Wahkiakum Wild Bird Fest, Feb 19-21, 2027
Schedule At A Glance

FRI, FEB 19	SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 20				SAT, FEB 20	SUN, FEB 21
	Sunrise: 7:08 am; Sunset: 5:47 pm ◊ Low Tide: 7:52 am; High Tide: 1:20 pm					
Registration & Partner Displays (3-6 pm) Tent at Refuge HQ	**Registration & Partner Displays (8:00 am - 4:30 pm)** Tent at Refuge HQ					**Partner Displays (8:30 am - 11:30 am)** Tent at Refuge HQ
Special Events	**Self-Guided Birding (8:00 am - 4:30 pm)**				**Special Event**	
Welcome Reception Hosted by Tsuga Gallery (4-5 pm) at Tsuga Gallery	Self-Guided: Refuge HQ Wetlands & Interpretive Signs: 1 guide to assist				**Wahkiakum Chamber Crab & Oyster Feed (3 pm & 6 pm)** at Columbia River Ranch	
	Self-Guided: Refuge Wildlife Drive in your car					
	Self-Guided: Refuge White-tail Trail: 2 guides to assist at south end of trail					
Skamokawa Swamp Opera (7-8:30 pm) at Pioneer Center	Self-Guided: Cathlamet Marina -- View Columbia River, birds & cultural signs					
	Self-Guided: Little Island Heronry viewed from your car: 1 guide to assist					
	Guided Birding					**Guided Birding**
	8:30 am - 10:00 am	**10:30 am - 12:00 pm**	**1:00 pm - 2:30 pm**	**3:00 pm - 4:30 pm**		**7:00 am - 12:00 pm**
	Guided: Wetlands and Waterfowl with Columbia Land Trust	Charter: Columbia River Birding by Boat - depart from Cathlamet Marina	Charter: Columbia River Birding by Boat - depart from Cathlamet Marina	Guided: Wetlands and Waterfowl with Columbia Land Trust		**Guided: Grays Bay and Skamokawa Forest by Van**
	Guided (7:00 am - 12:00 pm): Grays Bay and Skamokawa Forest by Van			Guided: Refuge Center Road Wetlands by Van		
	Workshops					**Workshop**
	8:30 am - 10:00 am	**10:30 am - 12:00 pm**	**1:00 pm - 2:30 pm**			**9:00 am - 11:00 am**
	WDFW Duck Banding at Refuge HQ	WDFW Duck ID at Refuge HQ	Bird Photography Class at River Street Room			Bird Photography Walk at Refuge White-tail Trail

Notes

Refuge = Julia Butler Hansen Refuge for the Columbian White-tailed Deer

Cathlamet Marina = Elochoman Slough Marina in Cathlamet, WA

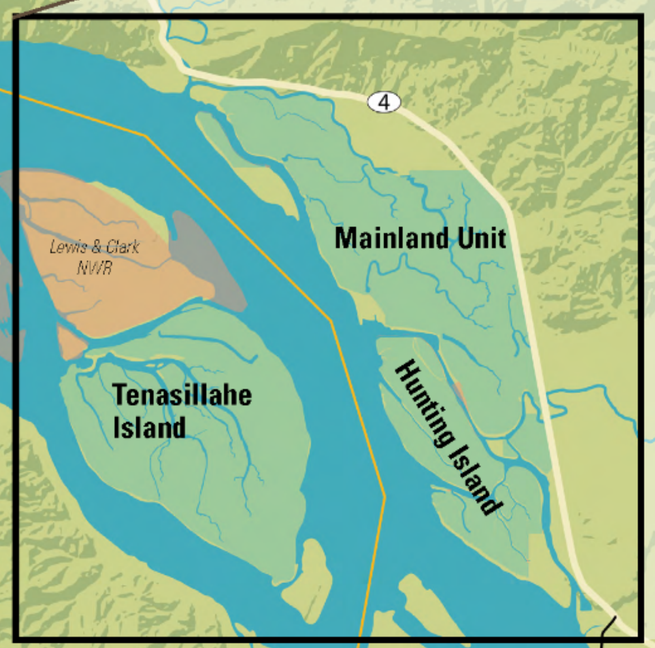
Charter = Guided charter fishing boat available by private charter

