

Keep pets on a non-retractable 6-foot leash and under your control.



Remember to bring plenty of water, sunscreen/sun protection, and bug spray. Please wear weather-appropriate clothing and footwear.

Please place all trash, recycling, and bagged pet waste in appropriate receptacles to protect wildlife and their habitats. Picking up after pets keeps our river clean of waste contaminants and is courteous to people and wildlife downstream.

Stay up to date on refuge development, activities, and volunteer opportunities. The refuge plans to host multiple community meetings each year to provide our neighbors and supporters with updates on the design and construction process. Please stay tuned to our Facebook page, Instagram, and website for updates and announcements for community meetings.

Another Way to Explore the Refuge

Test your knowledge of wildlife and share your photos and explore the refuge through our interactive app:



Discover Valle de Oro Game & Wildlife Spotting App

Contact information:

7851 Second St. SW
Albuquerque, NM 87105
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www.fws.gov/refuge/Valle_de_Oro/

Find us on Facebook:

www.facebook.com/ValleDeOroNationalWildlifeRefuge/

Find us on Instagram: @valledeoronwr

In Case of Emergency Call 911

Prohibited Refuge Activities

- Camping
- Collecting/Removing wildlife or plants
- Commercial activities without a permit
- Discharge of firearms
- Drones
- Entering/Remaining on refuge if intoxicated
- Feeding or disturbing wildlife
- Fishing
- Hunting
- Littering
- Open fires
- Possession of unauthorized firearms
- Possession/Use of controlled substances
- Smoking within 25ft of buildings
- Unauthorized overnight vehicles
- Unleashed pets



Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge Map



As the Southwest's first urban wildlife refuge, Valle de Oro NWR serves as an oasis for both wildlife and people. Established in 2012, the refuge is beginning to transition from agricultural fields to a diversity of native habitats and visitor amenities. Visit often and help us grow!

Guidelines for an Enjoyable Visit

Respecting wildlife and their habitat is the first step in keeping Valle de Oro NWR a safe, welcoming, and enjoyable place for both people and wildlife.

The refuge is open from 6am to 6pm every day. Please park in designated parking areas at the Welcome Center (the tan house with the green roof) and access the interior of the refuge by walking, jogging, hiking, bicycling or horseback riding. Yield to approaching vehicles or horses and stay out of construction sites and closed areas.

Little to no disturbance to wildlife allows for more observation of their natural behaviors and activities and is courteous to other visitors. Bring binoculars for safe up-close viewing of wildlife and minimize noises.



