



**Welcome**  
 Encompassing approximately 120,000 acres, Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge (NWR) provides a unique opportunity to experience wild lands and wildlife in a natural setting. Visitors to the Refuge can enjoy Refuge wildlife and scenic views from the observation tower, as well as interpretive programs and opportunities as presented by the Laws and Clark expedition in 1865.

Charles M. Russell NWR, managed by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, is one of over 540 refuges in the National Wildlife Refuge System—a system of lands set aside to conserve wildlife and habitats for people today and generations to come.



This brochure contains a detailed Refuge map and important Refuge information. Refuge resources, including interpretive programs, ranger-led activities, and other programs, are available to help you enjoy the Refuge and its wildlife. This brochure is published on the Refuge. Contact the Refuge staff or visit any Refuge office to inquire about regulations or Refuge operations.

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**Charles M. Russell**  
**National Wildlife Refuge**  
*Guide Map and Information*



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A self-guided auto tour route, which may be accessed from two points along Highway 191 on the west side of the refuge, is available to help you see the Refuge closer and gain a better understanding of Refuge resources. Interpretive stops along the route provide information on the unique landscape. This auto tour route is 19 miles long and takes 2.5 hours to complete.

■ To hunt, ensnare and to transport plants and wildlife, nonlethal vehicles are permitted only on numbered Refuge roads that are designated as open. Hunting, ensnaring, and transporting plants and wildlife are limited to U.S. Highway 191 on the western end of the Refuge and several highways around Fort Peck and several roads in the northern portion of the refuge. Permitted roads include 101, 107, 201 to the Rock Creek Boat Ramp, and 321.

■ All other Refuge roads are possible roads become extremely slick and travel can be impossible. Visitors should contact the Refuge staff before driving on any other roads. Check with the Refuge staff for road conditions before driving on any other roads. Off of numbered roads designated travel is not permitted for motorized downed game. The only exception is that direct, off-road travel is permitted to access temporary overnight camps, which are located on roads designated road.

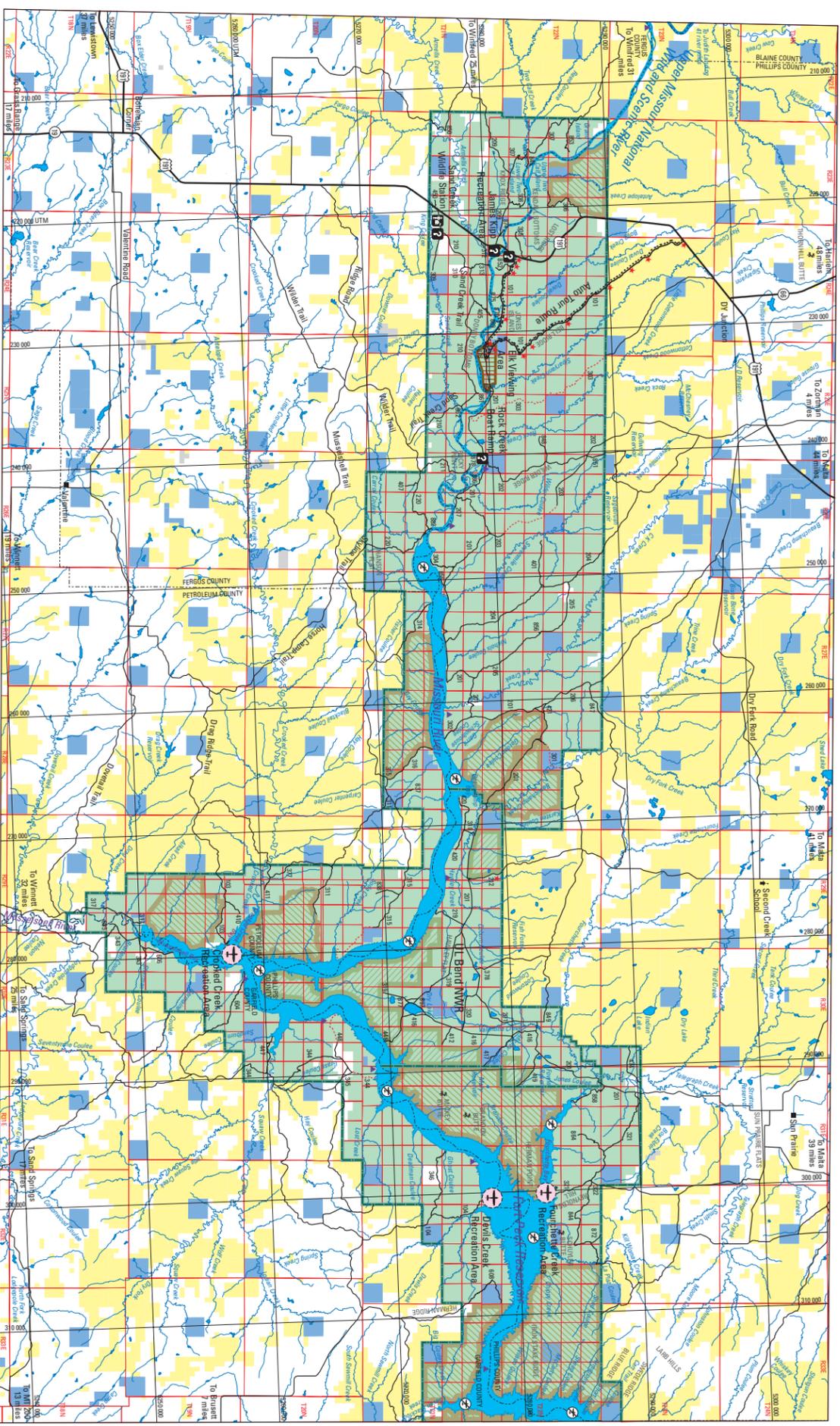
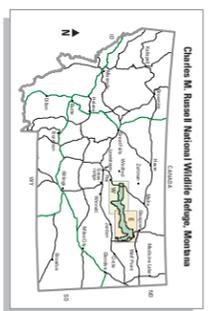
■ ATVs (motorcycles, quads/cycles, etc.) belonging to Montana residents must be properly licensed and have a valid title. Visitors must have a valid title and possess the proper driver's license. Anyone intending to operate an ATV on the Refuge should contact the Refuge staff for information on the necessary requirements for legal operation. Non-resident

ATV owners who wish to operate their ATVs on the Refuge should also contact the Refuge staff before driving on any other roads. In winter conditions, motorized roads that are designated as open are not permitted for motorized travel. Some access roads cross private lands. Please exercise courtesy and respect private property. Drivers should be prepared for steep, narrow, and winding roads. Always carry alcohol, the chains, first aid kits, and emergency food and water.

■ Property damaged on the surface of Fort Peck Reservoir. Bicycles may be used only on numbered roads that are designated as open.

**Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge**

- Refuge Boundary
- Refuge Wildlife Station
- Interpretive Stop
- Information Kiosk
- Ranger Road
- Open
- Abn Tour Route
- Seasonally Closed
- Highway
- Federal Highway
- State Highway
- Airstrip
- No Landing Area
- Landing Zone
- General Land Ownership
- FWS
- BLM
- State of Montana
- Private
- Other
- Special Designation Areas
- Designated Wilderness
- Proposed Wilderness
- Ely/Walloway Area
- Misc. Features
- Historic Lewis & Clark Campsite



**Guide Map - West**

Projection: Universal Transverse Mercator  
 Grid: 10,000 meter, Zone 13  
 Horizontal Datum: 1983 North American Datum



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