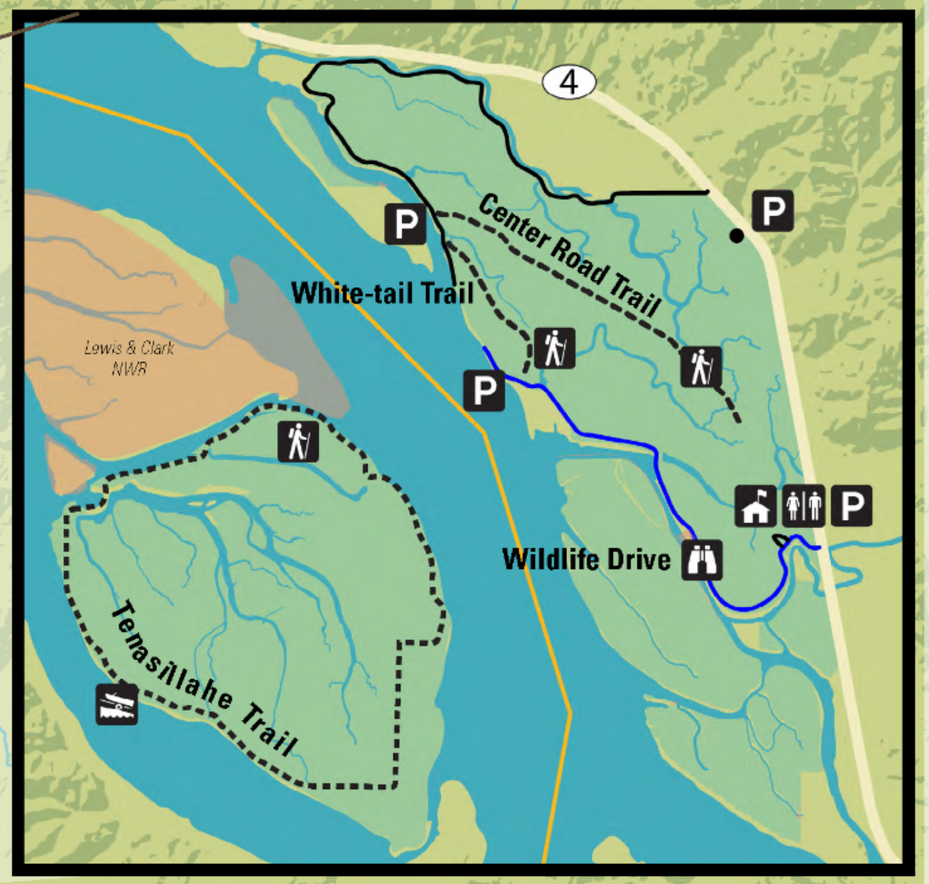
WDFW = Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

All activities are FREE to Wahkiakum Wild Bird Fest registrants, except Charter Boat Tours and Wahkiakum Chamber Crab & Oyster Feed.

