

The The Julia Butler Hansen Refuge for the Columbian White-tailed Deer was established in 1971 specifically to protect and manage the then endangered (now threatened) Columbian white-tailed deer. With over 6,000 acres along the lower Columbia River in both Washington and Oregon, the refuge's valuable habitat also benefits a large variety of wintering waterfowl, Roosevelt elk, river otter, various reptiles and amphibians, nesting bald eagles, great horned owls and ospreys. Refuge visitors are encouraged to enjoy activities such as wildlife viewing, photography, hunting, fishing, boating, and hiking.

Amenities Offered:

- Open during daylight hours
- Wildlife viewing
- Bank fishing permitted in pond adjacent to Brooks Slough pumping station, along Mainland Unit shorelines adjoining Elochoman and Columbia Rivers, Steamboat and Brooks Sloughs, refuge island shorelines. Must comply with WA and OR fishing regulations.

Restrictions

- Areas within refuge boundaries may be closed to public entry due to sensitive species or restoration activities. Be aware of signs indicating closed areas.
- No dogs allowed except service dogs and those engaged in authorized hunting activities.

 Restrooms  ADA Facilities

 Hiking Trails  Shore Fishing

 Biking Trails

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(360) 795-3915

Or visit: fws.gov/refuge/julia_butler_hansen/



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Fishing Opportunities Near Julia Butler Hansen Refuge for the Columbian White-tailed Deer



1 Skamokawa Creek, Skamokawa Vista Park

Rainbow trout, Chinook salmon, steelhead



From the refuge, head southeast on Steamboat Slough Rd. toward WA-4, left on WA-4, after 4.7 mi. turn left on Vista Park Rd.

2 Columbia River, Elochoman Slough Marina

Spring/Summer/Fall Chinook, coho, chum, and sockeye salmon, steelhead, rainbow and cutthroat trout, white sturgeon, smallmouth & largemouth bass, walleye, catfish, American shad



From the refuge, head southeast on Steamboat Slough Rd. toward WA-4, turn right, 2.3 mi., right onto Una Ave., right onto 2nd St. to Elochoman Slough Marina.

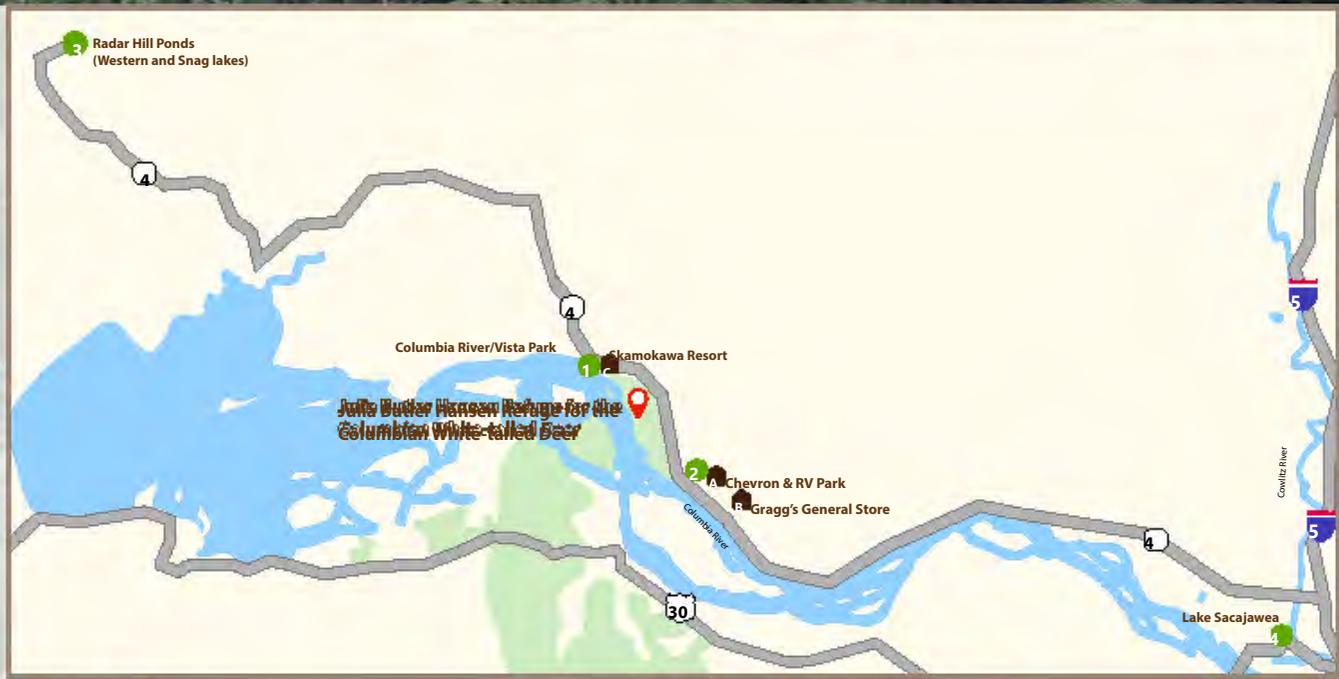
3 Radar Hill Ponds (Snag and Western Lakes)

Rainbow trout, cutthroat trout, Eastern brook trout



From the refuge, head southeast on Steamboat Slough Rd. toward WA-4 W, 2.4 mi., turn left onto WA-4 W, 30.4 mi., turn right onto C 2000 Rd., travel 1.4 mi. and turn left on C Line Rd. to reach Western Lake.

For Snag Lake, follow C 2000 Rd. for 1.8 mi., then turn left.



4 Lake Sacajawea

Rainbow trout, brown trout, black crappie, brown bullhead, carp, largemouth bass, pumpkinseed, warmouth, yellow perch



From the refuge, head southeast on Steamboat Slough Rd. toward WA-4 W, 2.4 mi., turn right onto WA-4 E, 21.6 mi., turn right onto WA-432 E, 4.4 mi., turn left onto Washington Way, 1.2 mi., turn right onto Nichols Blvd.

Need a fishing license or a Discover Pass? Visit a nearby vendor:

A Chevron & RV Park
274 WA-4
Cathlamet, WA 98612
(360) 795-3453

B Gragg's General Store
301 E State Route 4
Cathlamet, WA 98612
(360) 795-8749

C Skamokawa Resort
1391 WA-4
Skamokawa, WA 98647
(360) 795-0726

Key

- WDFW License Vendor
- Restrooms
- Picnic Area
- Hiking Trails
- Camping
- Boat Launch
- Shore Fishing
- ADA Facilities
- Biking Trails

For a complete list of license vendors, visit:
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