

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

MINUTES

JULY 5, 2001

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BATON ROUGE, LOUISIANA

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

Thursday, July 5, 2001

Chairman H. Jerry Stone presiding.

Bill Busbice  
Tom Gattle  
Tom Kelly  
Norman McCall

Secretary James H. Jenkins, Jr. was also present.

Commissioners Terry Denmon and Lee Felterman were absent from the meeting.

Chairman Stone called for a motion for approval of the **June 7, 2001 Commission Minutes**. A motion for approval was made by Commissioner Gattle and seconded by Commissioner Kelly. The motion passed with no opposition.

The **Monthly Law Enforcement Report for June** was given by Major Keith LaCaze. The following numbers of citations and warnings were issued during the month of June.

Region I - Minden - 91 citations and 12 warnings.

Region II - Monroe - 67 citations and 5 warnings.

Region III - Alexandria - 122 citations and 19 warnings.

Region IV - Ferriday - 78 citations and 13 warnings.

Region V - Lake Charles - 145 citations and 15 warnings.

Region VI - Opelousas - 179 citations and 13 warnings.

Region VII - Baton Rouge - 170 citations and 5 warnings.

Region VIII - New Orleans - 208 citations and 7 warnings.

Region IX - Thibodaux - 172 citations and 62 warnings.

Oyster Strike Force - 20 citations.

Seafood Investigation Unit - 17 citations.

SWEP - 19 citations.

Refuge Patrol - 65 citations and 15 warnings.

The grand total of citations issued statewide for the month of June was 1,232. Also there were 172 warning citations issued for the month.

The aviation report for June 2001 showed enforcement pilots flew three airplanes a total of 67.1 hours for enforcement and 7.4 hours for other divisions. Seven citations were issued during June.

Commissioner Gattle asked if there were any major problems on the Fourth of July holiday? Major LaCaze stated he had not heard of any boating problems. Chairman Stone asked if there was data on what percent of the confiscations were controlled substances? Major LaCaze stated he would have to work up the figures, but feels confiscations of this type are increasing.

**A Division Report - Public Information Section Quarterly Report** was given by Ms. Marianne Burke. A video on the activities of three units within this Section was shown. The first section, the Media Relations Unit, handled coverage of a fish kill on False River, the Louisiana Cuisine Extravaganza, and media coverage only on the Red River Florida largemouth bass stocking. The Publications and News Unit began working on the regulations pamphlets for hunting, commercial and recreational fishing and other smaller pamphlets. The May-June Louisiana Conservationist magazine was published. Then Ms. Burke announced this Unit was working on a new brochure on marine sewage pump out stations. The last unit, the Audio/Visual Unit received new equipment during the last quarter. Also, a new radio show was brought back, "Louisiana Wild", a one-hour talk show on WJBO radio station, Thursday nights at 8 p.m.

Next Chairman Stone asked for public comments on the 2001-02 hunting season dates, general and WMA hunting rules and

regulations, the waterfowl zones and the tentative dates for early migratory birds.

Mr. Jimmy Bulliard began highly recommending a 70 day dove season with 12 bird bag limit. He then asked the Commission to consider a zone for doves. Mr. Bulliard stated there was a dove line 10 years back and has never been able to find out why that was done away with. He agreed with the duck zone line change and again asked why not have a dove zone. Chairman Stone asked Mr. Tommy Prickett if he could explain why the dove zone was eliminated. Mr. Prickett stated the people immediately on either side of the zone line felt it was never in the right place. The Commission elected to go with a statewide opening about 15 years back. Mr. Bulliard felt the opposition was from people in the Florida parishes and then he recommended using the Atchafalaya River or Mississippi River as a natural boundary. Mr. Prickett stated Mr. Bulliard was partly correct but there were others opposed. He added that there has to be a biological reason for moving the zone line and felt there was not a reason now. Mr. Bulliard concluded asking the Commission to consider a dove zone.

Mr. Vic Blanchard, with the South Louisiana Branch Quality Deer Management Association, asked how could they get their 6 point proposal into the hunting Notice of Intent for next year? Chairman Stone suggested they work with Department staff and find a biological reason for this proposal. Mr. Blanchard then invited the Commissioners to a Quality Deer Management short course and banquet on August 11 in Addis and August 12 in Alexandria.

Mr. Carl Gremillion, representing the Baton Rouge Sportsman's League and Louisiana Wildlife Federation, began asking the Commission to vote for a 70 day dove season with 12 bird limit. He then announced the Sportsman's League and Federation were sponsoring a State Duck and Goose Calling Competition on October 20 at Waddill Refuge.

Hearing no further comments, Mr. Tommy Prickett introduced Mr. Paul Ferrell who would handle the **Drawing for Shotguns by Wild Turkey Federation**. Mr. Ferrell began expressing appreciation for the opportunity to come before the Commission to draw 3 winners from those hunters that checked in their birds at the volunteer check stations. He also introduced Mr. Ken Dansak, Secretary for the State Board of Directors. The National Wild Turkey Federation has increased their number of chapters by five and there were 42 events held in the State. A deposit of \$150,000 has been made to

the Federation's Superfund Account which helps support the WMAs and habitat improvements on these areas, distributing \$250 scholarships to 15 individuals and one \$1,000 scholarship, an education program aimed at teaching women and children conservation, turkey trapping and research, turkey releases in Ouachita Parish, contributing to the 4-H shooting sports program and to the National Shooting Sports Foundation, Shooting and Sports Heritage Fund. A new program Mr. Ferrell spoke on was the Wheeling Sportsmen NWTF and was aimed to reach those who are disabled. The guns that were given away during the drawing were Remington 870 Express 3 1/2 inch Super Magnums. Mr. Mike Olinde commented the purpose of the voluntary check stations was to obtain physical data from the turkeys and to forecast harvest information. For Districts 1, 2 and 3, the winner was Mr. Todd Raley from Coushatta who took a 15 pound turkey. The winner from Districts 4, 5 and 6 was Mr. Louis Chemin, Jr., from Lafayette and he took an 18 pound turkey. Then from District 7, the winner was Mr. Kenny Lang from Baton Rouge and he took an 18 pound bird. Mr. Ferrell stated he was looking to develop new chapters and asked for assistance from anyone in helping getting them started. Mr. Prickett felt the NWTF donating the shotguns was an inducement in getting hunters to participate in the voluntary check stations.

Moving on, Mr. Tommy Prickett then handled the **Rule Ratifications on the 2001-02 Hunting Season Dates and the General & WMA Hunting Rules & Regulations**. A Notice of Intent was presented back in March on the two separate rules. Since then, there have been 14 public hearings held on these proposed rules and as such, there have been quite a number of changes made from the public comments. Some of these changes included: Area 7 deer season was moved to an earlier season structure, adding two days to either sex hunting in some parishes, adding 4 days of with or without dog hunting on National Forest lands, creating a new deer Area 8, allowing the use of trailing dogs to retrieve wounded deer except on WMAs and allowing the use of scopes on muzzleloaders. Changes on the WMAs included requiring a self-clearing permit for all activities on most of the WMAs, requiring archers to wear a hunter orange hat during the special squirrel and rabbit season while on the ground, expanding deer lottery hunts, requiring a maximum 1-inch lug height on ATVs and a maximum tire pressure of 7 psi. Mr. Prickett then stated the 1-800 number for same day license sales would be included on the front of the pamphlet. Commissioner Gattle asked that the Department's web address be listed on the pamphlet also. Mr. Prickett then read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution for the season dates and bag limits. Commissioner McCall made a motion accepting the

Resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner Gattle. The motion passed with no opposition. Then Mr. Prickett read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution for the General & WMA Hunting Rules and Regulations. Commissioner Busbice made a motion accepting this Resolution. Commissioner Kelly seconded the motion and it also passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolutions and Rules are made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
July 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, July 5, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for resident game birds and quadrupeds, and

WHEREAS, authority to establish seasons, bag limits, possession limits and other rules and regulations for the hunting, taking and possession of any species of wild game birds or quadrupeds is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of these natural resources and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all available biological information, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rules, regulations, season dates, and bag limits affecting sport hunting of resident game species are hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission as a final rule.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman

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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby promulgate rules and regulations governing the hunting of resident game birds and game quadrupeds.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

PART XIX. HUNTING AND WMA REGULATIONS

Chapter 1. Resident Game Hunting Season

§101. General

The Resident Game Hunting Season, 2001-2002 regulations are hereby adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission. A complete copy of the Regulation Pamphlet may be obtained from the Department.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 21:707 (July 1995), amended LR 22:585 (July 1996), LR 23:871 (July 1997), LR 24:1324 (July 1998), LR 25:1290 (July 1999), LR 26:1506 (July 2000), LR 27: (July 2001).

§103. Resident Game Birds and Animals 2001-2002

A. Shooting hours. One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

B. Consult Regulation Pamphlet for seasons or specific regulations on Wildlife Management Areas or specific localities.

Species	Season Dates	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit
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Quail	Nov. 17-Feb. 28	10	20
Rabbit	Oct. 6-Feb. 28	8	16
Squirrel	Oct. 6-Feb. 10	8	16
Deer	See Schedule	1 antlered and 1 antlerless (when legal on private lands)	6/season

C. Deer Hunting Schedule

Area	Archery	Muzzleloader (All Either Sex)	Still Hunt (No dogs allowed)	With or Without Dogs
1	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Nov. 10-Nov. 16 Jan. 21-Jan. 27	Nov. 17-Dec. 2 Jan. 7-Jan. 20	Dec. 8-Jan. 6
2	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Oct. 27-Nov. 2 Jan. 12-Jan. 18	Nov. 3-Dec. 7	Dec. 8-Jan. 11
3	Sept. 15- Jan. 15	Oct. 6-Oct. 12 Dec. 10-Dec. 14	Oct. 13-Dec. 9 Dec. 15-Jan. 1	
4	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Nov. 10-Nov. 16 Jan. 12-Jan. 18	Nov. 17-Jan. 11	
5	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Nov. 10-Nov. 16 Jan. 12-Jan. 18 Bucks Only	Nov. 17-Nov. 25	
6	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Nov. 10-Nov. 16 Jan. 21-Jan. 27	Nov. 17-Dec. 2	Dec. 8-Jan. 20
7	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Oct. 6-Oct. 19	Oct. 20-Nov. 11 Nov. 17-Nov. 25	Nov. 26-Jan. 1
8	Sept. 15- Jan. 15	Oct. 6-Oct. 12 Dec. 3-Dec. 7	Oct. 13-Nov. 30	Dec. 1-Jan. 1

D. Modern Firearm Schedule (Either Sex Seasons)

Parish	Modern Firearm Either-sex Days
Acadia	Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Allen	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9

Parish	Modern Firearm Either-sex Days
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
	Area 8: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Ascension	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Assumption	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Avoyelles	Area 1: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
Beauregard	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
	Area 8: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Bienville	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Bossier	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Caddo	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Calcasieu	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
	Area 8: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Caldwell	Nov. 3-4, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Cameron	Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Catahoula	Area 1: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Claiborne	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Concordia	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23
DeSoto	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
East Baton Rouge	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
East Carroll	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23, East of mainline Mississippi River Levee and south and east of La. 877 from West Carroll Parish line to La. 580, south of La. 580 to U.S. 65, west of U.S. 65 to Madison parish line.
	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, the remainder of the parish.
East Feliciana	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Evangeline	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Franklin	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2

Parish	Modern Firearm Either-sex Days
Grant	Area 1: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Iberia	Area 3: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
	Area 7: Oct. 20-21, Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
Iberville	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Jackson	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Jefferson	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Jefferson Davis	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Lafayette	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Lafourche	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
LaSalle	Area 1: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
Lincoln	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Livingston	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Madison	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23
Morehouse	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 4: Nov. 17-18, 23-25
Natchitoches	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Orleans	Closed to all deer hunting
Ouachita	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 4: Nov. 17-18, 23-25
Plaquemines	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Pointe Coupee	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Rapides	Area 1: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 17-18, 23-25
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Red River	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Richland	Nov. 17-18, 23-25
Sabine	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
St. Bernard	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16

Parish	Modern Firearm Either-sex Days
St. Charles	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
St. Helena	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
St. James	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
St. John	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
St. Landry	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, Nov. 23-25, Dec. 8-9
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
St. Martin	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
St. Mary	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
	Area 7: Oct. 20-21, Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
St. Tammany	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Tangipahoa	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Tensas	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23
Terrebonne	Oct. 20-21, Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
Union	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Vermillion	Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Vernon	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
	Area 8: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Washington	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Webster	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
West Baton Rouge	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
West Carroll	Closed
West Feliciana	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Winn	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9

E. Farm Raised White-tailed Deer on Supplemented Shooting Preserves

Archery	Modern Firearm	Either Sex
Oct. 1-Jan. 31 (Either Sex)	Nov. 1-Jan. 31	Nov. 1-7 Dec. 1-7 Jan. 1-7

F. Exotics on Supplemented Shooting Preserves: Either Sex, no closed season.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

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WHEREAS, authority to establish regulations that govern public and private lands is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of these natural resources and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all information pertinent to the rule and regulations governing hunting, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rules and regulations affecting sport hunting of resident game species are hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission as a final rule.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

## RULE

### Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby promulgate rules and regulations governing the hunting of resident game birds and game quadrupeds.

## Title 76

### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

#### Part XIX. Hunting and WMA Regulations

##### Chapter 1. Resident Game Hunting Season

##### §111. General and Wildlife Management Area Hunting Rules and Regulations

###### A. Hunting Seasons and Wildlife Management Area Regulations

1. The rules and regulations contained within this digest have been officially approved and adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission under authority vested by Sections 115 and 116 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and are in full force and effect in conjunction with all applicable statutory laws. The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has the authority to close or alter seasons in emergency situations in order to protect fish and wildlife resources.

2. Pursuant to Section 40.1 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission has adopted monetary values which are assigned to all illegally taken, possessed, injured or destroyed fish, wild birds, wild quadrupeds and other wildlife and aquatic life. Anyone taking, possessing, injuring or destroying fish, wild birds, wild quadrupeds and other wildlife and aquatic life shall be required to reimburse the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries a sum of money equal to the value of the wildlife illegally taken, possessed, injured or destroyed. This monetary reimbursement shall be in addition to any and all criminal penalties imposed for the illegal act.

###### B. Resident Game Birds and Animals

1. Shooting hours: one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

C. Other Season Dates

1. Turkey. Please refer to separate pamphlet.

2. Raccoon and Opossum. No closed season. Raccoon and opossum can be taken at night by one or more licensed hunters with one or more dogs and one .22 rimfire firearm. A licensed hunter may take raccoon or opossum with .22 rimfire rifle, .36 caliber or smaller muzzleloader rifle or shotgun during daylight hours during the open rabbit season. Hunting from boats or motor vehicles is prohibited. No bag limit for nighttime or daytime raccoon or opossum hunting during the open trapping season except on certain WMAs as listed. The remainder of the year, the raccoon and opossum bag limit for daytime or nighttime is one per person per day or night. No one who hunts raccoons or opossums as prescribed above shall pelt during the closed trapping season nor sell skins or carcasses of raccoons and opossums taken during the open trapping season unless he is the holder of a valid trapping license which shall be required in addition to his basic hunting license. Pelting or selling carcasses is illegal during closed trapping season.

3. Nutria. Nutria may be taken recreationally September 1 through February 28 during legal shooting hours by any legal method with no limit, including WMAs. Pelting or selling of carcasses is illegal EXCEPT when taken by a licensed trapper during the trapping season.

4. Blackbirds and crows. ALL blackbirds, cowbirds, grackles and crows are considered crop depredators in Louisiana and may therefore be taken year round during legal shooting hours with no limit. Shooting hours are 30 minutes before sunrise to sunset.

5. Pheasant. CLOSED.

6. Falconry. Special permit required. Resident and migratory game species except turkeys may be taken: Seasons and bag limits are the same as for statewide and WMA regulations EXCEPT squirrels may be taken by licensed falconers until the last day of February. Refer to LAC 76:V.301 for specific Falconry Rules.

7. Licensed Hunting Preserve. October 1 - April 30. Pen-raised birds only. No limit entire season. Refer to LAC 76:V.305 for specific Hunting Preserve Rules.

8. Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP). Land enrolled in the voluntary program will be assessed a \$25 registration fee and 5¢/acre fee. Deer management assistance tags must be in the possession of the hunter and attached and locked to antlerless deer (including those taken on either-sex days and those taken with bow or muzzleloader) through the hock in a manner that it cannot be removed before the deer is moved from the site of the kill. Failure to do so is a violation of R.S. 56:115. Failing to follow DMAP rules and regulations may result in suspension and cancellation of the program on those lands involved. Refer to LAC 76:V.111 for specific DMAP Rules.

9. Farm Raised White-tailed Deer and Exotics on Licensed Supplemented Shooting Preserves

a. Definitions

Exotics: For purposes of this rule means any animal of the family Bovidae (except the Tribe Bovini [cattle]) or Cervidae which is not indigenous to Louisiana and which is confined on a Supplemented Hunting Preserve. Exotics shall include, but are not limited to, fallow deer, red deer, elk, sika deer, axis deer, and black buck antelope.

Hunting: In its different tenses and for purposes of this rule means to take or attempt to take, in accordance with R.S. 56:8.

Same as Outside: For purposes of this rule means hunting on a Supplemented Hunting Preserve must conform to applicable statutes and rules governing hunting and deer hunting, as provided for in Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes and as established annually by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission (LWFC).

Supplemented Hunting Preserve: For purposes of this rule means any enclosure for which a current Farm-Raising License has been issued by the Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) with concurrence of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) and is authorized in writing by the LDAF and LDWF to permit hunting.

White-tailed Deer: For purposes of this rule means any animal of the species Odocoileus virginianus which is confined on a Supplemented Hunting Preserve.

b. Seasons

i. Farm-Raised White-tailed Deer: Consult the regulations pamphlet.

ii. Exotics: year round.

c. Methods of Take

i. White-tailed Deer: Same as outside.

ii. Exotics: Exotics may be taken with longbow (including compound bow) and arrow; shotguns not larger than 10 gauge, loaded with buckshot or rifled slug; handguns and rifles no smaller than .22 caliber centerfire; or muzzleloading rifles or pistols, .44 caliber minimum, or shotguns 10 gauge or smaller, all of which must load exclusively from the muzzle or cap and ball cylinder, using black powder or an approved substitute only, and using ball or bullet projectile, including sabot bullets only.

d. Shooting Hours

i. White-tailed Deer: Same as outside.

ii. Exotics: one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

e. Bag Limit

i. Farm-Raised White-tailed Deer: Same as outside.

ii. Exotics: No limit.

f. Hunting Licenses

i. White-tailed Deer: Same as outside.

ii. Exotics: No person shall hunt any exotic without possessing a valid basic and big game hunting license.

g. Tagging. White-tailed Deer and Exotics: Each animal shall be tagged in the left ear or left antler immediately upon being killed and before being moved from the site of the kill with a tag provided by the LDAF. The tag shall remain with the carcass at all times.

#### D. Hunting-General Provisions

1. A basic resident or non-resident hunting license is required of all persons to hunt, take, possess or cause to be transported by any other person any wild bird or quadruped. See information below for exceptions.

2. No person born on or after September 1, 1969 shall hunt with a firearm unless that person has first been issued a certificate of satisfactory completion of a firearm and hunter education course taught or approved by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. However, a person younger than 16 years of age may hunt without such certificate if he is accompanied by and is under the direct and immediate supervision of a person 18 years of age or older.

3. A big game license is required in addition to the basic hunting license to hunt, take, possess or cause to be transported any deer or turkey. A separate wild turkey stamp is required in addition to the basic hunting license and the big game license to hunt, take, possess or cause to be transported any turkey.

4. Taking game quadrupeds or birds from aircraft or participating in the taking of deer with the aid of aircraft or from automobiles or other moving land vehicles is prohibited.

5. Methods of taking resident game birds and quadrupeds

a. Use of a longbow (including compound bow) and arrow or a shotgun not larger than a 10 gauge fired from the shoulder without a rest shall be legal for taking all resident game birds and quadrupeds. Also, the use of a handgun, rifle and falconry (special permit required) shall be legal for taking all game species except turkey and migratory game birds. It shall be illegal to hunt or take squirrels or rabbits at any time with a breech-loaded rifle or handgun larger than a .22 caliber rimfire or a muzzleloader rifle larger than .36 caliber. During closed deer gun season, it shall be illegal to possess shotgun shells loaded

with slugs or shot larger than BB lead or F steel shot while small game hunting.

b. Still hunting is defined as stalking or stationary stand hunting without the use of dog(s). Pursuing, driving or hunting deer with dogs is prohibited when or where a still hunting season or area is designated, and will be strictly enforced. Shotguns larger than 10 gauge or capable of holding more than three shells shall be prohibited. Plugs used in shotguns must be incapable of being removed without disassembly. Refer to game schedules contained within these regulations for specific restrictions on the use of firearms and other devices.

6. Nuisance animals. Landowners or their designees may remove beaver and nutria causing damage to their property without a special permit. Water set traps and firearms may be used to remove beaver; nutria may be removed by any means EXCEPT that nutria cannot be taken by the use of headlight and gun between the hours of sunset and sunrise. With a special permit issued by the Department, beavers may be taken between one-half hour after official sunset to one-half hour before official sunrise for a period of three consecutive calendar evenings from the effective date of the permit. For specific details contact a regional office near you. Any nuisance beaver or nutria trapped or shot outside open trapping season cannot be pelted or sold. A trapping license is required to possess, sell or pelt nuisance beavers or nutria taken during open trapping season. Squirrels found destroying commercial crops of pecans may be taken year-round by permit issued by the Department. This permit shall be valid for 30 days from the date of issuance. Contact the local regional office for details.

7. Threatened and endangered species - Louisiana black bear, Louisiana pearl shell (mussel), sea turtles, gopher tortoise, ringed sawback turtle, brown pelican, bald eagle, peregrine falcon, whooping crane, Eskimo curlew, piping plover, interior least tern, ivory-billed woodpecker, red-cockaded woodpecker, Bachman's warbler, West Indian manatee, Florida panther, pallid sturgeon, Gulf sturgeon, Attwater's greater prairie chicken, whales and red wolf. Taking or harassment of any of these species is a violation of state and federal laws.

8. Unregulated quadrupeds. Holders of a legal hunting license may take coyotes, unmarked hogs where legal, and armadillos year round during legal daylight shooting hours. The running of coyotes with dogs is prohibited in all turkey hunting areas during

the open turkey season. Coyote hunting is restricted to "chase only" during still hunting segments of the firearm and archery only season for deer. Foxes and bobcats are protected quadrupeds and may be taken only with traps by licensed trappers during the trapping season. Remainder of the year "chase only" allowed by licensed hunters.

9. Hunting and/or discharging firearms on public roads. Hunting, standing, loitering or shooting game quadrupeds or game birds with a gun during open season while on a public highway or public road right-of-way is prohibited. Hunting or the discharge of firearms on roads or highways located on public levees or within 100 feet from the centerline of such levee roads or highways is prohibited. Spot lighting or shining from public roads is prohibited by state law. Hunting from all public roads and rights-of-way is prohibited and these provisions will be strictly enforced.

10. Tags. Any part of the deer or wild turkey divided shall have affixed thereto the name, date, address and big game license number of the person killing the deer or wild turkey and the sex of that animal. This information shall be legibly written in pen or pencil, on any piece of paper or cardboard or any material, which is attached or secured to or enclosing the part or parts. On lands enrolled in DMAP, deer management assistance tags must be attached and locked through the hock of antlerless deer, (including those taken with bow, muzzleloader and those antlerless deer taken on either-sex days) in a manner that it cannot be removed, before the deer is moved from the site of the kill.

11. Sex identification. Positive evidence of sex identification, including the head, shall remain on any deer taken or killed within the State of Louisiana, or on all turkeys taken or killed during any special gobbler season when killing of turkey hens is prohibited, so long as such deer or turkey is kept in camp or field, or is en route to the domicile of its possessor, or until such deer or turkey has been stored at the domicile of its possessor or divided at a cold storage facility and has become identifiable as food rather than as wild game.

#### E. General Deer Hunting Regulations

1. One antlered and one antlerless (when legal on private lands) deer per day EXCEPT on Wildlife Management Areas, Federal Refuges and National Forest Lands where the daily limit

shall be one deer per day. Six per season (all segments included) by all methods of take.

2. A legal buck is a deer with visible antler of hardened bony material, broken naturally through the skin. Killing bucks without at least one visible antler as described above and killing does is prohibited except where specifically allowed.

3. Deer hunting restricted to legal bucks only, except where otherwise allowed.

4. Either-sex deer is defined as male or female deer. Taking or possessing spotted fawns is prohibited.

5. It is illegal to hunt or shoot deer with firearms smaller than .22 caliber centerfire or a shotgun loaded with anything other than buckshot or rifled slug. Handguns may be used for hunting.

6. Taking game quadrupeds or birds from aircraft, participating in the taking of deer with the aid of aircraft or from automobiles or other moving land vehicles is prohibited.

7. Still hunting is defined as stalking or stationary stand hunting without the use of dog(s). Pursuing, driving or hunting deer with dogs or moving vehicles, including ATVs, when or where a still hunting season or area is designated, is prohibited and will be strictly enforced. The training of deer dogs is prohibited in all still hunting areas during the gun still hunting and archery only season. Deer hunting with dogs is allowed in all other areas having open deer seasons that are not specifically designated as still hunting only. Except in wildlife management areas, a leashed dog may be used to trail and retrieve wounded or unrecovered deer during legal hunting hours. Any dog used to trail or retrieve wounded or unrecovered deer shall have on a collar with owner's name, address, and phone number. In addition, a dog may be used to trail and retrieve unrecovered deer after legal hunting hours; however, no person accompanying a dog after legal hunting hours may carry a firearm of any sort.

8. Areas not specifically designated as open are closed.

9. Muzzleloader Segment: (Special license and muzzleloader firearms specifications apply only to the special

state, WMA, National Forest and Preserves, and Federal Refuge seasons.) Still hunt only. Specific WMAs will also be open, check WMA schedule for specific details. Muzzleloader license required for resident hunters between the ages of 16 and 59 inclusive and non-residents 16 years of age and older. Either-sex deer may be taken in all deer hunting areas EXCEPT Area 5 and as specified on Public Areas. It is unlawful to carry a gun, other than a muzzleloader, including those powered by air or other means, while hunting during the special muzzleloader segment. Except, it is lawful to carry a .22 caliber rimfire pistol loaded with #12 shot (ratshot only).

a. Legal Muzzleloader Firearms For Special Season: Rifles or pistols, .44 caliber minimum, or shotguns 10 gauge or smaller, all of which must load exclusively from the muzzle or cap and ball cylinder, use black powder or approved substitute only, take ball or bullet projectile only, including sabot bullets and may be fitted with magnified scopes. This includes muzzleloaders known as "inline" muzzleloaders.

10. Archery Segment: Consult regulations pamphlet. WMA seasons are the same as outside except as noted below. Archery license required for resident bow hunters between the ages of 16 and 59 inclusive and non-residents 16 years of age and older. Residents 60 years of age and older may use a crossbow without a special permit or license. Either sex deer may be taken in all areas open for deer hunting EXCEPT when a bucks only season is in progress for gun hunting, archer's must conform to the bucks only regulations. Either sex deer may be taken on WMAs at anytime during archery season EXCEPT when bucks only seasons are in progress on the respective WMA. Also, archery season restricted on Atchafalaya Delta, Salvador, Pass-a-Loutre and Pointe-aux-Chenes WMAs (SEE SCHEDULE).

a. Bow and arrow regulations: Hunting arrows for deer must have well-sharpened metal broadhead blades not less than 7/8 inch in width. Bow and arrow fishermen must have a sport fishing license and not carry any arrows with broadhead points unless a big game season is in progress.

i. It is unlawful:

(a). to carry a gun, including those powered by air or other means, while hunting with bow and arrow during the special bow and arrow deer season EXCEPT it is lawful to

carry a .22 caliber rimfire pistol loaded with #12 shot (ratshot) only.

(b). to have in possession or use any poisoned or drugged arrow, arrows with explosive tips, or any bow drawn, held or released by mechanical means except that hand held releases are lawful.

(c). to hunt deer with a bow having a pull less than 30 pounds.

(d). to hunt with a bow or crossbow fitted with an infrared or laser sight.

11. Hunter orange. Any person hunting deer shall display on his head, chest and/or back a total of not less than 400 square inches of "HUNTER ORANGE" during the open deer gun season including muzzleloader season. Persons hunting on privately owned, legally posted land may wear a hunter orange cap or hat in lieu of the 400 square inches. These provisions shall not apply to persons hunting deer from elevated stands on property that is privately owned and legally posted or to archery deer hunters hunting on legally posted lands where firearm hunting is not allowed by agreement of the landowner or lessee. WARNING: DEER HUNTERS ARE CAUTIONED TO WATCH FOR PERSONS HUNTING OTHER GAME OR ENGAGED IN ACTIVITIES NOT REQUIRING "HUNTER ORANGE".

12. Special handicapped either-sex deer season on private land. See regulations pamphlet for dates. Restricted to individuals with Physically Challenged Hunter Permit.

13. Special Youth Deer Hunt. See regulations pamphlet for dates.

#### F. Description of Areas

##### 1. Area 1

a. All of the following parishes are open: East Feliciana, St. Helena, Concordia, Franklin, Tensas, East Baton Rouge, Madison, Washington.

b. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

i. Avoyelles - North of La. 1.

ii. Catahoula - All EXCEPT that portion lying west of Boeuf River from Caldwell parish line to Ouachita River, north and east of Ouachita River to La. 559 at Duty Ferry, west of La. 559 to La. 124. North and west of La. 124 westward to LaSalle parish line.

iii. Grant - East of U.S. 165 and south of La.

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iv. LaSalle - Portion south of La. 8 from Little River eastward to La. 127 in Jena, east of La. 127 from Jena northward to U.S. 165, east of U.S. 165 from La. 127 northward to La. 124. South of La. 124 eastward to Catahoula Parish line.

v. Livingston - North of I-12.

vi. Rapides - East of U.S. 165 and north of Red River.

vii. St. Tammany - All EXCEPT that portion south of I-12, west of Hwy. 1077 to La. 22, south of La. 22 to Tchefuncte River, west of Tchefuncte River southward to Lake Pontchartrain.

viii. Tangipahoa - North of I-12.

ix. West Feliciana - All EXCEPT that portion known as Raccourci and Turnbull Island.

c. Still hunting only in all or portions of the following parishes:

i. Avoyelles - That portion surrounding Pomme de Terre WMA, bounded on the north, east, and south by La. 451 and on the west by the Big Bend Levee from its junction at the Bayou des Glaise structure east of Bordelonville, southward to its juncture with La. 451.

ii. Catahoula - South of Deer Creek to Boeuf River, east of Boeuf and Ouachita Rivers to La. 8 at Harrisonburg, west of La. 8 to La. 913, west of La. 913 and La. 15 to Deer Creek.

iii. East Feliciana and East Baton Rouge - East of Thompson Creek from the Mississippi state line to La. 10. North of La. 10 from Thompson Creek to La. 67 at Clinton, west of La. 67 from Clinton to Mississippi state line. South of Mississippi state line from La. 67 to Thompson Creek. Also that portion of East Baton Rouge Parish east of La. 67 from La. 64 north to Parish Line, south of Parish Line from La. 64 eastward to Amite River. West of Amite River southward to La. 64, north of La. 64 to La. 37 at Magnolia, east of La. 37 northward to La. 64 at Indian Mound, north of La. 64 from Indian Mound to La. 67. Also, that portion of East Feliciana Parish east of La. 67 from parish line north to La. 959, south of La. 959 east to La. 63, west of La. 63 to Amite River, west of Amite River, southward to parish line, north of parish line westward to La. 67.

iv. Franklin - All

v. St. Helena - North of La. 16 from Tickfaw River at Montpelier westward to La. 449, east and south of La. 449 from La. 16 at Pine Grove northward to La. 1045, south of La. 1045 from its junction with La. 449 eastward to the Tickfaw River, west of the Tickfaw River from La. 1045 southward to La. 16 at Montpelier.

vi. Tangipahoa - That portion of Tangipahoa Parish north of La. 10 from the Tchefuncte River to La. 1061 at Wilmer, east of La. 1061 to La. 440 at Bolivar, south of La. 440 to the Tchefuncte River, west of the Tchefuncte River from La. 440 southward to La. 10.

vii. Washington and St. Tammany - East of La. 21 from the Mississippi state line southward to the Bogue Chitto River, north of the Bogue Chitto River from La. 21 eastward to the Pearl River Navigation Canal, east of the Pearl River Navigation Canal southward to the West Pearl River, north of the West Pearl River from the Pearl River Navigation Canal to Holmes Bayou, west of Holmes Bayou from the West Pearl River northward to the Pearl River, west of the Pearl River from Holmes Bayou northward to the Mississippi state line, south of the Mississippi state line from the Pearl River westward to La. 21. Also, that portion of Washington Parish west of La. 25 from the Mississippi state line southward to the Bogue Chitto River, then west of the Bogue Chitto River to its junction with the St. Tammany Parish line, north of the St. Tammany parish line to the Tangipahoa parish line, east of

the Tangipahoa parish line to the Mississippi state line, south of the Mississippi state line to its junction with La. 25.

viii. West Feliciana - West of Thompson Creek to Illinois-Central Railroad, north of Illinois-Central Railroad to Parish Road #7, east of Parish Road #7 to the junction of U.S. 61 and La. 966, east of La. 966 from U.S. 61 to Chaney Creek, south of Chaney Creek to Thompson Creek.

2. Area 2

a. All of the following parishes are open:

i. Bienville, Jackson, Union, Bossier, Lincoln, Webster, Caddo, Natchitoches, Winn, Claiborne, Red River, DeSoto, Sabine, Caldwell.

ii. EXCEPT: Kisatchie National Forest which has special regulations. Caney, Corney, Middlefork tracts of Kisatchie have the same regulations as Area 2, EXCEPT still hunting only for deer and EXCEPT National Forest Land within the Evangeline Unit, Calcasieu Ranger District described in Area 2 description shall be still hunting only.

b. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

i. Allen - North of U.S. 10 from the parish line to U.S. 165, east of U.S. 165 from the intersection of La. 10 to the intersection of U.S. 190 at Kinder and north of U.S. 190 from Kinder east to the parish line;

ii. Avoyelles - That portion west of I-49.

iii. Catahoula - That portion lying west of Boeuf River from Caldwell parish line to Ouachita River, north and east of Ouachita River to La. 559 at Duty Ferry. West of La. 559 to La. 124. North and west of La. 124 westward to LaSalle parish line.

iv. Evangeline - All EXCEPT the following portions: east of I-49 to junction of La. 29, east of La. 29 south of I-49 to Ville Platte, and north of U.S. 167 east of Ville Platte.

v. Grant - All EXCEPT that portion south of La. 8 and east of U.S. 165.

vi. Jefferson Davis - North of U.S. 190.

vii. LaSalle - All EXCEPT south of La. 8 from Little River eastward to La. 127 in Jena, east of La. 127 from Jena northward to U.S. 165, east of U.S. 165 from La. 127 northward to La. 124. South of La. 124 eastward to Catahoula parish line.

viii. Morehouse - West of U.S. 165 (from Arkansas state line) to Bonita, north and west of La. 140 to junction of La. 830-4 (Cooper Lake Road), west of La. 830-4 to Bastrop, west of La. 139 to junction of La. 593, west and south of La. 593 to Collinston, west of La. 138 to junction of La. 134 and north of La. 134 to Ouachita line at Wham Brake.

ix. Ouachita - All EXCEPT south of U.S. 80 and east of Ouachita River; east of La. 139 from Sicard to junction of La. 134, south of La. 134 to Morehouse line at Wham Brake.

x. Rapides - All EXCEPT north of Red River and east of U.S. 165. South of La. 465 to junction of La. 121, west of La. 121 and La. 112 to Union Hill, and north of La. 113 from Union Hill to Vernon Parish line, and that portion south of Alexandria between Red River and U.S. 167 to junction of U.S. 167 with I-49 at Turkey Creek exit, east of I-49 southward to parish line.

xi. Vernon - North of La. 10 from the parish line to the intersection of La. 113, south and east of La. 113 eastward to the parish line. North and east of La. 465, west of La. 117 from Kurthwood to Leesville, and north of La. 8 from Leesville to Texas state line.

c. Still hunting only in all or portions of the following parishes:

i. Claiborne and Webster - Caney, Corney and Middlefork tracts of Kisatchie National Forest. (See Kisatchie National Forest Regulations).

ii. Ouachita - East of Ouachita River.

iii. Rapides - West of U.S. 167 from Alexandria southward to I-49 at Turkey Creek Exit, west of I-49 southward to Parish Line, north of Parish Line westward to U.S. 165, east of U.S. 165 northward to U.S. 167 at Alexandria. North of La. 465 from Vernon Parish line to La. 121, west of La. 121 to I-49, west of I-49 to La. 8, south and east of La. 8 to La. 118 (Mora Road), south and west of La. 118 to Natchitoches Parish line.

iv. Vernon - East of Mora-Hutton Road from Natchitoches Parish line to Hillman Loop Road, south and east of Hillman Loop Road to Comrade Road, south of Comrade Road to La. 465, east and north of La. 465 to Rapides Parish line.

3. Area 3

a. All of Acadia, Cameron and Vermilion Parishes are open.

b. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

i. Allen - South of U.S. 190 and west of La. 113.

ii. Beauregard - West of La. 113. ALSO east of La. 27 north to DeRidder and north and west of U.S. 190 west of DeRidder to Texas line.

iii. Calcasieu - East of La. 27 and south of U.S. 90.

iv. Iberia - West of U.S. 90 and north of La. 14.

v. Jefferson Davis - All EXCEPT north of U.S. 190.

vi. Lafayette - West of I-49 and U.S. 90.

vii. Rapides - South of La. 465 to junction of La. 121, west of La. 121 and La. 112 to Union Hill and north of La. 113 from Union Hill to Vernon Parish line.

viii. St. Landry - West of U.S. 167.

ix. Vernon - West and north of La. 113, south of La. 465, east of La. 117 from Kurthwood to Leesville, and south of La. 8 from Leesville to Texas state line.

4. Area 4

a. All of East Carroll and Richland parishes are open.

b. Portions of the following parishes are open:

i. Morehouse - East of U.S. 165 (from Arkansas state line) to Bonita, south and east of La. 140 to junction of La. 830-4 (Cooper Lake Road), east of La. 830-4 to Bastrop, east of La. 139 at Bastrop to junction of La. 593, east and north of La. 593 to Collinston, east of La. 138 to junction of La. 134 and south of La. 134 to Ouachita line at Wham Brake.

ii. Ouachita - South of U.S. 80 and east of Ouachita River, east of La. 139 from Sicard to junction of La. 134, south of La. 134 to Morehouse line at Wham Bake.

5. Area 5

a. All of West Carroll Parish is open.

i. All deer hunting is for bucks only including muzzleloader season.

6. Area 6

a. All of Orleans Parish is closed to all forms of deer hunting.

b. All of the following parishes are open: Ascension, Plaquemines, St. John, Assumption, Pointe Coupee, St. Martin, Iberville, St. Bernard, Jefferson, St. Charles, Lafourche, St. James, West Baton Rouge.

c. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

i. Avoyelles - South of La. 1 and also that portion east of I-49.

ii. Evangeline - That portion east of I-49 to junction of La. 29, east of La. 29 south of I-49 to Ville Platte and north of U.S. 167 east of Ville Platte.

iii. Iberia - East of U.S. 90.

iv. Lafayette - East of I-49 and U.S. 90.

v. Livingston - South of I-12.

vi. Rapides - South of Alexandria between Red River and U.S. 167 to the junction of U.S. 167 with I-49 at Turkey Creek Exit, east of I-49 southward to parish line.

vii. St. Landry - East of U.S. 167.

viii. St. Mary - North of U.S. 90.

ix. St. Tammany - That portion south of I-12, west of Hwy. 1077 to La. 22, south of La. 22 to Tchefuncte River, west of Tchefuncte River southward to Lake Pontchartrain.

x. Tangipahoa - South of I-12.

xi. West Feliciana - West of Mississippi River, known as Raccourci and Turnbull Islands.

d. Still hunting only in all or portions of the following parishes:

i. Plaquemines - East of the Mississippi River.

ii. Rapides - South of Alexandria between Red River and U.S. 167 to the junction of U.S. 167 with I-49 at Turkey Creek Exit, east of I-49 southward to parish line.

iii. St. Bernard - All of the parish shall be still hunting only EXCEPT that portion of St. Bernard known as the spoil area between the MRGO on the east and Access Canal on the west, south of Bayou Bienvenue and north of Bayou la Loutre.

iv. St. John - South of Pass Manchac from Lake Pontchartrain to U.S. 51, east of U.S. 51 from Pass Manchac to La. 638 (Frenier Beach Road). North of La. 638 from U.S. 51 to Lake

Pontchartrain. West of Lake Pontchartrain from La. 638 to Pass Manchac.

v. St. Landry - Those lands surrounding Thistlethwaite WMA bounded north and east by La. 359, west by La. 10, and south by La. 103.

7. Area 7

a. The following parish is open: Terrebonne.

b. Portions of the following parishes are open: Iberia and St. Mary Parishes - South of La. 14 and west U.S. Hwy. 90.

8. Area 8

a. Portions of the following parishes are open:

i. Allen - That portion lying south of La. 10 from the parish line near Elizabeth to the intersection of U.S. 165, west of U.S. 165 from the intersection of La. 10 to the intersection of U.S. 190 at Kinder, and east of La. 113 from the intersection of U.S. 190 to the parish line;

ii. Vernon - That portion lying south and east of La. 113 from the parish line to Pitkin, and south of La. 10 from Pitkin to the parish line;

iii. Beauregard - That portion lying east of La. 113. Also that portion lying south and east of La. 190 from the Texas state line to DeRidder, and west of La. 27 from DeRidder to the parish line;

iv. Calcasieu - That portion lying west of La. 27 from the parish line near DeQuincy to Sulphur and north of U.S. 90 from Sulphur to the Texas stateline.