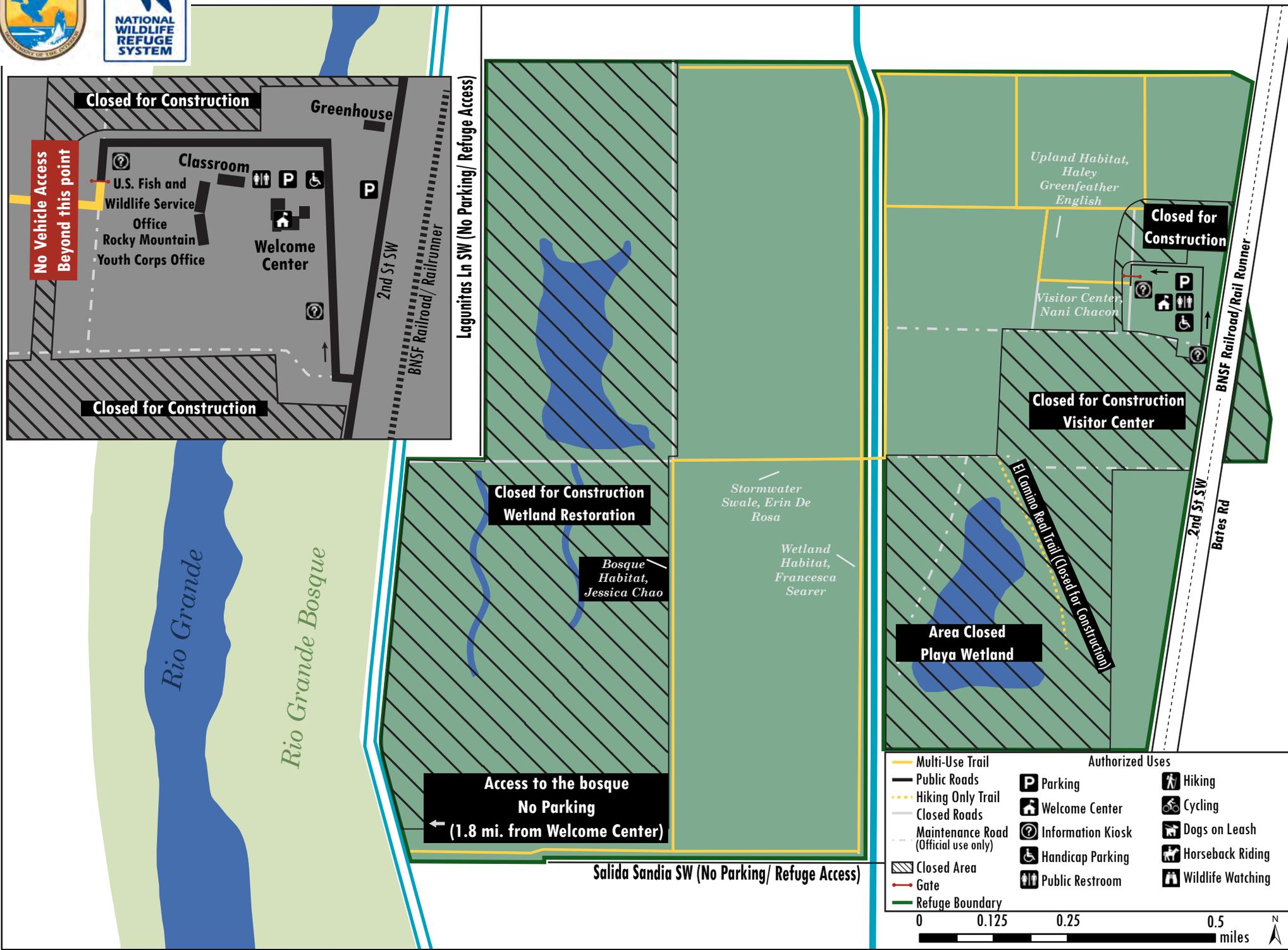
Please leave your kites, balloons, drones, model aircraft or vehicles, and sports-related equipment at home.



Valle de Oro National Wildlife Refuge

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

7851 2nd Street SW, Albuquerque, NM



No Vehicle Access Beyond this point

Closed for Construction

Greenhouse

Classroom

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Office
Rocky Mountain Youth Corps Office

Welcome Center

2nd St SW

BNSF Railroad/ Railrunner

Lagunitas Ln SW (No Parking/ Refuge Access)

Closed for Construction

Closed for Construction Wetland Restoration

Bosque Habitat, Jessica Chao

Stormwater Swale, Erin De Rosa

Wetland Habitat, Francesca Searer

Access to the bosque No Parking (1.8 mi. from Welcome Center)

Salida Sandia SW (No Parking/ Refuge Access)

Upland Habitat, Haley Greenfeather English

Closed for Construction

Visitor Center, Nani Chacon

Closed for Construction Visitor Center

BNSF Railroad/ Rail Runner

2nd St SW

Bates Rd

Area Closed Playa Wetland

El Camino Real Trail (Closed for Construction)

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| — Multi-Use Trail | — Public Roads | — Hiking Only Trail | — Closed Roads | — Maintenance Road (Official use only) | — Closed Area | — Gate | — Refuge Boundary |
| Authorized Uses | | | | | | | |
| Parking | Welcome Center | Information Kiosk | Handicap Parking | Public Restroom | Hiking | Cycling | Dogs on Leash |
| | | | | | Horseback Riding | Wildlife Watching | |