Oct. 15, 2026

Refuge Map & Trails



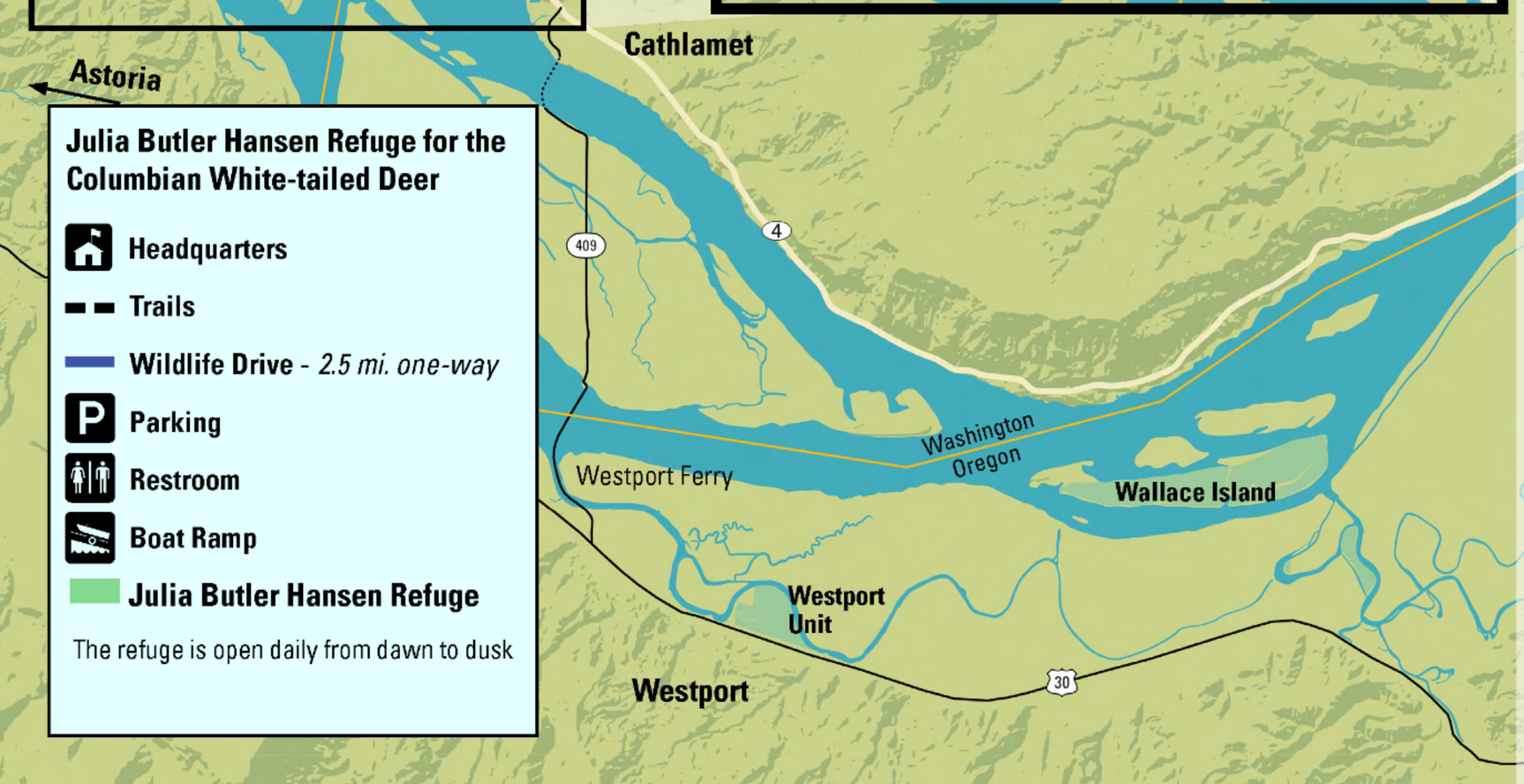


White-tail Trail
Easy - 0.9mi one-way

This trail winds through many habitats and offers an opportunity to see a diversity of wildlife. Along the trail, information panels highlight some of the refuge's plants and animals. Spot our namesake deer grazing in the grassland, or waterfowl and songbirds in the marsh. Non-motorized bikes are allowed on this trail.

Center Road Trail (June - Sept)
Easy - 2mi one-way

A great option for those seeking solitude in nature. Please obey closure signs. Only open during summer to provide undisturbed sanctuary for waterfowl from October to May.

Tenasillahe Trail
Easy - 6.5mi loop

Located on Tenasillahe Island (only accessible by boat), this trail offers views of the Columbia River and takes you through grasslands, forests, and swamps. No services on the island. Bring your own water, food, and other necessities.