

Department of the Interior
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
A.R.M. Loxahatchee NWR
10216 Lee Road
Boynton Beach, FL 33473-4797
Phone: 561/732-3684
Fax: 561/369-7190
www.fws.gov/loxahatchee

News Release



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
February 1, 2019

Release #: 19/2-1
Contact: Serena J. Rinker 561.735.6029 (o)
561.523.2604 (c)

Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge
Closes Headquarters Area Boat Ramp for Everglades Day 2019

On Saturday, February 9, 2019, the boat ramps at the Headquarters Area of the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge will be closed for the 20th Annual Everglades Day Festival. The public is welcome to come to this family-friendly, free day-long festival that promotes an awareness of the Everglades ecosystem. The festival includes exhibits, speakers, nature walks, and interactive activities for the entire family. For the first time the off-site parking will be at West Delray Regional Park, 10875 W. Atlantic Avenue, Delray Beach, FL 33446. Also for the first time the Marsh Trail parking lot will be turned into a historical cultural area with exhibits from The Gladesmen and Yesteryear Village. For the second time this event will be entirely walkable. Wear your walking shoes and enjoy the outdoors with your family. Attached to this news release is the festival program.

The refuge is located off U.S. 441/SR 7, two miles south of SR 804 (Boynton Beach Blvd.) and three miles north of SR 806 (Delray Beach's Atlantic Avenue). The refuge is currently open from 6:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m., seven days a week. Refuge hours change seasonally and are posted at each entrance. The Visitor Center hours are 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., seven days a week. An entrance fee of \$5.00 per vehicle or \$1.00 per pedestrian is charged. A variety of annual passes, including a \$12.00 refuge specific annual pass, are available. Please visit the refuge website at https://www.fws.gov/refuge/arm_loxahatchee, connect with us on Facebook at

-MORE-

<https://www.facebook.com/ARMLoxahatcheeNWR> or call the Administration Office at (561) 732-3684.

The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect, and enhance fish, wildlife, plants, and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. We are both a leader and trusted partner in fish and wildlife conservation, known for our scientific excellence, stewardship of lands and natural resources, dedicated professionals, and commitment to public service. For more information on our work and the people who make it happen, visit www.fws.gov. Connect with our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/usfwssoutheast, follow our tweets at www.twitter.com/usfwssoutheast, watch our YouTube Channel at <http://www.youtube.com/usfws> and download photos from our Flickr page at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/usfwssoutheast>.