

# News Release



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## FELSENTHAL NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE REDUCED HOURS OF OPERATION

Felsenthal NWR Will Reduce Hours of Operation Starting 3/20/2020

Felsenthal NWR – The US Fish and Wildlife Service today announced the reduction of hours of operation at **Felsenthal NWR’s Visitor Center, Crossett, AR**, effective **3/20/2020**. Hours may be variable depending on staff availability. Generally the Visitor Center will be open 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Monday thru Thursday and closed on Friday. Staff remain at work but may not be available in person. Felsenthal NWR remains open to wildlife dependent activities such as hunting, fishing, and wildlife observation to provide opportunities for recreation and relaxation.

The health and safety of our visitors and employees at **Felsenthal NWR** is our number one priority. The US Fish and Wildlife Service is working with the federal, state and local authorities to closely monitor the novel coronavirus (COVID-19) situation. A return to normal hours of operation has not been determined at this time. We will notify the public when we reopen these sites and provide updates on our website and social media channels.

We urge our visitors to do their part when visiting Felsenthal NWR and to follow [CDC guidance](#) to prevent the spread of infectious diseases by maintaining a safe distance between yourself and other groups; washing your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds; avoiding touching your eyes, nose, and mouth; covering your mouth and nose when you cough or sneeze, and most importantly, staying home if you feel sick.

Updates about Service’s response to coronavirus will posted at <https://www.fws.gov/home/public-health-update.html>. Please check with individual refuges or facilities regarding the change of operations or postponement of events and programs.

For more information or to speak with our staff contact Felsenthal National Wildlife Refuge, (870)364-3167.

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