G. Wildlife Management Area Regulations

1. General

a. The following rules and regulations concerning the management, protection and harvest of wildlife have been officially approved and adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries

Commission in accordance with the authority provided in Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Section 109 of Title 56. Failure to comply with these regulations will subject individual to citation and/or expulsion from the management area.

b. Citizens are cautioned that by entering a WMA managed by the LDWF they may be subjecting themselves and/or their vehicles to game and/or license checks, inspections and searches.

c. Wildlife management area seasons may be altered or closed anytime by the Department Secretary in emergency situations (floods, fire or other critical circumstances).

d. Hunters may enter the WMA no earlier than 3:00 a.m. unless otherwise specified. On days when Daily permits are required, permit stations will open 2 hours before legal shooting hours. Hunters must check out and exit the WMA no later than two hours after sunset, except for Lake Boeuf, Salvador/Timken and Pointe-aux-Chenes or as otherwise specified.

e. Lands within WMA boundaries will have the same seasons and regulations pertaining to baiting and use of dogs as the WMA within which the lands are enclosed; however, with respect to private lands enclosed within a WMA, the owner or lessee may elect to hunt according to the regular season dates applicable to the geographic area in which the lands are located, provided that the lands are first enrolled in DMAP. Interested parties should contact the nearest LDWF regional office for additional information.

f. Dumping garbage or trash on WMAs except in designated locations is prohibited.

g. Disorderly conduct or hunting under influence of alcoholic beverages, chemicals and other similar substances is prohibited.

h. Commercial activities prohibited without prior approval or unless otherwise specified.

i. Damage to or removal of trees, shrubs, hard mast (acorn, pecans, etc.) and wild plants is prohibited without prior approval. Gathering and/or removal of soft fruits, mushrooms and berries shall be limited to five gallons per person per day.

Persons engaged in commercial activities must obtain a permit from the Region Office.

j. Burning of marshes is prohibited except by permit. Permits may be obtained from the Fur and Refuge Division.

k. Nature trails. Access to trails shall be limited to pedestrians only. No vehicles, ATVs, horses, mules, bicycles, etc. allowed. Removal of vegetation (standing or down) or other natural material prohibited.

l. Deer seasons are for legal buck deer unless otherwise specified.

m. Small game, when listed under the WMA regulations may include both resident game animals and game birds as well as migratory species of birds.

n. Oysters may not be harvested from any WMA, EXCEPT that oysters may be harvested from private oyster leases and State Seed Grounds located within a WMA, when authorized by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and upon approval by the Department of Health and Hospitals.

## 2. Permits

a. Daily. Daily permits when required shall be obtained at permit stations on or near each WMA. Hunters must retain permit in possession while hunting. Hunters may enter the area no earlier than two hours before legal shooting time unless otherwise specified. Hunters must checkout daily and exit the area not later than two hours after sunset unless otherwise specified.

b. Self Clearing Permits. A Self-Clearing Permit is required for ALL ACTIVITIES (hunting, fishing, hiking, birdwatching, sightseeing, etc.) On WMAs unless otherwise specified. The Self-Clearing Permit will consist of three portions: CHECK IN, CHECK OUT and a Vehicle Tag. On WMAs where Self-Clearing Permits are required, all persons must obtain a WMA Self-Clearing Permit from an Information Station. The CHECK IN portion MUST be completed and put in a permit box BEFORE each day's activity on the day of the activity. The CHECK OUT portion must be carried by each person while on the WMA and MUST be completed and put in a permit box AFTER each day's activity on the day of the activity. EACH PERSON MUST leave the Vehicle Tag portion of his

permit on the dashboard of the vehicle used to enter into the WMA in such a way that it can be easily read from outside of the vehicle. This MUST be done only when the vehicle is parked and left unattended on the WMA. In an ATV, boat or other type vehicle was used to enter the WMA, then the vehicle tag must be attached to that vehicle in such a manner that it can be readily seen and read. When Mandatory Deer Checks are specified on WMAs, hunters must check deer at a check station. Call the appropriate Region office for the location of the deer check station on these WMAs. (Self-Clearing Permits are not required for persons only traveling through the WMA provided that the most direct route is taken and no activities or stops take place.)

c. Wild Louisiana Stamp. Persons using WMAs or other department administered lands for purposes other than hunting and fishing, such as camping, shooting on rifle ranges, berry picking, hiking, photography, bird-watching and the like, must possess one of the following: a valid Wild Louisiana stamp, a valid Louisiana fishing license, or a valid Louisiana hunting license. Persons younger than 16 or older than 60 years of age are exempt from this requirement.

### 3. Special Seasons

a. Youth deer hunt: Only youths younger than 16 years of age may hunt. All other seasons are closed EXCEPT Handicapped Seasons. Youths must possess a hunter safety certification or proof of successful completion of a hunter safety course. Each youth must be accompanied by one adult 18 years of age or older. Adults may not possess a firearm. Youths may possess only one firearm while hunting. Legal firearms are the same as described for deer hunting. The supervising adult shall maintain visual and voice contact with the youth at all times. An adult may supervise only one youth during this special hunt. Contact the appropriate region office for special check station locations when daily permits are required and maps of specific hunting areas. Either-sex deer may be taken on WMAs with youth hunts. Consult the regulations pamphlet for WMAs offering youth hunts.

b. Handicapped Season. For hunters possessing a Physically Challenged Hunter Permit only. Participants must possess a Physically Challenged Hunter Permit. Contact region office for permit application and map of specific hunting area. Consult the regulations pamphlet for WMAs offering Handicapped

Seasons. Pointe-aux-Chenes will have an experimental Lottery Handicapped waterfowl hunt. Contact New Iberia Office, Fur and Refuge Division for details.

c. Deer Lottery Hunts. Hunts restricted to those persons selected as a result of the pre-application lottery. Consult the regulations pamphlet for deadlines. A non-refundable application fee must be sent with application. Contact region offices for applications. Consult regulations pamphlet for WMAs offering lottery hunts.

d. Turkey Lottery Hunts. Hunts restricted to those persons selected by lottery. Consult the regulations pamphlet for deadlines. All turkeys must be reported at Self Clearing station. Contact Region Offices for more details. Consult separate Turkey Hunting Regulations pamphlet for WMAs offering lottery hunts.

e. Trapping. Permits to take fur bearers from WMAs may be obtained at appropriate offices when required. Consult Annual Trapping Regulations for specific dates. All traps must be run daily. Traps with teeth are illegal. On WMAs where permits are required, each trapper must submit an annual trapping report to the Region Office where his permit was obtained. Non-compliance will result in forfeiture of trapping privileges on the WMAs. Permits may be obtained only between hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on normal working days at region offices. Hunter orange required when a deer gun season is in progress. A permit is required to carry a firearm outside of the normal hunting season and is available at the Region Office.

f. Raccoon hunting. A licensed hunter may take raccoon or opossum, one per person per day, during daylight hours only, during the open rabbit season on WMAs. NIGHTTIME EXPERIMENTAL - Season dates for specific WMAs are for nighttime raccoon hunting and permits may be required. There is no bag limit for raccoons at night unless specified in the annual regulations pamphlet. Raccoon hunters with dogs must submit an annual report of their kill to the region office for WMAs where permits are required. Non-compliance will result in forfeiture of raccoon or all hunting privileges on WMAs. Permits, when required, may be obtained at region offices only between hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on normal working days.

g. Commercial fishing. Permits are required of all commercial fishermen using Grassy Lake, Pomme de Terre and Spring Bayou WMAs. Drag seines (except minnow and bait seines) are prohibited EXCEPT experimental bait seines allowed on Dewey Wills WMA north of La. 28 in Diversion Canal. Commercial fishing is prohibited during regular waterfowl seasons on Grand Bay, Silver Lake and Lower Sunk Lake on Three Rivers WMA. Commercial fishing is prohibited on Salvador/Timken, Ouachita and Pointe-aux-Chenes WMAs EXCEPT commercial fishing on Pointe-aux-Chenes is allowed in Cut Off Canal and Wonder Lake. No commercial fishing activity shall impede navigation and no unattended vessels or barges will be allowed. Non-compliance with permit regulations will result in revocation of commercial fishing privileges for the period the license is issued and one year thereafter. Commercial fishing is allowed on Pass-a-Loutre and Atchafalaya Delta WMAs. See Pass-a-Loutre for additional commercial fishing regulations on mullet.

h. Sport fishing. Sport fishing, crawfishing and frogging are allowed on WMAs when in compliance with current laws and regulations EXCEPT nighttime frogging prohibited on Salvador/Timken and Pointe-aux-Chenes.

i. Additional Department Lands. The Department manages additional lands that are included in the WMA system and available for public recreation. Small tracts are located in Rapides, Vernon, Evangeline, St. Helena and other parishes. These small tracts have been acquired from the Farmers Home Administration or other sources for conservation purposes. Contact the appropriate Wildlife and Fisheries Region Office for specific information and any additional season dates.

#### 4. Firearms

a. Firearms having live ammunition in the chamber, magazine, cylinder or clip when attached to firearms are not allowed in or on vehicles, boats under power, motorcycles, ATVs, ATCs or in camping areas on WMAs. Firearms may not be carried on any area before or after permitted hours except in authorized camping areas.

b. Firearms and bows and arrows are not allowed on WMAs during closed seasons EXCEPT on designated shooting ranges or as permitted for trapping. Bows and broadhead arrows are not allowed on WMAs EXCEPT during deer archery season, turkey season or as permitted for bowfishing.

c. Encased or broken down firearms and any game harvested may be transported through the areas by the most direct route provided that no other route exists EXCEPT as specified under Wildlife Management Area listing.

d. Loaded firearms are not allowed near WMA check stations.

e. Centerfire rifles and handguns larger than .22 caliber rimfire, shotgun slugs or shot larger than BB lead or F steel shot cannot be carried onto any WMA EXCEPT during modern firearm deer season.

f. Target shooting and other forms of practice shooting are prohibited on WMAs EXCEPT as otherwise specified.

g. Discharging of firearms on or hunting from designated roads, ATV trails or their rights-of-way is prohibited during the modern firearm and muzzleloader deer season.

#### 5. Methods of Taking Game

a. Moving deer or hogs on a WMA with organized drivers and standers, drivers or making use of noises or noise-making devices is prohibited.

b. On Wildlife Management Areas, Federal Refuges and National Forest Lands where the daily limit shall be one deer per day, six per season (all segments included) by all methods of take.

c. Baiting or hunting over bait is prohibited on all WMAs (hogs included). Unmarked hogs may be taken on some WMAs by properly licensed hunters from the beginning of archery season on the area until February 28 and only with guns/ammunition or bow and arrow legal for specified seasons in progress. Consult the specific WMA for additional information. Proper licenses and permits are required for hunting.

d. Hunters who kill deer on WMAs that require daily permits must have deer checked at the check station on same day of kill.

e. Deer hunting on WMAs is restricted to still hunting only. No WMA will be open for deer during early still hunt season unless specified in the regulation pamphlet.

f. Construction of and/or hunting from permanent tree stands or permanent blinds on WMAs is prohibited. Any permanent stand or permanent blind will be removed and destroyed.

g. On Wildlife Management Areas and Refuges, all deer stands must be removed from the area no later than two hours after the end of legal shooting hours each day. Hunting from utility poles, high tension power lines, oil and gas exploration facilities or platforms is prohibited.

h. A permanent blind is any blind using non-natural materials or having a frame which is not dismantled within two hours after the end of legal shooting time each day. Blinds with frames of wood, plastic, metal, poles, wire, mesh, webbing or other materials may be used but must be removed from the WMA within two hours after the end of legal shooting time each day. Blinds made solely of natural vegetation and not held together by nails or other metallic fasteners may be left in place but cannot be used to reserve hunting locations. All decoys must be removed from the WMA daily.

i. It is illegal to save or reserve hunting locations using permanent stands or blinds. Stands or blinds attached to trees with screws, nails, spikes, etc. are illegal.

j. Tree climbing spurs, spikes or screw-in steps are prohibited.

k. Unattended decoys will be confiscated and forfeited to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and disposed of by the Department. This action is necessary to prevent preemption of hunting space.

l. Hunters shall not hunt, take or pursue birds or animals from moving vehicles on any WMA. No person shall take birds or animals from or by any motor boat or sail boat unless the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sail furled and its progress therefrom has ceased.

m. Spot lighting (shining) from vehicles is prohibited on all WMAs.

n. Horses and mules may be ridden on Wildlife Managements Areas except where prohibited and except during gun seasons for deer and turkey. Riding is restricted to designated roads and trails. Hunting and trapping from horses and mules is prohibited EXCEPT for quail hunting or as otherwise specified.

o. All hunters EXCEPT waterfowl hunters and dove hunters (including archers and small game hunters) on WMAs must display 400 square inches of "Hunter Orange" and wear a "Hunter Orange" cap during open gun season for deer. Quail hunters, woodcock hunters and archers (while on the ground) as well as hunters participating in special dog seasons for rabbit and squirrel are required to wear a minimum of a "Hunter Orange" cap. ALSO all persons afield during hunting seasons are encouraged to display "Hunter Orange".

p. Archery season for deer. The archery season on WMAs is the same as outside and is open for either sex deer EXCEPT as otherwise specified on individual WMAs. Archery season restricted on Atchafalaya Delta and closed on certain WMAs when special seasons for youth or handicapped hunters are in progress. Consult regulations pamphlet for specific seasons.

q. Either sex deer may be taken on WMAs at any time during archery season EXCEPT when bucks only seasons are in progress on the respective WMAs. Archers must abide by bucks only regulations and other restrictions when such seasons are in progress.

r. Muzzleloader season for deer. See WMA deer schedule.

## 6. Camping

a. Camping on WMAs, including trailers, houseboats, recreational vehicles and tents, is allowed only in designated areas and for a period not to exceed sixteen (16) consecutive days, regardless if the camp is attended or unattended. Houseboats shall not impede navigation. At the end of the 16 day period, camps must be removed from the area for at least 48 hours. Camping area use limited exclusively to outdoor recreational activities.

b. Houseboats are prohibited from overnight mooring within WMAs EXCEPT on stream banks adjacent to Department-

owned designated camping areas. Overnight mooring of vessels that provide lodging for hire are prohibited on WMAs. On Atchafalaya Delta WMA and Pass-a-Loutre, houseboats may be moored in specially designated areas throughout the hunting season. At all other times of the year, mooring is limited to a period not to exceed sixteen (16) consecutive days. Permits are required for camping and overnight mooring of houseboats on Pass-a-Loutre and can be obtained from the WMA headquarters. Houseboat mooring permits are required for Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area. Permits may be obtained from the New Iberia office.

c. Discharge of human waste onto lands or waters of any WMA is strictly prohibited by State and Federal law. In the event public restroom facilities are not available at a WMA, the following is required. Anyone camping on a WMA in a camper, trailer, or other unit (other than a houseboat or tent) shall have and shall utilize an operational disposal system attached to the unit. Tent campers shall have and shall utilize portable waste disposal units and shall remove all human waste from the WMA upon leaving. Houseboats moored on a WMA shall have a permit or letter of certification from the Health Unit (Department of Health and Hospitals) of the parish within which the WMA occurs verifying that it has an approved sewerage disposal system on board. Further, that system shall be utilized by occupants of the houseboats when on the WMA.

d. No refuse or garbage may be dumped from these boats.

e. Firearms may not be kept loaded or discharged in a camping area.

f. Campsites must be cleaned by occupants prior to leaving and all refuse placed in designated locations when provided or carried off by campers.

g. Non-compliance with camping regulations will subject occupant to immediate expulsion and/or citation, including restitution for damages.

h. Swimming is prohibited within 100 yards of boat launching ramps.

## 7. Restricted Areas

a. All oil and gas production facilities (wells, pumping stations and storage facilities) are off limits.

b. No unauthorized entry or hunting in restricted areas or refuges.

8. Dogs. All use of dogs on WMAs, EXCEPT for bird hunting and duck hunting, is EXPERIMENTAL as required by law. Having or using dogs on any WMA is prohibited EXCEPT for nighttime experimental raccoon hunting, squirrel hunting, rabbit hunting, bird hunting, duck hunting and bird dog training when allowed. Dogs running at large are prohibited on WMAs. The owner or handler of said dogs shall be liable. Only recognizable breeds of bird dogs and retrievers are allowed for quail and migratory bird hunting. Only beagle hounds which do not exceed 15 inches at the front shoulders and which have recognizable characteristics of the breed may be used on WMAs having experimental rabbit seasons.

#### 9. Vehicles

a. Vehicles having wheels with a wheel-tire combination having a radius of 17 inches or more from the center of the hub (measured horizontal to ground) are prohibited.

b. The testing, racing, speeding or unusual maneuvering of any type of vehicle is prohibited within wildlife management areas due to property damages resulting in high maintenance costs, disturbance of wildlife and destruction of forest reproduction.

c. Tractor or implement tires with farm tread designs R1, R2 and R4 known commonly as spade or lug grip types are prohibited on all vehicles. ATV tires are restricted to those with a maximum one inch lug height and a maximum allowable tire pressure of 7 psi, as indicated on the tire by the manufacturer.

d. Airboats, aircraft, personal water craft and hover craft are prohibited on all WMAs and Refuges. Personal water craft are defined as a vessel which uses an inboard motor powering a water jet pump as its primary source of propulsion and is designed to be operated by a person sitting, standing or kneeling on the vessel rather than in the conventional manner of sitting or standing inside the vessel. Personal water craft allowed on designated areas of Alexander State Forest WMA.

e. No internal combustion engines allowed in certain Greentree reservoirs.

f. Driving or parking vehicles on food or cover plots and strips is prohibited.

g. Blocking the entrance to roads and trails is prohibited.

h. Motorized vehicles, including ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles, are restricted entirely to designated roads and ATV trails as indicated on WMA maps. WMA maps available at all region offices. This restriction does not apply to bicycles.

i. Use of special ATV trails for handicapped persons is restricted to special ATV handicapped permittees. Handicapped ATV permittees are restricted to handicapped ATV trails or other ATV trails only as indicated on WMA maps. Persons 60 years of age and older, with proof of age, are also allowed to use special handicapped trails and need not obtain a permit. However, these persons must abide by all rules in place for these trails. Handicapped persons should make application for a Physically Challenged Hunter Program Permit with the Department.

j. Entrances to ATV trails will be marked with peach colored paint. Entrances to handicapped-only ATV trails will be marked with blue colored paint. Routes of all trails are as indicated on WMA maps. Deviation from the trails indicated on the map constitutes a violation of WMA rules and regulations.

k. Roads and trails may be closed due to poor condition, construction or wet weather.

l. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles cannot be left overnight on WMAs EXCEPT on designated camping areas. ATVs are prohibited from two hours after sunset to 3:00 AM. Trails and roads designated as ATV only shall be closed to ATVs from March 1 through August 31 unless otherwise specified. Certain trails may be open during this time period to provide access for fishing or other purpose. These trails will be marked by signs at the entrance of the trail.

m. CAUTION: Many Department-maintained roadways on WMAs are unimproved and substandard. A maximum 20 mph speed limit is recommended for all land vehicles using these roads.

10. Wildlife Management Areas Basic Season Structure. For season dates, bag limits, shooting hours, special seasons and other information consult the annual regulations pamphlet for specific details.

11. Resident Small Game (squirrel, rabbit, quail, dove, woodcock, snipe, rail and gallinule). Consult regulations pamphlet.

12. Waterfowl (ducks, geese and coots). Consult regulations pamphlet.

13. Archery. Consult regulations pamphlet.

14. Hogs. Consult regulations pamphlet.

15. Outlaw Quadrupeds and Birds. Consult regulations pamphlet.

16. Wildlife Management Areas Hunting Schedule and Regulations:

a. Alexander State Forest. Vehicles restricted to paved and graveled roads. No parking on or fishing or swimming from bridges. No open fires EXCEPT in recreation areas.

b. Atchafalaya Delta. Water control structures are not to be tampered with or altered by anyone other than employees of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries at any time. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited.

c. Attakapas. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

d. Bayou Macon. All night activities prohibited except as otherwise provided. Mules are allowed for nighttime raccoon hunting.

e. Bayou Pierre

f. Bens Creek

g. Big Colewa Bayou. All nighttime activities prohibited.

h. Big Lake. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

- i. Biloxi
- j. Bodcau
- k. Boeuf. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.
- l. Boise-Vernon
- m. Buckhorn. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.
- n. Camp Beauregard. Daily military clearance required for all recreational users. Registration for use of Self Clearing Permit required once per year. Free-ranging livestock prohibited. All game harvested must be reported. Retriever training allowed on selected portions of the WMA. Contact the Region office for specific details.
- o. Dewey W. Wills. Crawfish: 100 pounds per person per day.
- p. Elm Hall. No ATVs allowed.
- q. Fort Polk. Daily military clearance required to hunt or trap. Registration for use of Self Clearing Permit required once per year. Special regulations apply to ATV users.
- r. Georgia-Pacific. EXCEPT as otherwise provided, all nighttime activities prohibited.
- s. Grassy Lake. Commercial Fishing: Permitted EXCEPT on Smith Bay, Red River Bay and Grassy Lake proper on Saturday and Sunday and during waterfowl season. Permits available from area supervisor at Spring Bayou headquarters or Opelousas Region Office. Free-ranging livestock prohibited. No hunting in restricted area.
- t. Jackson-Bienville. ATVs are allowed on non-public maintained gravel roads and timber management woods, roads and trails.
- u. Joyce. Swamp Walk: Adhere to all WMA rules and regulations. No firearms or hunting allowed within 100 yards of walkways. Check hunting schedule and use walkway at your own risk.
- v. Lake Boeuf

w. Lake Ramsay. Foot traffic only - all vehicles restricted to Parish Roads.

x. Little River

y. Loggy Bayou

z. Manchac. Crabs: No crab traps allowed. Attended lift nets are allowed.

aa. Ouachita. Waterfowl Refuge: North of La. Hwy. 15 closed to all hunting, fishing and trapping during duck season including early teal season. Crawfish: 100 pounds per person per day limit. Night crawfishing prohibited. No traps or nets left overnight. Commercial Fishing: Closed. All nighttime activities prohibited except as otherwise provided.

ab. Pass-a-Loutre. Commercial Fishing: Same as outside. Commercial mullet fishing open only in: South Pass, Pass-a-Loutre, North Pass, Southeast Pass, Northeast Pass, Dennis Pass, Johnson Pass, Loomis Pass, Cadro Pass, Wright Pass, Viveats Pass, Cognevich Pass, Blind Bay, Redfish Bay, Garden Island Bay, Northshore Bay, East Bay (west of barrier islands) and oil and gas canals as described on the Department Pass-a-Loutre WMA map. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited on this area. Oyster harvesting is prohibited.

ac. Pearl River. All roads closed 8 p.m. to 4:30 a.m. to all vehicles. Old Hwy. 11 will be closed when river gauge at Pearl River, Louisiana, reaches 16.5 feet. All hunting will be closed when the river stage at Pearl River reaches 16.5 feet except waterfowl hunting south of Hwy. 90. No hunting in the vicinity of Nature Trail. Observe "No Hunting" signs. Rifle range open noon until 4 p.m. Friday, and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday with a fee.

ad. Peason Ridge. Daily military clearance required to hunt or trap. Registration for use of Self Clearing Permit required once per year. Special federal regulations apply to ATV users.

ae. Pointe-aux-Chenes. Hunting until 12 noon on ALL GAME, EXCEPT for DOVE hunting and experimental youth deer hunt as specified in regulation pamphlet. Point Farm: Gate will be open during each Saturday of the second split of dove season and all

weekends during month of February. No motorized vessels allowed in the drainage ditches. Recreational Fishing: Shrimp may be taken by the use of cast nets only. During the inside open shrimp season, 25 pounds per boat per day (heads on) shall be allowed. Size count to conform with open season requirements. During the inside closed season, 10 pounds per boat per day (heads on) may be taken for bait. Oyster harvesting is prohibited. Fish may be taken by rod and reel or hand lines for recreational purposes only. Crabs may be taken through the use of hand lines or nets; however, none are to remain set overnight. Twelve dozen crabs are allowed per boat or vehicle per day. Crawfish may be harvested in unrestricted portions of the wildlife management area and shall be limited to 100 pounds per boat or group. Fishing gear used to catch crawfish shall not remain set overnight. The harvest of all fish, shrimp, crabs and crawfish are for recreational purposes only and any commercial use is prohibited. Mudboats or vessels with engines larger than 25-h.p. prohibited in the Montegut and Grand Bayou marsh management units. Public is permitted to travel anytime through the WMA for access purposes only, in the waterways known as Grand Bayou, Humble Canal, Little Bayou Blue and Grand Bayou Blue. Vehicles prohibited on Point Farm properties unless authorized by the department. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited on this area.

af. Pomme de Terre. Commercial Fishing: permitted Monday through Friday, EXCEPT closed during duck season. Commercial Fishing permits available from area supervisor, Opelousas Region Office or Spring Bayou headquarters. Sport Fishing: Same as outside EXCEPT allowed after 2 p.m. only during waterfowl season. Crawfish: April 1 - July 31, recreational only, 100 lbs. per boat or group daily. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

ag. Red River. Free-ranging livestock prohibited. Crawfishing prohibited on Wetland Restoration Areas.

ah. Russell Sage. Transporting trash or garbage on WMA roads is prohibited. All nighttime activities prohibited except as otherwise provided. NOTE: All season dates on Chauvin Tract (U.S. 165 North) same as outside, EXCEPT still hunt only and EXCEPT deer hunting restricted to archery only. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. All vehicles including ATVs prohibited.

ai. Sabine

aj. Sabine Island. Sabine Island boundaries are Sabine River on the west, Cut-Off Bayou on the north, and Old River and Big Bayou on the south and east.

ak. Salvador/Timken. Hunting until 12 noon only for all game. All nighttime activities prohibited, including frogging. Recreational Fishing: Shrimp may be taken by the use of cast nets only. During the inside open shrimp season, 25 pounds per boat per day (heads on) shall be permitted. Size count to conform with open season requirements. During the inside closed season, 10 pounds per boat per day (heads on) may be taken for bait. Fish may be taken by rod and reel or hand lines for recreational purposes only. Crabs may be taken through the use of hand lines or nets; however, none of the lines are to remain set overnight. Twelve dozen crabs maximum are allowed per boat or vehicle per day. Crawfish may be harvested in unrestricted portions of the wildlife management area and shall be limited to 100 pounds per boat or group. Fishing gear used to catch crawfish shall not remain set overnight. The harvest of all fish, shrimp, crabs and crawfish are for recreational purposes only and any commercial use is prohibited. Boats powered by internal combustion engines having horsepower ratings above 25 H.P. are permitted only in oil company access canals, Louisiana Cypress Canal, the Netherlands Pond including the West Canal, Lakes - "Baie Des Chactas" and Baie du Cabanage" and the Rathborne Access ditch. Operation of the above described internal combustion engines in interior ditches is prohibited EXCEPT by experimental permit to be obtained from the New Orleans Office, Fur and Refuge Division, Room 217. Pulling boats over levees, dams or water control structures or any other activities which cause detriment to the integrity of levees, dams and water control structures is prohibited. Special Use Permits may be issued for persons interested in clearing existing ditches (trenasses). Permits will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Contact Pointe-aux-Chenes. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited on this area.

al. Sandy Hollow. Bird Dog Training: Consult regulation pamphlet. Wild birds only (use of pen-raised birds prohibited). Bird Dog Field Trials: Permit required from Baton Rouge Region Office. Horseback Riding: Organized trail rides prohibited. Horses and mules are specifically prohibited during turkey and gun season for deer EXCEPT as allowed for bird dog field trials. No horses and mules on green planted areas. No motorized vehicles allowed off designated roads. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

am. Sherburne. Crawfishing: Recreational crawfishing only on the North and South Farm Complexes. Crawfish harvest limited to 100 pounds per vehicle or boat per day. No traps or nets left overnight. No motorized watercraft allowed on farm complex. Commercial crawfishing allowed on the remainder of the area. Permit is required. Free-ranging livestock prohibited. Retriever training allowed on selected portions of the WMA. Contact the Region office for specific details. Vehicular traffic prohibited on east Atchafalaya River levee within Sherburne WMA boundaries. Rifle and Pistol Range open daily. Skeet ranges open by appointment only, contact Hunter Education Office. No trespassing in restricted area behind ranges. Note: Atchafalaya National Wildlife Refuge, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers land holdings adjacent to the Sherburne Wildlife Management Area will have the same rules and regulations as Sherburne WMA. No hunting or trapping in restricted area.

an. Sicily Island Hills. Firearms and any game harvested cannot be transported through the area except during the corresponding open season on area. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

ao. Soda Lake. No motorized vehicles allowed. All trapping and hunting prohibited EXCEPT archery hunting for deer.

ap. Spring Bayou. Commercial Fishing: permitted Monday through Friday EXCEPT slat traps and hoop nets permitted any day. Permits available from area supervisor or Opelousas Region Office. Closed until after 2 p.m. during waterfowl season. Sport Fishing: Same as outside EXCEPT allowed only after 2 p.m. during waterfowl season. Crawfish: recreational only. No hunting allowed in headquarters area. Only overnight campers allowed in the improved Boggy Bayou Camping area. Rules and regulations posted at camp site. A fee is assessed for use of this camp site. Water skiing allowed only in Old River and Grand Lac.

aq. Thistlethwaite. No hunting or trapping in restricted area (See WMA Map). All motorized vehicles restricted to improved roads only. All users must enter and leave through main gate only. No entry into restricted areas.

ar. Three Rivers. Free-ranging livestock prohibited in area.

as. Tunica Hills. All vehicles restricted to Parish roads. ATVs restricted to designated trails. Driving on food plots prohibited. Access to restricted areas is unauthorized. Refer to WMA map. Camping prohibited on area. North of Hwy. 66 (Angola Tract) closed to the general public March 1-September 30 EXCEPT spring turkey hunting access allowed for those individuals drawn for special lottery hunt.

at. Union. All nighttime activities prohibited except as otherwise provided.

au. West Bay. Road Travel and Hunting Restrictions: All motorized vehicles restricted to designated roads. Refer to WMA map for location of designated roads. Hunting prohibited on roads designated for motorized vehicular travel.

av. Wisner

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115 and R.S. 56:116.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 25:1279 (July 1999), amended LR 26:1494 (July 2000), LR 27: (July 2001).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

Mr. Robert Helm handled the **Rule Ratification - Waterfowl Hunting Zones**. At the March Commission Meeting, a proposed change for the waterfowl hunting zones was adopted as a Notice of Intent, began Mr. Helm. The hunting zone has been in effect since 1975 when the Federal Government established a zoning study to look at the origin of birds shot in Louisiana. As a result of this study, there have been an additional 5 days of hunting in the west zone for 13 years. This year begins one of the 5 year intervals where a change in the zone line can occur. The current boundary line at the southern end is from Highway 90 in Lafayette to Houma and then south to the Houma Navigation Canal. The proposed line is to continue to follow Highway 90 all the way to the Mississippi state line making all of the coastal marshes in the west zone. The primary birds harvested in southeast Louisiana were gadwall, teal and pintails and these same birds are in southwest Louisiana also. This change will cause southeast Louisiana to have an earlier opening and the second split will open a week later. Few comments have been received on this proposal, both for and against. Mr.

Helm then asked the Commission to adopt the final rule on the waterfowl hunting zone. Chairman Stone read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle made a motion adopting the Resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner Busbice. The motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution and Rule is made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
July 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, July 5, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting regulations for waterfowl, and

WHEREAS, authority to establish these regulations and other rules and regulations for the hunting of waterfowl is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of these natural resources and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all available biological information, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rule affecting hunting zones for waterfowl is hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish rules and regulations governing waterfowl hunting zones.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part V. Wild Quadrupeds and Wild Birds

Chapter 3. Wild Birds

§319. Waterfowl Hunting Zones

The state shall be divided into East and West Waterfowl Hunting Zones by the following boundary: Beginning at the Arkansas-Louisiana border on La. 3; thence south along La. 3 to Bossier City; thence east along I-20 to Minden; thence south along La. 7 to Ringgold; thence east along La. 4 to Jonesboro; thence south along U.S. 167 to Lafayette; thence southeast along U.S. 90 to the Mississippi state line.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 27: (July 2001).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

A Notice of Intent - Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program was presented by Mr. Dave Moreland. The change to the program was adding a new category to an already existing program. It will allow small landowners participating in forest stewardship programs, commercial deer farmers and farmers that have nuisance problems to receive doe tags. Mr. Moreland read the change into the record. Then he added this would be a pilot study involving the parishes of West Baton Rouge, Iberville and Pointe Coupee where the landowners can get involved in a more intensive deer program allowing them the chance to harvest does and do selective buck harvest. This is being done in the 3 parish area to see if staff can handle the additional work since there are small landowners statewide that would like to receive deer tags. The Clubs will be required to post their property with signs LADT similar to DMAP

clubs. Mr. Moreland hoped this would give the landowners the type of management they were looking for. Chairman Stone asked if small landowners could join together and form one unit? Mr. Moreland stated yes, he would encourage this since it will help with the buck management. Commissioner Gattle stated this action was an alternative to the request by the Quality Deer Management hunters. Commissioner Busbice asked if Legislative approval was needed? Mr. Moreland stated no. Then Mr. Moreland read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Busbice made a motion accepting the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle seconded the motion and it passed with no opposition. Commissioner Busbice thanked Mr. Moreland for the browse survey on the Kisatchie areas.

(The full text of the Resolution and Notice of Intent is made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
JULY 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge, LA, July 5, 2001.

WHEREAS, the Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) is designed for landowners and hunting clubs with 500 acres or more of land, and

WHEREAS, one of the major complaints from the public concerning DMAP is that small landowners are not able to participate, and

WHEREAS, the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program was established to allow landowners with nuisance deer problems to receive doe tags for the regular hunting season, and

WHEREAS, small landowners in Iberville, Pointe Coupee, and West Baton Rouge Parishes have indicated their interest in achieving a higher level of deer management by balancing the buck and doe harvest to maintain herds at or below carrying capacity, and

WHEREAS, allowing landowners in Iberville, Pointe Coupee, and West Baton Rouge Parishes to harvest antlerless deer at any time during the regular deer season will help maintain deer populations in balance with available habitat, and provide additional deer hunting opportunities, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached Notice of Intent to amend the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program to include small landowners in Iberville, Pointe Coupee, and West Baton Rouge Parishes who have at least 20 acres but less than 500 acres of forested land provided that the land shall be posted with "Landowner Antlerless Deer Program" signs erected at the same intervals as specified in the Deer Management Assistance Program be adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this notice of intent and the final rule, including, but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statements, the filing of the notice of intent and final rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

#### NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby give notice of its intent to amend the rule pertaining to participation in the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program.

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#### WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part V. Wild Quadrupeds and Wild Birds

Chapter 1. Wild Quadrupeds

§119. Rules and Regulations for Participation in the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program

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A. 1. d. Small landowners in Iberville, Pointe Coupee and West Baton Rouge Parishes who do not qualify for the Deer Management Assistance Program but do have more than 20 acres but less than 500 acres of forested land may be allowed to participate in the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program provided that the land shall be posted with "Landowner Antlerless Deer Program" signs erected at the same intervals as specified in the Deer Management Assistance Program.

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AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 26:2011 (September 2000), amended LR 27: .

The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this notice of intent and the final rule, including but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statements, the filing of the notice of intent and final rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.

Interested persons may submit comments relative to the proposed Rule to: Mr. Tommy Prickett, Wildlife Division, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000, prior to Thursday, September 6, 2001.

In accordance with Act#1183 of 1999, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries/Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby issues its Family Impact Statement in connection with the preceding Notice of Intent: This Notice of Intent will have no impact on the six criteria set out at R.S. 49:972(B).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

**Tentative Season Dates for Early Migratory Birds** was given by Mr. Mike Olinde. First of all he explained how the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service process requires the Department's dates for these seasons by August 1<sup>st</sup>. The dates would be established by a Declaration of Emergency after that time. The resolution will give Secretary Jenkins authority to change the dates if the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service changes what is proposed. Mr. Olinde then began with the dove season options. The options are 70 days and 12 birds or a 60 day, 15 bird bag. There is no biological issue on which option is best, it is just a social issue. Comments from the public hearings was that hunters wanted a longer middle split and this was addressed with the dates presented. The 60 day option would be September 1-September 9, October 13-November 18 and December 22-January 4. The dates for 70 day option are September 1-September 9, October 13-November 25 and December 22-January 7. Commissioner Gattle commented zones could never work because not everyone was happy with where the line was. He then stated he would like to see the 60 day, 15 bird option utilized each year to make it simple for Enforcement. Commissioner Gattle then recommended the Commission consider the 60 day option. Continuing on Mr. Olinde then stated the teal season dates would be September 15-September 30 with a 4 bird bag limit and a possession limit of 8. Season dates for rail and gallinules would be September 15-September 30 for the first split. The second split would be set at the next meeting. Limits for gallinule is 15 daily and possession is 30. Then for king and clapper rails, the daily bag is 15 and possession is 30 in aggregate and sora and virginia rail is 25 in the aggregate. Woodcock season dates would be December 15-January 28. Shooting hours for teal, rail, woodcock and gallinules will be one-half hour before sunrise to sunset. Shooting hours for doves will be one-half hour before sunrise to sunset except the first weekend of each split which will be noon to sunset. The snipe season dates was deferred to the next meeting. Commissioner Busbice stated from the people he has talked to, they would like to see the shorter season with the larger bag limit. Then he asked if the middle split was extended in the 70 day option? Mr. Olinde stated it was extended one week. Commissioner Gattle made a motion accepting the presentation by Mr. Olinde with the 60 day, 15 bird season dates for the mourning doves. Commissioner McCall seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition. Mr. Olinde read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle made a motion to add the Resolution to his previous motion. Commissioner McCall seconded the motion and it also passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
JULY 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission meeting in Baton Rouge, LA July 5, 2001.

WHEREAS, public hearings in Washington, D.C. have been held on early migratory bird season regulations that include dove, snipe, rail, gallinule, woodcock and teal, and

WHEREAS, the results of this meeting have been discussed with the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, and

WHEREAS, rules and regulations governing early migratory bird season frameworks have been developed by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries staff has presented recommendations for migratory species that include season dates, bag limits, and shooting hours, and

WHEREAS, it is the statutory responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for these migratory species within constraints established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Commission does hereby adopt the presented tentative season dates for migratory birds which are made part of this resolution, subject to the following stipulations:

- (1) The Secretary is hereby authorized and delegated the authority to take any and all steps necessary on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate these seasons as a Declaration of Emergency and preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government; and

- (2) If significant changes occur as a result of changes in the framework established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or for other reasons, the Secretary is hereby authorized and delegated the authority to alter the attached seasons based upon the recommendations of Department staff, supported by biological and technical data.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

Mr. Brandt Savoie began the next agenda item, a **Declaration of Emergency - Recreational Nutria Season** reminding the Commission that at the last meeting, a proposal was submitted as part of the hunting package to set the recreational nutria season based on legislation. The Legal staff recommended a Declaration of Emergency be promulgated since the public comment period was so short. Mr. Savoie stated he received one phone call on the season requesting that he be able to sell the hide and meat during the recreational season. He advised the caller that no one is allowed to sell any game taken recreationally, and in order to sell hide and meat, it would have to be taken during the trapping season with that person having a trapping license. Chairman Stone asked if the nutria season and trapping season overlap? Mr. Savoie answered yes. The recreation season will open September 1 whereas the trapping season will open around November 20. The Fur & Alligator Council discussed this issue and there was one person in opposition. Chairman Stone asked if there would be any impact with having the recreational season starting before the trapping season? Mr. Savoie stated the trappers feel there may be some impact. He added that the season dates were based on legislation passed and its intent was to reduce the number of nutria. Chairman Stone asked what would be the problem with extending the trapping season to open at the same time as the nutria season? Mr. Phil Bowman stated the trapping season is usually set when fur is prime and the market is at its best. Fur taken during the summer months is not suitable for garment making. Chairman Stone then opened the discussion for public comments.

Mr. Louis Pitre, a fur dealer from Galliano, asked that the nutria season open on November 20 the same day as the trapping season. He felt it would be a disaster for the fur industry if the season opened on September 1 because the fur is not good. Mr. Pitre knows there are areas in Louisiana where there are no nutria and other areas that have too many. He added that the market for

nutria is bad right now, but it may improve this year. Chairman Stone explained that a recreational person would not be able to sell a nutria hide September 1, he would have to wait until trapping season opens.

Mr. Savoie explained that no one, even those with trapping licenses, would be able to sell nutria pelt or meat until the trapping season opens in November. A recreational person would not be able to sell a hide during trapping season unless he possesses a trapping license. Commissioner Kelly asked what is to prevent a person from poaching nutria and storing those pelts in a freezer and then going to a dealer when the trapping season opens and try to sell them? Mr. Savoie hoped that if this was being done on a large scale basis, Enforcement would catch them. Lt. Col. Charlie Clark added that no one can pelt unless the trapping season was open. Mr. Savoie then read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Chairman Stone suggested adding "daily legal shooting hours" to the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle made a motion to adopt the Resolution, it was seconded by Commissioner Busbice and it passed unanimously.

(The full text of the Resolution and Declaration of Emergency is made a part of the record.)

#### RESOLUTION

**2001-2002 Recreational Nutria Harvest Season  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission**

WHEREAS, Act 226 of the 2001 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature authorizes the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to set the open season for the recreational taking of nutria, and

WHEREAS, R.S. 49:953(B) and R.S. 49:967(D) of the Administrative Procedure Act, allows the Commission to use emergency provisions to set seasons, and

WHEREAS, nutria have been known to be a destructive force to Louisiana's valuable wetlands, and

WHEREAS, the recreational harvest of nutria may help to reduce the numbers of nutria while providing the citizens of the state an opportunity to harvest nutria for home consumption, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 2001-2002 recreational harvest season for nutria statewide from September 1, 2001, one-half hour before sunrise through February 28, 2002, one-half hour after sunset, with no daily bag limit, by any legal means for small game during legal shooting hours and no pelting or sale of meat, except by persons possessing a valid trapping license during the trapping season only.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a Declaration of Emergency setting the 2001-2002 recreational harvest season for nutria is attached to and made a part of this resolution.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

#### DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

In accordance with the provisions of Act 226 of the 2001 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature which authorizes the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to adopt regulations for a recreational harvest of nutria and in accordance with emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953(B) and R.S. 49:967(D) of the Administrative Procedure Act, which allows the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency provisions to set seasons, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 2001-2002 recreational nutria harvest season statewide from September 1, 2001, one-half hour before sunrise through February 28, 2002, one-half hour after sunset, with no daily bag limit, by any legal method for small game during legal shooting hours and no pelting or sale of meat, except by persons possessing a valid trapping license during the trapping season only.

Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

**A Resolution & Declaration of Emergency - Wild Alligator Season** began with Mr. Noel Kinler stating that he was needing to establish the 2001 wild alligator season. Last year approximately 13,000 wild alligators were harvested averaging 7.2 feet in length.

It was also the second year of the bonus tag program which allows hunters an extra 10 percent tag allotment to take alligators in the 4 and 5 foot size classes. These extra tags amounted to about 3,000 alligators harvested which averaged 5.8 feet in length. Estimated wild hide and meat value was \$12.2 million for last year. About 97 percent of the tags issued were filled which is common for this season. Water levels have rebounded during 2001, so it was anticipated nesting would be back to average levels. As part of the alligator egg program, 280,000 wild alligator eggs were collected and stocked on alligator farms. Mr. Kinler recommended the season open on August 29 and close on September 30. The Wednesday opening came as a request from dealers so there would not be a backlog in the number of alligators received. Commissioner Busbice asked if human populations are looked at to determine allocation of tags? Mr. Kinler stated no, the quotas are based on alligator population densities as generated by the annual nest count surveys. But he did explain the Nuisance Alligator Program and how it works to handle alligator complaints. Chairman Stone asked Mr. Kinler to read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Kelly made a motion accepting the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle seconded the motion and it passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution and Declaration of Emergency is made a part of the record.)

#### RESOLUTION

**2001 Wild Alligator Harvest Season  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission**

WHEREAS, R.S. 49:953(B) and R.S. 49:967(D) of the Administrative Procedure Act, allows the Commission to use emergency provisions to set seasons, and

WHEREAS, Louisiana has historically led the world in the production of crocodilians with value to alligator hunters of over \$155 million between 1972 and 2000, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana ranching program (wild egg collection) largely supports a statewide alligator farming program, producing 170,000 hides per year, and

WHEREAS, the comprehensive Louisiana alligator management program contributes significantly to conserving alligators and their wetland ecosystems, producing for the landowner about 45% of surface use value, and

WHEREAS, the harvest of this renewable resource is important in providing supplemental income to citizens of the state while furnishing an essential management tool to reduce nuisance wildlife problems, foster wetlands biodiversity, and provide cultural and economic benefits to the citizens of the state, and

WHEREAS, regulated alligator sustainable use management programs developed during the past 28 seasons have built an industry that is unique and exceptional, and

WHEREAS, historical and current information collected by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries have indicated that the optimum time frame for the harvest of alligators is the month of September, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 2001 Wild Alligator Harvest Season, statewide from August 29, 2001 through September 30, 2001.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby grant authority to the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to delay, extend, close or reopen this season based on technical data or if enforcement problems develop.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a Declaration of Emergency setting the 2001 Wild Alligator Harvest Season is attached to and made a part of this resolution.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

In accordance with the emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953(B) and R.S. 49:967(D) of the Administrative Procedure Act, which allows the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency procedures to set seasons, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 2001 wild alligator harvest season.

The 2001 wild alligator harvest season shall be from official sunrise August 29, 2001 through official sunset September 30, 2001. Alligators taken from the wild may be removed from hook and line and taken with other legal capture devices only during daylight hours between official sunrise and official sunset.

Emergency procedures are necessary to allow Department biologists adequate time to gather the biological data required to recommend season dates and harvest quotas.

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby also authorize the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to delay, extend, close or reopen this season based on technical data or if enforcement problems develop.

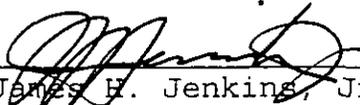
Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

The Commissioners agreed to hold the **November 2001 Meeting** on Thursday, November 1, 2001 beginning at 10:00 a.m. at the Baton Rouge Headquarters.

Chairman Stone then asked if there were any **Public Comments**. Col. Winton Vidrine stated Commissioner Kelly expressed interest in a case where engines from the Riptide were stolen from a shop last August. The engine was sold in Terrebonne Parish for \$16,000. The suspects have been apprehended and were at that time in jail. Commissioner McCall asked how many people were involved? Col. Vidrine answered three. Chairman Stone asked if the recipient was charged for receiving stolen goods? Col. Vidrine stated he was involved in the case also. Then Col. Vidrine informed the Commissioners he had the opportunity to attend Federal Court in Lafayette District on two baiting cases. The suspects pled guilty and Magistrate Mildred Methvin ordered them to pay Operation Game Thief \$2,000 in addition to their other fines. Chairman Stone requested a letter be written complimenting Magistrate Methvin on her actions.

An Unidentified Speaker asked for information on the land acquisition in St. John Parish. Chairman Stone stated the land has been deeded to the Department and it would be managed as a WMA and have the same rules and regulations as the others. The Speaker asked about their camp sites on the land. Chairman Stone stated the camps would have to be abandoned unless the land is owned. The Speaker asked if there could be a grandfather clause so they could lease their property from the Department? Chairman Stone stated the Department does not have a precedent for doing that. Mr. Tommy Prickett confirmed that the Department has received a donation of 23,000 acres of land and an additional 39,000 acres of land has been contracted. Hunting seasons and bag limits for this area would be presented to the Commission at the next meeting. Then he stated the area would be open for a full range of outdoor activities. Having private camps on public areas is not a management scenario the Department can handle, commented Mr. Prickett. Chairman Stone stated Mr. Prickett would be the person to contact.

There being no further business, Commissioner Kelly made a motion to Adjourn the meeting and it was seconded by Commissioner Busbice.

  
James H. Jenkins, Jr.  
Secretary

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING  
OF  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

Thursday, July 5, 2001

Chairman H. Jerry Stone presiding.

Bill Busbice  
Tom Gattle  
Tom Kelly  
Norman McCall

Secretary James H. Jenkins, Jr. was also present.

Commissioners Terry Denmon and Lee Felterman were absent from the meeting.

Chairman Stone called for a motion for approval of the **June 7, 2001 Commission Minutes**. A motion for approval was made by Commissioner Gattle and seconded by Commissioner Kelly. The motion passed with no opposition.

The **Monthly Law Enforcement Report for June** was given by Major Keith LaCaze. The following numbers of citations and warnings were issued during the month of June.

Region I - Minden - 91 citations and 12 warnings.

Region II - Monroe - 67 citations and 5 warnings.

Region III - Alexandria - 122 citations and 19 warnings.

Region IV - Ferriday - 78 citations and 13 warnings.

Region V - Lake Charles - 145 citations and 15 warnings.

Region VI - Opelousas - 179 citations and 13 warnings.

Region VII - Baton Rouge - 170 citations and 5 warnings.

Region VIII - New Orleans - 208 citations and 7 warnings.

Region IX - Thibodaux - 172 citations and 62 warnings.

Oyster Strike Force - 20 citations.

Seafood Investigation Unit - 17 citations.

SWEP - 19 citations.

Refuge Patrol - 65 citations and 15 warnings.

The grand total of citations issued statewide for the month of June was 1,232. Also there were 172 warning citations issued for the month.

The aviation report for June 2001 showed enforcement pilots flew three airplanes a total of 67.1 hours for enforcement and 7.4 hours for other divisions. Seven citations were issued during June.

Commissioner Gattle asked if there were any major problems on the Fourth of July holiday? Major LaCaze stated he had not heard of any boating problems. Chairman Stone asked if there was data on what percent of the confiscations were controlled substances? Major LaCaze stated he would have to work up the figures, but feels confiscations of this type are increasing.

*Public*  
A Division Report - ~~Information~~ *Public* Section Quarterly Report was given by Ms. Marianne Burke. A video on the activities of three units within this Section was shown. The first section, the Media Relations Unit, handled coverage of a fish kill on False River, the Louisiana Cuisine Extravaganza, and media coverage only on the Red River Florida largemouth bass stocking. The Publications and News Unit began working on the regulations pamphlets for hunting, commercial and recreational fishing and other smaller pamphlets. The May-June ~~conservationist~~ *Louisiana* magazine was published. Then Ms. Burke announced this Unit was working on a new brochure on marine sewage pump out stations. The last unit, the Audio/Visual Unit received new equipment during the last quarter. Also, a new radio show was brought back, "Louisiana Wild," a one-hour talk show on WJBO radio station, Thursday nights at 8 p.m.

Next Chairman Stone asked for public comments on the 2001-02 hunting season dates, general and WMA hunting rules and regulations, the waterfowl zones and the tentative dates for early migratory birds.

*Proper name  
of the publication  
is Louisiana  
Conservationist*

Mr. Jimmy Bulliard began highly recommending a 70 day dove season with 12 bird bag limit. He then asked the Commission to consider a zone for doves. Mr. Bulliard stated there was a dove line 10 years back and has never been able to find out why that was done away with. He agreed with the duck zone line change and again asked why not have a dove zone. Chairman Stone asked Mr. Tommy Prickett if he could explain why the dove zone was eliminated. Mr. Prickett stated the people immediately on either side of the zone line felt it was never in the right place. The Commission elected to go with a statewide opening about 15 years back. Mr. Bulliard felt the opposition was from people in the Florida parishes and then he recommended using the Atchafalaya River or Mississippi River as a natural boundary. Mr. Prickett stated Mr. Bulliard was partly correct but there were others opposed. He added that there has to be a biological reason for moving the zone line and felt there was not a reason now. Mr. Bulliard concluded asking the Commission to consider a dove zone.

Mr. Vic Blanchard, with the South Louisiana Branch Quality Deer Management Association, asked how could they get their 6 point proposal into the hunting Notice of Intent for next year? Chairman Stone suggested they work with Department staff and find a biological reason for this proposal. Mr. Blanchard then invited the Commissioners to a Quality Deer Management short course and banquet on August 11 in Addis and August 12 in Alexandria.

Mr. Carl Gremillion, representing the Baton Rouge Sportsman's League and Louisiana Wildlife Federation, began asking the Commission to vote for a 70 day dove season with 12 bird limit. He then announced the Sportsman's League and Federation were sponsoring a State Duck and Goose Calling Competition on October 20 at Waddill Refuge.

Hearing no further comments, Mr. Tommy Prickett introduced Mr. Paul Ferrell who would handle the **Drawing for Shotguns by Wild Turkey Federation**. Mr. Ferrell began expressing appreciation for the opportunity to come before the Commission to draw 3 winners from those hunters that checked in their birds at the volunteer check stations. He also introduced Mr. Ken Dansak, Secretary for the State Board of Directors. The National Wild Turkey Federation has increased their number of chapters by five and there were 42 events held in the State. A deposit of \$150,000 has been made to the Federation's Superfund Account which helps support the WMAs and habitat improvements on these areas, distributing \$250 scholarships to 15 individuals and one \$1,000 scholarship, an education program

aimed at teaching women and children conservation, turkey trapping and research, turkey releases in Ouachita Parish, contributing to the 4-H shooting sports program and to the National Shooting Sports Foundation, Shooting and Sports Heritage Fund. A new program Mr. Ferrell spoke on was the Wheeling Sportsmen NWTf and was aimed to reach those who are disabled. The guns that were given away during the drawing were Remington 870 Express 3 ½ inch Super Magnums. Mr. Mike Olinde commented the purpose of the voluntary check stations was to obtain physical data from the turkeys and to forecast harvest information. For Districts 1, 2 and 3, the winner was Mr. Todd Raley from Coushatta who took a 15 pound turkey. The winner from Districts 4, 5 and 6 was Mr. Louis Chemin, Jr., from Lafayette and he took an 18 pound turkey. Then from District 7, the winner was Mr. Kenny Lang from Baton Rouge and he took an 18 pound bird. Mr. Ferrell stated he was looking to develop new chapters and asked for assistance from anyone in helping getting them started. Mr. Prickett felt the NWTf donating the shotguns was an inducement in getting hunters to participate in the voluntary check stations.

Moving on, Mr. Tommy Prickett then handled the **Rule Ratifications on the 2001-02 Hunting Season Dates and the General & WMA Hunting Rules & Regulations.** A Notice of Intent was presented back in March on the two separate rules. Since then, there have been 14 public hearings held on these proposed rules and as such, there have been quite a number of changes made from the public comments. Some of these changes included: Area 7 deer season was moved to an earlier season structure, adding two days to either sex hunting in some parishes, adding 4 days of with or without dog hunting on National Forest lands, creating a new deer Area 8, allowing the use of trailing dogs to retrieve wounded deer except on WMAs and allowing the use of scopes on muzzleloaders. Changes on the WMAs included requiring a self-clearing permit for all activities on most of the WMAs, requiring archers to wear a hunter orange hat during the special squirrel and rabbit season while on the ground, expanding deer lottery hunts, requiring a maximum 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> inch lug height on ATVs and a maximum tire pressure of 7 psi. Mr. Prickett then stated the 1-800 number for same day license sales would be included on the front of the pamphlet. Commissioner Gattle asked that the Department's web address be listed on the pamphlet also. Mr. Prickett then read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution for the season dates and bag limits. Commissioner McCall made a motion accepting the Resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner Gattle. The motion passed with no opposition. Then Mr. Prickett read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution for the General & WMA Hunting

Rules and Regulations. Commissioner Busbice made a motion accepting this Resolution. Commissioner Kelly seconded the motion and it also passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolutions and Rules are made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
July 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, July 5, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for resident game birds and quadrupeds, and

WHEREAS, authority to establish seasons, bag limits, possession limits and other rules and regulations for the hunting, taking and possession of any species of wild game birds or quadrupeds is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of these natural resources and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all available biological information, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rules, regulations, season dates, and bag limits affecting sport hunting of resident game species are hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission as a final rule.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

(THE FINAL RULE FOR THE GENERAL & WMA HUNTING RULES & REGULATIONS IS ATTACHED.)

Mr. Robert Helm handled the **Rule Ratification - Waterfowl Hunting Zones**. At the March Commission Meeting, a proposed change for the waterfowl hunting zones was adopted as a Notice of Intent, began Mr. Helm. The hunting zone has been in effect since 1975 when the Federal Government established a zoning study to look at the origin of birds shot in Louisiana. As a result of this study, there have been an additional 5 days of hunting in the west zone for 13 years. This year begins one of the 5 year intervals where a change in the zone line can occur. The current boundary line at the southern end is from Highway 90 in Lafayette to Houma and then south to the Houma Navigation Canal. The proposed line is to continue to follow Highway 90 all the way to the Mississippi state line making all of the coastal marshes in the west zone. The primary birds harvested in southeast Louisiana were gadwall, teal and pintails and these same birds are in southwest Louisiana also. This change will cause southeast Louisiana to have an earlier opening and the second split will open a week later. Few comments have been received on this proposal, both for and against. Mr. Helm then asked the Commission to adopt the final rule on the waterfowl hunting zone. Chairman Stone read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle made a motion adopting the Resolution and it was seconded by Commissioner Busbice. The motion passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution and Rule is made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
July 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, July 5, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting regulations for waterfowl, and

U.S. 167 to Lafayette; thence southeast along U.S. 90 to the Mississippi state line.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 27: (July 2001).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

**A Notice of Intent - Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program** was presented by Mr. Dave Moreland. The change to the program was adding a new category to an already existing program. It will allow small landowners participating in forest stewardship programs, commercial deer farmers and farmers that have nuisance problems to receive doe tags. Mr. Moreland read the change into the record. Then he added this would be a pilot study involving the parishes of West Baton Rouge, Iberville and Pointe Coupee where the landowners can get involved in a more intensive deer program allowing them the chance to harvest does and do selective buck harvest. This is being done in the 3 parish area to see if staff can handle the additional work since there are small landowners statewide that would like to receive deer tags. The Clubs will be required to post their property with signs LADT similar to DMAP clubs. Mr. Moreland hoped this would give the landowners the type of management they were looking for. Chairman Stone asked if small landowners could join together and form one unit? Mr. Moreland stated yes, he would encourage this since it will help with the buck management. Commissioner Gattle stated this action was an alternative to the request by the Quality Deer Management hunters. Commissioner Busbice asked if Legislative approval was needed? Mr. Moreland stated no. Then Mr. Moreland read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Busbice made a motion accepting the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle seconded the motion and it passed with no opposition. Commissioner Busbice thanked Mr. Moreland for the browse survey on the Kisatchie areas.

(The full text of the Resolution and Notice of Intent is made a part of the record.)

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
JULY 5, 2001

The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this notice of intent and the final rule, including but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statements, the filing of the notice of intent and final rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.

Interested persons may submit comments relative to the proposed Rule to: Mr. Tommy Prickett, Wildlife Division, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000, prior to Thursday, September 6, 2001.

In accordance with Act#1183 of 1999, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries/Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby issues its Family Impact Statement in connection with the preceding Notice of Intent: This Notice of Intent will have no impact on the six criteria set out at R.S. 49:972(B).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

**Tentative Season Dates for Early Migratory Birds** was given by Mr. Mike Olinde. First of all he explained how the Fish and Wildlife Service process requires the Department's dates for these seasons by August 1<sup>st</sup>. The dates would be established by a Declaration of Emergency after that time. The resolution will give Secretary <sup>U.S.</sup> Jenkins authority to change the dates if Fish and Wildlife changes what is proposed. Mr. Olinde then began with the dove season options. The options are 70 days and 12 birds or a 60 day, 15 bird bag. There is no biological issue on which option is best, it is just a social issue. Comments from the public hearings was that hunters wanted a longer middle split and this was addressed with the dates presented. The 60 day option would be September 1-September 9, October 13-November 18 and December 22-January 4. The dates for 70 day option are September 1-September 9, October 13-November 25 and December 22-January 7. Commissioner Gattle commented zones could never work because not everyone was happy with where the line was. He then stated he would like to see the 60 day, 15 bird option utilized each year to make it simple for Enforcement. Commissioner Gattle then recommended the Commission consider the 60 day option. Continuing on Mr. Olinde then stated the teal season dates would be September 15-September 30 with a 4 bird bag limit and a possession limit of 8. Season dates for rail and gallinules would be September 15-September 30 for the first

split. The second split would be set at the next meeting. Limits for gallinule is 15 daily and possession is 30. Then for king and clapper rails, the daily bag is 15 and possession is 30 in aggregate and sora and virginia rail is 25 in the aggregate. Woodcock season dates would be December 15-January 28. Shooting hours for teal, rail, woodcock and gallinules will be one-half hour before sunrise to sunset. Shooting hours for doves will be one-half hour before sunrise to sunset except the first weekend of each split which will be noon to sunset. The snipe season dates was deferred to the next meeting. Commissioner Busbice stated from the people he has talked to, they would like to see the shorter season with the larger bag limit. Then he asked if the middle split was extended in the 70 day option? Mr. Olinde stated it was extended one week. Commissioner Gattle made a motion accepting the presentation by Mr. Olinde with the 60 day, 15 bird season dates for the mourning doves. Commissioner McCall seconded the motion. The motion passed with no opposition. Mr. Olinde read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle made a motion to add the Resolution to his previous motion. Commissioner McCall seconded the motion and it also passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution is made a part of the record.)

#### RESOLUTION

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
JULY 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission meeting in Baton Rouge, LA July 5, 2001.

- WHEREAS, public hearings in Washington, D.C. have been held on early migratory bird season regulations that include dove, snipe, rail, gallinule, woodcock and teal, and
- WHEREAS, the results of this meeting have been discussed with the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, and
- WHEREAS, rules and regulations governing early migratory bird season frameworks have been developed by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries staff has presented recommendations for migratory species that include season dates, bag limits, and shooting hours, and

WHEREAS, it is the statutory responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for these migratory species within constraints established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Commission does hereby adopt the presented tentative season dates for migratory birds which are made part of this resolution, subject to the following stipulations:

- (1) The Secretary is hereby authorized and delegated the authority to take any and all steps necessary on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate these seasons as a Declaration of Emergency and preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government; and
- (2) If significant changes occur as a result of changes in the framework established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or for other reasons, the Secretary is hereby authorized and delegated the authority to alter the attached seasons based upon the recommendations of Department staff, supported by biological and technical data.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

Mr. Brandt Savoie began the next agenda item, a **Declaration of Emergency - Recreational Nutria Season** reminding the Commission that at the last meeting, a proposal was submitted as part of the hunting package to set the recreational nutria season based on legislation. The Legal staff recommended a Declaration of Emergency be promulgated since the public comment period was so short. Mr. Savoie stated he received one phone call on the season requesting that he be able to sell the hide and meat during the recreational season. He advised the caller that no one is allowed to sell any game taken recreationally, and in order to sell hide and meat, it would have to be taken during the trapping season with

that person having a trapping license. Chairman Stone asked if the nutria season and trapping season overlap? Mr. Savoie answered yes. The recreation season will open September 1 whereas the trapping season will open around November 20. The Fur & Alligator Council discussed this issue and there was one person in opposition. Chairman Stone asked if there would be any impact with having the recreational season starting before the trapping season? Mr. Savoie stated the trappers feel there may be some impact. He added that the season dates were based on legislation passed and its intent was to reduce the number of nutria. Chairman Stone asked what would be the problem with extending the trapping season to open at the same time as the nutria season? Mr. Phil Bowman stated the trapping season is usually set when fur is prime and the market is at its best. Fur taken during the summer months is not suitable for garment making. Chairman Stone then opened the discussion for public comments.

Mr. Louis Pitre, a fur dealer from Galliano, asked that the nutria season open on November 20 the same day as the trapping season. He felt it would be a disaster for the fur industry if the season opened on September 1 because the fur is not good. Mr. Pitre knows there are areas in Louisiana where there are no nutria and other areas that have too many. He added that the market for nutria is bad right now, but it may improve this year. Chairman Stone explained that a recreational person would not be able to sell a nutria hide September 1, he would have to wait until trapping season opens.

Mr. Savoie explained that no one, even those with trapping licenses, would be able to sell nutria pelt or meat until the trapping season opens in November. A recreational person would not be able to sell a hide during trapping season unless he possesses a trapping license. Commissioner Kelly asked what is to prevent a person from poaching nutria and storing those pelts in a freezer and then going to a dealer when the trapping season opens and try to sell them? Mr. Savoie hoped that if this was being done on a large scale basis, Enforcement would catch them. Lt. Col. Charlie Clark added that no one can pelt unless the trapping season was open. Mr. Savoie then read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Chairman Stone suggested adding "daily legal shooting hours" to the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle made a motion to adopt the Resolution, it was seconded by Commissioner Busbice and it passed unanimously.

(The full text of the Resolution and Declaration of Emergency is made a part of the record.)

In accordance with the provisions of Act 226 of the 2001 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature which authorizes the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to adopt regulations for a recreational harvest of nutria and in accordance with emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953(B) and R.S. 49:967(D) of the Administrative Procedure Act, which allows the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency provisions to set seasons, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 2001-2002 recreational nutria harvest season statewide from September 1, 2001, one-half hour before sunrise through February 28, 2002, one-half hour after sunset, with no daily bag limit, by any legal method for small game during legal shooting hours and no pelting or sale of meat, except by persons possessing a valid trapping license during the trapping season only.

Dr. H. Jerry Stone  
Chairman

**A Resolution & Declaration of Emergency - Wild Alligator Season** began with Mr. Noel Kinler stating that he was needing to establish the 2001 wild alligator season. Last year approximately 13,000 wild alligators were harvested averaging 7.2 feet in length. It was also the second year of the bonus tag program which allows hunters an extra 10 percent tag allotment to take alligators in the 4 and 5 foot size classes. These extra tags amounted to about 3,000 alligators harvested which averaged 5.8 feet in length. Estimated wild hide and meat value was \$12.2 million for last year. About 97 percent of the tags issued were filled which is common for this season. Water levels have rebounded during 2001, so it was anticipated nesting would be back to average levels. As part of the alligator egg program, 280,000 wild alligator eggs were collected and stocked on alligator farms. Mr. Kinler recommended the season open on August 29 and close on September 30. The Wednesday opening came as a request from dealers so there would not be a backlog in the number of alligators received. Commissioner Busbice asked if human populations are looked at to determine allocation of tags? Mr. Kinler stated no, the quotas are based on alligator population densities as generated by the annual nest count surveys. But he did explain the Nuisance Alligator Program and how it works to handle alligator complaints. Chairman Stone asked Mr. Kinler to read the Therefore Be It Resolved portion of the Resolution. Commissioner Kelly made a motion accepting the Resolution. Commissioner Gattle seconded the motion and it passed with no opposition.

(The full text of the Resolution and Declaration of Emergency is made a part of the record.)

Chairman Stone then asked if there were any **Public Comments**. Col. Winton Vidrine stated Commissioner Kelly expressed interest in a case where engines from the Riptide were stolen from a shop last August. The engine was sold in Terrebonne Parish for \$16,000. The suspects have been apprehended and were at that time in jail. Commissioner McCall asked how many people were involved? Col. Vidrine answered three. Chairman Stone asked if the recipient was charged for receiving stolen goods? Col. Vidrine stated he was involved in the case also. Then Col. Vidrine informed the Commissioners he had the opportunity to attend Federal Court in Lafayette District on two baiting cases. The suspects pled guilty and Magistrate Mildred Methvin ordered them to pay Operation Game Thief \$2,000 in addition to their other fines. Chairman Stone requested a letter be written complimenting Magistrate Methvin on her actions.

An Unidentified Speaker asked for information on the land acquisition in St. John Parish. Chairman Stone stated the land has been deeded to the Department and it would be managed as a WMA and have the same rules and regulations as the others. The Speaker asked about their camp sites on the land. Chairman Stone stated the camps would have to be abandoned unless the land is owned. The Speaker asked if there could be a grandfather clause so they could lease their property from the Department? Chairman Stone stated the Department does not have a precedent for doing that. Mr. Tommy Prickett confirmed that the Department has received a donation of 23,000 acres of land and an additional 39,000 acres of land has been contracted. Hunting seasons and bag limits for this area would be presented to the Commission at the next meeting. Then he stated the area would be open for a full range of outdoor activities. Having private camps on public areas is not a management scenario the Department can handle, commented Mr. Prickett. Chairman Stone stated Mr. Prickett would be the person to contact.

There being no further business, Commissioner Kelly made a motion to **Adjourn** the meeting and it was seconded by Commissioner Busbice.

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James H. Jenkins, Jr.  
Secretary

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### Hunting calendar sees many changes

By [JOE MACALUSO](#)  
 Advocate outdoors writer

A typical July meeting of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission is nothing more than rubber-stamping party.

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For the record, the LWFC chairman has various biologists and administrators read resolutions covering season dates and bag limits for the upcoming resident-game seasons, wildlife management area regulations, the proposed migratory-bird seasons and end by setting the dates for the wild alligator season.

The LWFC has followed that routine every July for years.

Thursday's meeting was different. It was anything but routine.

First, the hunting seasons have lots of changes. Notably a new Deer Area 8, which gives hunters in parts of four southwestern parishes a chance to get in the field when the bucks are in the rut.

The petition was presented by hunters, backed up by studies of Department of Wildlife and Fisheries field personnel and approved by the commission. Area 8 hunters will be able to go afield Sept. 15 with bow and arrow and take modern firearms to stands as early as Oct. 13 after an Oct. 6-12 muzzleloader season.

#### NUTRIA

Statewide, the biggest change is the addition of a recreational nutria season.

Because there is a prohibition against selling game animals, this is the first time in memory that the term "recreational" has been used with hunting.

Since there is a commercial trapping season for fur-bearing animals in the state, recreational had to be applied to this new season, which was mandated by Act 226 of the recent Legislative Session.

The regulations for the new season include:

- A Sept. 1, 2001, through Feb. 28, 2002, season with legal shooting hours running from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset
- No daily bag limit
- The animal may be taken "by any legal means for small game," which can be interpreted to mean large-caliber weapons may not be used to kill nutria
- Neither pelting nor sale of meat will be allowed, except by hunters or trappers having a valid trapping license. Pelting and sale of meat is allowed only during the trapping season.

The Legislature went beyond the nutria issue and told the LDWF that muzzleloader hunters will be allowed to use magnified scopes on those "primitive weapons."

#### DEER PROGRAM

Another change for deer hunters comes in the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program, a move by the LDWF to include small-acreage landowners, who in past years have been unable to participate in the state's Deer Management Assistance Program.

DMAP requires a 500-acre minimum for the program, and the LADTP will accept landowners with as few as 20 acres.

#### TRAIL DOGS

For years, various hunting groups have asked the LDWF to allow hunters to use dogs to trail wounded deer. Their rationale was that hunters sometimes do not make "clean" shots on whitetails, and that leaving a wounded deer in the field was unsportsmanlike. The LDWF feared unethical hunters would use a "trail dog rule" to run a pack of dogs to chase deer.

Nevertheless, the use of trail dogs will be allowed on private lands for the upcoming season, but prohibits their use on state-owned wildlife management areas.

#### WMA RULES

The WMAs have several new regulations, too. The list includes:

- There will be no manned check-in stations on WMAs this year. Anyone using a WMA is required to use self-clearing permits, which documents their presence on the area.
- While on the ground, archery hunters will have to wear a hunter orange hat during the squirrel and rabbit seasons, but can remove the hat after they get in a tree stand.
- ATV users will be limited to tires with a maximum lug height of 1

inch and a maximum pressure of 7 pounds per square inch.

- There are two new lottery hunts, one on the Union WMA and a youth-only hunt on Pointe aux Chenes WMA.

## DUCK ZONES

Duck hunters, who have to wait until the August meeting for their proposed duck and goose seasons dates and limits, were included, too.

The biggest change is the move of the entire coastal area into the West Zone. State waterfowl study leader Robert Helm explained that ducks such as grays, pintails and teal spread throughout the coastal area early in migration. Because East Zone hunters prefer a later season to await the arrival of mallards, East Zone hunters along the coast were forced to stay home while there were lots of ducks already on the water in private and public hunting areas.

In the southern parishes, the West-East dividing line was U.S. 90 south on the Houma Navigational Canal to the Gulf of Mexico. The change moves the line from the HNC along U.S. 90 to the Louisiana-Mississippi line, which means Terrebonne, Lafourche, Plaquemines and St. Bernard parishes will have an earlier opening date than the last 16 years.

**NEW RULE:** Because of a prohibition against after-hour use of LDWF headquarters, the Red Stick Fly Fishers are moving their monthly meetings and fly-tying sessions to the Waddill Wildlife Education Center on North Flannery Road. RSFF meets the second and fourth Mondays of every month.

**THE NORTHSHORE:** The Northshore Chapter of the Coastal Conservation Association is holding its second-annual fund-raising banquet July 18 at the Castine Center in Pelican Park in Mandeville. Tickets are \$30 in advance and \$10 for children. Call Denis Bechac (504-871-9005) or Will Morgan (225-952-9200) for details.

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### **LWFC changes trend on mourning dove season**

By **JOE MACALUSO**  
Advocate outdoors writer

Breaking a six-year-old gentleman's agreement to alternate the length of seasons for mourning doves, the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission agreed to a three-split, 60-day season for dove hunters on Thursday.

As in past years, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service allows the state to select one of two options, either a 70-day season with a 12-dove-per-day limit or a 60-day season with a 15-bird daily limit.

Because early cold fronts chase doves south, north Louisiana hunters preferred the shorter season with more birds, while veteran hunters in south Louisiana, which usually holds doves throughout the winter, like the longer season.

Until the mid-1990s, hunters from both areas showed up to argue this point. That's when the commission struck an agreement to take the 60-day option in even-numbered years and the 70-day option in odd-numbers years.

Commission member Tom Gattle from Lake Providence proposed taking the 60-day option, which drew a 5-0 vote from the seven-man board. Commission members Terry Denman and Lee Felterman were absent.

The move came over the appeal of St. Martinville's Jim Bulliard and Baton Rouge hunter Carl Gremillion, who asked for the 70-day season. Bulliard said St. Martinville has few doves in the early split, which will run from Sept. 1-9.

State upland-game biologist Mike Olinde said the season's framework had a concession for south Louisiana hunters, who, he said, asked for more days in the middle split. This year's Oct. 13-Nov. 18 split has 37 days, an increase of seven days over last year's season, while the 14-day final split will run Dec. 22 through Jan. 4.

As part of the migratory bird package, the LWFC also approved a Sept. 15-30 special teal, rails and gallinules season and a Dec. 15, 2001 through Jan. 28, 2002 woodcock season.

The dates and bag limits must be sent to the USFWS for final approval. Olinde said he anticipates no objection from the federal agency. Dates for ducks, geese, snipe and the balance of the rails and gallinules seasons will be announced at the LWFC's Aug. 2 meeting.

The LWFC also ratified seasons for deer, squirrel, rabbit and quail and approved a new Sept. 1, 2001-Feb. 28, 2002 recreational season for nutria.

Included in these seasons and bag limits are several changes from the 2000-2001 season:

- The establishment of a Deer Area 8, which takes in parts of four southwestern parishes;
- The use of trail dogs for tracking and finding wounded deer on private land;
- A rule that archery hunters, while on the ground, must wear a hunter orange hat during squirrel and rabbit seasons on wildlife management areas;
- Everyone using WMAs must now use self-clearing permits;
- A new lottery hunt on Union WMA and a lottery youth hunt on Pointe aux Chenes WMA has been established;
- A maximum lug height of 1 inch and tire pressure of 7 pounds per square inch for ATVs on WMAs.

Other regulations approved included a new Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program, a new dividing line for the East and West waterfowl hunting zones and an Aug. 28-Sept. 30 season on wild alligators. Tags issued by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries are needed to take wild alligators.

The LADT program will include owners of lands 20-500 acres and gives small-acreage landowners similar options as does the state's Deer Management Assistance Program, which is restricted to lands of 500 or more acres.

By moving the dividing line from U.S. 90 to the Houma Navigational Canal to U.S. 90 to the Louisiana-Mississippi line, the East-West waterfowl change moves the entire coastal area into the West Zone for the upcoming season.

In other action, the LWFC learned that among the 1,232 citations written by enforcement agents in June was the break-up of an illegal deer-hunting operation in Ouachita Parish.

The LWFC also set its November meeting date for Nov. 1.

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Thursday, July 5, 2001  
Baton Rouge, LA  
Wildlife & Fisheries Building

	Attended	Absent
Jerry Stone (Chairman)	<u>✓</u>	<u>—</u>
Tom Gattle	<u>✓</u>	<u>—</u>
Bill Busbice	<u>✓</u>	<u>—</u>
Tom Kelly	<u>✓</u>	<u>—</u>
Norman McCall	<u>✓</u>	<u>—</u>
Terry Denmon	<u>—</u>	<u>✓</u>
Lee Felterman	<u>—</u>	<u>✓</u>

Mr. Chairman:

There are 5 Commissioners in attendance and we have a quorum.

Secretary Jenkins is also present.

AGENDA

LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION

BATON ROUGE, LA

July 5, 2001

10:00 AM

- ✓1. Roll Call
- ✓2. Approval of Minutes of June 7, 2001
- ✓3. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/June - Keith LaCaze
- ✓4. Division Report - Information Section Quarterly Report -  
Marianne Burke
- ✓5. Drawing for Shotguns by Wild Turkey Federation - Mike  
Olinde
- ✓6. Rule Ratification - 2001-02 Hunting Season Dates - Tommy  
Prickett
- ✓7. Rule Ratification - General & WMA Hunting Rules &  
Regulations - Tommy Prickett
- ✓8. Rule Ratification - Waterfowl Hunting Zones - Tommy  
Prickett
- ✓9. Notice of Intent - Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program  
- Dave Moreland
- ✓10. Tentative Season Dates for Early Migratory Birds - Mike  
Olinde
- ✓11. Declaration of Emergency - Recreational Nutria Season -  
Brandt Savoie
- ✓12. Resolution & Declaration of Emergency - Wild Alligator  
Season - Noel Kinler
- ✓13. Set November 2001 Meeting Date
- ✓14. Public Comments
15. Adjournment

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**Hrs. - 39.6**

**210 - 9467Y**  
**Hrs. - 14.4**

**Enforcement Hours - 67.1**

**Other Divisions - 7.4**

**Total Plane Use - 74.5**

**Cases Made In Conjunction With Aircraft Use Resulted In Citations Issued For:**

**2-Take Oysters From Polluted Area**

**2-Cull Oysters In Closed Area**

**3-Trawl Inside Waters With Oversize Trawls**

**7-Total**

**Confiscations: 4,000 Lbs. of Shrimp, 2 Sacks Oysters Returned To Water**

**ENFORCEMENT CASE REPORT**

**JUNE 2001**

**REGION 1:MINDEN**  
**18 Agent positions**

**PARISHES: BIENVILLE, BOSSIER,**  
**CADDO, CLAIBORNE,**  
**WEBSTER,DESOTO,**  
**RED RIVER**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>91</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
47	Boating Safety
23	Angling W/O A Resident License
2	Angling W/O A License – Non-Resident
9	Fishing W/O A Resident Pole License
1	Take Over Limit Of Black Bass
1	Take Illegal Size Black Bass
1	Sell Fish W/O A Wholesale/Retail Dealers License
3	Operating A Vessel While Intoxicated
4	Littering

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 12</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
11	Boating Safety
1	Angling W/O A Resident License

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
2 black bass; 1 rod & reel combo.

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 1**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>50</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Commercial Fishing</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Federal Migratory</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Littering</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Miscellaneous</b>
<b>36</b>	<b>Recreational Fishing</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>State Hunting/Trapping</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Written Warnings</b>

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Public Assistance</b>

**REGION 2:MONROE**  
**20 Agent positions**

**PARISHES: E. CARROLL, JACKSON,  
 LINCOLN, MOREHEAD,  
 QUACHITA, RICHLAND  
 UNION, W. CARROLL**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>67</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>37</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Operate ATV On Public Road</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>DWI-Vehicle</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Resisting Arrest</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Disturbing The Peace</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Possession Of Alcohol By Person Under 21</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Not Abiding By Rules and Regulations on WMA</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Hunt Deer From Public Road</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Hunt From Moving Vehicle</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Take Deer Closed Season</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Possess Illegally Taken Deer</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Fish W/O Resident Pole License</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Angle W/O Resident License</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Discharge Firearm From Public Road</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Littering</b>

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 5</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
1	No Fire Extinguisher
1	No Boat Registration Certificate In Possession
1	Improper Boat Numbers
1	Fail To Comply With PFD Requirements
1	Angle W/O License

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
3-Deer, 1-Rifle, 1-Bear, 1-Spotlight.

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 2-MONROE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
37	Boating
-0-	Commercial Fishing
-0-	Federal Migratory
2	Littering
9	Miscellaneous
3	Recreational Fishing
16	State Hunting/Trapping
5	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
25	Public Assistance – Assisting Stranded Motorists and Boaters

REGION 3:ALEXANDRIA

PARISHES:AVOUELLES, GRANT  
NATCHITOCHE  
RAPIDES, SABINE  
VERNON, WINN

26 Agent positions

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>122</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
61	Boating
16	Angling W/O A License In Possession
1	Fish W/O Hook & Line License In Possession
1	Take Game Fish Illegally (Wire Nets)
2	Possession Of Undersize Gamefish (Black Bass)
7	Angling W/O A Non-Resident License In Possession
2	Fail To Have Commercial License In Possession
4	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear License (Hoop Net)
6	Possess Game Fish Illegally
2	Take Alligator Closed Season
1	Illegal Possession Of Alligator Hide
2	Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial License
2	Sell/Buy Fish W/O A Wholesale – Retail License
1	Possession F.B.A. W/O License (Trapping)
7	Littering
3	Illegal Possession Of Marijuana

1	Resisting An Officer
2	Operate A.T.V. On Public Road
1	Possession Of Drug Paraphernalia

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
19	
9	Boating
7	Angling W/O License In Possession
2	Possess Undersize Black Bass
1	Not Abiding By Rules & Regulations

**CONFISCATIONS:**

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
2 cans, 3 bags of marijuana, 2 packs of rolling paper, 1 box of marijuana cigarettes, 1 marijuana smoking device, 2 hoop nets, 18 white perch, 3 bream, 1 bar fish, 1 buffalo, 1 drum, 1 packing material, 1 alligator, 4 black bass, 2 tanned fur hides, 4 frozen fur hides, 3 packages of alligator meat, 1 8'4" alligator hide.

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 3**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
61	Boating
19	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
7	Littering
7	Miscellaneous

<b>27</b>	<b>Recreational Fishing</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>State Hunting/Trapping</b>
<b>19</b>	<b>Written Warnings</b>

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Public Assistance</b>

**REGION 4:FERRIDAY**  
**24 Agent positions**

**PARISHES: CALDWELL, CATAHOULA**  
**CONCORDIA, FRANKLIN**  
**LASALLE, MADISON, TENSAS**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>78</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>44</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Angling W/O A License</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Angling W/O Non-Resident License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Sell Or Buy Fish W/O A Retail Seafood Dealers License</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Not Abiding By Rules And Regs. On WMA</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>DWI</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>BUI</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Littering</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Operate ATV On Public Road</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Driving W/O Operators License</b>

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 13</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Angling W/O Resident License</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Boating</b>

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
None.

