

# News Release



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## **WERTHEIM NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE WILL BE CLOSED TO GENERAL PUBLIC FOR MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

The Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge in Suffolk County, New York, will be closed to the general public while conducting management activities. The Refuge buildings and trails will be closed from sunrise to 12:00 pm on February 12<sup>th</sup> and February 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Visitors are welcome to use the visitor center and refuge grounds after noon on both days.

Wertheim National Wildlife Refuge, established in 1947, is located along the Carman's River in Suffolk County, New York. The Refuge protects one of the last undeveloped estuaries on Long Island. The founding purpose of the Refuge was to preserve habitat for migratory birds. Since that time, management programs have been expanded to other objectives, such as the protection of federally-listed endangered and threatened species, the conservation of native flora and fauna, and the provision of wildlife-dependent public uses.

For additional information, please view our website <http://longislandrefuges.fws.gov/> or contact the Long Island National Wildlife Refuge Complex Office at 631-286-0485.

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