

From: [Falzetti, David](#)
To: [Gary Gordon](#)
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Re: "Taking" includes more than just removing
Date: Friday, July 6, 2018 4:45:23 PM
Importance: High

Hello Gary, most National Wildlife Refuges do not charge an entrance fee. In our region, Region 1, there are a handful that charge \$3 per family or per 4 adults and one that charges \$5 (Kilauea). Region 1 includes: Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Hawaii, and a few other areas in the Pacific such as Guam, Midway, and various other islands.

In Washington, there are 24 National Wildlife Refuges but the only ones that charge a fee are Dungeness, Nisqually, Ridgefield, and Turnbull which only charges a fee from March to October but is otherwise free.

I hope this answers your question, Dave

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On Fri, Jul 6, 2018 at 4:18 PM, Gary Gordon <garyg@tfon.com> wrote:

Dave,

Recently a visitor was surprised we charge a fee. he said he has visited many refuges and never paid a fee. are we unique or he confused? gary gordon

From: Falzetti, David
Sent: Friday, July 6, 2018 12:41 PM
To: Chris Columbus ; David Murphy ; Gary Tarleton ; Jennifer BrownScott ; Juliana Merluccio ; Kirk Dietz ; Lorenz Sollmann ; Sue Thomas
Subject: "Taking" includes more than just removing

Hello, we thought you might need to know the answer to a recent inquiry by a visitor carrying a butterfly net who wanted to catch and release insects.

On National Wildlife Refuges it is observe only. Disturbing, pursuing, catching, or injuring plants and animals are all activities not allowed in Refuges. The Code of Federal Regulations includes all such actions under the general term "take". Because people typically think of "take" solely as removing we use more commonly understood words such as "disturbing" or "pursuing".

There are two "animals" (no plants) we allow people to "take", that is pursue, and if successful subsequently remove from the Dungeness NWR. They are fish and shellfish harvested in compliance with all State regulations in areas open to those activities. Except oysters which may not be "taken".

Other Refuges allow additional "take" of plants such as berry picking and of animals such as duck hunting. But not Dungeness NWR.

We hope this helps you provide accurate information to visitors. Dave

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