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 4**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
44	Boating
0	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
1	Littering
7	Miscellaneous
11	Recreational Fishing
15	State Hunting/Trapping
13	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
2	Public Assistance

**REGION 5:LAKE CHARLES**  
**23 Agent positions**

**PARISHES: BEAUREGARD, CALCASIEU**  
**EVANGELINE, ALLEN,**  
**CAMERON, ACADIA,**  
**VERMILION, JEFF DAVIS**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>145</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>50</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>25</b>	<b>Angling W/O A License</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>Angling W/O A License Non. Res.</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Use Gear W/O Rec. Gear Lic. (Crawfish Trap)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Use Gear W/O Rec. Gear Lic. Non. Res. (Crab Trap)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Angling W/O A Saltwater Lic.</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Take Or Poss. U/S Red Drum</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Take Or Poss. U/S Black Drum (Recreational)</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Take Or Poss. O/L Black Drum (Recreational)</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Take Or Sell Comm. Fish Or Bait Species W/O Comm. Lic.</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Take Comm. Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic. (Butterflies)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Or Poss. Comm. Fish W/O Vessel Lic.</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Buy Commercial Fish From UnLicensed Fishermen</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Use Crab Traps W/O Required Markings</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Destroy Legal Crab Traps Or Removing Contents</b>

1	<b>Allow Unlicensed Fishermen To Use Vessel License</b>
1	<b>Allow Unlicensed Fisherman To Use Gear License</b>
4	<b>Tending Crab Traps Illegal Hours</b>
1	<b>Poss. Or Sell Undersize Crabs</b>
2	<b>Poss. Over 20% Undersized Crabs</b>
1	<b>Take Or Poss. Alligator Closed Season</b>
3	<b>Resisting An Officer</b>
2	<b>Littering</b>
3	<b>Other Than Wildlife &amp; Fisheries Violations</b>
2	<b>Operate ATV Vehicle On Public Road</b>
1	<b>Obtain License By Fraud</b>

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 15</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
4	<b>Angling W/O A License</b>
7	<b>Failure To Comply W/PFD Requirements</b>
3	<b>Improper Or No Fire Extinguisher</b>
1	<b>Failure To Comply W/Visual Distress Signals</b>

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>1-ice chest; 1-boat and motor seized on paper; 1-purchase book, 2001; 1-sales book, 2001; 197 trip tickets for 2000; 1-resident fishing license; 2-crab traps; 1-crawfish trap; 15-rods; 15-reels; 7-bream rtw; 33 black drum u/s rtw; 1-black drum destroyed; 2-reddrum u/s rtw; 494 lbs shrimp sold for \$662.00; 1-cleaned 8' alligator in freezer; crabs- 113 lbs u/s rtw; 3boxes u/s rtw; 437 crabs rtw/stolen.</b>

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 5**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>50</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>21</b>	<b>Commercial Fishing</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Federal Migratory</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Littering</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Miscellaneous</b>
<b>62</b>	<b>Recreational Fishing</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>State Hunting/Trapping</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>Written Warnings</b>

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Public Assistance</b>

**REGION 6:OPELOUSAS**  
**24 Agent positions**

**PARISHES: IBERIA, IBERVILLE,**  
**PT.COUPPEE,LAFAYETTE**  
**ST.MARTIN,IBERIA**  
**IBERVILLE,W.B.R.**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>179</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>83</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>61</b>	<b>Angling W/O License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear License</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Fail To Maintain Records</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Angling W/O Pole License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Misrepresentation During Issuance Of Misdemeanor</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Gamefish Illegally</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial License</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Take Commercial Fish W/O Gear License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Commercial Fisherman Sell To Consumer W/O Fresh Products License</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Take Illegal Size Black Bass</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Set Crab Trap In Navigable Channels Or Entrance To Stream</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Sell And/Or Buy Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealers License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Fail To Maintain Records</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Angling W/O Non-Resident License</b>

1	Operate Vessel While Intoxicated
1	Take/Possess Commercial Fish W/O Vessel License
1	Illegal Possession Of Stolen Things

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

TOTAL 34	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
24	Boating
8	Angling W/O License In Possession
2	Not Abiding By Rules/Regs. On Refuge

**CONFISCATIONS:**

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
8 black bass, 1 ½ boxes crabs, 14 buster crabs, 2 jet skis.

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 6**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
83	Boating
12	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
3	Miscellaneous
81	Recreational Fishing

<b>0</b>	<b>State Hunting/Trapping</b>
<b>34</b>	<b>Written Warnings</b>

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Public Assistance</b>

**REGION 7:BATON ROUGE**

**PARISHES: ASCENSION, E.B. ROUGE,  
E. FELICIANA, LIVINGSTON,  
ST. HELENA, ST. TAMMANY,  
TANGIPAOHA, WASHINGTON,  
W. FELICIANA**

**22 Agent positions**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>170</b>
<b>TOTAL 170</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>101</b>	<b>Boating (3-D.W.I's)</b>
<b>49</b>	<b>Fishing W/O Resident License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Fishing W/O Resident S.W. License</b>
<b>14</b>	<b>Fishing W/O Non-Res. Basic License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Fishing W/O Non-Res. S.W. License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>No Cane Pole License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Littering</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Sell Comm. Fish W/O Wholesale/Retail Dealers License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Comm. Fishermen Sell to Public W/O Fresh Product License</b>

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 5</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Fishing W/O Basic License</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Boat Safety</b>

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
1-12' Flat Boat (Found to be Illegal during boat inspection altered HIN Number.)

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 7**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>101</b>	<b>Boating –(3-D.W.I's)</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Commercial Fishing</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Federal Migratory</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Littering</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Miscellaneous</b>
<b>66</b>	<b>Recreational Fishing</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>State Hunting/Trapping</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Written Warnings</b>

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Public Assistance Remove Alligator (small)</b>

**REGION 8:NEW ORLEANS**  
**18 Agent positions**

**PLAQUEMINE, ST. BERNARD,**  
**ORLEANS, JEFFERSON**  
**ST. CHARLES**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>208</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>Angling W/O A License</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>Angling W/O A License Non-Resident</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic.</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear Lic Non-Resident</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Angling W/O Saltwater Lic.</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Angling W/O Saltwater Lic Non-Resident</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Poss. O/L of Red Drum in Excess of 27" (Recreational)</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Take or Poss. Undersized Black Drum(Recreational)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take or Poss. O/L Black Drum(Recreational)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Not Abiding By Commission Rules(Rec.)</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Not Abiding By Commission Rules &amp; Regulations(Comm.)</b>
<b>9</b>	<b>Take or Sell Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Lic.</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Take Commercial Fish W/O Comm. Gear Lic.</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Take or Poss. Commercial Fish W/O Vessel Lic.</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Sell and/or Purchase Game Fish</b>

3	<b>Fail To Comply w/Gamefish Shipping Regulations</b>
3	<b>Fail To Comply w/Aquaculture Fish Regs</b>
2	<b>Allow Another to Use Commercial License</b>
1	<b>Allow Unlicensed Fisherman use CML Vessel Lic.</b>
1	<b>Allow Unlicensed Fisherman use CML Gear Lic.</b>
1	<b>Take Possess Oysters W/O Oyster Harvester Lic.</b>
3	<b>Trawling Inside Waters W/Oversized</b>
2	<b>Use Oversize Trawl, Trawl Board</b>
6	<b>Use Skimmers in Closed Season</b>
3	<b>Take Shrimp Illegal Gear</b>
1	<b>Use Shrimp Net Closed water</b>
2	<b>Use Oversize Skimmers</b>
1	<b>Possession of Over Limit Rec. Shrimp</b>
16	<b>Use Four Trawl in Two Trawl Area</b>
4	<b>Failure to Have Written Permission</b>
20	<b>Unlawfully Take Oysters From State Water Bottoms</b>
7	<b>Unlawfully Take Oysters Off a Private Lease</b>
8	<b>Lake Pontchartrain (Restricted Area)</b>
2	<b>Possess Live Wild Quadrupeds, W/O Permit</b>
1	<b>Possess Spotted Fawn</b>

4	Take Alligators W/O License
2	Hunt Alligators at Night w/ Firearm
1	Taking or Possessing Alligators Closed Season
1	Illegal Poss. Of Alligators
1	Sell Reptiles or Amphib. Without Collectors License
4	Operating Vehicle While Intoxicated
3	Littering
1	Other Than Wildlife and Fisheries
1	Simple Obstruction of Highway of Commerce

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

TOTAL 7	DESCRIPTION OF CITATION
3	Failure to Display Valid Certificate Decal
2	Angling W/O A License
2	Angling W/O A Saltwater License

**CONFISCATIONS:**

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION
<p>Sold at bid.... 1122lbs of shrimp (\$1851.30)...3111lbs. Of shrimp (\$5133.15)...24lbs of shrimp (\$150.00)...2950lbs of shrimp (\$4720)...82lbs. Of shrimp (\$90.00)...405lbs of shrimp (\$688.50)...100lbs of shrimp (\$240)...10758lbs. Of shrimp (\$17,114.10)...1171lbs.of shrimp (\$1379.55)...43lbs. Of shrimp (\$64.50)...157lbs. of shrimp(\$235.50)  Donated...Shrimp (1052lbs.)...Black Drum (11)...Oyster Sacks (10)...Red Drum (20)...Bass (2)...Red Snapper(172)...Spotted Sea Trout(5)...Mangrove Snappers(23)...Spotted Fawn(1)  Returned to Water.... Shrimp (70lbs)...Oyster Sacks (307)...Crabs (80lbs/2boxes)...Fresh Seafood (101lbs).  Hardware Confiscated...Trawl w/TED (2)...Trawl (20)...Skimmer Nets (12)...Ice Chest (4)... Rod and Reel (15)...Stik Lie (1)...Oyster Dredges (8)...Square Frame w/Net (1)...Potato shippable (1)...Comm. Lic. (3)...</p>

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 8**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
20	Boating
109	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
3	Littering
9	Miscellaneous
63	Recreational Fishing
4	State Hunting/Trapping
7	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
8	Public Assistance

**REGION 9: SCHRIEVER**

25 Agent positions

**PARISHES: ASSUMPTION, ST. JAMES  
ST. JOHN, ST. MARY  
TERREBONNE, LAFOURCHE  
JEFFERSON-GRAND ISLE  
LOWER ST. MARTIN**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>172</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>66</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>12</b>	<b>Angling W/O A License</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Angling W/O A License Non-Resident</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Angling W/O Saltwater License</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Angling W/O Saltwater License (Non-Resident)</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Take Game Fish Illegally (Sea Trout)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Undersized Red Drum</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Take Undersized Spotted Sea Trout</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Take Undersized Black Drum</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take O/L Black Drum</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial License</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear License</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Take Commercial Fish W/O Vessel License</b>

1	<b>Allow Another To Use Commercial License</b>
1	<b>Allow Another Fisherman To Use Vessel License</b>
1	<b>Allow Unlicensed Fisherman To Use Gear License</b>
1	<b>Theft Of Crab Trap</b>
1	<b>Sell Undersized Crabs</b>
9	<b>Possess Over 20% Undersize Crabs</b>
2	<b>Trawling In Closed Season</b>
3	<b>Trawling Inside Waters W/Oversized Double Rigs</b>
3	<b>Unlawfully Take Oysters From State Water Bottoms</b>
8	<b>Taking Oysters From Unapproved Area</b>
3	<b>Unlawfully Take Oysters Off Private Lease</b>
8	<b>Fail To Cull Oysters In Proper Location</b>
2	<b>Possess Firearm While Frogging</b>
5	<b>DWI</b>
1	<b>Littering</b>

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 62</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
5	<b>Angling W/O A License</b>
1	<b>Angling W/O A License Non-Resident</b>
1	<b>Use Gear W/O Recreational Gear License</b>

11	Angling W/O A Saltwater License
1	Angling W/O Saltwater License Non-Resident
43	Boating

**CONFISCATIONS:**

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION	
1,387 lbs. of garfish sold for \$400.00, 5,131 lbs. of shrimp sold for \$7,422.00, 20 lbs. of shrimp, 89 sacks of oysters, 27 black drum, 6 redfish, 9 sea trout, 8,000 lbs. of crabs, 4 trawls, 3 temperature log sheets, and 1 crab trap.	

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REGION 9**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
66	Boating
55	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
1	Littering
5	Miscellaneous
43	Recreational Fishing
2	State Hunting/Trapping
62	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
0	Public Assistance

**OYSTER STRIKE FORCE**  
**3 Agent positions**

**COASTAL WATERS**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Unlawfully Take Oysters From State Water Bottoms</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Unlawfully Take Oysters From A Private Lease</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Failure To Complete Oyster Harvester Time/Temp. Log Book</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Oysters W/O A Valid Non-Resident Commercial Fisherman License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Oysters W/O A Valid Non-Resident Gear License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Oysters From A Private Lease W/O Proper Written Permission</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Oysters W/O A Valid Non-Resident Oyster Harvester License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Shrimp W/O A Valid Commercial Fisherman License</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Take Shrimp Illegally (Using Four Trawls In A Trawl Zone)</b>

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 0</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>0</b>	

## SEAFOOD INVESTIGATIVE UNIT

## STATEWIDE

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Commercially Fresh Product License Fail To Report/Maintain Records</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Buy/Sell Fish W/O A Wholesale/Retail Seafood Dealer's License</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Fail To Maintain Records</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Transport W/O Required License</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Fail To Report Commercial Fisheries Data</b>

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 0</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>0</b>	

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>None.</b>

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR SPECIAL SEAFOOD INVESTIGATIONS UNIT**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Commercial Fishing</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Federal Migratory</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Littering</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Miscellaneous</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Recreational Fishing</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>State Hunting/Trapping</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Written Warnings</b>

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Public Assistance</b>

S.W.E.P.  
8 Agent positions

**COASTAL WATERS**

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>Use Four Trawls In A Two Trawl Area</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Gear License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Vessel License</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Angling W/O A License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Trespass On National Wildlife Refuge</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Hunt Doves In Closed Season</b>

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 0</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>0</b>	

**CONFISCATIONS:**

<b>CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>15,085 lbs. of shrimp sold for \$24,474.55, 12 trawls, 8 mourning doves.</b>

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR S.W.E.P.**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>11</b>	<b>Commercial Fishing</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Federal Migratory</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Littering</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Miscellaneous</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Recreational Fishing</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>State Hunting/Trapping</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Written Warnings</b>

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>
<b>0</b>	<b>Public Assistance</b>

REFUGE PATROL  
8 Agent positions

MARSH ISLAND,  
ROCKEFELLER, STATE  
WILDLIFE

<b>TOTAL CASES</b>	<b>65</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>31</b>	<b>Boating</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Angling W/O A Basic License (Non-Resident)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Angling W/O A Saltwater License (Non-Resident)</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Possess Overlimit Of Spotted Sea Trout</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Or Possess Commercial Fish W/O Commercial Fish License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Set CrabTraps In Navigable Channel</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Take Or Possess Commercial Fish W/O A Vessel License</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>Not Abiding By Rules And Regs. On WMA</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Simple Possession Of Marijuana</b>

**WRITTEN WARNINGS:**

<b>TOTAL 15</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION OF CITATION</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Angling W/O A Basic License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Angling W/O A Saltwater License</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>No Boat Numbers</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Fail To Comply With P.F.D. Requirements</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Fail To Comply With Visual Distress Signals</b>

3	Improper Or No Fire Extinguisher
3	Not Abiding By Rules And Regs. On WMA

**CONFISCATIONS:**

CONFISCATION DESCRIPTION	
27 spotted sea trout, 1 rod and reel, 608 lbs. of shrimp sold for \$998.45, 2 shrimp trawls, 2 crab traps, and 1 marijuana cigarette.	

**TOTAL OF EACH CATEGORY FOR REFUGE PATROL**

TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
31	Boating
3	Commercial Fishing
0	Federal Migratory
0	Littering
28	Miscellaneous
3	Recreational Fishing
0	State Hunting/Trapping
15	Written Warnings

**TOTAL NUMBER FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE**

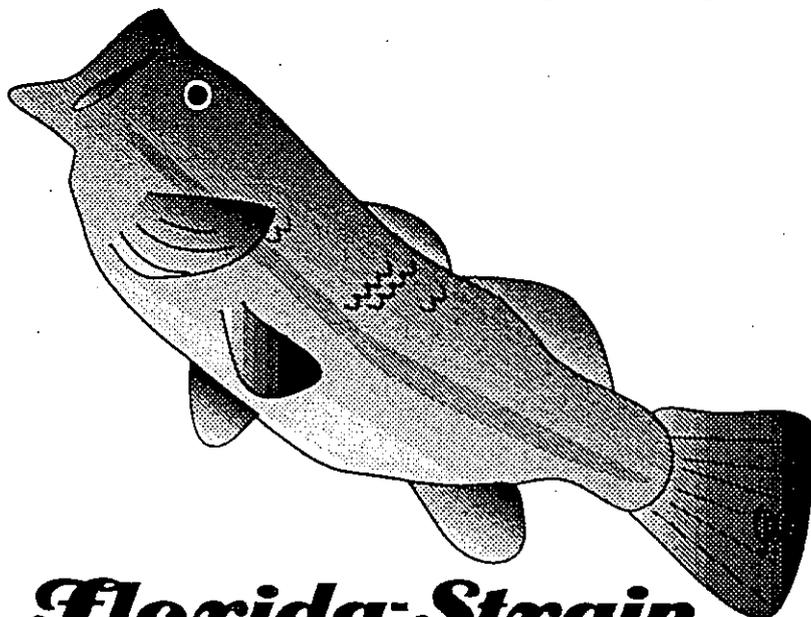
TOTAL	DESCRIPTION
6	Public Assistance

**TOTAL CASES**

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**NOTE: WRITTEN WARNINGS =172**

# *Red River*



*Florida Strain  
Largemouth Bass  
Stocking Project*

Saturday, June 23, 2001

## **FLORIDA LARGEMOUTH BASS STOCKING ON RED RIVER (6-23-01)**

**Stocking FL bass fingerlings in the Red River is a cooperative endeavor to provide better opportunities for catching trophy bass and also to enhance bass population genetics.**

- On June 23, about 300,000 FL strain largemouth bass fingerlings ranging in size from 1-3 inches long will be released in the 5 pools along the Red River from Shreveport to Marksville: Clark's Landing, Coushatta, St. Maurice, Buhlow and Brouillette.
- The June 23 stocking is part of a larger project, which began last fall, to stock FL bass into the Red River for the first time.
- The project is funded by contributions to the LA Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation from various agencies and organizations. Donations to the project include \$30,000 from the Red River Waterway Commission; \$10,000 from Operation Bass and the Wal-Mart FLW Tour through FishAmerica Foundation; and \$10,000 from Wildlife Forever, the American Sportfishing Association and the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Sport Fish Restoration Program.
- LDWF will handle the actual stocking on June 23, with assistance from members of the LA Bass Federation and the Association of Louisiana Bass Clubs.
- FL largemouth bass appeal to anglers because they grow larger than our native largemouth bass. Introduction of this genetic trait into the Red River largemouth bass population is the reason behind the stocking project.
- Standing weight records have increased dramatically for almost every waterbody where LDWF has consistently stocked FL bass fingerlings. Prior to the introduction of FL largemouth bass into LA waterways, a bass above 8 pounds was considered a trophy. That threshold now exceeds 12 pounds.
- While anglers may not catch more bass in the Red River as a result of this project, they can reasonably expect to catch larger bass there. The prospect of catching a trophy bass is also expected to yield dividends to communities along the Red River in the form of increased economic development.
- In addition to this project, LDWF also produces and stocks other fish species of concern in various LA waterbodies across the state on an ongoing basis as needed. In 2000, LDWF stocked over 8 million fish into public waterbodies in Louisiana. Since April 2001, LDWF has stocked over 4 million FL bass fingerlings in 47 water bodies across LA.

Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

# NEWS RELEASE

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## FLORIDA LARGEMOUTH BASS STOCKING ON RED RIVER

On June 23, approximately 300,000 Florida largemouth bass fingerlings were released into five pools along the Red River from Shreveport to Marksville. The stockings were part of a cooperative endeavor funded by donations to the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation. Donations included \$30,000 from the Red River Waterway Commission; \$10,000 from Operation Bass and the Wal-Mart FLW Tour through FishAmerica Foundation; and \$10,000 from Wildlife Forever, the American Sportfishing Association and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Sportfish Restoration Program.

The actual stockings were performed by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, with assistance from members of the Louisiana Bass Federation and the Association of Louisiana Bass Clubs. Specific locations of stockings along the Red River included Clark's Landing, Coushatta, St. Maurice, Buhlow and Brouillette.

"The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation, a private, nonprofit organization, demonstrates how the private sector can further the mission and support the activities of the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries," explained John Campbell, president of LWFF.

The June 23 stocking was part of a larger effort by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation that began with the release of approximately 7,700 fingerlings at Clark's Landing in September 2000 and will conclude with additional releases in the fall.

Each fingerling, ranging in size from one to three inches long, has the potential to become a trophy bass. Florida largemouth bass appeal to anglers because they grow larger than our native largemouth bass. Introduction of this genetic trait into the Red River largemouth bass population is the reason behind the stocking project.

In years past, any bass over eight pounds was considered a trophy. Since the introduction of

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Florida largemouth bass into Louisiana waterways, that threshold now exceeds 12 pounds.

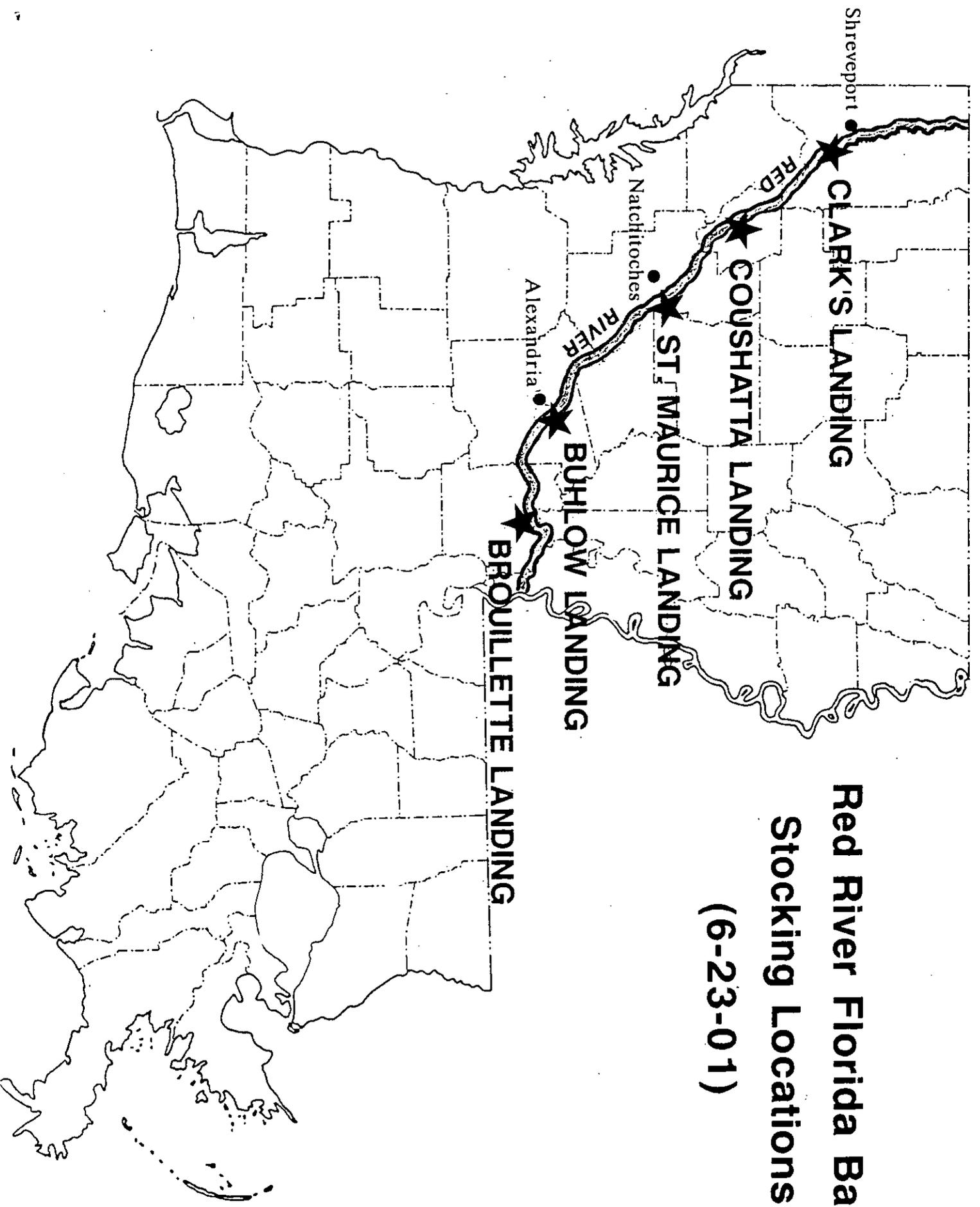
"We are very pleased to be part of this outstanding project. Releasing pure Florida strain bass into each of the waterway's five pools will assure some exciting sport fishing for everyone along the Red River. And the business opportunities the region will enjoy due to increased fishing activity by local residents and visitors will greatly contribute to our mission of economic development," noted Ken Guidry, executive director of the Red River Waterway Commission.

Since early spring 2001, LDWF has stocked over four million Florida largemouth bass fingerlings into 47 waterbodies across Louisiana. Weight records have increased dramatically for almost every waterbody in which LDWF has consistently stocked Florida bass.

LDWF also produces and stocks other fish species of concern in different waterways throughout the state as needed on an ongoing basis. Better fishing is also expected to yield dividends to Red River communities in the form of increased opportunities for economic development.

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**Red River Florida Bass  
Stocking Locations**

**(6-23-01)**

## **PROJECT PARTNERS**

The Florida strain largemouth bass stocking project on the Red River is funded by the **Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation** with contributions from various agencies and organizations:

**\$30,000 Red River Waterway Commission**

**10,000 Operation Bass**

**Wal-Mart FLW Tour through FishAmerica  
Foundation**

**10,000 Wildlife Forever**

**American Sportfishing Association**

**U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service Sport Fish  
Restoration Program**

The **Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries** provided scientific and technical expertise for the project and handled the actual stocking, with assistance from members of the **Louisiana Bass Federation** and the **Association of Louisiana Bass Clubs**.

## **MORE ABOUT PROJECT PARTNERS**

### **Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation**

The Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Foundation's mission is to enhance and encourage public enjoyment and use of the state's wildlife and fisheries resources.

The non-profit, charitable foundation was formed to provide a means for individuals and corporations to become partners with LDWF and the foundation through tax-deductible donations. The foundation cooperates with the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries to assist in the funding of needed conservation projects identified by LDWF and foundation contributors.

### **Red River Waterway Commission**

The Red River has been a focus of navigation construction activity since the River & Harbor Act was passed by Congress in 1968. The Red River Waterway Project initiated as a result of this legislation is vitally important to those directly connected to the river as well as the entire states through which it flows.

The Red River Waterway Commission, representing seven Louisiana Red River parishes, was established in 1965 to locally sponsor the Louisiana portion of the project. The commission employs a highly qualified staff of professionals skilled in various aspects of public works projects. Together they conduct the ongoing daily business of managing the construction and maintenance of numerous facilities up and down the river, as well as marketing the Red River Waterway.

Benefits to the residents of Louisiana are numerous:

- The waterway boasts a navigable channel 200 feet wide and nine feet deep from the Old River Channel to the Shreveport/Bossier City area, allowing year-round barge traffic.
- The distance from the Old River Channel to the Shreveport/Bossier City area is shorter by 47 miles due to the straightening of many winding bends in the channel.
- An interactive system of five locks and dams on the river contribute to land usage and environmental quality through stabilization of pool levels and river banks.
- Recreation areas have been built up and down the river, providing a wide array of facilities including picnic areas, boat ramps and superb sport fishing spots.
- Commercial traffic on the waterway is now economically feasible, providing increased incentive for industrial development surrounding the river.
- During the course of construction, the Red River Waterway Project has created thousands of new jobs for the people of Louisiana.

## **MORE ABOUT PROJECT PARTNERS**

### **Operation Bass**

Operation Bass Inc. is the world's largest bass fishing tournament organization. It was founded in 1979 with events geared toward anglers who were unable to take time off from work and travel long distances to participate in high entry fee tournaments.

Operation Bass administers the **Wal-Mart FLW Tour**, the world's richest professional bass fishing series; the EverStart Series, the pathway to the Wal-Mart FLW Tour; and the Wal-Mart Bass Fishing League, the weekend tournament series designed for working anglers. Operation Bass also runs the Texas Tournament Trail, Ranger M1 Millennium Tournament and the RCL Walleye Championship.

### **FishAmerica Foundation**

FishAmerica Foundation is the conservation and research projects arm of the American Sportfishing Association. The organization provides funding for local hands-on projects to enhance fish populations and water quality and advance applied fisheries research in North America, thus increasing opportunities for sportfishing success.

Over the past 18 years, FishAmerica has received donations from fishing tournaments, tackle manufacturers, boat and engine companies and individuals. Those contributions enabled the organization to invest over \$4.6 million into 604 grassroots projects in 50 states and Canada. FishAmerica is a past recipient of the Conservation Achievement Award from the American Fisheries Society.

### **Wildlife Forever**

Wildlife Forever is a national non-profit conservation organization dedicated to preserving our national wildlife heritage. Wildlife Forever is a multi-species organization that works with a diverse group of private conservation organizations and state and federal agencies. Through its involvement with all species of game and non-game fish and wildlife, Wildlife Forever has emerged as the *umbrella conservation organization of North America*.

In the last decade, Wildlife Forever has contributed more than \$5 million to over 500 projects benefiting fish and wildlife in all 50 states and Canada. By leveraging donors' gifts, Wildlife Forever's investment in America's natural resources has produced nearly \$50 million in project support.

Wildlife Forever was founded in 1987 by the North American Outdoors Group, now the North American Membership Group, a multimedia publisher with properties that include six magazines.

## **MORE ABOUT PROJECT PARTNERS**

### **American Sportfishing Association**

The American Sportfishing Association is a non-profit industry trade association organized to ensure healthy and sustainable fisheries resources and increase sportfishing participation through education, conservation promotion and marketing.

### **U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service Sport Fish Restoration Program**

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's mission is, working with others, to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people. The agency's major responsibilities encompass freshwater fish and anadromous fish, which live in both fresh water and salt water.

The Federal Aid in Sport Fish Restoration Act, commonly referred to as the Dingell-Johnson Act, was passed in 1950. It was modeled after the Pittman-Robertson Act to create a parallel program for management, conservation and restoration of fishery resources.

The Sport Fish Restoration Program is funded by revenues collected from manufacturers of fishing rods, reels, creels, lures, flies and artificial baits, who pay an excise tax on these items to the U.S. Treasury. An amendment in 1984 (the Wallop-Breaux Amendment) added new provisions to the act by extending the excise tax to previously untaxed items of sport fishing equipment.

**Louisiana State Chapter  
National Wild Turkey Federation  
Annual Update  
Louisiana Wildlife & Fisheries Commission**

The Louisiana Chapter (LWTF) of the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) has experienced considerable growth over the past year as a direct result of our hardworking volunteers and their fundraising efforts. Last year we reported on the activities of thirty-seven NWTF Chapter fundraising events that deposited \$154,500.00 into the Louisiana Super Fund account. This year we will have conducted 42 events by the end of August with a projected \$160,000.00 for the Louisiana Super Fund account. Much of this money has already been deposited and our LWTF Board of Director's has been busy with the job of spending the money on projects in Louisiana. Following is a brief recap of some of the major projects that our Board has funded:

- \$15,750 on seed & fertilizer for habitat improvement for wild turkeys
- \$ 3,800 on turkey trapping nets for research & trap & transfer programs
- \$ 3,500 on local Chapter JAKES (youth training) events
- \$ 3,500 on local Chapter Women in the Outdoor training events
- \$ 3,500 on fourteen local Chapter High School Scholarship awards
- \$ 1,250 on one State High School Scholarship award
- \$ 4,000 of a \$24,000 partnership wild turkey release in south Ouachita Parish
- \$ 5,000 partnership contribution to the 4H Shooting Sports program
- \$10,000 contribution to the NSSF Shooting & Sports Heritage Fund

In addition to the above projects funded by the LWTF, the State Board and Chapter volunteers are very pleased at partnering with the LDWF Staff to host wild turkey youth hunts on designated WMA's in Louisiana. By requiring an NWTF member to accompany the youth, selected through the State's lottery process, we are able to insure that the child experiences a quality turkey hunt while at the same time providing exposure of the NWTF to the attendees.

Another great partnership that has been achieved between the NWTF & LDWF is the "Women in the Outdoors" Program. This NWTF program is designed to teach conservation to women who have not had the opportunity to experience a lot of outdoor activities. This educational outreach program teaches women to better understand and support our hunting and conservation heritage and will help provide a secure future for our children.

"Wheelin' Sportsmen NWTF" is another groundbreaking outreach program that is designed to provide positive outdoor opportunities to people with disabilities. This new program will soon offer events and workshops to meet the needs of an ever-growing population of disabled citizens. The NWTF "JAKES" program & "Women in the Outdoors" program already offer a unique membership magazine designed for each respective category. "Wheelin' Sportsmen NWTF" will also have its' own membership magazine soon with articles written to enhance the lives of our disabled citizens.

As NWTF continues to grow in Louisiana and members become more involved with our many programs it's been great to witness our Board of Directors balance the needs of conservation and hunting heritage. While it's important to continue the work of habitat improvement and stocking wild turkeys into suitable habitat it's equally important to develop young hunters and include women in protecting our hunting heritage. To borrow a quote from Rob Keck, NWTF "Without guns there is no hunting, without hunting there is no conservation, & without conservation there is no wildlife". We thank the members of the LDWF Commission for doing your part for conservation and our hunting heritage.



# NEWS RELEASE

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February 1, 2001*

### **Louisiana Wildlife Agency Supports Women's Outdoor Program**

**Edgefield, S.C.**—The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has joined the National Wild Turkey Federation's efforts to offer women more opportunities to experience the outdoors by becoming a Women in the Outdoors program partner.

The NWTF's Women in the Outdoors program is a hands-on outdoor education program for women age 14 or older. Women who attend events can learn a variety of outdoor activities such as canoeing, camping, hiking, fishing, shooting, outdoor cooking and much more.

As a partner to the Women in the Outdoors program, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries will assist the program by providing instructors for workshops and special presentations, helping publicize the events, as well as helping provide supplies and equipment for events.

There are currently more than 26,000 Women in the Outdoor members across North America.

The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries joins twelve other wildlife agency partners including the Arkansas Game and Fish Commission, the California Department of Fish and Game, the Georgia Wildlife Resources Division, the Kansas Department of Wildlife and Parks, the Kentucky Department of Fish and Wildlife Resources, the Ohio Division of Wildlife, the Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation, the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, the Texas Department of Wildlife, the West Virginia Division of Natural Resources, the Vermont Department of Fish and Wildlife and the Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries.

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***National Wild Turkey Federation's mission—The conservation of the  
wild turkey and the preservation of the turkey hunting tradition.***



RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
July 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, July 5, 2001.

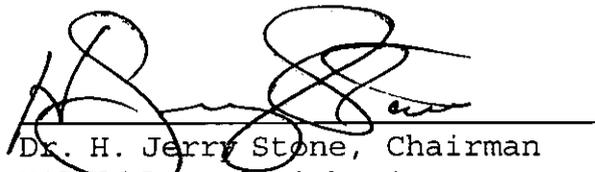
WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for resident game birds and quadrupeds, and

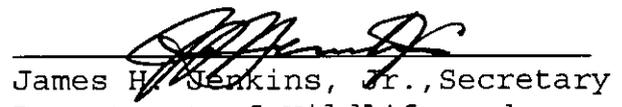
WHEREAS, authority to establish seasons, bag limits, possession limits and other rules and regulations for the hunting, taking and possession of any species of wild game birds or quadrupeds is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of these natural resources and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all available biological information, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rules, regulations, season dates, and bag limits affecting sport hunting of resident game species are hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission as a final rule.

  
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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

  
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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby promulgate rules and regulations governing the hunting of resident game birds and game quadrupeds.

**Title 76**

**WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES**

**PART XIX. HUNTING AND WMA REGULATIONS**

**Chapter 1. Resident Game Hunting Season**

**§101. General**

The Resident Game Hunting Season, 2001-2002 regulations are hereby adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission. A complete copy of the Regulation Pamphlet may be obtained from the Department.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 21:707 (July 1995), amended LR 22:585 (July 1996), LR 23:871 (July 1997), LR 24:1324 (July 1998), LR 25:1290 (July 1999), LR 26:1506 (July 2000), LR 27: (July 2001).

**§103. Resident Game Birds and Animals 2001-2002**

A. Shooting hours. One-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

B. Consult Regulation Pamphlet for seasons or specific regulations on Wildlife Management Areas or specific localities.

Species	Season Dates	Daily Bag Limit	Possession Limit
Quail	Nov. 17-Feb. 28	10	20
Rabbit	Oct. 6-Feb. 28	8	16
Squirrel	Oct. 6-Feb. 10	8	16
Deer	See Schedule	1 antlered and 1 antlerless (when legal on private lands)	6/season

C. Deer Hunting Schedule

Area	Archery	Muzzleloader (All Either Sex)	Still Hunt (No dogs allowed)	With or Without Dogs
1	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Nov. 10-Nov. 16 Jan. 21-Jan. 27	Nov. 17-Dec. 2 Jan. 7-Jan. 20	Dec. 8-Jan. 6
2	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Oct. 27-Nov. 2 Jan. 12-Jan. 18	Nov. 3-Dec. 7	Dec. 8-Jan. 11
3	Sept. 15- Jan. 15	Oct. 6-Oct. 12 Dec. 10-Dec. 14	Oct. 13-Dec. 9 Dec. 15-Jan. 1	
4	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Nov. 10-Nov. 16 Jan. 12-Jan. 18	Nov. 17-Jan. 11	
5	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Nov. 10-Nov. 16 Jan. 12-Jan. 18 Bucks Only	Nov. 17-Nov. 25	
6	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Nov. 10-Nov. 16 Jan. 21-Jan. 27	Nov. 17-Dec. 2	Dec. 8-Jan. 20
7	Oct. 1- Jan. 31	Oct. 6-Oct. 19	Oct. 20-Nov. 11 Nov. 17-Nov. 25	Nov. 26-Jan. 1
8	Sept. 15- Jan. 15	Oct. 6-Oct. 12 Dec. 3-Dec. 7	Oct. 13-Nov. 30	Dec. 1-Jan. 1

D. Modern Firearm Schedule (Either Sex Seasons)

Parish	Modern Firearm Either-sex Days
Acadia	Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Allen	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
	Area 8: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Ascension	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Assumption	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Avoyelles	Area 1: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
Beauregard	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
	Area 8: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Bienville	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Bossier	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Caddo	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Calcasieu	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
	Area 8: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Caldwell	Nov. 3-4, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Cameron	Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Catahoula	Area 1: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Claiborne	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Concordia	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23
DeSoto	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
East Baton Rouge	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
East Carroll	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23, East of mainline Mississippi River Levee and south and east of La. 877 from West Carroll Parish line to La. 580, south of La. 580 to U.S. 65, west of U.S. 65 to Madison parish line.
	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, the remainder of the parish.
East Feliciana	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Evangeline	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16

<b>Parish</b>	<b>Modern Firearm Either-sex Days</b>
Franklin	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2
Grant	Area 1: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Iberia	Area 3: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
	Area 7: Oct. 20-21, Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
Iberville	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Jackson	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Jefferson	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Jefferson Davis	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Lafayette	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Lafourche	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
LaSalle	Area 1: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
Lincoln	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Livingston	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Madison	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23
Morehouse	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 4: Nov. 17-18, 23-25
Natchitoches	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Orleans	Closed to all deer hunting
Ouachita	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 4: Nov. 17-18, 23-25
Plaquemines	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Pointe Coupee	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Rapides	Area 1: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 17-18, 23-25
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Red River	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Richland	Nov. 17-18, 23-25
Sabine	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
St. Bernard	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
St. Charles	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16

Parish	Modern Firearm Either-sex Days
St. Helena	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
St. James	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
St. John	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
St. Landry	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, Nov. 23-25, Dec. 8-9
	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
St. Martin	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
St. Mary	Area 6: Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
	Area 7: Oct. 20-21, Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
St. Tammany	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Tangipahoa	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Tensas	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23
Terrebonne	Oct. 20-21, Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 8-9
Union	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
Vermillion	Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Vernon	Area 2: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
	Area 3: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
	Area 8: Oct. 13-14, 20-21, 27-28, Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25
Washington	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Webster	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9
West Baton Rouge	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
West Carroll	Closed
West Feliciana	Nov. 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16
Winn	Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9

E. Farm Raised White-tailed Deer on Supplemented Shooting Preserves

Archery	Modern Firearm	Either Sex
Oct. 1-Jan. 31 (Either Sex)	Nov. 1-Jan. 31	Nov. 1-7 Dec. 1-7 Jan. 1-7

F. Exotics on Supplemented Shooting Preserves: Either Sex, no closed season.

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**2001-2002 SEASON WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA  
HUNTING SCHEDULES**

**1. ALEXANDER STATE FOREST** (Owner - Office of Forestry-LDAF - 8,158 Acres, Region 3):  
**Self-Clearing Permits required for hunters only.**

**Deer:**

**Bucks only: Nov. 23-25.**

**Muzzleloader: Oct. 27-28, Nov. 10-11,** either-sex, Daily Permit.

**Small Game:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Oct. 27-28, Nov. 10-11.

**Waterfowl:** Same as outside. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. (Certain areas may be closed as posted).

Vehicles restricted to paved and graveled roads. No parking on or fishing or swimming from bridges. No open fires EXCEPT in recreational areas.

**2. ATCHAFALAYA DELTA** (Owner - State of Louisiana - 141,912 Acres, Region 8):

**Self-Clearing Permit required only when specified.**

**Deer:**

**Archery only: Nov. 1-Dec. 31,** on Main Delta only (Wax Lake Delta closed). No hunting in restricted areas. Self Clearing permit required from main Delta campgrounds.

**Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT shooting hours shall be ½ hour before sunrise to 2 p.m. during opening weekends of teal and duck seasons and ½ hour before sunrise to sunset the remainder of the season.

**Small Game:** Same as outside EXCEPT rabbit hunting (with or without beagles ) only from **Jan. 1-Feb. 28.** No hunting in restricted areas.

**Trapping:** Trapping is allowed only by written agreement with the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries.

Water control structures are not to be tampered with or altered by anyone other than employees of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries.

ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited.

**3. ATTAKAPAS** (Owner - State of Louisiana - 25,730 Acres, Region 6):

**Self-Clearing Permits required for hunters only.**

**Deer:**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-25.**

**Bucks only: Dec. 15-Jan. 1.**

**Muzzleloader: Jan. 5-13,** either-sex.

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED **Nov. 23-25.** Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 14-Feb. 28.** Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28.**  
Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

**4. BAYOU MACON** (Department Owned - 6,919 Acres, Region 2):

**Deer:**

**Lottery Hunt: Nov. 17-18,** either-sex, hunt restricted to those selected as a result of the pre-application Lottery. Hunters must check in at Hwy. 2 to have permit validated.

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-2** either sex.

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED **Nov. 23-25.** Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 14-Feb. 28.** Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Jan. 12-28.** Mules are allowed for nighttime raccoon hunting.

All night activities prohibited EXCEPT as otherwise provided.

