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Wright Patman Lake issues All Terrain Vehicle usage permits for 2005-06 hunting season

FORT WORTH, Texas – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Wright Patman Lake, will begin issuing permits for All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) usage during the 2005-2006 hunting season at Clear Springs and Big Creek wildlife management areas.

Hunters may sign up for permits beginning at 10 a.m., Saturday, Sept. 10, 2005, at the Clear Springs Park Gate Attendant Office. If at 10:30 a.m., more people have signed up than there are allotted permits, a drawing will be held. There is a \$25 charge for each permit.

The Big Creek area is allotted 15 permits for the archery hunting season and 15 permits during the general hunting (firearms) season. The Clear Springs area is allotted 30 permits for the archery hunting season and 30 permits for the general hunting (firearms) season.

Additional permits will be available for people with disabilities, but they must provide a written certification from a physician stating that they have a "permanent ambulatory disability".

All hunters must obtain and carry an ATV Safety Certificate while riding at the hunting areas and must complete a "Check In – Check Out" card and comply with the directions for their use. The Corps of Engineers would also like to remind hunters to ride safely, be a safe hunter, and to respect fellow hunters, other visitors, adjacent property owners, and the rules and regulation of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. ATV usage and hunting on public lands are privileges that must be protected through responsible behavior.

For additional information, please visit the Wright Patman Project Office or call 903-838-8781 and ask to speak to a member of the Natural Resources staff.