whose mission, working with others, is to conserve fish and wildlife and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

Refuge units of 20,000 acres or more
Refuge units of less than 20,000 acres
Wetland Management District Offices
Waterfowl Production Areas

Some refuges are represented as dots where easement acreage exceeds 20,000 acres. Refuges as shown may contain inholdings.

Abbreviations

- CA: Conservation Area
- MNM: Marine National Monument*
- NFWR: National Fish and Wildlife Refuge
- NWFR: National Wildlife and Fish Refuge
- NWR: National Wildlife Refuge
- WMA: Wildlife Management Area
- WMD: Wetland Management District Office**
- WPA: Waterfowl Production Area

* Marine National Monuments are conservation areas established through the Antiquities Act, managed by the USFWS in cooperation with other federal, state, territorial and private partners.

** WMD offices manage Waterfowl Production Areas which are not shown due to scale. Please visit http://gis.fws.gov/WPA_Mapper/ for an interactive map to view WPAs and Refuges in more detail.

Red Rock Lakes
Washita
Fergus Falls WMD
Carlton Pond WPA

City
State Capital
National Capital
International Boundary
FWS Regions
STATES
Regional Office

Download a copy at: www.fws.gov/refuges/maps/

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Albers equal area projection, standard parallels 29°30'N and 45°30'N, central meridian 96°W

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Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands

SCALE 1:7,500,000
Albers equal area projection, standard parallels 8° N and 18° N, central meridian 66° 30'W

Navassa Island

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Same projection parameters as Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands inset map