**5. BAYOU PIERRE** (Department Owned - 2,212 Acres, Region 1):

Waterfowl Refuge is closed to all hunting, trapping and fishing EXCEPT archery hunting for deer, which is allowed on the entire area. Refuge is marked with "Waterfowl Refuge" signs.

**Deer:**

**Archery only: Oct. 1-Jan. 31.** Either-sex. Archery hunting is allowed in the waterfowl refuge.

**All Small Game:** Same as outside. Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 12-Feb. 28.**

**Waterfowl:** Entire area CLOSED for waterfowl hunting.

**6. BENS CREEK** (Owner - Weyerhaeuser Co., Inc. - 13,113 Acres, Region 7):

**Area Closed: Nov. 3-4,** to all hunters EXCEPT Youth and Handicapped Hunters.

**Deer:**

**Special Deer Season for Youth & Handicapped Hunters: Nov. 3-4,** Permit required for Handicapped hunters must be obtained in advance from Region Office. Daily Permit also required for youth and handicapped hunters.

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-25.** Mandatory Deer Check.

**Bucks only: Dec. 8-Jan. 6.** Mandatory Deer Check.

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-7 and Jan. 7-23.**

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT

CLOSED Nov. 3-4; Nov. 23-25. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m prohibited. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 26-Feb. 28.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Jan. 14-27.**

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct. 1-Feb. 28.

**7. BIG COLEWA BAYOU** (Department Owned - 899 Acres, Region 2):

**Deer:**

**Archery only: Oct. 1-Jan. 31.**

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside. Beagles allowed for rabbit hunting Jan. 12-Feb. 28. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. All nighttime activities prohibited.

**8. BIG LAKE** (Department Owned - 19,231 Acres, Region 4):

**Deer:**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-24, Daily Permit.**

**Bucks only: Nov. 25 and Dec. 29-Jan. 6.**

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-2, either-sex.**

**Small Game:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-24. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 12-Feb. 28. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 12-Feb. 10.

**Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-24. and hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Jan. 12-27.**

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct. 1-Feb. 28.

Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

**9. BILOXI** (Owner - Biloxi Marsh Land Corporation - 39,583 Acres, Region 8):

**Self-Clearing Permits not required.**

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT beagles allowed for rabbits when duck season is closed.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct. 1-Feb. 28.

**10. BODCAU** (Owner - U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - 34,355 Acres, Region 1):

**Deer: Nov. 3-Dec. 9**

**Either-sex: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9.**

**Small Game:** Same as outside. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 12-Feb. 28. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 12-Feb. 10.

**Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Raccoon: (Daytime) Oct. 6-Feb. 10.**

**(Nighttime) Jan. 12-Feb. 10.**

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed

hunters from Oct. 1-Feb. 28.

**11. BOEUF** -(Department Owned - 50,656 Acres, Region 4):

**Area Closed:** Nov. 3-4, to all EXCEPT for Youth Hunters.

**Deer:**

**Youth Deer Hunt: Nov. 3-4. Either-sex.**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-24 Daily Permit.**

**Bucks only: Nov. 25, Dec. 15-23.**

**Muzzleloader: Nov. 28-Dec. 2. Either sex.**

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-24. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 12-Feb. 28. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 12-Feb. 10. Dove hunting prohibited in unharvested agricultural fields. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. No internal combustion engines and craft allowed in Green Tree Reservoir.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Jan. 12-27.**

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct 1-Feb. 28.

Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

**12. BOISE-VERNON** (Owner - Boise-Cascade Company - 55,672 Acres. Region 5):

**Area Closed: Oct. 20-21, to all EXCEPT Youth Hunters.**

**Deer:**

**Youth Deer Hunt: Oct. 20-21, Either sex.**

**Either-sex: Oct. 27-28, Daily Permit.**

**Bucks only: Oct. 29-Nov. 22.**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-25.**

**Muzzleloader: Nov. 27-Dec. 3, either-sex.**

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Oct. 20-21, Oct 27-28, Nov. 23-25. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 5-Feb. 10. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 12-Feb. 28. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Jan. 12-Feb. 10. Permit required from Lake Charles Region Office.**

**13. BUCKHORN** (Department Owned - 9,817 Acres, Region 4):

**Deer:**

**Either-sex: Nov. 17-18. Daily Permit. Hunt restricted to those selected as a result of the pre-application lottery.**

**Bucks only: Nov. 25, Dec. 29-Jan. 6.**

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-2, either-sex.**

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-24. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 12-Feb. 28. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 12-Feb. 10. Dove hunting prohibited in unharvested agricultural fields.

Waterfowl hunting after 2 p. m. prohibited.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Jan. 12-27.**

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28.**

Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

**14. CAMP BEAUREGARD** (Louisiana National Guard - 12,500 Acres, Region 3):

**Daily military clearance is required for all recreational users.** Registration for use of Self-Clearing permit required once per year at Range Central Building, telephone (318) 641-3355, 641-3365 or LDWF, Region III Office, telephone (318) 487-5885. All or portions of the area may be closed daily due to military activities. All game harvested must be reported on self-clearing checkout permit.

**Area Closed: Sept. 29-30** to all EXCEPT youth hunters.

**Deer:**

**Youth Deer Hunt: Sept. 29-30**, either-sex, Daily Permit required. Permit available from Rifle Range Road Station only.

**Bucks only: Dec. 29-Jan. 6.**

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-9**, either-sex.

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside, EXCEPT CLOSED **Sept. 29-30**. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed **Jan. 12-Feb. 10**. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 12-Feb. 28**.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28**.

Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

Retriever training allowed on selected portions of the WMA. Contact the Region office for specific details.

**15. DEWEY W. WILLS** (Department Owned - 60,276 Acres, Region 3):

**Area Closed: Nov. 3-4**, to all EXCEPT youth and handicapped hunters.

**Deer:**

**Special Handicapped Season: Nov. 3-4**, either-sex. That portion of the area north of the Diversion Canal shall be open only to handicapped hunters.

**Youth Deer Hunt: Nov. 3-4**, either-sex. That portion of the area south of the Diversion Canal shall be open to youth hunters only.

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-24**, Daily Permit.

**Bucks only: Nov. 25, Dec. 29-Jan. 6.**

**Muzzleloader: Jan. 7-13**, either-sex.

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED **Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-24**. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 14-Feb. 28** and squirrel hunting with dogs allowed from **Jan. 14-Feb. 10**.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Jan. 14-27.**

**May 1-Sept. 27**, Tuesdays and Thursdays only. Nighttime chase only.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28** in fenced-in areas south and east of LA Hwy. 28.

**Crawfish:** Limited to 100 pounds per person per day. Free-ranging livestock prohibited in area south and east of Hwy. 28. Also, free ranging livestock EXCEPT hogs prohibited in fenced-in area north of LA Hwy. 28.

**16. ELM HALL** (Department Owned - 2,839 Acres, Region 6):

**Deer:**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23.**

**Bucks only: Nov. 24-25 and Dec. 8-16.**

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED **Nov. 23**. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

No ATVs allowed.

**17. FORT POLK** (Owner - U.S. Army and U.S. Forest Service - 105,545 Acres, Region 5):

**Daily military clearance is required to hunt any game.** Registration for use of Self-Clearing Permit required once per year at Building #7654, North Fort Polk, telephone 1-888-718-3029 or (318) 531-5715 to obtain information on areas open for hunting. Either-Sex deer season daily permits available at daily permit stations. Trappers must also register at Building #7654 and use Self-Clearing system. Special regulations apply to ATV users. This information available where permits are issued or at [http://www.jrtc-polk.army.mil/fpk\\_hunt/](http://www.jrtc-polk.army.mil/fpk_hunt/).

**Deer:**

**Bucks only: Oct. 27-Nov. 22.**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-25**, Daily Permit.

**Either-sex: Dec. 15-16.**

**Bucks only: Dec. 17-21.**

**Either-sex: Dec. 22-23.**

**Bucks only: Dec. 24-Jan. 1.**

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-2**, either-sex, Self-Clearing Permit required, Special Permit, Building #7654.

A selected portion of the area to be open.

**Special Archery** regulations for Cantonment Areas, check locally at Building #7654. Either-Sex deer legal **Sept. 15-Jan. 18**. Remainder of WMA restricted to bucks only when Bucks-Only gun season is in progress.

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED **Nov. 23-25, Dec. 15-16, Dec. 22-23**. Hunter Orange must be worn when bucks only gun hunts for deer are in progress. Waterfowl hunting prohibited after 2 p.m. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed **Jan. 5-Feb. 10**.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Sept. 15-Jan. 4.**

**Fishing:** Special regulations pertaining to fishing are posted at specific lakes.

**18. GEORGIA-PACIFIC** (Owner - Georgia-Pacific Corporation - 25,480 Acres, Region 2):

**Area Closed:** Oct. 20-21, to all EXCEPT youth hunters.

**Deer:**

**Youth Deer Hunt:** Oct. 20-21, either-sex.

**Bucks only:** Nov. 3-11.

**Either-sex:** Nov. 23-25. Daily permit.

**Muzzleloader:** Dec. 1-2, either-sex

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Oct. 20-21, Nov. 23-25. Dogs allowed for squirrel hunting Jan. 12-Feb. 10. Waterfowl hunting prohibited after 2 p.m. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 12-Feb. 28.

**Raccoon** (Nighttime): Jan. 12-31, Permit required from Monroe Region Office.

EXCEPT as otherwise provided, all nighttime activities prohibited.

**19. GRASSY LAKE** (Department Owned - 12,983 Acres, Region 6):

**Deer:**

**Either-sex:** Nov. 23-24, Daily Permit required.

**Bucks only:** Nov. 25 and Dec. 29-Jan. 6.

**Muzzleloader:** Jan. 7-13, either-sex.

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-24. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 12-Feb. 28. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Sport Fishing:** Same as outside EXCEPT permitted only after 2 p.m. during waterfowl season on Smith Bay, Red River Bay and Grassy Lake proper.

**Commercial Fishing:** Permitted EXCEPT on Smith Bay, Red River Bay and Grassy Lake proper on Saturday and Sunday and during waterfowl season. Permits available from area supervisor Spring Bayou Headquarters or Opelousas Region Office.

**Crawfishing:** April 1-July 31, recreational only, 100 pounds per boat or group daily.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28.**

Free-ranging livestock prohibited. No hunting in restricted area.

**20. JACKSON-BIENVILLE** (Owner - Willamette Industries, et. al. - 32,460 Acres, Region 1):

ATVs are allowed on non-public maintained gravel roads and timber management woods, roads and trails.

**Area Closed (portion):** Oct. 20-21, on designated portions. Closed to all hunters EXCEPT youth and handicapped hunters.

**Deer:**

**Special Deer Season for Youth & Handicapped Hunters:** Oct. 20-21, for handicapped and youth hunters only on a portion of Jackson-Bienville WMA. Contact Minden Region Office for Handicapped Permits and specific map. Handicapped Permit must be obtained in advance from any Region Office. Self clearing permits are also required.

**Note:** Daily Permits for the Nov. 3-4 either-sex deer hunt will be available from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Nov. 2 at the Field Office Daily Permit Check Station on North Road. Daily Permit Check Stations will be open at 4:30 a.m. Saturday, Nov. 3.

**Either-sex:** Nov. 3-4, Daily Permit required.

**Either-sex:** Nov. 10-11, 17-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9.

**Bucks only:** Dec. 10-Jan. 1.

All deer and hogs harvested Nov. 23-25, Dec. 1-2, 8-9, 15-16, 22-23, 29-30, must be brought to the Field Office on North Road to be weighed, inspected, photographed and tagged. Wildlife Division personnel will be at the Field Office from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. on the days listed.

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Oct. 20-21. (portion) and Nov. 3-4. Rabbits may be hunted with beagles Jan. 12-Feb. 28. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 12-Feb. 10. Waterfowl hunting prohibited after 2 p.m.

**Raccoon** (Daytime): Oct. 6-Feb. 10.

(Nighttime): Jan. 12-Feb. 10.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28.** All hogs must be reported at Self-Clearing Permit Station or Daily Permit Station.

**21. JOYCE** (Department Owned - 15,059 Acres, Region 7):

**Deer:** Same as outside, still hunt only.

**Muzzleloader:** Same as outside, still hunt only.

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Swamp Walk:** Adhere to all WMA rules and regulations. No firearms or hunting allowed within 100 yards of walkways. Check hunting schedule and use walkway at your own risk.

**22. LAKE BOEUF** (Department Owned - 786 Acres, Region 8)

**Self-clearing permit not required.**

Hunting until 12:00 noon for all game. Hunters must

check out and exit no later than 2 p.m. All nighttime activities prohibited, including frogging.

**Deer:** Archery only. **Oct. 1-Jan. 31.**

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1- Feb. 28.**

**23. LAKE RAMSEY** (Department Owned - 800 Acres, Region 7):

**Deer:** Archery only, **Oct. 1-Jan. 31.**

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside. Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 12-Feb. 28.** Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

Foot traffic only - All vehicles restricted to Parish Roads.

**24. LITTLE RIVER** (Department Owned - 3840 Acres, Region 3):

**Deer:**

**Bucks only:** Nov. 3-11.

**Muzzleloader:** Dec. 1-7, either-sex.

**Raccoon (Nighttime):** Jan. 12-27.

**May 1-Sept. 27,** Tuesdays and Thursdays only. Nighttime chase only.

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed **Jan. 12-Feb. 10.** Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 12-Feb. 28.**

**25. LOGGY BAYOU** (Department Owned - 4,085, State land Office-159, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-2,353 Acres, Region 1).

**Area Closed:** Oct. 20-21 to all EXCEPT Youth Hunters. (Loggy Bayou boat ramp will remain open for non-area users).

**Deer:**

**Youth Deer Hunt:** Oct. 20-21, either-sex.

**Archery:** Oct. 1-Jan 31, EXCEPT CLOSED Oct. 20-21 to all but Youth Hunters.

**Either-sex:** Nov. 23-25, Daily Permit required.

Daily Permit available at main campground only.

**Muzzleloader:** Nov. 26-Dec. 2, either-sex.

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Oct. 20-21, Nov. 23-25. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 12-Feb. 28.** Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed **Jan. 12-Feb. 10.**

**Raccoon (Nighttime):** Jan. 12- Feb. 10.

**26. MANCHAC** (Department Owned - 8,328 Acres, Region 8):

**Deer:** Archery Only, **Oct. 1-Jan. 31.**

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. Steel

shot required for rails, snipe and gallinules.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28.**

**Crabs:** No crab traps allowed. Attended lift nets are allowed.

**27. OUACHITA** (Department Owned - 8,746 Acres, Region 2):

**Area Closed:** Oct. 20-21 to all EXCEPT Youth Hunters.

**Waterfowl Refuge:** North of LA Hwy. 15 closed to all hunting, fishing and trapping during duck season including early teal season.

**Deer:**

**Youth Deer Hunt Oct. 20-21,** either-sex.

**Either-sex:** Nov. 23-25, Daily Permit required.

**Bucks only:** Dec. 15-Jan. 1.

**Waterfowl:** South of LA Hwy. 15, same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Oct. 20-21, Nov. 23-25, EXCEPT for the Pintail Alley area. Hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Small Game:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Oct. 20-21, Nov. 23-25. Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 12-Feb. 28.** Snipe hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited during duck season.

**Raccoon (Nighttime):** Oct. 1-14, Oct. 27-Nov. 18, Jan. 19-Feb. 3. Permit required from Monroe Region Office.

**Crawfish:** April 1-May 31, 100 pounds per person per day limit. Night crawfishing prohibited. No traps or nets left overnight.

**Commercial Fishing:** Closed.

All nighttime activities prohibited EXCEPT as otherwise provided.

**28. PASS-A-LOUTRE** (Department Owned - 110,491 Acres, Region 8):

**Self-Clearing Permit required only when specified.**

**Waterfowl:** Same as outside.

**Deer:** Archery only, **Oct. 1-Jan. 31.** Either-sex, Self-Clearing Permit required from Pass-a-Loutre Headquarters.

**Small Game:** Same as outside. Beagles allowed only when archery season is closed.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28.**

**Commercial Fishing:** Same as outside. Commercial mullet fishing open only in: South Pass, Pass-a-Loutre, North Pass, Southeast Pass, Northeast Pass, Dennis Pass, Johnson Pass, Loomis Pass, Cadro Pass, Wright Pass, Viveats Pass, Cognevich Pass, Blind Bay, Redfish Bay, Garden Island Bay, Northshore Bay, East Bay (west of barrier islands) and oil and gas canals as described on the Department Pass-a-Loutre WMA Map.

Oyster harvesting is prohibited.

**ATVS, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited on this area.**

**29. PEARL RIVER** (Department Owned - 35,031 Acres, Region 7):

**Area Closed: Nov. 3-4** to all EXCEPT Youth Hunters.

**Deer:**

**Youth Deer Hunt: Nov. 3-4**, either-sex.

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-24.** Mandatory Deer Check.

**Bucks only: Nov. 25 and Dec. 8-30.** Mandatory Deer Check.

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-7, Dec. 31-Jan 13.** Either-sex.

**Small Game:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-24. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 12-Feb. 28. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 12-Feb. 10.

**Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited and EXCEPT no hunting in Waterfowl Refuge Area and EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-24, north of U.S. Hwy. 90.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Oct. 6-21 and Jan. 14-27.**

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct. 1-Feb. 28.

All roads closed 8 p.m. - 4:30 a.m. to all vehicles. Old Hwy. 11 will be closed when river gauge at Pearl River, Louisiana, reaches 16.5 feet. All hunting will be closed when the river stage at Pearl River reaches 16.5 feet EXCEPT waterfowl hunting south of Hwy. 90. No hunting in the vicinity of the Nature Trail. Observe "No Hunting" signs. Rifle range open noon until 4 p.m. Friday, and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday with a \$5.00 fee.

**30. PEASON RIDGE** (Owner - U.S. Army - 33,010 Acres, Region 5):

**Daily military clearance is required to hunt any game.** Registration for use of Self-Clearing Permit required once per year at Building #7654, North Fort Polk, telephone no. 1-888-718-3029 or (318) 531-5715 to obtain information on areas open for hunting. Either-Sex deer season daily permits available at daily permit stations. Trappers must also register at Building #7654 and use Self-Clearing system. Special federal regulations apply to ATV users. This information available where permits are issued. ([http://www.jrtc-polk.army.mil/fpk\\_hunt/](http://www.jrtc-polk.army.mil/fpk_hunt/)).

**Deer:**

**Bucks only: Nov. 3-Nov. 22.**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-25.**

**Either-sex: Dec. 15-16.**

**Bucks only: Dec. 17-21.**

**Either-sex: Dec. 22-23.**

**Bucks only: Dec. 24-Jan. 1.**

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-2**, either-sex. Special Permits available at Building #7654. A selected portion of the area to be open.

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-25, Dec. 15-16, Dec. 22-23. Waterfowl hunting prohibited after 2 p.m. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 5-Feb. 10.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct. 1-Jan. 4.

**31. POINTE-AUX-CHENES** (Department Owned - 32,885 Acres, Region 8):

**Self-Clearing Permit required only when specified.**

Hunting until 12 noon on ALL GAME EXCEPT for DOVE hunting and Experimental Youth Deer Hunt. Hunters must check out and exit no later than 2 p.m. when shooting hours end at 12 noon. Point Farm: (Gate will be open during each Saturday of the 2<sup>nd</sup> segment of dove season and all weekends during the month of Feb.). Parking in designated areas required. No motorized vessels allowed in the drainage ditches.

**Deer:**

**Experimental Lottery Youth Deer Hunt: Nov. 23-24.** Either-sex. Daily Permit. Afternoon hunting only. Point Farm Property only. See Youth Hunt Regulation or call New Iberia office, Fur and Refuge Division, at (337) 373-0032 for further details.

**Bucks only: Nov. 23-25, Dec. 8-9**, EXCEPT no gun hunting allowed on Point Farm property. Self-Clearing Permit required.

**Archery: Oct. 1-Jan. 31.** Self-Clearing Permit required.

**Dove:** Open only on each Saturday of the 2<sup>nd</sup> segment of the outside dove season on Point Farm Property. Shooting hours are from 12 noon until official sunset.

**Small Game:** Same as outside, EXCEPT rabbit hunting allowed only from Dec. 10-Feb. 28. Beagles may be used except during waterfowl seasons.

**Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT hunting after 12 noon prohibited. Experimental Lottery Handicapped Waterfowl Hunt. Contact New Iberia office, Fur and Refuge Division for details (337)-373-0032.

**Recreational Fishing:** Shrimp may be taken by the use of cast nets only. During the inside open shrimp season, 25 pounds per boat per day (heads on) maximum shall be permitted. Size count to conform with open season requirements. During the inside closed season, 10 pounds per boat per day (heads on) may be taken for bait. Oyster harvesting is prohibited. Fish may be taken by rod and reel or hand lines for recreational purposes

only. Crabs may be taken through the use of hand lines or nets; however, none are to remain set overnight. Twelve dozen crabs maximum are allowed per boat or vehicle per day. Crawfish may be harvested in unrestricted portions of the Wildlife Management Area and shall be limited to 100 pounds per boat or group. Fishing gear used to catch crawfish shall not remain set overnight. The harvest of all fish, shrimp, crabs and crawfish is for recreational purposes only and any commercial use is prohibited.

Mudboats or vessels with engines larger than 25 h.p. are prohibited in the Montegut and Grand Bayou marsh management units and all interior ditches and duck ponds on the WMA. Public is permitted to travel anytime through the WMA for access purposes only, in the waterways known as Grand Bayou, Humble Canal, Little Bayou Blue and Grand Bayou Blue. Vehicles are prohibited on Point Farm properties unless authorized by the Department.

**ATVS, ATCs, and motorcycles prohibited on this area.**

**32. POMME DE TERRE** (Department Owned - 6,434 Acres, Region 6):

**Deer:**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-24.** Daily permit.

**Bucks only: Nov. 25, Dec. 29-Jan. 6.**

**Muzzleloader: Jan. 7-13,** either-sex.

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-24. Beagles allowed for rabbit Jan. 14-Feb. 28. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 14-Feb. 10. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Commercial Fishing:** Permitted Monday through Friday EXCEPT closed during duck season. Commercial Fishing Permits available from area supervisor, Opelousas Region Office or Spring Bayou Headquarters.

**Sport Fishing:** Same as outside EXCEPT allowed only after 2 p.m. only during waterfowl season.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct. 1-Feb. 28.

**Crawfish:** April 1-July 31, recreational only, 100 pounds per boat or group daily.

Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

**33. RED RIVER** (Department Owned - 24,494 Acres; U.S. Corps of Engineers - 11,717 Acres, Region 4):

**Area Closed:** Nov. 3-4 to all EXCEPT Youth Hunters

**Deer:**

**Youth Deer Hunt: Nov. 3-4,** either-sex.

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-24.** Daily Permit.

**Bucks only: Nov. 25, Dec. 29-Jan. 6.**

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-2,** either-sex.

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-24, and EXCEPT no hunting in unharvested agricultural fields. Snipe, rail and gallinule hunting restricted on Yakey Wetland Development Area to those chosen in the pre-application lottery hunts. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. That portion known as the Yakey Farm is closed to all hunting from Nov. 5-Jan. 22, EXCEPT for hunters selected by pre-application lottery. Deadline for application is Sept. 21, 2001. Contact Region Office for details.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct. 1-Feb. 28.

Free-ranging livestock prohibited

Crawfishing prohibited on Yakey Farms wetland restoration projects.

**34. RUSSELL SAGE** (Department Owned - 17,122 Acres, Region 2):

**Deer:**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-25.** Daily permit.

**Bucks only: Dec. 15-Jan. 1.**

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-2,** either-sex.

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-25. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 12-Feb. 28. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 12-Feb. 10. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. Snipe hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited during duck season.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Oct. 1-14, Oct. 27-Nov. 18, Jan. 19-Feb. 3.** Permit required from Monroe Region Office.

**Crawfish:** 100 pounds per person per day limit.

Transporting trash or garbage on WMA roads is prohibited. All nighttime activities prohibited EXCEPT as otherwise provided.

**Note:** All season dates on Chauvin Tract (US 165 North) same as outside, EXCEPT still hunt only and EXCEPT deer hunting restricted to archery only. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. All vehicles including ATVs prohibited.

**35. SABINE** (Owner - International Paper Company, Boise-Cascade Co, Et Al - 13,706 Acres, Region 3):

**Area Closed:** Oct. 13-14, to all EXCEPT Youth Hunters.

**Deer:**

**Youth Deer Hunt: Oct. 13-14,** either-sex.

**Either-sex: Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-25.**

**Bucks only: Nov. 5-Nov. 21.**

**Muzzleloader: Oct. 27-28, Dec. 1-2,** either-sex.

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT

CLOSED Oct. 13-14, Nov. 3-4. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 12-Feb. 28 and squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 12-Feb. 10. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Raccoon (Nighttime):** Jan. 12-27.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct. 1-Feb. 28.

**36. SABINE ISLAND** (Owner - State of Louisiana and Calcasieu Parish School Board - 8,103 Acres, Region 5):

**Self-clearing permits required for hunters only.**

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 5-Feb. 10.

**Deer:** Same as Area 2 Deer Season EXCEPT still hunt only.

**Raccoon (Nighttime):** Jan. 12-Feb. 10. Permit required from Lake Charles Region Office.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct. 1-Feb. 28.

Sabine Island boundaries are Sabine River on the west, Cut-Off Bayou on the north, and Old River and Big Bayou on the south and east.

**37. SALVADOR/TIMKEN** (Department Owned - 32,617 Acres, Region 8):

**Self-Clearing Permit required only when specified.** Hunting until 12 noon only for all game. Hunters must check out and exit no later than 2 p.m. All nighttime activities prohibited, including frogging.

**Area Closed:** Oct. 20-21, to all hunters EXCEPT Youth Hunters.

**Deer:** Self-Clearing Permits required for all deer hunting.

**Youth Deer Hunt:** Oct. 20-21, either-sex. See Youth Deer Hunt regulations.

**Either-sex:** Nov. 23-25.

**Bucks only:** Dec. 8-16.

**Muzzleloader:** Dec. 1-2, either-sex.

**Archery:** Oct. 1-Jan. 31.

**Small Game:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Oct. 20-21, Nov. 23-25, and EXCEPT beagles prohibited during duck season and gun hunts for deer. Steel shot required for Gallinule.

**Waterfowl:** Same as outside.

**Recreational Fishing:**

Shrimp may be taken by the use of cast nets only. During the inside open shrimp season, 25 pounds per boat per day (heads on) maximum shall be permitted. Size count to conform with open season requirements. During the inside closed season, 10 pounds per boat per day (heads on) maximum may be taken for bait. Fish may be

taken by rod and reel or hand lines for recreational purposes. Crabs may be taken through the use of hand lines or nets; however, none are to remain set overnight. Twelve dozen crabs maximum are allowed per boat or vehicle per day. Crawfish may be harvested in unrestricted portions of the Wildlife Management Area and shall be limited to 100 pounds per boat or group. Fishing gear used to catch crawfish shall not remain set overnight. The harvest of all fish, shrimp, crabs and crawfish are for recreational purposes only and any commercial use is prohibited. Boats powered by internal combustion engines having horsepower ratings above 25 h.p. are permitted only in oil company access canals, Louisiana Cypress Canal, the Netherlands Pond including the West Canal, Lakes "Baie Des Chactas" and Baie Du Cabanage" and the Rathborne Access ditch. Operation of the above described internal combustion engines in interior ditches is prohibited except by experimental permit to be obtained from the New Orleans Office, Fur & Refuge Division, Room 217. Pulling boats over levees, dams or water control structures or any other activities which cause detriment to the integrity of levees, dams and water control structures is prohibited. Special Use Permits may be issued for persons interested in clearing existing ditches (trenasses). Permits will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Contact Pointe-aux-Chenes at (504) 594-5494.

**ATVS, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited on this area.**

**38. SANDY HOLLOW** (Department Owned - 3,515 Acres, Region 7):

**No hunting with any firearm south of Jackson Road, except the school board tract, on days of scheduled field trials. Dates of field trials are listed on the check stations or can be obtained from the Region 7 office (225-765-2360).**

**Deer:**

**Either-sex:** Nov. 23-25.

**Bucks only:** Dec. 8-16.

**Muzzleloader:** Dec. 17-23. Either-sex.

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-25. Beagles allowed for rabbit hunting Jan. 12-Feb. 28, except quail closes Jan. 31. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Raccoon:** Jan. 12-27.

**Dove:** Sept. 1 and Sept. 8-9 only of first split. Closed remainder of 1<sup>st</sup> split, second and third splits are same as outside EXCEPT Youth Hunt on Northern tract during the opening day of the first segment (Sept. 1). Hunt restricted to youths younger than

16 years of age and supervising adult who must be 18 years of age or older. The supervising adult must maintain visual and voice contact with the youth at all times.

**Bird Dog Training:** Sept. 6-Nov. 14 and Feb. 1-Mar. 2 EXCEPT restricted to that portion south of LA Hwy. 10 only and EXCEPT blank pistols only. Wild birds only (use of pen-raised birds prohibited).

**Bird Dog Field Trials:** Permit required from Baton Rouge Region Office.

**Horseback Riding:** Organized trail rides prohibited. Horses and mules are specifically prohibited during turkey and gun season for deer EXCEPT as allowed for bird dog field trials. No horses and mules on green planted areas.

No motorized vehicles off designated roads.

Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

**39. SHERBURNE** (Department Owned - 11,780 Acres; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - 15,220 Acres; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers - 16,618 Acres, Region 6):

The area known as the South Farm is located on the East Side of Sherburne WMA. No hunting will be allowed EXCEPT waterfowl hunting within the levee system of the farm from the day after the Youth Deer Hunt until the day after waterfowl season closes including the Youth Waterfowl Hunt. Waterfowl hunting will be allowed by lottery only. Hunting will be allowed in the wooded portions east of the waterfowl impoundments. Consult the WMA maps for exact locations.

**Area Closed:** Nov. 3-4 EXCEPT to Youth and Handicapped hunters.

**Deer:**

**Youth and Handicapped Deer Hunt:** Nov. 3-4. either-sex, ALL OTHER SEASONS CLOSED. Permits for handicapped hunters must be obtained from Region Offices. Youth and Handicapped Permits must be obtained daily from WMA Permit Stations.

**Either-sex:** Nov. 23-25, Dec. 1-2, Daily Permit.

**Bucks only:** Dec. 29-Jan. 6.

**Muzzleloader:** Jan. 7-Jan. 13, either-sex.

**Squirrel & Rabbit:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-25, Dec. 1-2. Beagles allowed for rabbits Jan. 14-Feb. 28. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 14-Feb. 10.

**Waterfowl, Snipe, Rail, & Gallinules:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-25, Dec. 1-2 (excluding the South Farm Complex) and EXCEPT hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited EXCEPT no hunting in Waterfowl Refuge and EXCEPT steel shot only on waterfowl impoundments. That portion of Sherburne WMA known as the South

Farm restricted to Lottery hunts only. All other hunting closed on South Farm complex Nov. 6-Jan. 23. Contact the Region Office for details and description of "South Farm."

**Woodcock and Dove:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-25, Dec. 1-2.

**Quail:** CLOSED

**Raccoon (Nighttime):** Jan. 14-27. Permit required from WMA Headquarters or Opelousas Office.

**Crawfishing:** April 1-July 31, Recreational crawfishing only on the North and South Farm Complexes. Crawfish harvest limited to 100 pounds per vehicle or boat per day. No traps or nets left overnight. No motorized water craft allowed on farm complex. Commercial crawfishing allowed on the remainder of the area. Permit is required.

Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

Retriever training allowed on selected portions of the WMA. Contact the Region office for specific details.

Vehicular traffic prohibited on East Atchafalaya River levee within Sherburne WMA boundaries.

Rifle and Pistol Range open daily. Skeet ranges open by appointment only, contact Hunter Education Office, telephone (225) 765-2931. No trespassing in restricted areas behind ranges.

**Note:** Atchafalaya National Wildlife Refuge and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers land holdings adjacent to the Sherburne Wildlife Management Area will have the same rules and regulations as Sherburne WMA. No hunting or trapping in restricted area.

**40. SICILY ISLAND HILLS** (Department Owned - 7,504 Acres, Region 4):

**Deer:**

**Either-sex:** Nov. 23-24. Daily Permit.

**Bucks only:** Nov. 25, Dec. 15-23.

**Muzzleloader:** Dec. 1-2, either-sex.

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-24, and EXCEPT waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from Oct. 1-Feb. 28.

Firearms and any game harvested may not be transported through the area EXCEPT during the corresponding open season on area.

Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

**41. SODA LAKE** (Caddo Levee District - 1,300 Acres, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers-1,200 Acres, Region 1):

**Note:** Due to the addition of new acreage the management plan for Soda Lake WMA is being developed. Contact the Minden Region 1 Office (318) 371-3050 for possible changes in the regulations and

maps. Acreage east of Twelve Mile Bayou is closed to all activities until further notice.

No motorized vehicles allowed. Bicycles allowed. Vehicle parking allowed only in designated parking area on La. Hwy. 173 at Twelve Mile Bayou. All trapping and hunting prohibited EXCEPT archery hunting for deer.

**Deer: Archery only, Oct. 1-Jan. 31.**

**Sport Fishing: Apr. 1-Aug. 31.**

**42. SPRING BAYOU** (Department Owned - 12,506 Acres, Region 6):

**Area Closed: Nov. 3-4, EXCEPT to Youth Hunters.**

**Deer:**

**Youth Deer Hunt: Nov. 3-4, either-sex.**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-24. Daily permit.**

**Bucks only: Nov. 25, Dec. 29-Jan 6.**

**Muzzleloader: Jan. 7-13, either-sex.**

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-24, EXCEPT waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited and EXCEPT no hunting in Refuge area during duck season. Beagles allowed for rabbits, **Jan. 14-Feb. 28.**

**Commercial Fishing:** Permitted Monday through Friday EXCEPT slat traps and hoop nets permitted any day. Permits available from area supervisor or Opelousas Region Office. Closed until after 2 p.m. during waterfowl season.

**Sport Fishing:** Same as outside EXCEPT allowed after 2 p.m. during waterfowl season.

**Crawfishing: April 1-July 31, Recreational only, 100 pounds per person or group daily.**

No hunting allowed in Headquarters area.

Only overnight campers allowed in the improved Boggy Bayou Camping area. Rules and Regulations posted at campsite. A fee is assessed for use of this campsite. Water skiing permitted only in Old River and Grand Lac.

**43. THISTLETHWAITE** (Owner - Thistlethwaite Heirs - 11,100 Acres, Region 6):

**Deer:**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-25. Daily permit.**

**Bucks only: Dec. 1-9.**

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 17-23, either-sex.**

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-25 and EXCEPT waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28.**

No hunting or trapping in restricted area (See WMA map). All motorized vehicles restricted to improved roads only. All users must enter and leave through Main Gate only. No entry into restricted areas.

**44. THREE RIVERS** (Department Owned - 26,205 Acres; Office of State Lands-835 Acres, U.S. Corps of Engineers - 1,085 Acres, Region 4):

**Deer:**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-24, Daily Permit.**

**Bucks only: Nov. 25, Dec. 29-Jan. 6.**

**Muzzleloader: Dec. 1-2, either-sex.**

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 23-24. Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 12-Feb. 28.** Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. is prohibited.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Jan. 12-27.**

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28.**

Free-ranging livestock prohibited in area.

**45. TUNICA HILLS** (Department Owned - 5,358 Acres, Region 7):

**Deer:**

**Muzzleloader: Nov. 23-Dec. 2, either-sex.**

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED **Nov. 23-Dec. 2** and waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. All handguns and .22 caliber rifles prohibited north of Hwy. 66 (Angola Tract).

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28.**

All vehicles restricted to Parish roads. ATVs restricted to designated trails. Driving on food plots prohibited. Access to restricted areas is unauthorized. Refer to WMA map. Camping prohibited on area.

North of Hwy. 66 (Angola Tract) closed to the general public March 1-September 30 EXCEPT spring turkey hunting access allowed for those individuals drawn for special lottery hunt.

**46. UNION** (Owner - Plum Creek Timber Co., Louisiana Correctional Facilities Corp., et al - 12,852 Acres, Region 2):

**Deer:**

**Lottery Hunt: Oct. 27-28** either sex. Restricted to those selected as a result of the pre-application lottery. Hunters must check in at the check station on Tennessee Rd. to have permit validated.

**Either-sex: Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, Dec. 1-2, 8-9.** Daily Permit required.

**Small Game and Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED Nov. 3-4, 10-11, 17-18, **Dec. 1-2, 8-9.** Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 12-Feb. 28.** Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed hunters from **Oct. 1-Feb. 28.**

All nighttime activities prohibited EXCEPT as otherwise provided.

**47. WEST BAY** (Owner - Boise-Cascade Co., Louisiana Pacific Corp., et al - 63,511 Acres, Region 5):

**Area Closed: Oct. 20-21**, to all EXCEPT youth and handicapped hunters.

**Deer:**

**Special Deer Season for Youth & Handicapped Hunters: Oct. 20-21**, for handicapped and youth hunters only. Permit for handicapped hunters must be obtained in advance from the Region Office and Daily Permit also required. Youth Permits must be obtained from the Wolf Bay Camping Area Permit Station on Hwy. 112.

**Either-sex: Nov. 3-4**, Daily Permit required.

**Bucks only: Nov. 5-22.**

**Either-sex: Nov. 23-25.**

**Muzzleloader: Nov. 26-Dec. 2**, either-sex.

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT CLOSED **Oct. 20-21**, **Nov. 3-4**, **Nov. 23-25**. Beagles allowed for rabbits **Jan. 12-Feb. 28**. Squirrel hunting with dogs allowed **Jan. 5-Feb. 10**. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Raccoon (Nighttime): Jan. 12-Feb. 10**, permit required from Lake Charles Region Office.

**Road Travel and Hunting Restrictions:** All motorized vehicles restricted to designated roads. Refer to WMA map for location of designated roads. Hunting prohibited on roads designated for motorized vehicular travel.

**48. WISNER** (Owner - Edward Wisner Donation Advisory Committee - 15,000 Acres, Region 8):

**Self-Clearing Permit not required.**

**Small Game & Waterfowl:** Same as outside EXCEPT rabbit season closed during open waterfowl season. Beagles allowed during closed waterfowl season.

**KISATCHIE NATIONAL FOREST  
Catahoula and Winn Ranger Districts**

**Deer:**

- Oct. 27-28, either-sex, muzzleloader.
- Nov. 3-4, either-sex, still hunt only.
- Nov. 5-12, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Nov. 17-22, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Nov. 23, either-sex, still hunt only.
- Nov. 24-25, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Dec. 8, either-sex, with or without dogs.
- Dec. 9, bucks only, with or without dogs.
- Dec. 22-23, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Dec. 24-Jan. 1, bucks only, with or without dogs.

**KISATCHIE RANGER DISTRICT  
Natchitoches Parish and Evangeline Unit of  
the Calcasieu Ranger District, Rapides Parish**

**Deer:**

- Oct. 27-28, either-sex, muzzleloader.
- Nov. 3-4, either-sex, still hunt only.
- Nov. 5-12, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Nov. 17-22, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Nov. 23, either-sex, still hunt only.
- Nov. 24-25, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Dec. 8-9, bucks only, with or without dogs.
- Dec. 28-Jan. 1, bucks only, with or without dogs.

National Forest lands within the Evangeline Unit, Calcasieu Ranger District, described in still hunt only area shall be still hunt only.

**VERNON UNIT OF THE CALCASIEU  
RANGER DISTRICT, VERNON PARISH  
Excluding Fort Polk WMA**

**Deer:**

- Oct. 27-28, either-sex, muzzleloader.
- Nov. 3-4, either-sex, still hunt only.
- Nov. 5-12, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Nov. 17-22, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Nov. 23, either-sex, still hunt only.
- Nov. 24-25, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Dec. 8-9, bucks only, still hunt only.
- Dec. 28-Jan. 1, bucks only, still hunt only.

**CANEY RANGER DISTRICT, WEBSTER AND  
CLAIBORNE PARISHES**

**Deer:** Same as outside (Area 2) EXCEPT still hunt only.\*See Area 2 for either-sex dates in Webster and Claiborne Parishes.

**OTHER SEASONS ON KISATCHIE  
NATIONAL FOREST**

**All Other Small Game:** Same as outside.  
**Unmarked Hogs:** May be taken by properly licensed

hunters while hunting and only with guns or bow and arrow legal for specified seasons in progress. The placing of seed, corn, wheat, salt or other feed to constitute a lure or enticement for any species including hogs is prohibited on National Forest Lands, EXCEPT by Special Permit issued by the U.S. Forest Service. Hunting over such feed is prohibited on all National Forest lands.

Moving deer or hogs with organized drivers and standers, drivers or making use of noise or noise-making devices is prohibited.

Raccoons and opossums may be taken during daylight or nighttime from Oct. 6-Feb. 28 only. A licensed hunter may take raccoon or opossum, one per person per day, EXCEPT during the trapping season when there shall be no limit.

**NATIONAL CATAHOULA WILDLIFE  
MANAGEMENT PRESERVE**

(Owner - Kisatchie National Forest - 36,000 Acres in Grant and Winn Parishes):

Season Permit required from Forest Supervisors Office in addition to Daily Permits required as indicated below:

**Deer:**

Oct. 13-14, either-sex, special youth hunt, Daily Permit. Also, either-sex, special season for physically challenged hunters with a LDWF Physically Challenged Hunt Permit, Daily Permit.

- Oct. 27-28, either-sex, muzzleloader.
- Nov. 3-4, either-sex, still hunt only, Daily Permit.
- Nov. 23, either-sex, still hunt only, Daily Permit.
- Nov. 24-25, bucks only, still hunt only, Daily Permit.

**Rabbit:** Same as outside EXCEPT beagles allowed for rabbit Jan. 12-Feb. 28 only. Only beagle hounds which do not exceed 15 inches at the front shoulder and which have recognizable characteristics of the breed may be used on the Wildlife Management Preserve.

