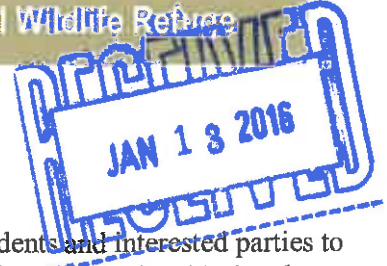




USFWS and Roanoke River National Wildlife Refuge

Proposed Refuge Expansion



The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) is contacting local residents and interested parties to inform them the Service is proposing to expand the acquisition boundary of Roanoke River National Wildlife Refuge (refuge) located in Bertie County, North Carolina. The current boundary of the refuge, administered by the Service as part of the National Wildlife Refuge System, totals 20,798 acres.

The proposed expansion will help to achieve several goals: conservation of the most extensive bottomland hardwood forest on the East Coast, improvement of the region’s water quality, and overall preservation of a functional landscape on the peninsula.

The proposed expansion area encompasses the floodplain of the Roanoke River in Bertie, Martin, Halifax, Northampton and Washington Counties.

The first step in the process of expanding the refuge is meeting with and receiving comments and information from the public.

Public Open Houses will be held to discuss expansion and solicit comments. Please join us! Choose the evening and location most convenient for you.

Comments and questions may also be emailed to roanokerivernwr@fws.gov; mailed to U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 430, Windsor, NC 27983; or telephoned to 252-794-3808.

Public Open Houses

Monday, January 23 rd , 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Halifax County TJ Davis Recreation Center 400 E. 6 th Street, Roanoke Rapids, NC	Tuesday, January 24 th , 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. Martin County Martin County Extension Office 104 Kehukee Park Rd, Williamston, NC
Wednesday, January 25 th , 6:00 - 8:00p.m. Bertie County Windsor Community Building 201 S. Queen Street, Windsor, NC	Thursday, January 26 th , 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. Northampton County Northampton Recreation Center 9536 NC HWY 305, Jackson, NC
Friday, January 27 th , 6.00 – 8:00 p.m. Washington County Washington County Extension Office 128 E. Water Street, Plymouth, NC	