



## Wetlands Park Friends

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**Clark County Wetlands Park & Wetlands Park Friends Present 'Wetlands in the Summer: An Evening Lecture Series' Lecture Three of Five: Desert National Wildlife Refuge: A Review of the Largest Wildlife Refuge in the Contiguous US**

Clark County Wetlands Park and Wetlands Park Friends are excited to announce, "Wetlands in the Summer: An Evening Lecture Series," the third of five events on **July 17**, from **6 p.m. to 8 p.m.** This event will take place at the Wetlands Park Nature Center Auditorium, 7050 Wetlands Park Lane, off Tropicana Avenue. No registration is required, simply walk in and enjoy! Light refreshments will be provided during the event:

**Thursday July 17      "Desert National Wildlife Refuge: A Review of the Largest Wildlife Refuge in the Contiguous US"**

**Speaker:      Mackenzie Moss, Wildlife Refuge Specialist Research Associate, Desert National Wildlife Refuge**

The Desert National Wildlife Refuge is the largest wildlife refuge in the contiguous US and is a place rich with beauty, history, and biodiversity. This presentation will provide an overview of the refuge and how it operates, with an emphasis on water resources and wildlife management.

Mackenzie Moss is a Wildlife Refuge Specialist at Desert National Wildlife Refuge doing habitat restoration work through a research associate program. She has been with the US Fish & Wildlife Service since September 2024. Before that Ms. Moss provided wildlife education at the Nevada Department of Wildlife. She moved to Las Vegas from Colorado to study life sciences at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV), and has been doing conservation work since graduating.

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Since 2019, Wetlands Park Friends is the nonprofit, 501(c)3 organization dedicated to promoting conservation, awareness, and appreciation of Clark County Wetlands Park through its educational programs and activities. Its office is located inside the Park's Administration Building in the Nature Center; 7050 Wetlands Park Lane, Las Vegas, NV 89122. Its phone number is 702-806-6852. For more information, including how to become a Friend and donate, please visit: [www.wetlandsparkfriends.org](http://www.wetlandsparkfriends.org) or on social media at WetlandsParkFriends.

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More information about this event can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/3zwvanrh>. As one of the largest urban wetlands in the Southwest, Clark County Wetlands Park is home to more than 300 species of birds and 70 species of mammals and reptiles, including beavers, coyotes, bobcats, and snakes. The Nature Center is open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday and hosts a variety of programming activities. Park outdoor hours are dawn to dusk, seven days a week. To learn more about this event and other activities available, visit the Wetlands Park pages of Clark County's Parks and Recreation Department at [www.ClarkCountyNV.gov](http://www.ClarkCountyNV.gov). You also can follow Clark County Wetlands Park on social media at CCWetlandsPark.

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Clark County is a dynamic and innovative organization dedicated to providing top-quality service with integrity, respect and accountability. With jurisdiction over the world-famous Las Vegas Strip and covering an area the size of New Jersey, Clark is the nation's 11th-largest county and provides extensive regional services to 2.3 million citizens and 45.6 million visitors a year (2019). Included are the nation's 8th-busiest airport, air quality compliance, social services and the state's largest public hospital, University Medical Center. The County also provides municipal services that are traditionally provided by cities to 1 million residents in the unincorporated area. Those include fire protection, roads and other public works, parks and recreation, and planning and development.

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