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DETROIT RIVER INTERNATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE CLOSED DUE TO FEDERAL GOVERNMENT LAPSE IN APPROPRIATIONS

GROSSE ILE, MICHIGAN – All public access to the Detroit River International Wildlife Refuge, including the Humbug Marsh Unit, Gibraltar Bay Unit and all units open to hunting are closed as current funding expired on October 1, 2013. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is aware that any lapse in appropriations imposes hardships on those we serve. However, due to this lapse in appropriations this facility is closed to the public and all public activities are cancelled.

Only limited functions will continue, such as those necessary to respond to emergencies, perform essential functions and to protect human life or personal property.

While the lapse in appropriations remains in effect, public access to Service properties will be prohibited, fish and wildlife management activities and all public programs will be cancelled.

Additional information is available at www.DOI.gov/shutdown.

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.

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