

# News Release

## Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge



Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge  
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### **Concert for the Birds September 28<sup>th</sup> 2024!**



*Figure 1. Geese flying at sunrise over the horizon, by Anna Blades/USFWS.*

LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO – Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge is presenting Concert for the Birds on Saturday, September 28th, 2024, in celebration of the migratory waterfowl returning to the refuge and surrounding area as they make their long journeys south to their wintering grounds. From 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, there will be fun-filled bird-focused activities for all to enjoy including tractor-pulled hayrides with tour guides, exhibitors, kid's activities, live music performed by local musicians, and a wildlife management talk!

The event schedule is as follows:

9:00 am – Visitor Center and the first tractor-pulled hayride opens!

10:00 am – Exhibitors and kids activities open to the public.

11:00 am – The second tractor-pulled hayride of the day.

12:00 pm – Live music from local musicians.

1:00 pm – The last tractor-pulled hayride of the day and the wildlife management talk from the refuge biologist!

2:00 pm – End of event.

Throughout the day the Friends of the Northern NM Refuge Complex will provide refreshments and snacks for the general public until supplies run out.

Directions to Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge:

- Starting from Santa Fe NM, follow I-25 north for about 60 miles to exit #345 University Ave, turning right onto HWY 104. Follow HWY 104 for about a mile until reaching HWY 281 turning right. Follow HWY 281 for about 7 miles and the Visitor Center will be on the left.
- Starting from Las Vegas NM, starting from Bridge St take a left onto HWY 104/University Ave towards Alta Vista, take a right onto HWY 281 about a mile down, then follow HWY 281 for about 7 miles and the Visitor Center will be on the left.

The Northern NM Refuge Complex encompasses the National Wildlife Refuges in the Northeastern quadrant of New Mexico. This includes Las Vegas, Rio Mora, and Maxwell National Wildlife Refuges in Las Vegas NM, Watrous NM, and Maxwell NM. Check out our websites at [www.fws.gov/refuge/las-vegas](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/las-vegas), [www.fws.gov/refuge/rio-mora](http://www.fws.gov/refuge/rio-mora), or [www.fws.gov/maxwell](http://www.fws.gov/maxwell)! Like us on Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/RioMoraNWR/>. For more information on the refuges, please call us at 505-652-8935.