

**PLEASE REVIEW REGULATIONS BELOW REGARDING HUNTING ON THE REFUGE. ALL UNITS ARE WALK-IN ONLY AND HAVE OTHER RESTRICTIONS ON THIS GOVERNMENT PROPERTY.**

## **Trinity River Refuge**

### **Big Game (deer and hog)**

#### **Hunt Announcement**

Trinity River National Wildlife Refuge will be accepting applications for a public Big Game hunt from September 8, 2008 and POSTMARKED by October 4, 2008. **(Any application received before or after these dates will NOT be accepted.)** If you are selected through a lottery drawing, you will be able to hunt deer and hog only for one of the two nine-day seasons (Season I - Nov 8 thru Nov 16 or Season II - Nov 22 thru Nov 30, 2008). Review the [application form](#) for unit choices and fees. You can choose Season I or Season II, and a priority order, 1, 2, 3, or 4 of the units listed below, but if you are selected, you will be assigned to only one unit. **READ UNIT DESCRIPTIONS BELOW CAREFULLY AS THEY ONLY ALLOW CERTAIN WEAPONS. FOR INSTANCE, IF YOU ONLY HUNT WITH A RIFLE YOU CAN ONLY APPLY FOR PAGE AND BRIERWOOD UNITS.** Each unit will have a different number of hunters selected through the lottery.

Only one application per person is allowed. You must be 18 or older to apply. The permitted hunter will be allowed to bring 1 guest and 1 youth (age 12 to 17) OR 2 youths. Youths must be 12 years old by Oct 1, 2008. If you are selected you will not have to pay any additional fees for you or your guests.

A public drawing will be held at the Refuge office located at 1351 N. Main, Liberty, TX on October 10, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. You do not have to be present to be selected. Those persons selected will be notified by mail within 10 days and given a refuge hunt permit with a full list of refuge regulations and map.

Hunt Unit Description: (Maps and written directions to units at the bottom of the page)

The [Page unit](#) is located on the west side of the Trinity River, south of Highway 105. **All legal weapons allowed except handguns.** Total acres 2,200. Number of permits to be selected by lottery - 16.

The [Brierwood unit](#) is located west of Gaylor Lake, south of Highway 105. All legal weapons allowed except handguns. Total acres 1,800. Number of permits to be selected by lottery - 14. Only unit which will allow limited all- terrain vehicle use for disabled

hunters (with appropriate documentation).

The [McGuire unit](#) is located near McMurtry Road (CR 2087). **Weapons are limited to Shotgun and Archery only.** Total acres 550. Number of permits to be selected by lottery - 10.

The [Butler unit](#) is located off of Bazzoon Road (CR 2187). Weapons are limited to Archery only. Total; acres 250. Number of permits to be selected by lottery - 8.

### Regulations:

Hunting will be in accordance with all applicable Federal and State regulations during these two, 9-day seasons.

**We do not allow the use of dogs, feeders, baiting, campsites, fires, bicycles, horses, or all-terrain vehicles (ATV) (except one unit which will allow limited ATV use for medically documented disabled hunters).** Carts or wagons rolled in are okay, but this area is usually wet and muddy during winter months.

You must hunt within the confines of the boundary as defined by the map, signs, and boundary paint. You are allowed to scout the area one week before season starts. You should have a compass or GPS. Cell phones may not work. Hunters may be expected to walk long distances to reach some areas available to hunting. No weapons will be allowed during the designated scouting week.

Minimum distance between hunt parties is 200 yards. **Hunters must visibly wear 400 square inches of hunter orange above the waist AND a hunter orange hat or cap.**

Youth hunters must be under the **direct and visual** supervision of an adult 18 or older. Permit holder **MUST** be hunting on same days with guest or youth hunter.

You must enter and park in designated areas only, near entrance gate.

Hunters may enter the Refuge no earlier than 5:00 a.m. Hunting will be permitted from ½ hour before sunrise to ½ hour after sunset.

Permit holders may set portable, free-standing, and **Non-Damaging** climbing blinds during the designated scouting week before the hunt. The Refuge is not responsible for anything left on the property over night. Driving nails, spikes, or other metal objects into trees or hunting from trees that require removing branches greater than one inch in diameter is prohibited. No flagging or markers are to be used. The use of paint for marking is prohibited. Blinds must be labeled with name of permit holder. **No hunting or erection of blinds along main roads or trails winding through the unit.**

To get accurate hunt data, we **will require** all hunters that are selected to submit a **data log card** that will be sent with the hunt permit. Those failing to return a completed card

will not be allowed to hunt the following year. **YOU MUST DISPLAY THIS CARD ON DASHBOARD WHILE HUNTING.** This will allow us to spot check parking areas for permitted hunters.

[CLICK HERE FOR THE BIG GAME HUNT APPLICATION](#)

CLICK BELOW FOR THE DESIRED UNIT FOR THE BIG GAME HUNT.

[BRIERWOOD UNIT](#)

[McGUIRE UNIT](#)

[PAGE UNIT](#)

[BUTLER UNIT](#)