

National Wildlife Refuge System




Wilderness Act of 1964

An area of wilderness is ...

“undeveloped Federal land retaining its primeval character and influence, without permanent improvements or human habitation, which is protected and managed so as to preserve its natural conditions...”



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- The National Wildlife Refuge System has more than 20 million acres of designated wilderness.
 - There are 75 wilderness areas on 63 refuges in 26 states.



Agassiz National Wildlife Refuge, Minnesota



The Agassiz Wilderness supports 300 bird species,
49 mammals, 12 amphibians and 9 reptiles.



J. N. "Ding" Darling National Wildlife Refuge, Florida



Bitter Lake National Wildlife Refuge, New Mexico



Blackbeard Island National Wildlife Refuge, Georgia



Cedar Keys National Wildlife Refuge, Florida



West Sister Island National Wildlife Refuge, Ohio



Wichita Mountains National Wildlife Refuge, Oklahoma

Fishing, paddling, hunting, camping, cross-country skiing and hiking are all possible in some wilderness areas.



Oregon Islands National Wildlife Refuge, Oregon



Great Swamp National Wildlife Refuge, New Jersey



Fort Niobrara National Wildlife Refuge, Nebraska

Bison winter in the Fort Niobrara Wilderness, a unique mix of prairie and wooded valleys.



Chase Lake National Wildlife Refuge, North Dakota



Swanquarter National Wildlife Refuge, North Carolina



Seney National Wildlife Refuge, Michigan



Bosque del Apache National Wildlife Refuge, New Mexico



Alaska Maritime National Wildlife Refuge

The Aleutian Island Wilderness includes more than 200 islands which are actually the peaks of 57 underwater volcanoes.



Edwin B. Forsythe National Wildlife Refuge, New Jersey



Farallon Islands National Wildlife Refuge, California



Medicine Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Montana

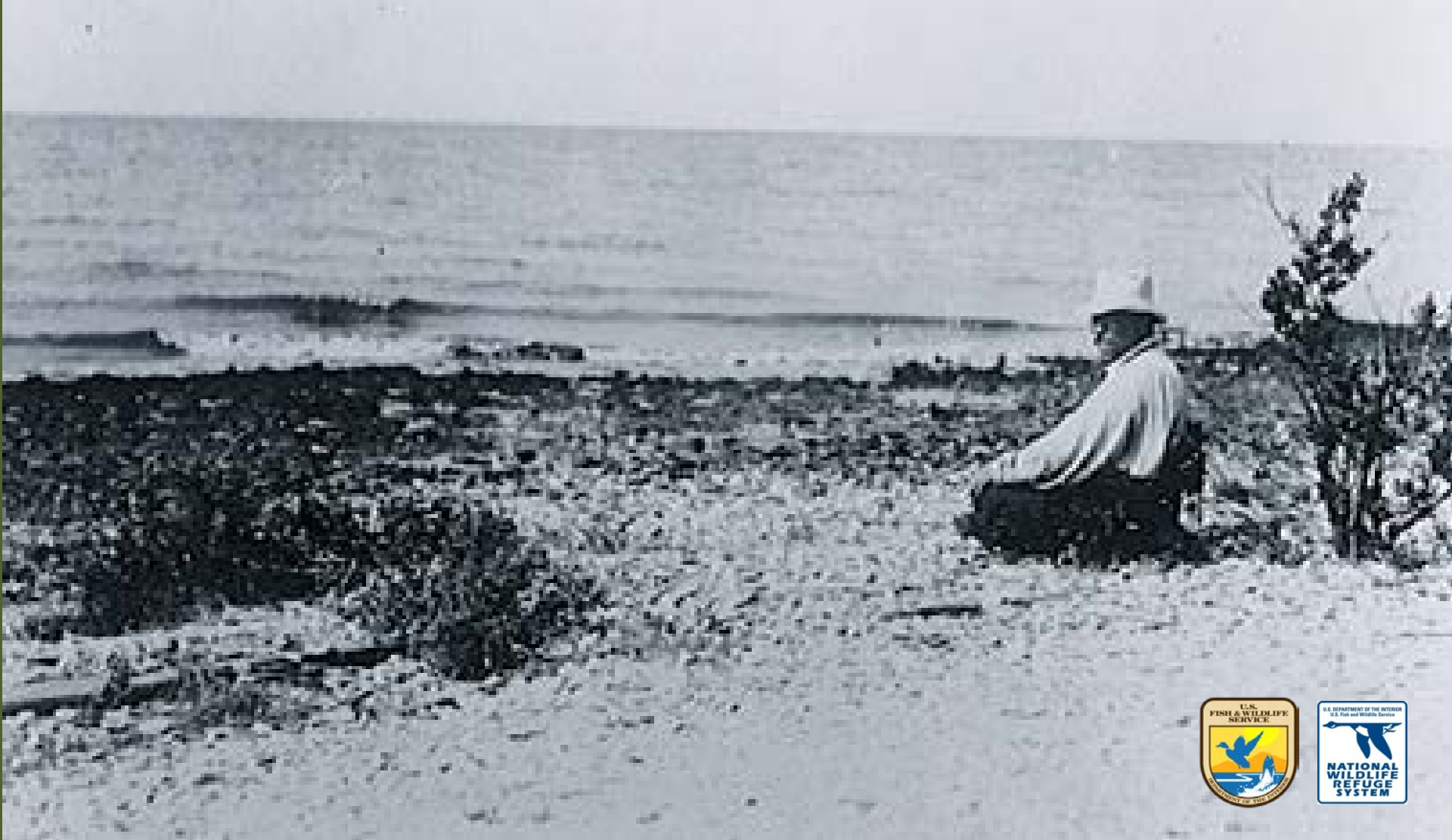


Koyukuk National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska



Breton Island National Wildlife Refuge, Louisiana

Theodore Roosevelt established Breton Island Refuge in 1904. It is the second oldest national wildlife refuge and the only one Roosevelt ever visited.



Pelican Island National Wildlife Refuge, Florida



Innoko National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska



Key Deer National Wildlife Refuge, Florida



Mingo National Wildlife Refuge, Missouri



Kofa National Wildlife Refuge, Arizona



Big Lake National Wildlife Refuge, Arkansas



Kenai National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska



Gravel Island National Wildlife Refuge, Wisconsin



Monomoy National Wildlife Refuge, Massachusetts

Ten miles of surf-beaten dunes may reach 100 feet high before giving way to salt marsh and mudflats, perfect habitat for migratory birds like these terns.



Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Alaska



Quillayute Needles National Wildlife Refuge, Washington



Lostwood National Wildlife Refuge, North Dakota



Crab Orchard National Wildlife Refuge, Illinois



Cape Romain National Wildlife Refuge, South Carolina



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