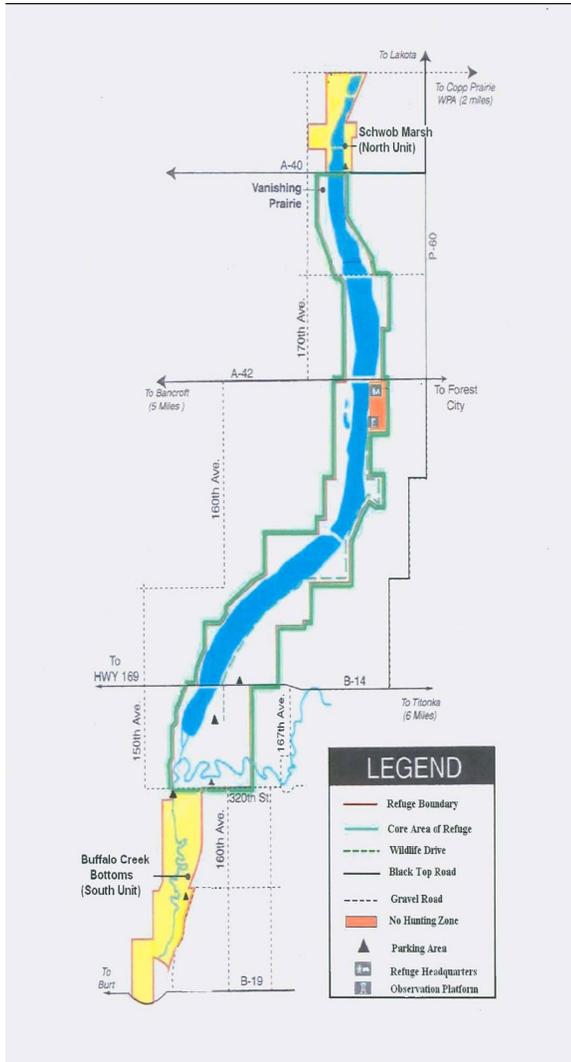
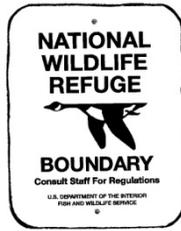


Refuge Map



Refuge Signs



Refuge Boundary: Consult staff for current regulations before entering.



All public entry is prohibited beyond this sign.



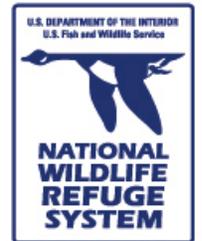
The area behind this sign is closed to all hunting.



The area behind this sign is open to all hunting, fishing, and trapping as prescribed by State Law.

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Union Slough National Wildlife Refuge Public Use Regulations and Map



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previously dated leaflets.**

This leaflet is a summary of those authorized and prohibited activities on Union Slough NWR. All other activities are prohibited unless specifically authorized by a special use permit. A complete list of regulations pertaining to the use of National Wildlife Refuges can be found in Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Parts 25-32.

General Regulations

Artifacts: It is unlawful to search for or remove any artifact or object of antiquity.

Artificial Lights: The use of artificial lights, including auto head lights, for the purpose of locating wildlife is prohibited.

Boats: Boats, canoes or other floating devices are allowed in Buffalo Creek Bottoms. Boats, canoes, or other floating devices may not be left unattended.

Camping: Camping or other overnight use is prohibited.

Disturbance: Disturbing, injuring, destroying, collecting, or attempting to disturb, injure, destroy, or collect any plant or animal is prohibited. However, fishing is allowed as outlined below.

Dogs: All dogs not used for hunting must be confined to a vehicle at all times. Training of dogs is not allowed.

Firearms and Other Weapons: Discharging firearms is prohibited except during an authorized hunting activity. Target shooting is prohibited.

Fires: All fires are prohibited.

Hiking and Snowshoeing: Hiking and snowshoeing are allowed in the Buffalo Creek Bottoms (South Unit) of the refuge.

Hours: Visitors not engaged in hunting activities are allowed on the refuge from **legal sunrise to legal sunset**.

Hunting: Hunting is allowed on certain portions of the refuge. Please see the current Hunting and Fishing Regulations leaflet for a summary of the authorized and prohibited activities.

Introduction of Plants and Animals: Plants and animals or their parts taken elsewhere shall not be introduced, liberated, or placed on any part of the refuge.

Trapping: Trapping is prohibited.

Trash: Trash cans are not provided. Please remove your own trash.

Vehicles: Motorized vehicles are permitted on the wildlife drive, in parking areas, and in field entrances only. Vehicles and operators must be properly licensed. No off road vehicle use is allowed. The speed limit on refuge roads is 10 mph. Use of All Terrain Vehicles, snowmobiles, etc. is prohibited at all times.

Wildlife Observation and Photography Regulations

General: The following areas are open to wildlife observation and photography subject to the listed stipulations:

1. All refuge parking lots are open year-round.
2. The Buffalo Creek Bottoms (South Unit) of the refuge is open year-round.
3. The wildlife drive is open as posted at the Refuge Headquarters. Dates drive is open will change yearly. Opening is subject to weather and road conditions. Bicycles, motorcycles, All Terrain Vehicles, horses, tractors, farm equipment, hayracks, etc. are not allowed on the wildlife drive. Hikers are

not allowed beyond the observation platform. Visitors driving the wildlife drive are required to remain in their vehicles unless stopped at a designated parking area or at the observation platform. Visitors must remain in the mowed parking area or on the observation platform.

4. The overlook trail/observation platform is open year-round to pedestrian access and **to vehicle access for persons with disabilities**.

Fishing Regulations

General: We allow sport fishing from the County Road A-40 right-of-way and in Buffalo Creek south of County Road 320th St. in accordance with State Regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We allow fishing from **legal sunrise to legal sunset**.
3. We allow fishing from boats, canoes and other floating devices in Buffalo Creek Bottoms. Boats, canoes, or other floating devices may not be left unattended.
4. **We prohibit the use or possession of lead terminal tackle.**

LOCAL FISH CONSUMPTION ADVISORIES MAY BE IN PLACE

For more information:

<https://www.iowadnr.gov/Environmental-Protection/Water-Quality/Water-Monitoring/Fish-Tissue>