**Squirrel:** Same as outside EXCEPT squirrel hunting with dogs allowed Jan. 12-Feb. 10.

**Raccoon (Nighttime):** Dogs allowed Jan. 12-29.

**All Other Game:** Consult Regulations Pamphlet issued by Kisatchie National Forest.

**NATIONAL RED DIRT WILDLIFE  
MANAGEMENT PRESERVE**

(Owner - Kisatchie National Forest - 38,000 Acres in Natchitoches Parish):

Season Permit required from Forest Supervisors Office in addition to Daily Permits required as indicated below:

**Deer:**

Oct. 13-14, either-sex, special youth hunt, Daily

Permit. Also, either-sex, special season for physically challenged hunters with a LDWF Physically Challenged Hunt Permit, Daily Permit.

**Oct. 27-28**, either-sex, muzzleloader.

**Nov. 3-4**, either-sex, still hunt only, Daily Permit.

**Nov. 23**, either-sex, still hunt only, Daily Permit.

**Nov. 24-25**, bucks only, still hunt only, Daily Permit.

**Rabbit:** Same as outside EXCEPT beagles allowed for rabbit **Jan. 12-Feb. 28**, only. Only beagle hounds which do not exceed 15 inches at the front shoulder and which have recognizable characteristics of the breed may be used on the Wildlife Management Preserve.

**Squirrel:** Same as outside EXCEPT squirrel hunting with dogs allowed **Jan. 12- Feb. 10**.

**Raccoon (Nighttime):** Dogs allowed **Jan. 12-Feb. 10**.

**All Other Game:** Consult Regulations Pamphlet issued by Kisatchie National Forest.

To obtain permits and information contact: Forest Supervisor's Office, 2500 Shreveport Hwy., Pineville, LA 71360, telephone (318) 473-7160. Office hours 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

#### **CORPS OF ENGINEERS - INDIAN BAYOU AREA (18,000 Acres within St. Landry Parish):**

Annual Hunting Permit required. Permits may be obtained from Corps of Engineers Headquarters, 112 Speck Lane, Port Barre, LA 70577, telephone (337) 585-0854 or 585-0853 for more information.

All hunting shall be still hunting only, EXCEPT as otherwise specified.

**Area Closed:** **Nov. 3-4**, EXCEPT to youth and handicapped hunters.

#### **Youth & Handicapped Hunters Deer Hunt:**

**Nov. 3-4**, either-sex. ALL OTHER SEASONS CLOSED.

**All Other Deer Hunting:** Self-Clearing Deer Tag Required. Daily Limit-1 Deer; Yearly Limit-4 Deer (2 Does; 2 Bucks, 6-Points or better) EXCEPT spikes less than 3 inches legal on either-sex days ONLY.

#### **Deer:**

**Nov. 23-25**, either-sex.

**Dec. 1-2**, either-sex.

**Dec. 29-Jan. 6**, bucks only.

**Muzzleloader:** **Nov. 10-16**, either-sex.

**Jan. 21-27**, bucks only.

**Archery:** **Oct. 1-Jan. 31**.

**Small Game:** Same as outside EXCEPT closed during either-sex modern firearm hunts for deer. Dogs allowed for squirrels and rabbits **Jan. 12-Jan. 20** and **Jan. 28-Feb. 10**. Dogs allowed for rabbits **Feb. 11-Feb. 28**.

**Waterfowl, Snipe, Rail & Gallinule:** Same as outside EXCEPT closed during either-sex modern firearm hunts for deer and hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited.

**Raccoon (Nighttime):** Same as outside EXCEPT closed during gun hunts for deer. Additional Permit required for night hunting.

**Crawfishing:** **Feb. 1-Aug. 31** Additional Permit required, available **Jan. 1**.

**Dove and Woodcock:** Same as outside EXCEPT closed during either-sex modern firearm hunts for deer.

**Quail:** Closed.



# United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE  
Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve  
365 Canal Street, Suite 2400  
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REPLY REFER TO:

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N1615 (JELA)

James H. Jenkins Jr., Secretary  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
P.O. Box 98000  
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70898-9000

Re: 2001-2002 Hunting Seasons

Dear Secretary Jenkins:

Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve proposes the following dates for its 2001-2002 hunting seasons within the Barataria Preserve in Jefferson Parish, Area 6:

Deer (and Eurasian Wild Boar, either sex)

*Archery*

October 13 - December 16, 2001  
December 29, 2001 - January 20, 2002

Either Sex

October 13 - November 18, 2001  
December 8 - December 9, 2001

*Still Hunt (shotgun only)*

November 17 - December 2, 2001  
December 8 - December 16, 2001  
December 29, 2001 - January 20, 2002

Either Sex

November 17 - November 18, 2001  
December 8 - December 9, 2001

Small Game

October 15 - December 16, 2001  
December 29, 2001 - January 20, 2002

Waterfowl

The Preserve will be closed to all waterfowl hunting again this year.

**Special Conditions**

- a. Hunting activities will begin one-half hour before sunrise and close at 12:00 p.m. daily.
- b. The hunting program will again include a daily permitting system. Each participant will be required to have a National Park Service permit.
- c. The enclosed map illustrates the areas open to hunting. Total acreage open to hunting is the same as last year, approximately 4,800 acres. Certain areas of the Preserve are closed to hunting based on public safety and conflict with other public use.
- d. The Preserve will continue to enforce all applicable State laws, and Jefferson Parish ordinances prohibiting the use of rifles. Hunting in the Preserve will be by primitive weapons or shotguns only.

As in the past, seasons within the preserve track dates of the State season.

We have enclosed for your perusal a copy of the 2000 - 2001 Barataria Preserve hunting brochure and map.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call David Muth, Chief of Resource Management, at (504) 589-3882, extension 128.

Sincerely,



*fr* Geraldine Smith  
Superintendent

Enclosure

cc: David Moreland, Deer Study Leader, Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

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**SABINE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE  
2001 - 2002 PROPOSED HUNTING REGULATIONS**

<b>SPECIES:</b>	Early Teal (September)
<b>TYPE HUNT:</b>	General Gun
<b>SEASON:</b>	Morning until noon on Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday during the Louisiana season for the Western Zone
<b>BAG LIMIT:</b>	Same as State
<b>PERMITS:</b>	Hunting regulations serve as permit
<b>SIGNIFICANT CHANGES:</b>	None

<b>SPECIES:</b>	Waterfowl (Ducks, Coots, and Geese)
<b>TYPE HUNT:</b>	General Gun
<b>SEASON:</b>	Morning until noon on Wednesday, Saturday, and Sunday during the Louisiana season for the Western Zone
<b>BAG LIMIT:</b>	Same as State
<b>PERMITS:</b>	Hunting regulations serve as permit
<b>SIGNIFICANT CHANGES:</b>	None

<b>SPECIES:</b>	Waterfowl (Ducks, Coots, and Geese)
<b>TYPE HUNT:</b>	Youth Hunt Only
<b>SEASON:</b>	Same as State
<b>BAG LIMIT:</b>	Same as State
<b>PERMITS:</b>	Hunting regulations serve as permit
<b>SIGNIFICANT CHANGES:</b>	None

*Deer Hunts? Need pop. data*

CATAHOULA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE  
Proposed Hunts for 2001-2002

Species: Squirrel (rabbit, raccoon, unmarked hog incidental)  
Type Hunt: Gun (.22 rifle or shotgun w/non-toxic shot)  
Season: First day of State season through October 31  
Bag Limit: State Regulations  
Permits: Refuge permit and daily bag and report required  
Proposed Changes: None

Species: Rabbit w/dogs (squirrel, raccoon, unmarked hog incidental)  
Type Hunt: Firearm (non-toxic shot)  
Season: Close of waterfowl hunting season through February 28  
Bag Limit: State Regulations  
Permits: Refuge permit and daily bag report required  
Proposed Changes: None

Species: Deer (squirrel, rabbit, raccoon, unmarked hog incidental)  
Type Hunt: Archery  
Season: State Season  
Bag Limit: State Regulations (either-sex)  
Permits: Refuge permit and daily bag report required  
Proposed Changes: None

Species: Deer  
Type Hunt: Firearm  
Season: November 23 & 24, 2001  
Bag Limit: State Regulations - either-sex  
Permits: Dewey Wills WMA permit required  
Proposed Changes: None

**D'ARBONNE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE**  
**2001 - 2002 Hunting Seasons/Regulations**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Season Dates</u>	<u>Regulation Changes</u>
Duck, Coot	State Season	None
Quail, Woodcock	State Season	None
Raccoon, Opossum	Dec. 1-31, 2001	None
Deer Archery	State Season	None
Deer Gun	Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-25, Dec. 1-2	Add 3 days
Restricted Gun	Nov. 17-18	LDWF Class 1 Physically Challenged Hunter's Permit Required
Feral Hogs, Coyotes, Beaver	All Refuge Hunts	None

**BLACK BAYOU LAKE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE  
2001 - 2002 Hunting Seasons/Regulations \***

<u>Type</u>	<u>Season Dates</u>	<u>Specific Regulations</u>
Duck, Coot	State season; closed during special teal season	Hunting until noon in designated area; recognized breeds of retrievers may be used; construction of and/or hunting from permanent blinds is prohibited; boats, blinds, and decoys may not be left unattended.
Quail, Woodcock	State season	Hunting in designated area only; recognized breeds of bird dogs may be used.
Squirrel, Rabbit	State season	Hunting in designated area only; dogs may be used after refuge archery deer hunt.
Raccoon, Opossum	January 1-31, 2002 for night hunting; may be taken during daylight hours of rabbit and squirrel season.	Hunting in designated area only; elevated levels of mercury have been found in area raccoons. It is recommended that they not be eaten. Raccoons may not be sold for human consumption.
Coyotes, Beaver	All refuge hunts	Hunting in designated area only; no bag limit; may be taken with weapons Legal for particular season.
Deer Archery	November 1, 2001 - December 31, 2001	Hunting in designated area only; possession or use of pods prohibited; all archery hunters must possess proof of completion of International Bowhunters Education Program; limit 1 deer per day; either sex

**Deer Gun Hunting - Closed**

\*New Refuge Opening Dependent on Ability to Manage LDWF Tracts as Part of the Refuge Until Land Exchange Occurs.

**UPPER OUACHITA NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE  
2001 - 2002 Hunting Seasons/Regulations**

<u>Type</u>	<u>Season Dates</u>	<u>Regulation Changes</u>
Mourning Doves	Sept. 1-3, 2001	Initiate Experimental Season. <sup>noon</sup> Shooting hours <del>one-half hour before</del> <del>sunrise</del> to sunset EXCEPT on Sept. 1-2 when shooting hours will be 12 noon to sunset. STEEL SHOT or approved substitute is required for taking this species. Hunting ONLY in areas of Mollicy Unit outside levee.
Teal	State Season	None
Squirrel, Rabbit	State Season	None
Duck, Goose, Coot	State Season	None
Youth Waterfowl	Sat. of State Season	Initiate Experimental Limited Youth Hunt, 15 hunters chosen from drawing at Hunting & Fishing Day. One youth and one guide per blind. Proof of hunter education required.
Quail, Woodcock	State Season	None
Raccoon, Opossum	Dec. 1-31, 2001	None.
Deer Archery	State Season	None
Deer Gun	Nov. 3-4, Nov. 23-25, Dec. 1-2	Subtract 6 days from Experimental Season Expansion
Feral Hogs, Coyotes, Beaver	All Refuge Hunts	None

Proposed Hunt dates for Southeast Louisiana Refuges. Significant changes from previous season:

Addition of Primitive weapon hunt at Bogue Chitto NWR.

Addition of dog hunting for squirrel and rabbit during first week of November at Bogue Chitto NWR.

Addition of nutria during other hunts at Big Branch Marsh and Delta NWR's.

**Proposed Hunt Dates: Bogue Chitto NWR (Louisiana) 2001-2002**

Deer: Archery--October 1-31 (either sex), January 1-13 (either sex)

Deer: General Gun Hunt--November 23-24 (either sex), November 17-22, December 15-23 (Bucks only)

Still hunt only, no dogs permitted during refuge deer hunts.

Deer: Primitive Weapon - December 1-7 (either sex) *Van Conrader w/ Plain Kim*

Squirrel: State Season - no dogs.

May be taken with the aid of dogs from November 1-9 and after the close of the state deer season. Non-toxic shot only.

Rabbit: State Season - no dogs.

May be taken with the aid of dogs from November 1-9 and after the close of the state deer season. Non-toxic shot only.

Raccoon: January 14 - February 28 (with dogs)

Turkey: State season (gobblers only)

Waterfowl: State season until noon

Woodcock: State season. Non-toxic shot only - recognized breeds of setter/retriever only.

Hogs: May be taken only during the refuge deer archery and general gun hunts. Additionally: from January 14 - February 28, hogs may be taken only with the aid of dogs during daylight hours only. All hogs must be killed prior to removal from the refuge.

Possession of lead shot during refuge small game hunts is prohibited.

Recommended By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Refuge Manager Date

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_  
District Manager, USFWS (RF-1) Date

Concurrence By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Date

**Proposed Hunt Dates: Big Branch Marsh NWR 2001-2002**

Deer: Archery--State season

Waterfowl: Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday until noon during the state duck season, includes special teal hunt and youth waterfowl hunt.

Additionally: The first three weekends of the regular state duck season will be a lottery draw hunt. A total of 150 draw permits will be issued for each weekend of this period.

Squirrel: State Season - no dogs, except may be taken with the aid of dogs after the close of the state deer season. Shotguns only, non-toxic shot only, shot size #4 or smaller.

Rabbit: State Season - no dogs, except may be taken with the aid of dogs after the close of the state deer season. Shotguns only, non-toxic shot only, shot size #4 or smaller.

Gallinules & Rails: State Season. Non-toxic shot only, shot size #4 or smaller.

Snipe & Woodcock: State Season. Non-toxic shot only, shot size #4 or smaller - recognized breeds of setter/retriever only.

Quail: State season. Non-toxic shot only, shot size #4 or smaller - recognized breeds of setter/retriever only.

Hogs: May be taken only during the refuge archery hunt with archery equipment

*ew* Nutria: May be taken during any refuge hunt with weapons and ammunition legal for that hunt.

Possession of lead shot during all refuge hunts is prohibited.

Recommended By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Refuge Manager Date

Approved By: \_\_\_\_\_  
District Manager, USFWS (RF-1) Date

Concurrence By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Date

**Proposed Hunt Dates: Delta NWR 2001-2002**

Deer: Archery—October 1-31 (either sex) and from the day after the close of the state duck season through January 31.

Waterfowl: Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday until noon during the state duck seasons, includes special teal hunt and youth waterfowl hunt.

Additionally: The refuge shall be open on Wednesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday until noon during the 'light goose' special conservation season.

Rabbit: From the day after the state duck season closes through February 28. Shotguns only, nontoxic shot only.

Hogs: May be taken during the deer archery hunt.

Nutria: May be taken during any refuge hunt with weapons and ammunition legal for that hunt.

Possession of lead shot during all refuge hunts is prohibited.

**Recommended By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Refuge Manager Date

**Approved By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
District Manager, USFWS (RF-1) Date

**Concurrence By:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries Date

**LACASSINE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE  
PROPOSED HUNT REGULATIONS FOR 2001/2002 SEASON**

**Migratory Game Birds**

<b>Species:</b>	Waterfowl and gallinules
<b>Type Hunt:</b>	General gun.
<b>Waterfowl Season:</b>	Mornings until noon on Wednesday through Sunday during State duck seasons (including early teal and youth hunt) for western zone.
<b>Gallinule Season:</b>	Mornings until noon on Wednesday through Sunday during State duck seasons until end of State gallinule season (including early teal and youth hunt) for western zone.
<b>Bag Limit:</b>	Same as state bag limits.
<b>Permits:</b>	Free hunt brochure serves as permit when signed, dated, and in hunter's possession.
<b>Significant Changes:</b>	None.

*Hunting of geese, ducks, coots, and gallinules is permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:*

1. Hunting is permitted Wednesday through Sunday.
2. Hunting ends at noon each day.
3. Hunters may not enter the hunting area before 4 am.
4. Hunting is not permitted within 50 yards of a canal or waterway.
5. Hunters must use and be in possession only of shells containing Federally approved non-toxic shot and firearms legal for hunting waterfowl.
6. Only portable blinds are permitted. Blinds must be spaced a minimum of 150 yards apart.
7. Decoys may not be set to attract waterfowl after noon each day.
8. Decoys and blinds must be removed from the refuge by the last day of each season and each split of a split season.
9. Hunting is not permitted during the goose-only portion of the waterfowl season.
10. Motorized boats may be used only in canals and bayous. Access into the marsh and ponds is permitted by walking, poling, paddling or rowing.
11. Hunters may scout in the hunting area from one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset during the week prior to each season.

**LACASSINE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE  
PROPOSED HUNT REGULATIONS FOR 2001/2002 SEASON**

**Big Game**

<b>Species:</b>	Deer, either sex.
<b>Type Hunt:</b>	Archery.
<b>Season:</b>	October 1 through 31.
<b>Bag Limit:</b>	One deer of either sex per day.
<b>Permits:</b>	Free hunt brochure serves as permit when signed, dated, and in hunter's possession.
<b>Significant Changes:</b>	None

*Hunting of white-tailed deer is permitted on designated areas of the refuge subject to the following conditions:*

1. Hunting is permitted from October 1 through October 31.
2. Only archery hunting is permitted.
3. Permanent deer stands not permitted. Portable stands must be removed by October 31.
4. No person may possess or distribute bait or hunt over bait.
5. No firearms allowed.
6. Hunters may scout from one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset prior to the season.
7. All boats are prohibited in Lacassine Pool and Unit A after October 15. The following boat access restrictions apply: Lacassine Pool - boats with motors of 25 h.p. or less from Oct. 1 - 15; Unit A - boats without motors from Oct. 1 - 15; Canals and Bayous outside Lacassine Pool - no limitation on motors Oct. 1 - 31; and Marshes outside Lacassine Pool - boats without motors Oct. 1 - 31.

## Tensas River National Wildlife Refuge 2001-2002 Proposed Hunt Schedule

**Species:** Small Game (Squirrel and Rabbit **without** dogs)  
**Type Hunt:** General Gun  
**Season:** October 6 - February 11, 2002 (**closed during gun deer hunts**)  
**Bag Limit:** State limits apply  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Small Game (Squirrel and Rabbit **with or without** dogs)  
**Type Hunt:** General Gun  
**Season:** December 10 - February 10, 2002  
**Bag Limit:** State limits apply  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Deer  
**Type Hunt:** Archery; either sex  
**Season:** October 27, 2001 - January 31, 2002 (**closed during gun deer hunts**)  
**Bag Limit:** State limits apply  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Deer  
**Type Hunt:** Youth; General Gun; either-sex  
**Season:** November 3-4, 2001  
**Bag Limit:** One deer per day  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure and Proof of Hunter Education  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Deer  
**Type Hunt:** Limited Youth; General Gun; either-sex  
**Season:** November 3-4, 2001  
**Bag Limit:** One deer per day  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure and Proof of Hunter Education  
**Significant Changes:** Coincides with regular youth hunt to create additional hunting opportunities and assist deer population control efforts in closed area.

**Species:** Deer  
**Type Hunt:** Limited Youth; General Gun; antlerless only  
**Season:** December 1-2, 2001  
**Bag Limit:** One deer  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure and Proof of Hunter Education  
**Significant Changes:** New hunt - Assist with deer population control efforts.

**Species:** Deer  
**Type Hunt:** General Gun - 1  
**Season:** November 23-24, 2001  
**Bag Limit:** One deer per day  
**Permit:** Limited Permit Hunt (Lottery)  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Deer  
**Type Hunt:** General Gun - 2  
**Season:** December 8-9, 2001  
**Bag Limit:** One deer per day  
**Permit:** Limited Permit Hunt (Lottery)  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Deer  
**Type Hunt:** Muzzleloader; either-sex  
**Season:** November 26 - November 30, 2001  
**Bag Limit:** One deer per day  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Waterfowl  
**Type Hunt:** General Gun  
**Season:** Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday until noon during regular State season except **closed during gun deer hunts**  
**Bag Limit:** State limit apply  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Waterfowl  
**Type Hunt:** Youth General Gun  
**Season:** State Youth Waterfowl Day  
**Bag Limit:** State limit apply  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure and Proof of Hunter Education  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Raccoon  
**Type Hunt:** General Gun  
**Season:** December 10, 2001-February 10, 2002(**closed during gun deer hunts**)

**Bag Limit:** State limit apply  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Woodcock  
**Type Hunt:** General Gun  
**Season:** Statewide season; **closed during gun deer hunt**  
**Bag Limit:** State limit apply  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure  
**Significant Changes:** None

**Species:** Turkey  
**Type Hunt:** General Gun  
**Season:** State season  
**Bag Limit:** State limit apply  
**Permit:** Season Permit on Hunt Brochure  
**Significant Changes:** None

LAKE OPHELIA NWR

Proposed Hunt Seasons For 2001/2002

Small Game (Squirrel & Rabbit, no dogs)

Acres Open: 12,225 (10/6 to 11/30) And 10,360 (12/1 to 2/10)  
Dates/Days Open: First Saturday in October through February 10, 2002 except  
closed during refuge youth and muzzleloader deer hunts.  
Significant changes: None

Squirrel & Rabbit (Dog season)

Acres Open: 10,360  
Dates/Days Open: 1/19 to 2/10, 2002  
Significant Changes: None

Archery Deer

Acres Open: 12,965 (11/1 to 11/30) And 10,360 (12/1 to 1/31)  
Dates/Days Open: November 1, 2001 through January 31, 2002 except closed during  
refuge youth and muzzleloader deer hunts.  
Significant changes: None

Youth Shotgun/Muzzleloader Deer Hunt

Acres Open: 12,965  
Dates/Days Open: November 10-11, 2001 *1 week later*  
Bag Limit & Method: One deer either sex with shotgun slugs or muzzleloader only.  
Significant changes: Moved one week later and added muzzleloader as a legal weapon to  
increase youth hunter participation and hunter success.

Muzzleloader

*New*  
Acres Open: 10,360  
Dates/Days Open: December 1-2, 15-16, 2001 and January 5-6, 2002  
Bag Limit & Method: One deer either sex per hunt, quota drawing for 400 permits  
each hunt.  
Significant changes: None

### Waterfowl

Acres Open: 10,360

Dates/Days Open: Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday until noon during state duck waterfowl season except closed during youth and muzzleloader deer season.

Significant changes: None

### Woodcock

Acres Open: 10,360

Dates/Days Open: Statewide season except closed during muzzleloader deer hunts.

Significant changes: NONE

### Spring Turkey

Tentative spring gobbler only quota hunt. Dates and quota numbers to be determined after review of our first turkey this year.

### Grand Cote NWR

Ongoing Comprehensive Conservation Plan is addressing future hunting opportunities. Plan on having a draft plan out for review and comment by LDWF and others during 2001. Assuming favorable review and approval process would anticipate opening limited hunting seasons in the fall of 2002.

### Cat Island NWR

Current refuge acreage equals approximately 1200 acres. Refuge Manager reports in March and will begin to prepare Hunting and Fishing Plan. We would appreciate LDWF assistance in developing the Hunting and Fishing Plans, Compatibility Determinations and other support materials necessary to open a new refuge to hunting and fishing. Anticipate submitting the opening package to the Federal Register in January 2002 and open the refuge to hunting and fishing in the fall of 2002. Acquired acreage should equal approximately 5,000 acres by that time, depending on congressional appropriations.

**CAMERON PRAIRIE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE  
2001 - 2002 HUNT SEASON**

<b>Species:</b>	<b>Either-sex deer</b>
<b>Type hunt:</b>	<b>Archery</b>
<b>Season:</b>	<b>All dates of October</b>
<b>Bag limit:</b>	<b>State regulations</b>
<b>Permits:</b>	<b>Season permits required</b>
<b>Other requirements:</b>	<b>Must have proof of completion for the International Bowhunters Education Program.</b>
<b>Stands:</b>	<b>Only portable stands may be used and must be removed by October 31 of each year.</b>
<b>Firearms:</b>	<b>None are allowed</b>
<b>Check stations:</b>	<b>All deer harvested must be checked at a self-clearing check station.</b>
<b>Significant changes:</b>	<b>None</b>

**Youth Waterfowl Hunt: 2001 - 2002**

<b>Species:</b>	<b>Waterfowl (ducks &amp; geese)</b>
<b>Type hunt:</b>	<b>Limited Youth (up to 2) accompanied by an adult. 5 blinds hunted/day</b>
<b>Season:</b>	<b>Selected Saturdays of Louisiana west zone duck season. Possibly 1 - 2 days during Thanksgiving &amp; Christmas school holidays.</b>
<b>Bag limit:</b>	<b>State regulations</b>
<b>Permits:</b>	<b>One day permits to be issued through lottery drawing.</b>
<b>Other requirements:</b>	<b>All youth and adult participants must have proof of completion of Louisiana hunter education course or accepted state hunter education course.</b>
<b>Firearms:</b>	<b>Shotguns with approved non-toxic shot.</b>
<b>Significant changes:</b>	<b>None</b>

### **Experimental Rabbit Hunt: 2001 - 2002**

**Species:** Rabbits (swamp & cottontail)  
**Type hunt:** Limited lottery drawn hunts. Remaining Saturdays of rabbit season following the closure of waterfowl season.  
**Bag Limit:** State regulations  
**Permits:** Five group (up to six individuals), one day permits to be issued through lottery drawing.  
**Other requirements:** Hunts will be conducted between 8:00AM & 4:00PM. Up to 4 dogs may be used at one time. Only beagle hounds which do not exceed 15 inches at the front shoulder and which have recognizable characteristics of the breed may be used during experimental rabbit season.  
**Firearms:** Shotguns with approved non-toxic shot.  
**Significant changes:** First experimental rabbit hunt. If unforeseen problems arise, experimental rabbit hunt will not be conducted in following years.

### **Experimental Snipe Hunt: 2001 - 2002**

**Species:** Snipe  
**Type hunt:** General public  
**Season:** Remaining dates of snipe season following the closure of waterfowl season. Hunts will be conducted from 12:00 noon to sunset Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday.  
**Bag Limit:** State regulations  
**Permits:** Season permits required  
**Other requirements:** Daily harvest data must be completed following hunt and placed in collection box prior to departing refuge.  
**Firearms:** Shotguns with approved non-toxic shot  
**Significant changes:** First experimental snipe hunt. If unforeseen problems arise, experimental snipe hunt will not be conducted in following years.

## Experimental Dove Hunt: 2001 - 2002

<b>Species:</b>	Doves
<b>Type hunt:</b>	General public
<b>Season:</b>	Entire first season of dove hunting. Hunts will be conducted from 12:00 noon to sunset Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday & Sunday.
<b>Bag Limit:</b>	State regulations
<b>Permits:</b>	Season permits required
<b>Other requirements:</b>	Daily harvest data must be completed following hunt and placed in collection box prior to departing refuge.
<b>Firearms:</b>	Shotguns with approved non-toxic shot
<b>Significant changes:</b>	First experimental dove hunt. If unforeseen problems arise, experimental dove hunt will not be conducted in following years.

## REQUEST FOR COMMISSION APPROVAL

**The Department requests the Commission approve a special either-sex deer season for the Camp Avondale Scout Reservation in East Feliciana Parish:**

**November 10-11-12, 2001**

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### Purpose of the Scout Hunt

There are 2 primary reasons for the Scout Deer Hunt on the Avondale Boy Scout Reservation:

1. To provide some quality outdoor recreational opportunities for the Scouts, and to promote a close father/son activity.
2. To provide a biological control of the deer herd. Without some type of hunting the deer herd will continue to expand beyond the ability of the range to support it. Overpopulation will result in deterioration of the range and decline in herd health.

### Background

Most of East Feliciana Parish has a late deer rut occurring from mid-December to early January. When the Scout hunt was first initiated in 1983 it was conducted late in the year. The resulting kill was very low despite high deer populations. A number of years later Department Biologist, Dave Moreland discovered and was able to document, the deer herd in the Avondale area had a very early rut similar to that encountered in western Louisiana. It was determined there was a small area near Clinton, Louisiana, including Camp Avondale, which exhibits the odd, early rut.

For a number of years the Department designated an earlier opening season zone for this small area which enabled hunters to take advantage of the early rut. A number of years later a group of local landowners circulated a petition requesting this deer hunting season area be moved back into the later zone and be similar to that of the rest of the parish. No significant objection was heard from most other landowners in the small zone, and after being warned most of the rut would be over before the modern firearm season even started, the Department went ahead and moved the small block back into the later Area 1 zone. Special Commission approval has been obtained to hold an early hunt on the Scout Reservation ever since.

### Need for the Special Season

The purpose of the Avondale Scout Reservation is to provide a place for as much Scouting activity as possible to be conducted. The Scout Office is concerned when a gun hunt is held on the Reservation, as all other Scouting activities must be shut down during the hunt for obvious safety and liability reasons.

Understandably, the Scout Office is reluctant to shut the Reservation down any longer than absolutely necessary to adequately control the deer population. Therefore, it is necessary to shoot

the deer herd as hard as possible in the shortest period of time. Deer activity and movement is at its highest during the rut. This is why we want to schedule the Reservation hunt during the rut when the deer are most active and vulnerable to harvest.

As previously stated, the deer rut on the Avondale Scout Reservation has been documented to occur in the first two weeks of November. This is well before the Area 1 season opens.

A special Commission approved early season allowing the Boy Scout Office to control the deer herd on Avondale Scout Reservation is requested.

**Barksdale Air Force Base (BASF) Deer Season**

Archery	Oct.1-Jan.31, either-sex
Muzzleloader	Nov. 10-Nov. 16, either-sex
Modern Firearm	Nov. 17-Jan. 20, either-sex

SPECIAL AREAS FOR COMMISSION ACTION 2001-2002

**Avery Island**

Deer season same as outside with Area 7 season dates and the entire season is either sex.

**Louisiana Army Ammunition Plant**

All season dates conform to the state at large. All deer seasons are either sex.

BUSHLEY BAYOU UNIT  
INTERIM HUNTING PROGRAMS

Note: Hunting programs will be implemented to the extent possible if land acquisition is completed prior to the start of the State hunting seasons. Refuge Hunting Plan is currently being revised. Migratory bird hunting will require opening of the refuge through the Federal Register Process to this activity.

Waterfowl	Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, Sunday until 2:00 p.m. State season (closed during gun deer hunts) Hunting area south of Greens Creek and section 22/23 access road
Waterfowl (Limited Youth)	State Youth Waterfowl Day Proof of Hunter Education Required
Doves, Rails, Gallinules, Snipe	Incidental species may be taken during refuge hunts if state season is open
Rabbit and Squirrel (without dogs)	1 <sup>st</sup> Saturday in Oct. through end of duck season
Rabbit and Squirrel (with/without dogs)	Close of waterfowl season through end of State squirrel season
Woodcock (with/without dogs)	State season ( ? )
Hogs, Raccoons (without dogs)	Incidental species may be taken during all refuge hunts
Deer (Archery)	Oct. 1 through Jan. 31 (closed during gun deer hunts) Proof of certification required
Deer (Muzzleloader)	Jan. 7-13 (Same dates as Dewey Wills WMA) Either-sex, one deer per day
Deer (Firearm)	Nov. 23-24 (Same dates as Dewey Wills WMA) (Limited Permit) Either-sex, one deer per day

LA Hunt Coordination Meeting  
2001-2002 Hunting Season

MANDALAY NWR

Deer and Hog

Archery only from October 1 - Jan. 31, 2002

Waterfowl

Lottery draw for 5 permanent 3-man blinds on Wednesday and Saturday of state season.  
Saturday hunts require youth (age 10-15) participation.

BAYOU TECHE NWR (Experimental Season)

No property has been acquired at this time.

Upon acquisition, the following experimental hunts will be available during the entire state seasons:

Deer (Archery only, either-sex, one deer/day)

Raccoon

Rabbit

Squirrel

Woodcock

Hogs (may be taken during archery or small game hunts)

Waterfowl

Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday until noon.

Dogs are only allowed for woodcock and waterfowl hunts.

FMHA TRACTS FOR COMMISSION ACTION

HUTCHINSON CREEK WMA  
PROPOSED REGULATIONS 2001-2002

Daily Self Clearing Permit required for all management area users.

Small Game and Turkey: Same as outside, EXCEPT dogs permitted for rabbits Feb. 2-10.

Deer: Archery only, Oct. 1- Jan 31.

No camping on area.

ELBOW SLOUGH

Dove hunting is allowed the same as outside for the first split only. Steel shot is required. No other hunting is allowed.

MARSH BAYOU AND WALNUT HILL

Small Game: Same as outside.

Deer: Same as outside except still hunting only. (Marsh Bayou - Area 2; Walnut Hill - Area 3)

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
July 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, July 5, 2001.

WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting rules and regulations for the State and WMAs, and

WHEREAS, authority to establish regulations that govern public and private lands is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of these natural resources and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all information pertinent to the rule and regulations governing hunting, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rules and regulations affecting sport hunting of resident game species are hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission as a final rule.

  
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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

  
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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby promulgate rules and regulations governing the hunting of resident game birds and game quadrupeds.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part XIX. Hunting and WMA Regulations

Chapter 1. Resident Game Hunting Season

§111. General and Wildlife Management Area Hunting Rules and Regulations

A. Hunting Seasons and Wildlife Management Area Regulations

1. The rules and regulations contained within this digest have been officially approved and adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission under authority vested by Sections 115 and 116 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950 and are in full force and effect in conjunction with all applicable statutory laws. The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has the authority to close or alter seasons in emergency situations in order to protect fish and wildlife resources.

2. Pursuant to Section 40.1 of Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission has adopted monetary values which are assigned to all illegally taken, possessed, injured or destroyed fish, wild birds,

wild quadrupeds and other wildlife and aquatic life. Anyone taking, possessing, injuring or destroying fish, wild birds, wild quadrupeds and other wildlife and aquatic life shall be required to reimburse the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries a sum of money equal to the value of the wildlife illegally taken, possessed, injured or destroyed. This monetary reimbursement shall be in addition to any and all criminal penalties imposed for the illegal act.

B. Resident Game Birds and Animals

1. Shooting hours: one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

C. Other Season Dates

1. Turkey. Please refer to separate pamphlet.

2. Raccoon and Opossum. No closed season. Raccoon and opossum can be taken at night by one or more licensed hunters with one or more dogs and one .22 rimfire firearm. A licensed hunter may take raccoon or opossum with .22 rimfire rifle, .36 caliber or smaller muzzleloader rifle or shotgun during daylight hours during the open rabbit season. Hunting from boats or motor vehicles is prohibited. No bag limit for nighttime or daytime raccoon or opossum hunting during the open trapping season except on certain WMAs as listed. The remainder of the year, the raccoon and opossum bag limit for daytime or nighttime is one per person per day or night. No one who hunts raccoons or opossums as prescribed above

shall pelt during the closed trapping season nor sell skins or carcasses of raccoons and opossums taken during the open trapping season unless he is the holder of a valid trapping license which shall be required in addition to his basic hunting license. Pelting or selling carcasses is illegal during closed trapping season.

3. Nutria. Nutria may be taken recreationally September 1 through February 28 during legal shooting hours by any legal method with no limit, including WMAs. Pelting or selling of carcasses is illegal EXCEPT when taken by a licensed trapper during the trapping season.

4. Blackbirds and crows. ALL blackbirds, cowbirds, grackles and crows are considered crop depredators in Louisiana and may therefore be taken year round during legal shooting hours with no limit. Shooting hours are 30 minutes before sunrise to sunset.

5. Pheasant. CLOSED.

6. Falconry. Special permit required. Resident and migratory game species except turkeys may be taken. Seasons and bag limits are the same as for statewide and WMA regulations EXCEPT squirrels may be taken by licensed falconers until the last day of February. Refer to LAC 76:V.301 for specific Falconry Rules.

7. Licensed Hunting Preserve. October 1 - April 30. Pen-raised birds only. No limit entire season. Refer to LAC 76:V.305 for specific Hunting Preserve Rules.

8. Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP). Land enrolled in the voluntary program will be assessed a \$25 registration fee and 5¢/acre fee. Deer management assistance tags must be in the possession of the hunter and attached and locked to antlerless deer (including those taken on either-sex days and those taken with bow or muzzleloader) through the hock in a manner that it cannot be removed before the deer is moved from the site of the kill. Failure to do so is a violation of R.S. 56:115. Failing to follow DMAP rules and regulations may result in suspension and cancellation of the program on those lands involved. Refer to LAC 76:V.111 for specific DMAP Rules.

9. Farm Raised White-tailed Deer and Exotics on Licensed Supplemented Shooting Preserves

a. Definitions

Exotics: For purposes of this rule means any animal of the family Bovidae (except the Tribe Bovini [cattle]) or Cervidae which is not indigenous to Louisiana and which is confined on a Supplemented Hunting Preserve. Exotics shall include, but are not limited to, fallow deer, red deer, elk, sika deer, axis deer, and black buck antelope.

Hunting: In its different tenses and for purposes of this rule means to take or attempt to take, in accordance with R.S. 56:8.

Same as Outside: For purposes of this rule

means hunting on a Supplemented Hunting Preserve must conform to applicable statutes and rules governing hunting and deer hunting, as provided for in Title 56 of the Louisiana Revised Statutes and as established annually by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission (LWFC).

Supplemented Hunting Preserve: For purposes of this rule means any enclosure for which a current Farm-Raising License has been issued by the Department of Agriculture and Forestry (LDAF) with concurrence of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries (LDWF) and is authorized in writing by the LDAF and LDWF to permit hunting.

White-tailed Deer: For purposes of this rule means any animal of the species Odocoileus virginianus which is confined on a Supplemented Hunting Preserve.

b. Seasons

i. Farm-Raised White-tailed Deer: Consult the regulations pamphlet.

ii. Exotics: year round.

c. Methods of Take

i. White-tailed Deer: Same as outside.

ii. Exotics: Exotics may be taken with longbow (including compound bow) and arrow; shotguns not larger than 10 gauge, loaded with buckshot or rifled slug; handguns and rifles no smaller than .22 caliber centerfire; or muzzleloading rifles or

pistols, .44 caliber minimum, or shotguns 10 gauge or smaller, all of which must load exclusively from the muzzle or cap and ball cylinder, using black powder or an approved substitute only, and using ball or bullet projectile, including sabot bullets only.

d. Shooting Hours

i. White-tailed Deer: Same as outside.

ii. Exotics: one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset.

e. Bag Limit

i. Farm-Raised White-tailed Deer: Same as outside.

ii. Exotics: No limit.

f. Hunting Licenses

i. White-tailed Deer: Same as outside.

ii. Exotics: No person shall hunt any exotic without possessing a valid basic and big game hunting license.

g. Tagging. White-tailed Deer and Exotics: Each animal shall be tagged in the left ear or left antler immediately upon being killed and before being moved from the site of the kill with a tag provided by the LDAF. The tag shall remain with the carcass at all times.

D. Hunting-General Provisions

1. A basic resident or non-resident hunting license is required of all persons to hunt, take, possess or cause to be

transported by any other person any wild bird or quadruped. See information below for exceptions.

2. No person born on or after September 1, 1969 shall hunt with a firearm unless that person has first been issued a certificate of satisfactory completion of a firearm and hunter education course taught or approved by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. However, a person younger than 16 years of age may hunt without such certificate if he is accompanied by and is under the direct and immediate supervision of a person 18 years of age or older.

3. A big game license is required in addition to the basic hunting license to hunt, take, possess or cause to be transported any deer or turkey. A separate wild turkey stamp is required in addition to the basic hunting license and the big game license to hunt, take, possess or cause to be transported any turkey.

4. Taking game quadrupeds or birds from aircraft or participating in the taking of deer with the aid of aircraft or from automobiles or other moving land vehicles is prohibited.

5. Methods of taking resident game birds and quadrupeds

a. Use of a longbow (including compound bow) and arrow or a shotgun not larger than a 10 gauge fired from the shoulder without a rest shall be legal for taking all resident game birds and quadrupeds. Also, the use of a handgun, rifle and

falconry (special permit required) shall be legal for taking all game species except turkey and migratory game birds. It shall be illegal to hunt or take squirrels or rabbits at any time with a breech-loaded rifle or handgun larger than a .22 caliber rimfire or a muzzleloader rifle larger than .36 caliber. During closed deer gun season, it shall be illegal to possess shotgun shells loaded with slugs or shot larger than BB lead or F steel shot while small game hunting.

b. Still hunting is defined as stalking or stationary stand hunting without the use of dog(s). Pursuing, driving or hunting deer with dogs is prohibited when or where a still hunting season or area is designated, and will be strictly enforced. Shotguns larger than 10 gauge or capable of holding more than three shells shall be prohibited. Plugs used in shotguns must be incapable of being removed without disassembly. Refer to game schedules contained within these regulations for specific restrictions on the use of firearms and other devices.

6. Nuisance animals. Landowners or their designees may remove beaver and nutria causing damage to their property without a special permit. Water set traps and firearms may be used to remove beaver; nutria may be removed by any means EXCEPT that nutria cannot be taken by the use of headlight and gun between the hours of sunset and sunrise. With a special permit issued by the Department, beavers may be taken between one-half hour after

official sunset to one-half hour before official sunrise for a period of three consecutive calendar evenings from the effective date of the permit. For specific details contact a regional office near you. Any nuisance beaver or nutria trapped or shot outside open trapping season cannot be pelted or sold. A trapping license is required to possess, sell or pelt nuisance beavers or nutria taken during open trapping season. Squirrels found destroying commercial crops of pecans may be taken year-round by permit issued by the Department. This permit shall be valid for 30 days from the date of issuance. Contact the local regional office for details.

7. Threatened and endangered species - Louisiana black bear, Louisiana pearl shell (mussel), sea turtles, gopher tortoise, ringed sawback turtle, brown pelican, bald eagle, peregrine falcon, whooping crane, Eskimo curlew, piping plover, interior least tern, ivory-billed woodpecker, red-cockaded woodpecker, Bachman's warbler, West Indian manatee, Florida panther, pallid sturgeon, Gulf sturgeon, Attwater's greater prairie chicken, whales and red wolf. Taking or harassment of any of these species is a violation of state and federal laws.

8. Unregulated quadrupeds. Holders of a legal hunting license may take coyotes, unmarked hogs where legal, and armadillos year round during legal daylight shooting hours. The running of coyotes with dogs is prohibited in all turkey hunting areas during the open turkey season. Coyote hunting is restricted to "chase

only" during still hunting segments of the firearm and archery only season for deer. Foxes and bobcats are protected quadrupeds and may be taken only with traps by licensed trappers during the trapping season. Remainder of the year "chase only" allowed by licensed hunters.

