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Visitors welcome at McNary powerhouse gallery

UMATILLA, Ore.. – Looking for a fun and educational day-trip? Visitors can escape cooler winter temperatures inside the Powerhouse Display Gallery and the Pacific Salmon Visitor Information Center at McNary Lock and Dam, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers officials announced today.

The gallery is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the visitor center is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. The gallery contains exhibits related to the dam's history and current operations, including natural resources management, navigation, recreation and environmental stewardship. The powerhouse and generators can be viewed from the gallery and its upstairs overlook.

The main entrance to the powerhouse is located at the east end of the parking lot, across from the Pacific Salmon Visitor Information Center on the Oregon side of McNary Dam. To enter the gallery, visitors must sign in at the guard station located at the main entrance. Visitors will be asked to show photo identification and wear visitor badges while inside the powerhouse. Purses, bags, cameras, backpacks and other similar items will not be allowed inside the powerhouse. Dam officials plan to keep the galley open to the public throughout the winter, subject to changes in operational and security conditions.

For more information about visiting the powerhouse or other recreation opportunities at McNary Lock and Dam, call the Pacific Salmon Visitor Information Center at (541) 922-2268.

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