

# Prairie Wetlands Learning Center

## Accessibility Information

### General Information

**Buildings:** PWLC buildings are generally accessible to people with disabilities. If you need assistance using the main entrance doors, please call 218-998-4480 during business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 am – 4:00 pm.

**Trails:** Trails near the parking lot and buildings are paved asphalt and sometimes uneven due to weeds growing through the surface. These trails or sidewalks are kept clear of snow in the winter but remaining trails are not cleared so that visitors can cross-country ski and snowshoe. In addition, the front sidewalk is kept clear of ice. The asphalt trail from the rain garden bridge to the bridge on Mallard Marsh has a significant slope. If you need assistance, please call 218-998-4480 during business hours, Monday through Friday, 8 am – 4:00 pm.

Remaining trails are crushed gravel and mowed and either level or with significant slopes in varying directions due to the unavoidably hilly terrain.

**Alternative Transportation:** If you are participating in a PWLC education program and need alternative transportation due to a physical disability, several options are available. The PWLC has a manual outdoor wheelchair, a sled (winter/snow only), and a golf cart (summer only). If you anticipate needing to use them, please advise PWLC staff when booking your reservation or when registering.

**Educational Programs:** If you or your child have special needs that staff need to be aware of in order to ensure maximum participation, please advise PWLC staff when booking your reservation or when registering.

### Teaching in the Outdoor Classroom Workshop and

#### Summer Explorers Biology Camp

This camp and workshop take place indoors and outdoors during the early summer season. They involve active use of PWLC trails near the buildings and as far south as Tungseth Lake, a maximum of about 3 miles round trip. The terrain can be moderately rugged, and we move at a variety of paces from slow to brisk walking. Sometimes we sit on the ground in an area for a short time. Children gather and travel together as an entire camp of 60 youth and 15 workshop participants plus 2 lead instructors. Other times they break up into smaller groups of about 4 children and 1 workshop participant. The camp and workshop typically include wading into a lake or wetland which has a mucky and uneven surface under foot.

*For questions or additional information to accommodate your needs, please contact Molly Stoddard at 218-998-4489 or [molly\\_stoddard@fws.gov](mailto:molly_stoddard@fws.gov). Thank you!*