9. Hunting and/or discharging firearms on public roads. Hunting, standing, loitering or shooting game quadrupeds or game birds with a gun during open season while on a public highway or public road right-of-way is prohibited. Hunting or the discharge of firearms on roads or highways located on public levees or within 100 feet from the centerline of such levee roads or highways is prohibited. Spot lighting or shining from public roads is prohibited by state law. Hunting from all public roads and rights-of-way is prohibited and these provisions will be strictly enforced.

10. Tags. Any part of the deer or wild turkey divided shall have affixed thereto the name, date, address and big game license number of the person killing the deer or wild turkey and the sex of that animal. This information shall be legibly written in pen or pencil, on any piece of paper or cardboard or any material, which is attached or secured to or enclosing the part or parts. On lands enrolled in DMAP, deer management assistance tags must be attached and locked through the hock of antlerless deer, (including those taken with bow, muzzleloader and those antlerless

deer taken on either-sex days) in a manner that it cannot be removed, before the deer is moved from the site of the kill.

11. Sex identification. Positive evidence of sex identification, including the head, shall remain on any deer taken or killed within the State of Louisiana, or on all turkeys taken or killed during any special gobbler season when killing of turkey hens is prohibited, so long as such deer or turkey is kept in camp or field, or is en route to the domicile of its possessor, or until such deer or turkey has been stored at the domicile of its possessor or divided at a cold storage facility and has become identifiable as food rather than as wild game.

#### E. General Deer Hunting Regulations

1. One antlered and one antlerless (when legal on private lands) deer per day EXCEPT on Wildlife Management Areas, Federal Refuges and National Forest Lands where the daily limit shall be one deer per day. Six per season (all segments included) by all methods of take.

2. A legal buck is a deer with visible antler of hardened bony material, broken naturally through the skin. Killing bucks without at least one visible antler as described above and killing does is prohibited except where specifically allowed.

3. Deer hunting restricted to legal bucks only, except where otherwise allowed.

4. Either-sex deer is defined as male or female deer.

Taking or possessing spotted fawns is prohibited.

5. It is illegal to hunt or shoot deer with firearms smaller than .22 caliber centerfire or a shotgun loaded with anything other than buckshot or rifled slug. Handguns may be used for hunting.

6. Taking game quadrupeds or birds from aircraft, participating in the taking of deer with the aid of aircraft or from automobiles or other moving land vehicles is prohibited.

7. Still hunting is defined as stalking or stationary stand hunting without the use of dog(s). Pursuing, driving or hunting deer with dogs or moving vehicles, including ATVs, when or where a still hunting season or area is designated, is prohibited and will be strictly enforced. The training of deer dogs is prohibited in all still hunting areas during the gun still hunting and archery only season. Deer hunting with dogs is allowed in all other areas having open deer seasons that are not specifically designated as still hunting only. Except in wildlife management areas, a leashed dog may be used to trail and retrieve wounded or unrecovered deer during legal hunting hours. Any dog used to trail or retrieve wounded or unrecovered deer shall have on a collar with owner's name, address, and phone number. In addition, a dog may be used to trail and retrieve unrecovered deer after legal hunting hours; however, no person accompanying a dog after legal hunting hours may carry a firearm of any sort.

8. Areas not specifically designated as open are closed.

9. Muzzleloader Segment: (Special license and muzzleloader firearms specifications apply only to the special state, WMA, National Forest and Preserves, and Federal Refuge seasons.) Still hunt only. Specific WMAs will also be open, check WMA schedule for specific details. Muzzleloader license required for resident hunters between the ages of 16 and 59 inclusive and non-residents 16 years of age and older. Either-sex deer may be taken in all deer hunting areas EXCEPT Area 5 and as specified on Public Areas. It is unlawful to carry a gun, other than a muzzleloader, including those powered by air or other means, while hunting during the special muzzleloader segment. Except, it is lawful to carry a .22 caliber rimfire pistol loaded with #12 shot (ratshot only).

a. Legal Muzzleloader Firearms For Special Season: Rifles or pistols, .44 caliber minimum, or shotguns 10 gauge or smaller, all of which must load exclusively from the muzzle or cap and ball cylinder, use black powder or approved substitute only, take ball or bullet projectile only, including sabot bullets and may be fitted with magnified scopes. This includes muzzleloaders known as "inline" muzzleloaders.

10. Archery Segment: Consult regulations pamphlet. WMA seasons are the same as outside except as noted below. Archery

license required for resident bow hunters between the ages of 16 and 59 inclusive and non-residents 16 years of age and older. Residents 60 years of age and older may use a crossbow without a special permit or license. Either sex deer may be taken in all areas open for deer hunting EXCEPT when a bucks only season is in progress for gun hunting, archer's must conform to the bucks only regulations. Either sex deer may be taken on WMAs at anytime during archery season EXCEPT when bucks only seasons are in progress on the respective WMA. Also, archery season restricted on Atchafalaya Delta, Salvador, Pass-a-Loutre and Pointe-aux-Chenes WMAs (SEE SCHEDULE).

a. Bow and arrow regulations: Hunting arrows for deer must have well-sharpened metal broadhead blades not less than 7/8 inch in width. Bow and arrow fishermen must have a sport fishing license and not carry any arrows with broadhead points unless a big game season is in progress.

i. It is unlawful:

(a). to carry a gun, including those powered by air or other means, while hunting with bow and arrow during the special bow and arrow deer season EXCEPT it is lawful to carry a .22 caliber rimfire pistol loaded with #12 shot (ratshot) only.

(b). to have in possession or use any poisoned or drugged arrow, arrows with explosive tips, or any bow

drawn, held or released by mechanical means except that hand held releases are lawful.

(c). to hunt deer with a bow having a pull less than 30 pounds.

(d). to hunt with a bow or crossbow fitted with an infrared or laser sight.

11. Hunter orange. Any person hunting deer shall display on his head, chest and/or back a total of not less than 400 square inches of "HUNTER ORANGE" during the open deer gun season including muzzleloader season. Persons hunting on privately owned, legally posted land may wear a hunter orange cap or hat in lieu of the 400 square inches. These provisions shall not apply to persons hunting deer from elevated stands on property that is privately owned and legally posted or to archery deer hunters hunting on legally posted lands where firearm hunting is not allowed by agreement of the landowner or lessee. WARNING: DEER HUNTERS ARE CAUTIONED TO WATCH FOR PERSONS HUNTING OTHER GAME OR ENGAGED IN ACTIVITIES NOT REQUIRING "HUNTER ORANGE".

12. Special handicapped either-sex deer season on private land. See regulations pamphlet for dates. Restricted to individuals with Physically Challenged Hunter Permit.

13. Special Youth Deer Hunt. See regulations pamphlet for dates.

F. Description of Areas

1. Area 1

a. All of the following parishes are open: East Feliciana, St. Helena, Concordia, Franklin, Tensas, East Baton Rouge, Madison, Washington.

b. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

i. Avoyelles - North of La. 1.

ii. Catahoula - All EXCEPT that portion lying west of Boeuf River from Caldwell parish line to Ouachita River, north and east of Ouachita River to La. 559 at Duty Ferry, west of La. 559 to La. 124. North and west of La. 124 westward to LaSalle parish line.

iii. Grant - East of U.S. 165 and south of La. 8.

iv. LaSalle - Portion south of La. 8 from Little River eastward to La. 127 in Jena, east of La. 127 from Jena northward to U.S. 165, east of U.S. 165 from La. 127 northward to La. 124. South of La. 124 eastward to Catahoula Parish line.

v. Livingston - North of I-12.

vi. Rapides - East of U.S. 165 and north of Red River.

vii. St. Tammany - All EXCEPT that portion south of I-12, west of Hwy. 1077 to La. 22, south of La. 22 to Tchefuncte River, west of Tchefuncte River southward to Lake

Pontchartrain.

viii. Tangipahoa - North of I-12.

ix. West Feliciana - All EXCEPT that portion known as Raccourci and Turnbull Island.

c. Still hunting only in all or portions of the following parishes:

i. Avoyelles - That portion surrounding Pomme de Terre WMA, bounded on the north, east, and south by La. 451 and on the west by the Big Bend Levee from its junction at the Bayou des Glaise structure east of Bordelonville, southward to its juncture with La. 451.

ii. Catahoula - South of Deer Creek to Boeuf River, east of Boeuf and Ouachita Rivers to La. 8 at Harrisonburg, west of La. 8 to La. 913, west of La. 913 and La. 15 to Deer Creek.

iii. East Feliciana and East Baton Rouge - East of Thompson Creek from the Mississippi state line to La. 10. North of La. 10 from Thompson Creek to La. 67 at Clinton, west of La. 67 from Clinton to Mississippi state line. South of Mississippi state line from La. 67 to Thompson Creek. Also that portion of East Baton Rouge Parish east of La. 67 from La. 64 north to Parish Line, south of Parish Line from La. 64 eastward to Amite River. West of Amite River southward to La. 64, north of La. 64 to La. 37 at Magnolia, east of La. 37 northward to La. 64 at Indian Mound, north of La. 64 from Indian Mound to La. 67. Also, that portion of East

Feliciana Parish east of La. 67 from parish line north to La. 959, south of La. 959 east to La. 63, west of La. 63 to Amite River, west of Amite River, southward to parish line, north of parish line westward to La. 67.

iv. Franklin - All

v. St. Helena - North of La. 16 from Tickfaw River at Montpelier westward to La. 449, east and south of La. 449 from La. 16 at Pine Grove northward to La. 1045, south of La. 1045 from its junction with La. 449 eastward to the Tickfaw River, west of the Tickfaw River from La. 1045 southward to La. 16 at Montpelier.

vi. Tangipahoa - That portion of Tangipahoa Parish north of La. 10 from the Tchefuncte River to La. 1061 at Wilmer, east of La. 1061 to La. 440 at Bolivar, south of La. 440 to the Tchefuncte River, west of the Tchefuncte River from La. 440 southward to La. 10.

vii. Washington and St. Tammany - East of La. 21 from the Mississippi state line southward to the Bogue Chitto River, north of the Bogue Chitto River from La. 21 eastward to the Pearl River Navigation Canal, east of the Pearl River Navigation Canal southward to the West Pearl River, north of the West Pearl River from the Pearl River Navigation Canal to Holmes Bayou, west of Holmes Bayou from the West Pearl River northward to the Pearl River, west of the Pearl River from Holmes Bayou northward to the

Mississippi state line, south of the Mississippi state line from the Pearl River westward to La. 21. Also, that portion of Washington Parish west of La. 25 from the Mississippi state line southward to the Bogue Chitto River, then west of the Bogue Chitto River to its junction with the St. Tammany Parish line, north of the St. Tammany parish line to the Tangipahoa parish line, east of the Tangipahoa parish line to the Mississippi state line, south of the Mississippi state line to its junction with La. 25.

viii. West Feliciana - West of Thompson Creek to Illinois-Central Railroad, north of Illinois-Central Railroad to Parish Road #7, east of Parish Road #7 to the junction of U.S. 61 and La. 966, east of La. 966 from U.S. 61 to Chaney Creek, south of Chaney Creek to Thompson Creek.

2. Area 2

a. All of the following parishes are open:

i. Bienville, Jackson, Union, Bossier, Lincoln, Webster, Caddo, Natchitoches, Winn, Claiborne, Red River, DeSoto, Sabine, Caldwell.

ii. EXCEPT: Kisatchie National Forest which has special regulations. Caney, Corney, Middlefork tracts of Kisatchie have the same regulations as Area 2, EXCEPT still hunting only for deer and EXCEPT National Forest Land within the Evangeline Unit, Calcasieu Ranger District described in Area 2 description shall be still hunting only.

b. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

i. Allen - North of U.S. 10 from the parish line to U.S. 165, east of U.S. 165 from the intersection of La. 10 to the intersection of U.S. 190 at Kinder and north of U.S. 190 from Kinder east to the parish line;

ii. Avoyelles - That portion west of I-49.

iii. Catahoula - That portion lying west of Boeuf River from Caldwell parish line to Ouachita River, north and east of Ouachita River to La. 559 at Duty Ferry. West of La. 559 to La. 124. North and west of La. 124 westward to LaSalle parish line.

iv. Evangeline - All EXCEPT the following portions: east of I-49 to junction of La. 29, east of La. 29 south of I-49 to Ville Platte, and north of U.S. 167 east of Ville Platte.

v. Grant - All EXCEPT that portion south of La. 8 and east of U.S. 165.

vi. Jefferson Davis - North of U.S. 190.

vii. LaSalle - All EXCEPT south of La. 8 from Little River eastward to La. 127 in Jena, east of La. 127 from Jena northward to U.S. 165, east of U.S. 165 from La. 127 northward to La. 124. South of La. 124 eastward to Catahoula parish line.

viii. Morehouse - West of U.S. 165 (from

Arkansas state line) to Bonita, north and west of La. 140 to junction of La. 830-4 (Cooper Lake Road), west of La. 830-4 to Bastrop, west of La. 139 to junction of La. 593, west and south of La. 593 to Collinston, west of La. 138 to junction of La. 134 and north of La. 134 to Ouachita line at Wham Brake.

ix. Ouachita - All EXCEPT south of U.S. 80 and east of Ouachita River, east of La. 139 from Sicard to junction of La. 134, south of La. 134 to Morehouse line at Wham Brake.

x. Rapides - All EXCEPT north of Red River and east of U.S. 165. South of La. 465 to junction of La. 121, west of La. 121 and La. 112 to Union Hill, and north of La. 113 from Union Hill to Vernon Parish line, and that portion south of Alexandria between Red River and U.S. 167 to junction of U.S. 167 with I-49 at Turkey Creek exit, east of I-49 southward to parish line.

xi. Vernon - North of La. 10 from the parish line to the intersection of La. 113, south and east of La. 113 eastward to the parish line. North and east of La. 465, west of La. 117 from Kurthwood to Leesville, and north of La. 8 from Leesville to Texas state line.

c. Still hunting only in all or portions of the following parishes:

i. Claiborne and Webster - Caney, Corney and Middlefork tracts of Kisatchie National Forest. (See Kisatchie

National Forest Regulations).

ii. Ouachita - East of Ouachita River.

iii. Rapides - West of U.S. 167 from Alexandria southward to I-49 at Turkey Creek Exit, west of I-49 southward to Parish Line, north of Parish Line westward to U.S. 165, east of U.S. 165 northward to U.S. 167 at Alexandria. North of La. 465 from Vernon Parish line to La. 121, west of La. 121 to I-49, west of I-49 to La. 8, south and east of La. 8 to La. 118 (Mora Road), south and west of La. 118 to Natchitoches Parish line.

iv. Vernon - East of Mora-Hutton Road from Natchitoches Parish line to Hillman Loop Road, south and east of Hillman Loop Road to Comrade Road, south of Comrade Road to La. 465, east and north of La. 465 to Rapides Parish line.

3. Area 3

a. All of Acadia, Cameron and Vermilion Parishes are open.

b. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

i. Allen - South of U.S. 190 and west of La. 113.

ii. Beauregard - West of La. 113. ALSO east of La. 27 north to DeRidder and north and west of U.S. 190 west of DeRidder to Texas line.

iii. Calcasieu - East of La. 27 and south of

U.S. 90.

iv. Iberia - West of U.S. 90 and north of La.

14.

v. Jefferson Davis - All EXCEPT north of U.S.

190.

vi. Lafayette - West of I-49 and U.S. 90.

vii. Rapides - South of La. 465 to junction of La. 121, west of La. 121 and La. 112 to Union Hill and north of La. 113 from Union Hill to Vernon Parish line.

viii. St. Landry - West of U.S. 167.

ix. Vernon - West and north of La. 113, south of La. 465, east of La. 117 from Kurthwood to Leesville, and south of La. 8 from Leesville to Texas state line.

4. Area 4

a. All of East Carroll and Richland parishes are open.

b. Portions of the following parishes are open:

i. Morehouse - East of U.S. 165 (from Arkansas state line) to Bonita, south and east of La. 140 to junction of La. 830-4 (Cooper Lake Road), east of La. 830-4 to Bastrop, east of La. 139 at Bastrop to junction of La. 593, east and north of La. 593 to Collinston, east of La. 138 to junction of La. 134 and south of La. 134 to Ouachita line at Wham Brake.

ii. Ouachita - South of U.S. 80 and east of

Ouachita River, east of La. 139 from Sicard to junction of La. 134, south of La. 134 to Morehouse line at Wham Bake.

5. Area 5

a. All of West Carroll Parish is open.

i. All deer hunting is for bucks only including muzzleloader season.

6. Area 6

a. All of Orleans Parish is closed to all forms of deer hunting.

b. All of the following parishes are open: Ascension, Plaquemines, St. John, Assumption, Pointe Coupee, St. Martin, Iberville, St. Bernard, Jefferson, St. Charles, Lafourche, St. James, West Baton Rouge.

c. Portions of the following parishes are also open:

i. Avoyelles - South of La. 1 and also that portion east of I-49.

ii. Evangeline - That portion east of I-49 to junction of La. 29, east of La. 29 south of I-49 to Ville Platte and north of U.S. 167 east of Ville Platte.

iii. Iberia - East of U.S. 90.

iv. Lafayette - East of I-49 and U.S. 90.

v. Livingston - South of I-12.

vi. Rapides - South of Alexandria between Red

River and U.S. 167 to the junction of U.S. 167 with I-49 at Turkey Creek Exit, east of I-49 southward to parish line.

vii. St. Landry - East of U.S. 167.

viii. St. Mary - North of U.S. 90.

ix. St. Tammany - That portion south of I-12, west of Hwy. 1077 to La. 22, south of La. 22 to Tchefuncte River, west of Tchefuncte River southward to Lake Pontchartrain.

x. Tangipahoa - South of I-12.

xi. West Feliciana - West of Mississippi River, known as Raccourci and Turnbull Islands.

d. Still hunting only in all or portions of the following parishes:

i. Plaquemines - East of the Mississippi River.

ii. Rapides - South of Alexandria between Red River and U.S. 167 to the junction of U.S. 167 with I-49 at Turkey Creek Exit, east of I-49 southward to parish line.

iii. St. Bernard - All of the parish shall be still hunting only EXCEPT that portion of St. Bernard known as the spoil area between the MRGO on the east and Access Canal on the west, south of Bayou Bienvenue and north of Bayou la Loutre.

iv. St. John - South of Pass Manchac from Lake Pontchartrain to U.S. 51, east of U.S. 51 from Pass Manchac to La. 638 (Frenier Beach Road). North of La. 638 from U.S. 51 to Lake

Pontchartrain. West of Lake Pontchartrain from La. 638 to Pass Manchac.

v. St. Landry - Those lands surrounding Thistlethwaite WMA bounded north and east by La. 359, west by La. 10, and south by La. 103.

7. Area 7

a. The following parish is open: Terrebonne.

b. Portions of the following parishes are open: Iberia and St. Mary Parishes - South of La. 14 and west U.S. Hwy. 90.

8. Area 8

a. Portions of the following parishes are open:

i. Allen - That portion lying south of La. 10 from the parish line near Elizabeth to the intersection of U.S. 165, west of U.S. 165 from the intersection of La. 10 to the intersection of U.S. 190 at Kinder, and east of La. 113 from the intersection of U.S. 190 to the parish line;

ii. Vernon - That portion lying south and east of La. 113 from the parish line to Pitkin, and south of La. 10 from Pitkin to the parish line;

iii. Beauregard - That portion lying east of La. 113. Also that portion lying south and east of La. 190 from the Texas state line to DeRidder, and west of La. 27 from DeRidder to the parish line;

iv. Calcasieu - That portion lying west of La. 27 from the parish line near DeQuincy to Sulphur and north of U.S. 90 from Sulphur to the Texas stateline.

G. Wildlife Management Area Regulations

1. General

a. The following rules and regulations concerning the management, protection and harvest of wildlife have been officially approved and adopted by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission in accordance with the authority provided in Louisiana Revised Statutes of 1950, Section 109 of Title 56. Failure to comply with these regulations will subject individual to citation and/or expulsion from the management area.

b. Citizens are cautioned that by entering a WMA managed by the LDWF they may be subjecting themselves and/or their vehicles to game and/or license checks, inspections and searches.

c. Wildlife management area seasons may be altered or closed anytime by the Department Secretary in emergency situations (floods, fire or other critical circumstances).

d. Hunters may enter the WMA no earlier than 3:00 a.m. unless otherwise specified. On days when Daily permits are required, permit stations will open 2 hours before legal shooting hours. Hunters must check out and exit the WMA no later than two hours after sunset, except for Lake Boeuf, Salvador/Timken and Pointe-aux-Chenes or as otherwise specified.

e. Lands within WMA boundaries will have the same seasons and regulations pertaining to baiting and use of dogs as the WMA within which the lands are enclosed; however, with respect to private lands enclosed within a WMA, the owner or lessee may elect to hunt according to the regular season dates applicable to the geographic area in which the lands are located, provided that the lands are first enrolled in DMAP. Interested parties should contact the nearest LDWF regional office for additional information.

f. Dumping garbage or trash on WMAs except in designated locations is prohibited.

g. Disorderly conduct or hunting under influence of alcoholic beverages, chemicals and other similar substances is prohibited.

h. Commercial activities prohibited without prior approval or unless otherwise specified.

i. Damage to or removal of trees, shrubs, hard mast (acorn, pecans, etc.) and wild plants is prohibited without prior approval. Gathering and/or removal of soft fruits, mushrooms and berries shall be limited to five gallons per person per day. Persons engaged in commercial activities must obtain a permit from the Region Office.

j. Burning of marshes is prohibited except by permit. Permits may be obtained from the Fur and Refuge Division.

k. Nature trails. Access to trails shall be limited to pedestrians only. No vehicles, ATVs, horses, mules, bicycles, etc. allowed. Removal of vegetation (standing or down) or other natural material prohibited.

l. Deer seasons are for legal buck deer unless otherwise specified.

m. Small game, when listed under the WMA regulations may include both resident game animals and game birds as well as migratory species of birds.

n. Oysters may not be harvested from any WMA, EXCEPT that oysters may be harvested from private oyster leases and State Seed Grounds located within a WMA, when authorized by the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission and upon approval by the Department of Health and Hospitals.

## 2. Permits

a. Daily. Daily permits when required shall be obtained at permit stations on or near each WMA. Hunters must retain permit in possession while hunting. Hunters may enter the area no earlier than two hours before legal shooting time unless otherwise specified. Hunters must checkout daily and exit the area not later than two hours after sunset unless otherwise specified.

b. Self Clearing Permits. A Self-Clearing Permit is required for ALL ACTIVITIES (hunting, fishing, hiking, birdwatching, sightseeing, etc.) On WMAs unless otherwise

specified. The Self-Clearing Permit will consist of three portions: CHECK IN, CHECK OUT and a Vehicle Tag. On WMAs where Self-Clearing Permits are required, all persons must obtain a WMA Self-Clearing Permit from an Information Station. The CHECK IN portion MUST be completed and put in a permit box BEFORE each day's activity on the day of the activity. The CHECK OUT portion must be carried by each person while on the WMA and MUST be completed and put in a permit box AFTER each day's activity on the day of the activity. EACH PERSON MUST leave the Vehicle Tag portion of his permit on the dashboard of the vehicle used to enter into the WMA in such a way that it can be easily read from outside of the vehicle. This MUST be done only when the vehicle is parked and left unattended on the WMA. In an ATV, boat or other type vehicle was used to enter the WMA, then the vehicle tag must be attached to that vehicle in such a manner that it can be readily seen and read. When Mandatory Deer Checks are specified on WMAs, hunters must check deer at a check station. Call the appropriate Region office for the location of the deer check station on these WMAs. (Self-Clearing Permits are not required for persons only traveling through the WMA provided that the most direct route is taken and no activities or stops take place.)

c. Wild Louisiana Stamp. Persons using WMAs or other department administered lands for purposes other than hunting and fishing, such as camping, shooting on rifle ranges, berry

picking, hiking, photography, bird-watching and the like, must possess one of the following: a valid Wild Louisiana stamp, a valid Louisiana fishing license, or a valid Louisiana hunting license. Persons younger than 16 or older than 60 years of age are exempt from this requirement.

### 3. Special Seasons

a. Youth deer hunt. Only youths younger than 16 years of age may hunt. All other seasons are closed EXCEPT Handicapped Seasons. Youths must possess a hunter safety certification or proof of successful completion of a hunter safety course. Each youth must be accompanied by one adult 18 years of age or older. Adults may not possess a firearm. Youths may possess only one firearm while hunting. Legal firearms are the same as described for deer hunting. The supervising adult shall maintain visual and voice contact with the youth at all times. An adult may supervise only one youth during this special hunt. Contact the appropriate region office for special check station locations when daily permits are required and maps of specific hunting areas. Either-sex deer may be taken on WMAs with youth hunts. Consult the regulations pamphlet for WMAs offering youth hunts.

b. Handicapped Season. For hunters possessing a Physically Challenged Hunter Permit only. Participants must possess a Physically Challenged Hunter Permit. Contact region

office for permit application and map of specific hunting area. Consult the regulations pamphlet for WMAs offering Handicapped Seasons. Pointe-aux-Chenes will have an experimental Lottery Handicapped waterfowl hunt. Contact New Iberia Office, Fur and Refuge Division for details.

c. Deer Lottery Hunts. Hunts restricted to those persons selected as a result of the pre-application lottery. Consult the regulations pamphlet for deadlines. A non-refundable application fee must be sent with application. Contact region offices for applications. Consult regulations pamphlet for WMAs offering lottery hunts.

d. Turkey Lottery Hunts. Hunts restricted to those persons selected by lottery. Consult the regulations pamphlet for deadlines. All turkeys must be reported at Self Clearing station. Contact Region Offices for more details. Consult separate Turkey Hunting Regulations pamphlet for WMAs offering lottery hunts.

e. Trapping. Permits to take fur bearers from WMAs may be obtained at appropriate offices when required. Consult Annual Trapping Regulations for specific dates. All traps must be run daily. Traps with teeth are illegal. On WMAs where permits are required, each trapper must submit an annual trapping report to the Region Office where his permit was obtained. Non-compliance will result in forfeiture of trapping privileges on the WMAs.

Permits may be obtained only between hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on normal working days at region offices. Hunter orange required when a deer gun season is in progress. A permit is required to carry a firearm outside of the normal hunting season and is available at the Region Office.

f. Raccoon hunting. A licensed hunter may take raccoon or opossum, one per person per day, during daylight hours only, during the open rabbit season on WMAs. NIGHTTIME EXPERIMENTAL - Season dates for specific WMAs are for nighttime raccoon hunting and permits may be required. There is no bag limit for raccoons at night unless specified in the annual regulations pamphlet. Raccoon hunters with dogs must submit an annual report of their kill to the region office for WMAs where permits are required. Non-compliance will result in forfeiture of raccoon or all hunting privileges on WMAs. Permits, when required, may be obtained at region offices only between hours of 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on normal working days.

g. Commercial fishing. Permits are required of all commercial fishermen using Grassy Lake, Pomme de Terre and Spring Bayou WMAs. Drag seines (except minnow and bait seines) are prohibited EXCEPT experimental bait seines allowed on Dewey Wills WMA north of La. 28 in Diversion Canal. Commercial fishing is prohibited during regular waterfowl seasons on Grand Bay, Silver Lake and Lower Sunk Lake on Three Rivers WMA. Commercial fishing

is prohibited on Salvador/Timken, Ouachita and Pointe-aux-Chenes WMAs EXCEPT commercial fishing on Pointe-aux-Chenes is allowed in Cut Off Canal and Wonder Lake. No commercial fishing activity shall impede navigation and no unattended vessels or barges will be allowed. Non-compliance with permit regulations will result in revocation of commercial fishing privileges for the period the license is issued and one year there after. Commercial fishing is allowed on Pass-a-Loutre and Atchafalaya Delta WMAs. See Pass-a-Loutre for additional commercial fishing regulations on mullet.

h. Sport fishing. Sport fishing, crawfishing and frogging are allowed on WMAs when in compliance with current laws and regulations EXCEPT nighttime frogging prohibited on Salvador /Timken and Pointe-aux-Chenes.

i. Additional Department Lands. The Department manages additional lands that are included in the WMA system and available for public recreation. Small tracts are located in Rapides, Vernon, Evangeline, St. Helena and other parishes. These small tracts have been acquired from the Farmers Home Administration or other sources for conservation purposes. Contact the appropriate Wildlife and Fisheries Region Office for specific information and any additional season dates.

#### 4. Firearms

a. Firearms having live ammunition in the chamber, magazine, cylinder or clip when attached to firearms are not

allowed in or on vehicles, boats under power, motorcycles, ATVs, ATCs or in camping areas on WMAs. Firearms may not be carried on any area before or after permitted hours except in authorized camping areas.

b. Firearms and bows and arrows are not allowed on WMAs during closed seasons EXCEPT on designated shooting ranges or as permitted for trapping. Bows and broadhead arrows are not allowed on WMAs EXCEPT during deer archery season, turkey season or as permitted for bowfishing.

c. Encased or broken down firearms and any game harvested may be transported through the areas by the most direct route provided that no other route exists EXCEPT as specified under Wildlife Management Area listing.

d. Loaded firearms are not allowed near WMA check stations.

e. Centerfire rifles and handguns larger than .22 caliber rimfire, shotgun slugs or shot larger than BB lead or F steel shot cannot be carried onto any WMA EXCEPT during modern firearm deer season.

f. Target shooting and other forms of practice shooting are prohibited on WMAs EXCEPT as otherwise specified.

g. Discharging of firearms on or hunting from designated roads, ATV trails or their rights-of-way is prohibited during the modern firearm and muzzleloader deer season.

5. Methods of Taking Game

a. Moving deer or hogs on a WMA with organized drivers and standers, drivers or making use of noises or noise-making devices is prohibited.

b. On Wildlife Management Areas, Federal Refuges and National Forest Lands where the daily limit shall be one deer per day, six per season (all segments included) by all methods of take.

c. Baiting or hunting over bait is prohibited on all WMAs (hogs included). Unmarked hogs may be taken on some WMAs by properly licensed hunters from the beginning of archery season on the area until February 28 and only with guns/ammunition or bow and arrow legal for specified seasons in progress. Consult the specific WMA for additional information. Proper licenses and permits are required for hunting.

d. Hunters who kill deer on WMAs that require daily permits must have deer checked at the check station on same day of kill.

e. Deer hunting on WMAs is restricted to still hunting only. No WMA will be open for deer during early still hunt season unless specified in the regulation pamphlet.

f. Construction of and/or hunting from permanent tree stands or permanent blinds on WMAs is prohibited. Any permanent stand or permanent blind will be removed and destroyed.

g. On Wildlife Management Areas and Refuges, all deer stands must be removed from the area no later than two hours after the end of legal shooting hours each day. Hunting from utility poles, high tension power lines, oil and gas exploration facilities or platforms is prohibited.

h. A permanent blind is any blind using non-natural materials or having a frame which is not dismantled within two hours after the end of legal shooting time each day. Blinds with frames of wood, plastic, metal, poles, wire, mesh, webbing or other materials may be used but must be removed from the WMA within two hours after the end of legal shooting time each day. Blinds made solely of natural vegetation and not held together by nails or other metallic fasteners may be left in place but cannot be used to reserve hunting locations. All decoys must be removed from the WMA daily.

i. It is illegal to save or reserve hunting locations using permanent stands or blinds. Stands or blinds attached to trees with screws, nails, spikes, etc. are illegal.

j. Tree climbing spurs, spikes or screw-in steps are prohibited.

k. Unattended decoys will be confiscated and forfeited to the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries and disposed of by the Department. This action is necessary to prevent preemption of hunting space.

1. Hunters shall not hunt, take or pursue birds or animals from moving vehicles on any WMA. No person shall take birds or animals from or by any motor boat or sail boat unless the motor has been completely shut off and/or the sail furled and its progress therefrom has ceased.

m. Spot lighting (shining) from vehicles is prohibited on all WMAs.

n. Horses and mules may be ridden on Wildlife Managements Areas except where prohibited and except during gun seasons for deer and turkey. Riding is restricted to designated roads and trails. Hunting and trapping from horses and mules is prohibited EXCEPT for quail hunting or as otherwise specified.

o. All hunters EXCEPT waterfowl hunters and dove hunters (including archers and small game hunters) on WMAs must display 400 square inches of "Hunter Orange" and wear a "Hunter Orange" cap during open gun season for deer. Quail hunters, woodcock hunters and archers (while on the ground) as well as hunters participating in special dog seasons for rabbit and squirrel are required to wear a minimum of a "Hunter Orange" cap. ALSO all persons afield during hunting seasons are encouraged to display "Hunter Orange".

p. Archery season for deer. The archery season on WMAs is the same as outside and is open for either sex deer EXCEPT as otherwise specified on individual WMAs. Archery season

restricted on Atchafalaya Delta and closed on certain WMAs when special seasons for youth or handicapped hunters are in progress. Consult regulations pamphlet for specific seasons.

q. Either sex deer may be taken on WMAs at any time during archery season EXCEPT when bucks only seasons are in progress on the respective WMAs. Archers must abide by bucks only regulations and other restrictions when such seasons are in progress.

r. Muzzleloader season for deer. See WMA deer schedule.

## 6. Camping

a. Camping on WMAs, including trailers, houseboats, recreational vehicles and tents, is allowed only in designated areas and for a period not to exceed sixteen (16) consecutive days, regardless if the camp is attended or unattended. Houseboats shall not impede navigation. At the end of the 16 day period, camps must be removed from the area for at least 48 hours. Camping area use limited exclusively to outdoor recreational activities.

b. Houseboats are prohibited from overnight mooring within WMAs EXCEPT on stream banks adjacent to Department-owned designated camping areas. Overnight mooring of vessels that provide lodging for hire are prohibited on WMAs. On Atchafalaya Delta WMA and Pass-a-Loutre, houseboats may be moored in specially

designated areas throughout the hunting season. At all other times of the year, mooring is limited to a period not to exceed sixteen (16) consecutive days. Permits are required for camping and overnight mooring of houseboats on Pass-a-Loutre and can be obtained from the WMA headquarters. Houseboat mooring permits are required for Atchafalaya Delta Wildlife Management Area. Permits may be obtained from the New Iberia office.

c. Discharge of human waste onto lands or waters of any WMA is strictly prohibited by State and Federal law. In the event public restroom facilities are not available at a WMA, the following is required. Anyone camping on a WMA in a camper, trailer, or other unit (other than a houseboat or tent) shall have and shall utilize an operational disposal system attached to the unit. Tent campers shall have and shall utilize portable waste disposal units and shall remove all human waste from the WMA upon leaving. Houseboats moored on a WMA shall have a permit or letter of certification from the Health Unit (Department of Health and Hospitals) of the parish within which the WMA occurs verifying that it has an approved sewerage disposal system on board. Further, that system shall be utilized by occupants of the houseboats when on the WMA.

d. No refuse or garbage may be dumped from these boats.

e. Firearms may not be kept loaded or discharged

in a camping area.

f. Campsites must be cleaned by occupants prior to leaving and all refuse placed in designated locations when provided or carried off by campers.

g. Non-compliance with camping regulations will subject occupant to immediate expulsion and/or citation, including restitution for damages.

h. Swimming is prohibited within 100 yards of boat launching ramps.

#### 7. Restricted Areas

a. All oil and gas production facilities (wells, pumping stations and storage facilities) are off limits.

b. No unauthorized entry or hunting in restricted areas or refuges.

8. Dogs. All use of dogs on WMAs, EXCEPT for bird hunting and duck hunting, is EXPERIMENTAL as required by law. Having or using dogs on any WMA is prohibited EXCEPT for nighttime experimental raccoon hunting, squirrel hunting, rabbit hunting, bird hunting, duck hunting and bird dog training when allowed. Dogs running at large are prohibited on WMAs. The owner or handler of said dogs shall be liable. Only recognizable breeds of bird dogs and retrievers are allowed for quail and migratory bird hunting. Only beagle hounds which do not exceed 15 inches at the front shoulders and which have recognizable characteristics of the

breed may be used on WMAs having experimental rabbit seasons.

9. Vehicles

a. Vehicles having wheels with a wheel-tire combination having a radius of 17 inches or more from the center of the hub (measured horizontal to ground) are prohibited.

b. The testing, racing, speeding or unusual maneuvering of any type of vehicle is prohibited within wildlife management areas due to property damages resulting in high maintenance costs, disturbance of wildlife and destruction of forest reproduction.

c. Tractor or implement tires with farm tread designs R1, R2 and R4 known commonly as spade or lug grip types are prohibited on all vehicles. ATV tires are restricted to those with a maximum one inch lug height and a maximum allowable tire pressure of 7 psi, as indicated on the tire by the manufacturer.

d. Airboats, aircraft, personal water craft and hover craft are prohibited on all WMAs and Refuges. Personal water craft are defined as a vessel which uses an inboard motor powering a water jet pump as its primary source of propulsion and is designed to be operated by a person sitting, standing or kneeling on the vessel rather than in the conventional manner of sitting or standing inside the vessel. Personal water craft allowed on designated areas of Alexander State Forest WMA.

e. No internal combustion engines allowed in

certain Greentree reservoirs.

f. Driving or parking vehicles on food or cover plots and strips is prohibited.

g. Blocking the entrance to roads and trails is prohibited.

h. Motorized vehicles, including ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles, are restricted entirely to designated roads and ATV trails as indicated on WMA maps. WMA maps available at all region offices. This restriction does not apply to bicycles.

i. Use of special ATV trails for handicapped persons is restricted to special ATV handicapped permittees. Handicapped ATV permittees are restricted to handicapped ATV trails or other ATV trails only as indicated on WMA maps. Persons 60 years of age and older, with proof of age, are also allowed to use special handicapped trails and need not obtain a permit. However, these persons must abide by all rules in place for these trails. Handicapped persons should make application for a Physically Challenged Hunter Program Permit with the Department.

j. Entrances to ATV trails will be marked with peach colored paint. Entrances to handicapped-only ATV trails will be marked with blue colored paint. Routes of all trails are as indicated on WMA maps. Deviation from the trails indicated on the map constitutes a violation of WMA rules and regulations.

k. Roads and trails may be closed due to poor

condition, construction or wet weather.

1. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles cannot be left overnight on WMAs EXCEPT on designated camping areas. ATVs are prohibited from two hours after sunset to 3:00 AM. Trails and roads designated as ATV only shall be closed to ATVs from March 1 through August 31 unless otherwise specified. Certain trails may be open during this time period to provide access for fishing or other purpose. These trails will be marked by signs at the entrance of the trail.

m. CAUTION: Many Department-maintained roadways on WMAs are unimproved and substandard. A maximum 20 mph speed limit is recommended for all land vehicles using these roads.

10. Wildlife Management Areas Basic Season Structure. For season dates, bag limits, shooting hours, special seasons and other information consult the annual regulations pamphlet for specific details.

11. Resident Small Game (squirrel, rabbit, quail, dove, woodcock, snipe, rail and gallinule). Consult regulations pamphlet.

12. Waterfowl (ducks, geese and coots). Consult regulations pamphlet.

13. Archery. Consult regulations pamphlet.

14. Hogs. Consult regulations pamphlet.

15. Outlaw Quadrupeds and Birds. Consult regulations

pamphlet.

16. Wildlife Management Areas Hunting Schedule and Regulations:

a. Alexander State Forest. Vehicles restricted to paved and graveled roads. No parking on or fishing or swimming from bridges. No open fires EXCEPT in recreation areas.

b. Atchafalaya Delta. Water control structures are not to be tampered with or altered by anyone other than employees of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries at any time. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited.

c. Attakapas. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

d. Bayou Macon. All night activities prohibited except as otherwise provided. Mules are allowed for nighttime raccoon hunting.

e. Bayou Pierre

f. Bens Creek

g. Big Colewa Bayou. All nighttime activities prohibited.

h. Big Lake. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

i. Biloxi

j. Bodcau

k. Boeuf. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

l. Boise-Vernon

m. Buckhorn. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

n. Camp Beauregard. Daily military clearance required for all recreational users. Registration for use of Self Clearing Permit required once per year. Free-ranging livestock prohibited. All game harvested must be reported. Retriever training allowed on selected portions of the WMA. Contact the Region office for specific details.

o. Dewey W. Wills. Crawfish: 100 pounds per person per day.

p. Elm Hall. No ATVs allowed.

q. Fort Polk. Daily military clearance required to hunt or trap. Registration for use of Self Clearing Permit required once per year. Special regulations apply to ATV users.

r. Georgia-Pacific. EXCEPT as otherwise provided, all nighttime activities prohibited.

s. Grassy Lake. Commercial Fishing: Permitted EXCEPT on Smith Bay, Red River Bay and Grassy Lake proper on Saturday and Sunday and during waterfowl season. Permits available from area supervisor at Spring Bayou headquarters or Opelousas Region Office. Free-ranging livestock prohibited. No hunting in restricted area.

t. Jackson-Bienville. ATVs are allowed on non-public maintained gravel roads and timber management woods, roads and trails.

u. Joyce. Swamp Walk: Adhere to all WMA rules and

regulations. No firearms or hunting allowed within 100 yards of walkways. Check hunting schedule and use walkway at your own risk.

v. Lake Boeuf

w. Lake Ramsay. Foot traffic only - all vehicles restricted to Parish Roads.

x. Little River

y. Loggy Bayou

z. Manchac. Crabs: No crab traps allowed.

