



FRIENDS OF  
WILLAPA  
NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

## Spring 2022

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### **New Friends Website!**

We just finished a new website! Please check it out here, it is a great improvement and we are able to keep it current. <https://friendsofwillaparefuge.org/>

### **Welcome Hope!**

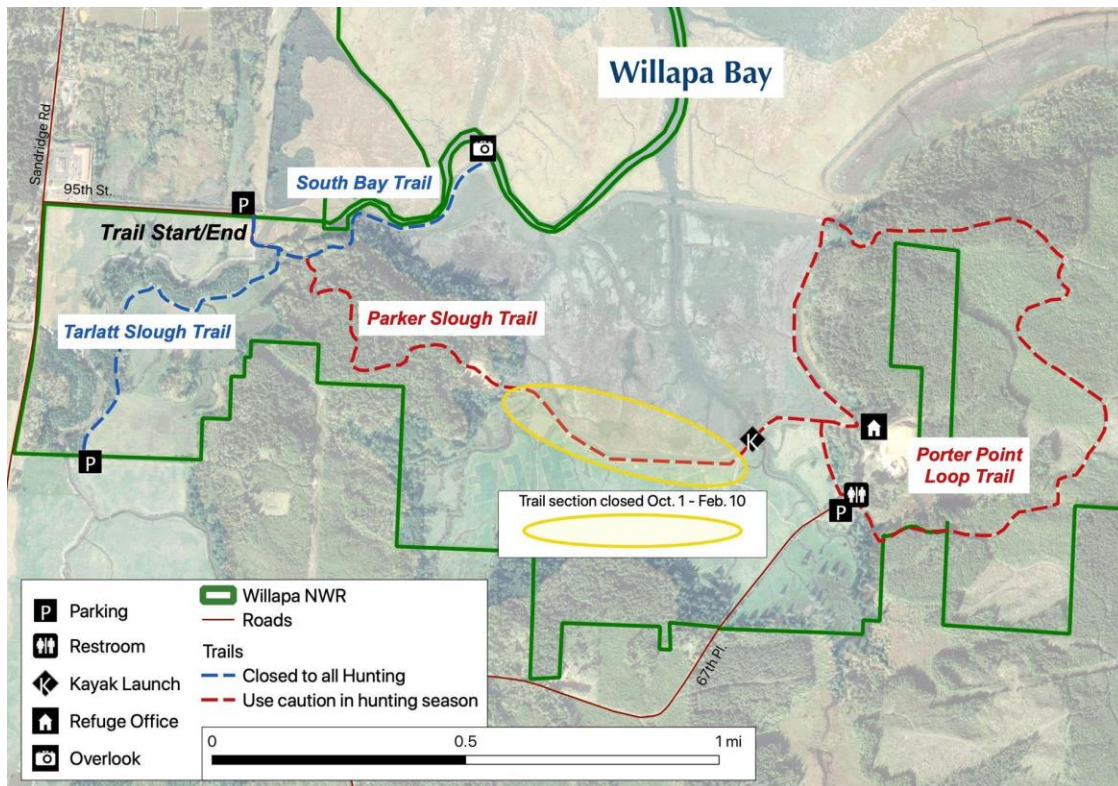
The Friends welcomes Hope Presley as the Refuge's new Visitor Services Specialist. Hope just graduated [Read more](#)



## **Best Birding Spots at the Refuge**

*By Rebecca Lexa*

The Refuge is a fabulous place to enjoy a diversity of birds. The variety of habitats leads to more biodiversity, and each location may offer something unique. As spring migration begins, winter waterfowl leave and summer residents arrive to find food and shelter, and raise this year's crop of young birds. [Read more](#)



## Refuge Hiking – Parker Slough to Porter Point

*By Pat Welle*

The Refuge has many great hiking trails, from short walks along Willapa Bay to deep forest hikes through stands of old-growth. There are several trails in the South Bay area, and I recently combined a couple to make a long hike through both forested and open wetland areas. [Read more](#)

## Work for Us and Make a Difference!

The Friends of Willapa National Wildlife Refuge are seeking an enthusiastic part-time local EVENT COORDINATOR.

Initially, the position is working from home about 8 hours a week. The hours increase during four or more specific events throughout the year. [Read more](#)



The Rainforest Reserve which spans 3,500 acres. Photo from the air by Randall Henderson

## Rainforest Reserve Presentation

Please join us from 7 to 8 PM on Thursday, March 31 for a fascinating virtual presentation on Oregon's new Rainforest Reserve featuring Katie Voelke, Executive Director of the North Coast Land Conservancy. [Read more](#)



## President's Corner

*By Charlie Pelizza*

Welcome to the new year, with all the hope and promise of good days to come! As the sun begins to peek out from the clouds, we find ourselves hoping to spend more time outdoors with family and friends. [Read more](#)

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