Attended lift nets are allowed.

aa. Ouachita. Waterfowl Refuge: North of La. Hwy. 15 closed to all hunting, fishing and trapping during duck season including early teal season. Crawfish: 100 pounds per person per day limit. Night crawfishing prohibited. No traps or nets left overnight. Commercial Fishing: Closed. All nighttime activities prohibited except as otherwise provided.

ab. Pass-a-Loutre. Commercial Fishing: Same as outside. Commercial mullet fishing open only in: South Pass, Pass-a-Loutre, North Pass, Southeast Pass, Northeast Pass, Dennis Pass, Johnson Pass, Loomis Pass, Cadro Pass, Wright Pass, Viveats Pass, Cognevich Pass, Blind Bay, Redfish Bay, Garden Island Bay, Northshore Bay, East Bay (west of barrier islands) and oil and gas canals as described on the Department Pass-a-Loutre WMA map. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited on this area. Oyster harvesting is prohibited.

ac. Pearl River. All roads closed 8 p.m. to 4:30 a.m. to all vehicles. Old Hwy. 11 will be closed when river gauge at Pearl River, Louisiana, reaches 16.5 feet. All hunting will be closed when the river stage at Pearl River reaches 16.5 feet except waterfowl hunting south of Hwy. 90. No hunting in the vicinity of Nature Trail. Observe "No Hunting" signs. Rifle range open noon until 4 p.m. Friday, and 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday with a fee.

ad. Peason Ridge. Daily military clearance required to hunt or trap. Registration for use of Self Clearing Permit required once per year. Special federal regulations apply to ATV users.

ae. Pointe-aux-Chenes. Hunting until 12 noon on ALL GAME, EXCEPT for DOVE hunting and experimental youth deer hunt as specified in regulation pamphlet. Point Farm: Gate will be open during each Saturday of the second split of dove season and all weekends during month of February. No motorized vessels allowed in the drainage ditches. Recreational Fishing: Shrimp may be taken by the use of cast nets only. During the inside open shrimp season, 25 pounds per boat per day (heads on) shall be allowed. Size count to conform with open season requirements. During the inside closed season, 10 pounds per boat per day (heads on) may be taken for bait. Oyster harvesting is prohibited. Fish may be taken by rod and reel or hand lines for recreational purposes only. Crabs may

be taken through the use of hand lines or nets; however, none are to remain set overnight. Twelve dozen crabs are allowed per boat or vehicle per day. Crawfish may be harvested in unrestricted portions of the wildlife management area and shall be limited to 100 pounds per boat or group. Fishing gear used to catch crawfish shall not remain set overnight. The harvest of all fish, shrimp, crabs and crawfish are for recreational purposes only and any commercial use is prohibited. Mudboats or vessels with engines larger than 25 h.p. prohibited in the Montegut and Grand Bayou marsh management units. Public is permitted to travel anytime through the WMA for access purposes only, in the waterways known as Grand Bayou, Humble Canal, Little Bayou Blue and Grand Bayou Blue. Vehicles prohibited on Point Farm properties unless authorized by the department. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited on this area.

af. Pomme de Terre. Commercial Fishing: permitted Monday through Friday, EXCEPT closed during duck season. Commercial Fishing permits available from area supervisor, Opelousas Region Office or Spring Bayou headquarters. Sport Fishing: Same as outside EXCEPT allowed after 2 p.m. only during waterfowl season. Crawfish: April 1 - July 31, recreational only, 100 lbs. per boat or group daily. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

ag. Red River. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

Crawfishing prohibited on Wetland Restoration Areas.

ah. Russell Sage. Transporting trash or garbage on WMA roads is prohibited. All nighttime activities prohibited except as otherwise provided. NOTE: All season dates on Chauvin Tract (U.S. 165 North) same as outside, EXCEPT still hunt only and EXCEPT deer hunting restricted to archery only. Waterfowl hunting after 2 p.m. prohibited. All vehicles including ATVs prohibited.

ai. Sabine

aj. Sabine Island. Sabine Island boundaries are Sabine River on the west, Cut-Off Bayou on the north, and Old River and Big Bayou on the south and east.

ak. Salvador/Timken. Hunting until 12 noon only for all game. All nighttime activities prohibited, including frogging. Recreational Fishing: Shrimp may be taken by the use of cast nets only. During the inside open shrimp season, 25 pounds per boat per day (heads on) shall be permitted. Size count to conform with open season requirements. During the inside closed season, 10 pounds per boat per day (heads on) may be taken for bait. Fish may be taken by rod and reel or hand lines for recreational purposes only. Crabs may be taken through the use of hand lines or nets; however, none of the lines are to remain set overnight. Twelve dozen crabs maximum are allowed per boat or vehicle per day. Crawfish may be harvested in unrestricted portions of the wildlife management area and shall be limited to

100 pounds per boat or group. Fishing gear used to catch crawfish shall not remain set overnight. The harvest of all fish, shrimp, crabs and crawfish are for recreational purposes only and any commercial use is prohibited. Boats powered by internal combustion engines having horsepower ratings above 25 H.P. are permitted only in oil company access canals, Louisiana Cypress Canal, the Netherlands Pond including the West Canal, Lakes - "Baie Des Chactas" and Baie du Cabanage" and the Rathborne Access ditch. Operation of the above described internal combustion engines in interior ditches is prohibited EXCEPT by experimental permit to be obtained from the New Orleans Office, Fur and Refuge Division, Room 217. Pulling boats over levees, dams or water control structures or any other activities which cause detriment to the integrity of levees, dams and water control structures is prohibited. Special Use Permits may be issued for persons interested in clearing existing ditches (trenasses). Permits will be considered on a case-by-case basis. Contact Pointe-aux-Chenes. ATVs, ATCs and motorcycles prohibited on this area.

al. Sandy Hollow. Bird Dog Training: Consult regulation pamphlet. Wild birds only (use of pen-raised birds prohibited). Bird Dog Field Trials: Permit required from Baton Rouge Region Office. Horseback Riding: Organized trail rides prohibited. Horses and mules are specifically prohibited during turkey and gun season for deer EXCEPT as allowed for bird dog field

trials. No horses and mules on green planted areas. No motorized vehicles allowed off designated roads. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

am. Sherburne. Crawfishing: Recreational crawfishing only on the North and South Farm Complexes. Crawfish harvest limited to 100 pounds per vehicle or boat per day. No traps or nets left overnight. No motorized watercraft allowed on farm complex. Commercial crawfishing allowed on the remainder of the area. Permit is required. Free-ranging livestock prohibited. Retriever training allowed on selected portions of the WMA. Contact the Region office for specific details. Vehicular traffic prohibited on east Atchafalaya River levee within Sherburne WMA boundaries. Rifle and Pistol Range open daily. Skeet ranges open by appointment only, contact Hunter Education Office. No trespassing in restricted area behind ranges. Note: Atchafalaya National Wildlife Refuge, and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers land holdings adjacent to the Sherburne Wildlife Management Area will have the same rules and regulations as Sherburne WMA. No hunting or trapping in restricted area.

an. Sicily Island Hills. Firearms and any game harvested cannot be transported through the area except during the corresponding open season on area. Free-ranging livestock prohibited.

ao. Soda Lake. No motorized vehicles allowed. All

trapping and hunting prohibited EXCEPT archery hunting for deer.

ap. Spring Bayou. Commercial Fishing: permitted Monday through Friday EXCEPT slat traps and hoop nets permitted any day. Permits available from area supervisor or Opelousas Region Office. Closed until after 2 p.m. during waterfowl season. Sport Fishing: Same as outside EXCEPT allowed only after 2 p.m. during waterfowl season. Crawfish: recreational only. No hunting allowed in headquarters area. Only overnight campers allowed in the improved Boggy Bayou Camping area. Rules and regulations posted at camp site. A fee is assessed for use of this camp site. Water skiing allowed only in Old River and Grand Lac.

aq. Thistlethwaite. No hunting or trapping in restricted area (See WMA Map). All motorized vehicles restricted to improved roads only. All users must enter and leave through main gate only. No entry into restricted areas.

ar. Three Rivers. Free-ranging livestock prohibited in area.

as. Tunica Hills. All vehicles restricted to Parish roads. ATVs restricted to designated trails. Driving on food plots prohibited. Access to restricted areas is unauthorized. Refer to WMA map. Camping prohibited on area. North of Hwy. 66 (Angola Tract) closed to the general public March 1-September 30 EXCEPT spring turkey hunting access allowed for those individuals drawn for special lottery hunt.

at. Union. All nighttime activities prohibited except as otherwise provided.

au. West Bay. Road Travel and Hunting Restrictions: All motorized vehicles restricted to designated roads. Refer to WMA map for location of designated roads. Hunting prohibited on roads designated for motorized vehicular travel.

av. Wisner

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115 and R.S. 56:116.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 25:1279 (July 1999), amended LR 26:1494 (July 2000), LR 27: .

Dr. H. Jerry Stone

Chairman

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
July 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge LA, July 5, 2001.

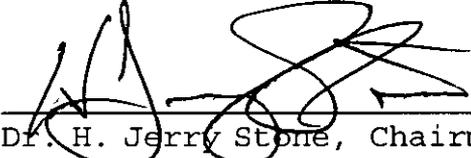
WHEREAS, it is the constitutional responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting regulations for waterfowl, and

WHEREAS, authority to establish these regulations and other rules and regulations for the hunting of waterfowl is vested in the Commission by R.S. 56:115, and

WHEREAS, this action will provide for the protection and conservation of these natural resources and allow for recreational opportunities for sport hunting on both public and private lands, and

WHEREAS, the Commission and Department staff have jointly reviewed and considered all available biological information, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached rule affecting hunting zones for waterfowl is hereby adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

  
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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

  
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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

RULE

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby establish rules and regulations governing waterfowl hunting zones.

Title 76

WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES

Part V. Wild Quadrupeds and Wild Birds

Chapter 3. Wild Birds

§319. Waterfowl Hunting Zones

The state shall be divided into East and West Waterfowl Hunting Zones by the following boundary: Beginning at the Arkansas-Louisiana border on La. 3; thence south along La. 3 to Bossier City; thence east along I-20 to Minden; thence south along La. 7 to Ringgold; thence east along La. 4 to Jonesboro; thence south along U.S. 167 to Lafayette; thence southeast along U.S. 90 to the Mississippi state line.

AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 27: (July 2001).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone

Chairman

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
JULY 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission Meeting held in Baton Rouge, LA, July 5, 2001.

WHEREAS, the Deer Management Assistance Program (DMAP) is designed for landowners and hunting clubs with 500 acres or more of land, and

WHEREAS, one of the major complaints from the public concerning DMAP is that small landowners are not able to participate, and

WHEREAS, the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program was established to allow landowners with nuisance deer problems to receive doe tags for the regular hunting season, and

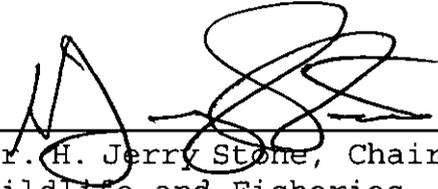
WHEREAS, small landowners in Iberville, Pointe Coupee, and West Baton Rouge Parishes have indicated their interest in achieving a higher level of deer management by balancing the buck and doe harvest to maintain herds at or below carrying capacity, and

WHEREAS, allowing landowners in Iberville, Pointe Coupee, and West Baton Rouge Parishes to harvest antlerless deer at any time during the regular deer season will help maintain deer populations in balance with available habitat, and provide additional deer hunting opportunities, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the attached Notice of Intent to amend the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program to include small landowners in Iberville, Pointe Coupee, and West Baton Rouge Parishes who have at least 20 acres but less than 500 acres of forested land provided that the land shall be posted with "Landowner Antlerless Deer Program" signs erected at the same intervals as specified in the Deer Management Assistance Program be adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this notice of intent and the final rule,

including, but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statements, the filing of the notice of intent and final rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.



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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission



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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

NOTICE OF INTENT

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

The Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby give notice of its intent to amend the rule pertaining to participation in the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program.

**Title 76**

**WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES**

**Part V. Wild Quadrupeds and Wild Birds**

**Chapter 1. Wild Quadrupeds**

**§119. Rules and Regulations for Participation in the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program**

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A. 1. d. Small landowners in Iberville, Pointe Coupee and West Baton Rouge Parishes who do not qualify for the Deer Management Assistance Program but do have more than 20 acres but less than 500 acres of forested land may be allowed to participate in the Landowner Antlerless Deer Tag Program provided that the land shall be posted with "Landowner Antlerless Deer Program" signs erected at the same intervals as specified in the Deer Management Assistance Program.

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AUTHORITY NOTE: Promulgated in accordance with R.S. 56:115.

HISTORICAL NOTE: Promulgated by the Department of Wildlife

and Fisheries, Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, LR 26:2011 (September 2000), amended LR 27: .

The Secretary of the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries is authorized to take any and all necessary steps on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate this notice of intent and the final rule, including but not limited to, the filing of the fiscal and economic impact statements, the filing of the notice of intent and final rule and the preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government.

Interested persons may submit comments relative to the proposed Rule to: Mr. Tommy Prickett, Wildlife Division, Department of Wildlife and Fisheries, Box 98000, Baton Rouge, LA 70898-9000, prior to Thursday, September 6, 2001.

In accordance with Act#1183 of 1999, the Department of Wildlife and Fisheries/Wildlife and Fisheries Commission hereby issues its Family Impact Statement in connection with the preceding Notice of Intent: This Notice of Intent will have no impact on the six criteria set out at R.S. 49:972(B).

Dr. H. Jerry Stone

Chairman

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
JULY 5, 2001

The following was adopted by the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission at its regular Commission meeting in Baton Rouge, LA July 5, 2001.

WHEREAS, public hearings in Washington, D.C. have been held on early migratory bird season regulations that include dove, snipe, rail, gallinule, woodcock and teal, and

WHEREAS, the results of this meeting have been discussed with the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission, and

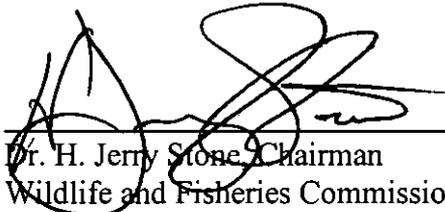
WHEREAS, rules and regulations governing early migratory bird season frameworks have been developed by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and

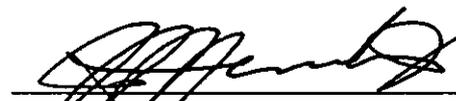
WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries staff has presented recommendations for migratory species that include season dates, bag limits, and shooting hours, and

WHEREAS, it is the statutory responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for these migratory species within constraints established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Commission does hereby adopt the presented tentative season dates for migratory birds which are made part of this resolution, subject to the following stipulations:

- (1) The Secretary is hereby authorized and delegated the authority to take any and all steps necessary on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate these seasons as a Declaration of Emergency and preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government; and
- (2) If significant changes occur as a result of changes in the framework established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or for other reasons, the Secretary is hereby authorized and delegated the authority to alter the attached seasons based upon the recommendations of Department staff, supported by biological and technical data.

  
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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

  
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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
2001-2002 Hunting Season Recommendations  
FOR MIGRATORY BIRDS

**MOURNING DOVE:** Split Season, Statewide, 70 days

September 1 (Sat.)-September 9 (Sun.) 9 days  
October 13 (Sat.)-November 25 (Sun.) 44 days  
December 22 (Sat.)-January 7 (Mon.) 17 days  
Daily bag limit 12, Possession Limit, 24

**TEAL:**

September 15 (Sat.)-September 30 (Sun.) 16 days  
Daily bag limit 4, Possession limit 8, Blue-winged, Green-winged and Cinnamon teal only  
Federal and State waterfowl stamps required.

**RAILS:** Split Season

September 15 (Sat.)-September 30 (Sun.) 16 days  
Remainder of season to be set in August with duck regulations  
**KING AND CLAPPER:** Daily bag limit 15 in the aggregate, Possession 30  
**SORA AND VIRGINIA:** Daily bag and possession 25 in the aggregate

**GALLINULES:** Split Season

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Daily bag limit 15, Possession limit 30

**WOODCOCK:**

December 15 (Sat.)-January 28 (Mon.) 45 days  
Daily bag limit 3, Possession 6

**SHOOTING HOURS:**

**Teal, Rail, Woodcock and Gallinule:** One-half hour before sunrise to sunset.  
**Mourning Dove:** One-half hour before sunrise to sunset except on Sept. 1-2, Oct. 14-15, and Dec. 22-23 when shooting hours will be 12:00 noon to sunset.

**SNIBE:** Deferring to August with the duck regulations.

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
2001-2002 Hunting Season Recommendations  
FOR MIGRATORY BIRDS

**Mourning Dove** Split Season, Statewide, 60 days

September 1 (Sat.)-September 9 (Sun) 9 days  
October 13 (Sat.)-November 18 (Sun.) 37 days  
December 22 (Sat.)-January 4 (Fri.) 14 days  
Daily bag Limit: 15; Possession Limit: 30

**TEAL:**

September 15 (Sat.)-September 30 (Sun.) 16 days  
Daily bag limit 4, Possession limit 8, Blue-winged, Green-winged and Cinnamon teal only  
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**SNIPE:** Deferring to August with the duck regulations.

RESOLUTION  
LOUISIANA WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES COMMISSION  
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
JULY 5, 2001

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WHEREAS, rules and regulations governing early migratory bird season frameworks have been developed by the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service, and

WHEREAS, the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries staff has presented recommendations for migratory species that include season dates, bag limits, and shooting hours, and

WHEREAS, it is the statutory responsibility of the Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to establish hunting seasons for these migratory species within constraints established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service framework, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that this Commission does hereby adopt the presented tentative season dates for migratory birds which are made part of this resolution, subject to the following stipulations:

- (1) The Secretary is hereby authorized and delegated the authority to take any and all steps necessary on behalf of the Commission to promulgate and effectuate these seasons as a Declaration of Emergency and preparation of reports and correspondence to other agencies of government; and
- (2) If significant changes occur as a result of changes in the framework established by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service or for other reasons, the Secretary is hereby authorized and delegated the authority to alter the attached seasons based upon the recommendations of Department staff, supported by biological and technical data.

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
2001-2002 Hunting Season Recommendations  
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**RAILS:** Split Season

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Daily bag limit 3, Possession 6

**SHOOTING HOURS:**

**Teal, Rail, Woodcock and Gallinule:** One-half hour before sunrise to sunset. <sup>13-14</sup>  
**Mourning Dove:** One-half hour before sunrise to sunset except on Sept. 1-2, Oct. ~~14-15~~, and  
Dec. 22-23 when shooting hours will be 12:00 noon to sunset.

**SNIPE:** Deferring to August with the duck regulations.

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
Alternative Season Date Recommendations

**Mourning Dove**                      Split Season, Statewide, 60 days

September 1 (Sat.)-September 9 (Sun)	9 days
October 13 (Sat.)-November 18 (Sun.)	37 days
December 22 (Sat.)-January 4 (Fri.)	14 days
Daily bag Limit: 15; Possession Limit: 30	

Shooting Hours: One-half hour before sunrise to sunset except on Sept. 1-2, Oct. 13-14, and Dec. 22-23 when shooting hours will be 12:00 noon to sunset.

RESOLUTION

2001-2002 Recreational Nutria Harvest Season  
adopted by the  
Louisiana Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

WHEREAS, Act 226 of the 2001 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature authorizes the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to set the open season for the recreational taking of nutria, and

WHEREAS, R.S. 49:953(B) and R.S. 49:967(D) of the Administrative Procedure Act, allows the Commission to use emergency provisions to set seasons, and

WHEREAS, nutria have been known to be a destructive force to Louisiana's valuable wetlands, and

WHEREAS, the recreational harvest of nutria may help to reduce the numbers of nutria while providing the citizens of the state an opportunity to harvest nutria for home consumption, now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 2001-2002 recreational harvest season for nutria statewide from September 1, 2001, one-half hour before sunrise through February 28, 2002, one-half hour after sunset, with no daily bag limit, by any legal means for small game and no pelting or sale of meat, except by persons possessing a valid trapping license during the trapping season only.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, a Declaration of Emergency setting the 2001-2002 recreational harvest season for nutria is attached to and made a part of this resolution.

  
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Dr. H. Jerry Stone, Chairman  
Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

  
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James H. Jenkins, Jr., Secretary  
Department of Wildlife and  
Fisheries

during legal shooting hours

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

In accordance with the provisions of Act 226 of the 2001 Regular Session of the Louisiana Legislature which authorizes the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to adopt regulations for a recreational harvest of nutria and in accordance with emergency provisions of R.S. 49:953(B) and R.S. 49:967(D) of the Administrative Procedure Act, which allows the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission to use emergency provisions to set seasons, the Wildlife and Fisheries Commission does hereby set the 2001-2002 recreational nutria harvest season statewide from September 1, 2001, one-half hour before sunrise through February 28, 2002, one-half hour after sunset, with no daily bag limit, by any legal method for small game during legal shooting hours and no pelting or sale of meat, except by persons possessing a valid trapping license during the trapping season only.

Dr. H. Jerry Stone

Chairman

DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY

Department of Wildlife and Fisheries  
Wildlife and Fisheries Commission

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Dr. H. Jerry Stone

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RESOLUTION

2001-2002 Recreational Nutria Harvest Season  
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Wildlife and Fisheries  
Commission

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<h1>November</h1>							
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18	19	20	21	22	23	24	
25	26	27	28	29	30		

MONTHLY CIVIL RESTITUTION REPORT

PERIOD	NO. CASES ASSESSED	AMOUNT ASSESSED	CREDIT FOR SALE GOODS	NO. CASES PAID	AMOUNT PAID	DISCOUNTS TAKEN	PERCENT DOLLARS PAID	PERCENT CASES PAID
<b>FISCAL YEAR 1993-94</b>								
July, 1993	25	\$21,039.00	(\$9,778.00)	29	\$4,855.00	\$2,545.00		
Aug., 1993	53	\$44,922.00	(\$1,137.00)	41	\$7,950.00	\$3,603.00		
Sept., 1993	42	\$137,635.00	(\$17,938.00)	35	\$6,783.00	\$3,048.00		
Oct., 1993	49	\$21,471.00	(\$11,282.00)	40	\$3,285.00	\$1,519.00		
Nov., 1993	57	\$31,207.00	(\$13,260.00)	32	\$3,053.00	\$2,845.00		
Dec., 1993	53	\$13,777.00		27	\$6,507.00	\$6,713.00		
Jan., 1994	38	\$18,918.00		32	\$4,423.00	\$2,831.00		
Feb., 1994	68	\$38,131.00	(\$8,238.00)	46	\$9,124.00	\$5,993.00		
Mar., 1994	38	\$22,739.00	(\$2,482.00)	51	\$10,854.00	\$6,796.00		
April, 1994	14	\$44,732.00	(\$1,404.00)	27	\$7,307.00	\$4,632.00		
May, 1994	10	\$4,504.00	(\$165.00)	7	\$5,447.00	\$3,808.00		
June, 1994	29	\$26,167.00	(\$2,986.00)	12	\$1,886.00	\$1,214.00		
<b>Total FY 1994</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>\$425,242.00</b>	<b>(\$68,670.00)</b>	<b>379</b>	<b>\$71,474.00</b>	<b>\$45,547.00</b>	<b>27.5%</b>	<b>79.6%</b>
<b>FISCAL YEAR 1994-95</b>								
July, 1994	17	\$2,127.00	(\$335.00)	23	\$2,101.00	\$1,437.00		
Aug., 1994	41	\$96,403.00	(\$3,035.00)	20	\$1,010.00	\$605.00		
Sept., 1994	34	\$14,614.00	(\$14,002.00)	26	\$2,596.00	\$2,342.00		
Oct., 1994	94	\$17,426.00	(\$8,677.00)	38	\$2,922.00	\$3,179.00		
Nov., 1994	43	\$103,592.00		45	\$3,992.00	\$2,803.00		
Dec., 1994	68	\$31,400.00		35	\$4,315.00	\$2,329.00		
Jan., 1995	55	\$27,601.00		52	\$7,493.00	\$4,921.00		
Feb., 1995	70	\$61,119.00		41	\$6,472.00	\$3,973.00		
Mar., 1995	31	\$25,072.00		44	\$8,315.00	\$4,737.00		
Apr., 1995	13	\$15,353.00		16	\$3,565.00	\$1,538.00		
May., 1995	23	\$11,632.00		16	\$4,315.00	\$654.00		
June 1995	45	\$31,008.00		18	\$2,630.00	\$1,025.00		
<b>Total FY 1995</b>	<b>534</b>	<b>\$437,347.00</b>	<b>(\$26,049.00)</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>\$49,726.00</b>	<b>\$29,543.00</b>	<b>18.1%</b>	<b>70.0%</b>
<b>FICAL YEAR 1995-96</b>								
July, 1995	0	\$0.00						
Aug., 1995	46	\$17,425.00		27	\$9,028.00	\$1,729.00		
Sept., 1995	1	\$125.00		21	\$3,093.00	\$2,049.00		
Oct., 1995	122	\$206,244.00		29	\$2,720.00	\$1,161.00		
Nov., 1995	55	\$23,124.00		62	\$10,151.00	\$6,383.00		
Dec., 1995	50	\$18,607.26		32	\$4,780.66	\$2,802.76		
Jan., 1996	49	\$13,814.88	(\$15,296.45)	36	\$5,296.51	\$3,472.89		
Feb., 1996	50	\$14,716.97		38	\$5,777.53	\$3,416.91		
Mar., 1996	33	\$24,936.91		36	\$6,035.12	\$3,421.75		
Apr., 1996	30	\$11,006.66		36	\$7,173.12	\$2,711.54		
May., 1996	23	\$7,989.34		24	\$3,941.69	\$2,020.29		
June 1996	50	\$22,151.31		16	\$2,790.02	\$1,182.23		
<b>Total FY 1996</b>	<b>509</b>	<b>\$360,141.33</b>	<b>(\$15,296.45)</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>\$60,786.65</b>	<b>\$30,350.37</b>	<b>25.3%</b>	<b>70.1%</b>
<b>FISCAL YEAR 1996-97</b>								
July, 1996	40	\$71,894.13		32	\$5,249.93	\$2,947.96		
Aug., 1996	32	\$5,362.64		32	\$6,254.59	\$3,783.69		
Sept., 1996	41	\$7,210.00		29	\$2,259.96	\$1,326.58		
Oct., 1996	29	\$11,092.53		25	\$3,697.89	\$2,261.98		
Nov., 1996	20	\$10,009.10		22	\$1,624.63	\$698.02		
Dec., 1996	13	\$238,466.04		22	\$5,877.18	\$2,121.53		
Jan., 1997	27	\$11,755.22		17	\$4,393.30	\$2,377.09		
Feb., 1997	47	\$18,520.87		42	\$8,579.84	\$5,552.63		
Mar., 1997	26	\$13,434.02		27	\$4,999.59	\$2,757.67		
Apr., 1997	10	\$2,908.87		15	\$2,322.88	\$1,298.66		
May., 1997	20	\$11,682.70		15	\$5,198.91	\$1,399.21		
June 1997	5	\$8,036.58		10	\$2,335.24	\$765.34		
<b>Total FY 1997</b>	<b>310</b>	<b>\$410,372.70</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>\$52,793.94</b>	<b>\$27,290.36</b>	<b>19.5%</b>	<b>92.9%</b>
<b>FICAL YEAR 1997 - 98</b>								
July, 1997	10	\$2,811.71		8	\$1,584.67	\$823.11		
Aug., 1997	14	\$8,741.30		8	\$1,496.49	\$779.14		
Sept., 1997	29	\$19,926.37		12	\$2,051.78	\$1,278.04		
Oct., 1997	12	\$4,716.81		23	\$3,184.83	\$2,063.89		
Nov., 1997	23	\$54,965.34		10	\$2,424.86	\$1,218.28		
Dec., 1997	25	\$36,881.09		15	\$4,376.97	\$2,775.66		
Jan., 1998	42	\$30,025.81		17	\$5,300.40	\$3,533.66		

Feb., 1998	37	\$31,164.95		29	\$22,961.69	\$8,501.18		
Mar., 1998	9	\$13,273.45		32	\$9,406.56	\$4,371.53		
Apr., 1998	10	\$5,628.21		10	\$2,602.62	\$1,279.77		
May., 1998	0	\$225.00		8	\$2,885.02	\$950.46		
June 1998	5	\$2,414.03		6	\$1,041.54	\$98.00		
<b>Total FY 1998</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>\$210,774.07</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>\$59,317.43</b>	<b>\$27,672.72</b>	<b>41.3%</b>	<b>82.4%</b>

FICAL YEAR 1998 - 99

July, 1998	9	\$1,390.43		8	\$1,964.20	\$716.75		
Aug., 1998	10	\$2,240.70		10	\$1,048.28	\$372.47		
Sept., 1998	8	\$2,768.96		11	\$2,000.36	\$1,148.23		
Oct., 1998	22	\$28,704.85		14	\$1,860.17	\$807.48		
Nov., 1998	19	\$9,137.79		11	\$1,765.97	\$1,092.43		
Dec., 1998	23	\$11,959.10		27	\$4,441.02	\$2,040.71		
Jan., 1999	41	\$21,179.55		18	\$6,621.63	\$3,838.22		
Feb., 1999	45	\$26,236.24		41	\$12,119.09	\$6,923.61		
Mar., 1999	15	\$7,549.57		33	\$8,281.77	\$4,138.44		
Apr., 1999	9	\$8,013.54		14	\$3,035.82	\$1,388.41		
May., 1999	5	\$5,161.23		5	\$905.50	\$405.00		
June 1999	7	\$3,719.01		13	\$3,011.06	\$533.83		
<b>Total FY 1999</b>	<b>213</b>	<b>\$128,060.97</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>\$47,054.87</b>	<b>\$23,405.58</b>	<b>55.0%</b>	<b>96.2%</b>

FISCAL YEAR 1999-2000

July, 1999	5	\$1,556.38		9	\$2,287.53	\$1,198.81		
Aug., 1999	10	\$2,510.83		15	\$2,455.38	\$513.73		
Sept., 1999	6	\$2,032.19	\$5,324.80	28	\$3,563.06	\$475.93		
Oct., 1999	11	\$4,452.31	\$567.75	25	\$2,775.48	\$557.41		
Nov., 1999	14	\$8,634.64		26	\$3,250.96	\$1,322.96		
Dec., 1999	24	\$15,891.96		19	\$3,862.76	\$2,126.27		
Jan., 2000	49	\$27,872.14		28	\$7,952.94	\$3,814.02		
Feb., 2000	21	\$11,039.59		30	\$10,159.24	\$6,216.42		
Mar., 2000	19	\$9,873.21		31	\$6,709.07	\$3,555.40		
Apr., 2000	12	\$7,897.70		17	\$2,932.41	\$1,512.54		
May, 2000	7	\$5,039.46	\$293.60	20	\$7,062.23	\$3,164.00		
June, 2000	16	\$14,566.88		18	\$5,766.59	\$1,852.12		
<b>Total FY 2000</b>	<b>194</b>	<b>\$111,367.29</b>	<b>\$6,186.15</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>\$58,777.65</b>	<b>\$26,309.61</b>	<b>76%</b>	<b>137%</b>

FISCAL YEAR 2000-01

July, 2000	2	\$865.01		14	\$1,948.03	\$154.01		
Aug., 2000	20	\$15,837.60		17	\$3,302.27	\$1,063.92		
Sept., 2000	12	\$3,562.26		23	\$8,718.21	\$1,351.41		
Oct., 2000	18	\$122,696.24		29	\$7,457.98	\$490.16		
Nov. 2000	13	\$15,851.30		22	\$4,038.50	\$309.30		
Dec., 2000	40	\$30,234.92		24	\$7,189.98	\$462.13		
Jan., 2001	28	\$15,923.38		25	\$7,611.66	\$833.60		
Feb., 2001	35	\$20,181.39		30	\$18,568.12	\$1,917.82		
Mar., 2001	8	\$5,956.83		37	\$15,724.02	\$753.86		
Apr., 2001	20	\$24,145.82		22	\$4,856.39	\$225.93		
May 2001	4	\$1,677.36		20	\$3,700.77	\$313.58		
June 2001	3	\$932.20		31	\$8,433.81	\$346.90		
<b>Total FY 2001</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>\$257,864.31</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>\$91,549.74</b>	<b>\$8,222.62</b>	<b>39%</b>	<b>145%</b>

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
 CIVIL RESTITUTION ACTIVITY REPORT  
 CURRENT MONTH  
 06/01/2001 TO 06/30/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	3	\$682.20
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	10	\$250.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	0	\$0.00
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RESTITUTION ASSESSED	3	\$932.20
PAYMENTS	23	\$7,530.60-
PAYMENTS AFTER PAST DUE NOTICE	0	\$0.00
PAYMENTS AFTER REVOKED NOTICE	4	\$138.40-
PAYMENTS FROM COLLECTION EFFORT	4	\$764.81-
PAYMENTS FROM HRG COST ASSESSED	10	\$250.00-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	6	\$346.90-
OVERPAYMENTS	2	\$0.94
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	0	\$0.00
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	0	\$0.00
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	0	\$0.00
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	1	\$15.46-
WRITE-OFFS	0	\$0.00
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	0	\$0.00
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	0	\$0.00
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	1	\$1,573.62-
DISMISSED BY D.A.	0	\$0.00
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00

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 FOOTNOTE:

FORFEIT OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
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LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
 CIVIL RESTITUTION ACTIVITY REPORT  
 FISCAL YEAR TO DATE  
 07/01/2000 TO 06/30/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	205	\$257,262.90
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	56	\$1,525.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	0	\$0.00
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	0	\$0.00
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RESTITUTION ASSESSED	205	\$258,787.90
PAYMENTS	163	\$76,388.31-
PAYMENTS AFTER PAST DUE NOTICE	4	\$420.43-
PAYMENTS AFTER REVOKED NOTICE	22	\$7,413.43-
PAYMENTS FROM COLLECTION EFFORT	21	\$6,477.57-
PAYMENTS FROM HRG COST ASSESSED	42	\$1,125.00-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	105	\$8,222.62-
OVERPAYMENTS	17	\$194.01
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	3	\$336.23
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	1	\$1,842.00-
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	0	\$0.00
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	0	\$0.00
RETURNED CHECKS	1	\$25.00
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	1	\$20.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	4	\$312.69-
WRITE-OFFS	11	\$1,167.14-
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	0	\$0.00
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	2	\$523.74-
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	22	\$71,435.88-
DISMISSED BY D.A.	0	\$0.00
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00

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 FOOTNOTE:

FORFEIT OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	11	\$68,267.45
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LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
 CIVIL RESTITUTION ACTIVITY REPORT  
 INCEPTION TO DATE  
 06/30/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
ORIG RESTITUTION VALUES ENTERED	4,198	\$2,960,461.22
HEARING COSTS ASSESSED	258	\$6,875.00
SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	331	\$269,865.45-
SALES EXCEEDING RESTITUTION	148	\$71,951.21
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RESTITUTION ASSESSED	4,198	\$2,769,421.98
PAYMENTS	2,836	\$567,508.62-
PAYMENTS AFTER PAST DUE NOTICE	15	\$1,696.70-
PAYMENTS AFTER REVOKED NOTICE	55	\$15,574.51-
PAYMENTS FROM COLLECTION EFFORT	27	\$8,177.60-
PAYMENTS FROM HRG COST ASSESSED	123	\$3,225.00-
DISCOUNTS FOR TIMELY PAYMENTS	1,996	\$251,842.57-
OVERPAYMENTS	141	\$3,196.57
REFUND OF OVERPAYMENT	53	\$11,275.19
APPLIED CONFISCATED COMMODS	14	\$31,747.30-
APPLIED EXCEEDING BALANCE DUE	5	\$12,222.64
REFUND OF CONFISCATED COMMOD.	20	\$90,603.09
RETURNED CHECKS	2	\$61.75
MISC. ADJUSTMENTS		
DEBITS	3	\$55.00
CREDITS	13	\$10.22-
REASSESSMENTS		
DEBITS	21	\$6,881.15
CREDITS	62	\$36,704.16-
WRITE-OFFS	976	\$1,026,249.30-
ASSESSMENTS WITHDRAWN	6	\$1,399.24-
ADJUDICATION ADJUSTMENTS	24	\$12,388.00-
FOUND NOT RESPONSIBLE	63	\$149,269.21-
DISMISSED BY D.A.	0	\$0.00
CASES VOIDED BY ENFORCEMENT	0	\$0.00
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** TOTAL OUTSTANDING	347	\$787,924.94

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 FOOTNOTE:

FORFEIT OF CONFISCATED COMMODS	37	\$106,809.20 *
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## AGING OF SALE OF CONFISCATED COMMODITIES

VIOLATION DATE UNKNOWN	0	\$0.00
1 - 30 DAYS	1	\$90.00
31 - 60 DAYS	22	\$15,698.53
61 - 90 DAYS	6	\$3,170.90
91 - 120 DAYS	4	\$886.95
121 - 150 DAYS	5	\$21,817.23
151 - 180 DAYS	1	\$939.80
181 - 365 DAYS	76	\$63,477.34
OVER ONE YEAR	147	\$89,841.56
OVER TWO YEARS	139	\$86,960.41
OVER THREE YEARS	616	\$441,374.18
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** TOTAL AGING	1,017	\$724,256.90
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## AGING OF OUTSTANDING CASES

## COLLECTIONS WITH AGENCY:

CAN NOT BE INVOICED	0	\$0.00
CURRENT	3	\$666.74
1 - 30 DAYS	2	\$13,405.23
31 - 90 DAYS	13	\$10,048.91
91 - 180 DAYS	32	\$16,324.13
181 - 365 DAYS	30	\$108,976.66
OVER ONE YEAR	188	\$182,446.35

## COLLECTIONS WITH PRIVATE COLLECTIONS FIRM:

1 - 90 DAYS	0	\$0.00
91 - 180 DAYS	0	\$0.00
181 - 365 DAYS	0	\$0.00
OVER ONE YEAR	78	\$455,507.38

## AMOUNT UNDER PROTEST:

1 - 180 DAYS	0	\$0.00
181 - 365 DAYS	0	\$0.00
OVER ONE YEAR	1	\$549.54
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** TOTAL AGING	347	\$787,924.94
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LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT  
CURRENT MONTH  
06/01/2001-06/30/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	899	\$46,400.00
HEARING COSTS		
DEBITS	152	\$3,800.00
CREDITS	9	\$225.00-
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TOTAL DUE		\$49,975.00

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PAID IN FULL	711	\$38,286.00-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	16	\$555.00-
OVERPAYMENTS	9	\$526.00
REFUNDS	6	\$275.00
RETURNED CHECKS	0	\$0.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	0	\$0.00
CREDITS	0	\$0.00
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	2	\$100.00
CREDITS	2	\$100.00-
VOIDS	63	\$2,650.00-
NOT GUILTY	7	\$350.00-

## CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT

DATE: 07/03/2001

FISCAL YEAR TO DATE

07/01/2000-06/30/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	7,621	\$387,770.00
HEARING COSTS		
DEBITS	2,465	\$61,625.00
CREDITS	49	\$1,925.00-
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TOTAL DUE		\$447,470.00

PAID IN FULL	5,110	\$282,773.00-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	116	\$5,121.53-
OVERPAYMENTS	49	\$2,108.75
REFUNDS	36	\$1,525.00
RETURNED CHECKS	4	\$250.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	4	\$60.00
CREDITS	1	\$0.75-
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	39	\$2,150.00
CREDITS	7	\$350.00-
VOIDS	530	\$22,600.00-
NOT GUILTY	231	\$10,700.00-

LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES  
 CLASS I ACTIVITY REPORT  
 INCEPTION TO DATE  
 06/30/2001

	# CASES	AMOUNT
FINES	90,066	\$4,578,327.07
HEARING COSTS		
DEBITS	21,031	\$526,077.80
CREDITS	49	\$7,300.00-
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TOTAL DUE		\$5,097,104.87
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PAID IN FULL	51,269	\$2,682,869.60-
PARTIAL PAYMENTS	1,364	\$61,975.90-
OVERPAYMENTS	993	\$27,866.42
REFUNDS	207	\$9,900.31
RETURNED CHECKS	65	\$3,525.00
MISC CHANGES		
DEBITS	65	\$1,085.00
CREDITS	169	\$156.78-
ADJUSTMENTS TO VIOLATION		
DEBITS	165	\$9,550.00
CREDITS	21	\$1,150.00-
VOIDS	5,075	\$217,407.73-
NOT GUILTY	1,016	\$50,825.00-
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TOTAL OUTSTANDING		\$2,134,646.59

## AGING OF OUTSTANDING CASES FROM CITATION DATE

CURRENT	452	\$23,150.00
1 - 30 DAYS	693	\$35,825.00
31 - 90 DAYS	748	\$38,000.00
91 - 180 DAYS	359	\$20,825.00
181 - 365 DAYS	1,125	\$76,105.00
OVER 1 YEAR UNCOLLECTABLE	0	\$0.00
OVER 1 YEAR PENDING	0	\$0.00
OVER 1 YEAR (OTHER)	30,217	\$1,940,741.59
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** TOTAL AGING	33,594	\$2,134,646.59

## AGING OF OUTSTANDING CASES FROM HEARING DATE

PREHEARING	1,510	\$77,925.00
0 - 90 DAYS	2,281	\$114,425.00
91 - 180 DAYS	434	\$30,205.00
181 - 270 DAYS	1,070	\$70,350.00
271 - 365 DAYS	374	\$28,245.00
OVER 1 YEAR UNCOLLECTABLE	0	\$0.00
OVER 1 YEAR PENDING	0	\$0.00
OVER 1 YEAR (OTHER)	27,925	\$1,813,496.59
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Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries

# NEWS RELEASE

James H. Jenkins Jr.  
Secretary



CONTACT  
225/765-2923

2001-143

6/26/01

## WILDLIFE & FISHERIES COMMISSION TO MEET JULY 5

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2. Approval of minutes of June 7, 2001
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4. Information Section Quarterly Report
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10. Tentative season dates for early migratory birds
11. Declaration of Emergency - Recreational nutria season
12. Resolution and Declaration of Emergency - Wild alligator season
13. Set November 2001 Meeting date
14. Public comments
15. Adjournment

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**EDITORS:** For more information, contact Marianne Burke 225/765-2917  
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June 26, 2001

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TO: Chairman and Members of Commission  
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## WINTON VIDRINE

3. Enforcement & Aviation Reports/June

## MARIANNE BURKE

4. Information Section Quarterly Report

## OFFICE OF WILDLIFE

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OFFICE OF FISHERIES

(None)

DIVISION REPORTS

(None)

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NEWS RELEASE

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_



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**To:** Dr. Stone

**Fax #:** 216-3175

**Subject:** Agenda

**Date:** June 21, 2001

**Pages:** 3, including this cover sheet.

COMMENTS:

Please call me after you have reviewed the attached agenda. Thanks.

From the desk of...

Susan Hawkins

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**From:** Foote, Karen  
**Sent:** Wednesday, June 20, 2001 1:48 PM  
**To:** Roussel, John E; Hawkins, Susan  
**Subject:** No Commission items for Marine Fisheries for July, 2001

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6/20/2001*

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*Bennie*

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