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2019 Clearwater Wounded Warrior Deer/Mobility Impaired Deer Hunt

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Special Hunt Application

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A Recreational Opportunity for Veterans with service related injuries and individuals with Mobility Impairment.

Purpose

The Clearwater Lake Wounded Warrior/Mobility Impaired Deer Hunt is to help improve the deer herd in this area through the provision of a recreational opportunity. This opportunity is being extended to a special group of the nation's population with service related injuries and to those with mobility impairment. These individuals are fully capable of properly using a firearm to hunt game, but may have restricted ability to access land for a quality hunting experience. This hunt is an effort to provide proper access, facilities, and other needed resources so these individuals can enjoy a safe and successful recreational experience as most other individuals in our nation.

Point of Contact

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Description of Proposed Area

Located west of Piedmont, Missouri, in Wayne County, the Clearwater Lake managed hunt will take place within the boundaries of the Watchable Wildlife Area on the Clearwater Lake Project. The Watchable Wildlife Area consists of land intensely managed by the Corps of for the purpose of promoting a high diversity of wildlife habitats. The habitat of these areas are for the most part oak-hickory/pine forest. There are several food plots scattered throughout the area, which is managed for cereal grain food sources as well as native grasses and forbs.

Method

- 1. Type of hunting devices permitted on the hunt will be muzzleloading rifle. **No centerfire firearms will be allowed.**
 - Muzzleloader: To be legal, muzzleloading long guns must have a barrel at least 18 inches long and be at least .45 caliber. Magnifying sight may be used. The use of shot is not legal. Legal muzzleloaders use flintlock or percussion cap, are loaded only through the muzzle and are not capable of firing a cartridge.

2. No dogs will be allowed in the hunt, nor allowed on the area during the hunt.

Bag Limit

1. One deer, antierless or antiered.

Antlered Deer

An antlered deer is a deer having at least one antler at least 3 inches long.

In the case a button buck is harvested, it will not qualify as an antlered deer.

Monitoring

- A check station will be located at the project office to provide control and safety during the hunt. The station will also be used to gather biological data and to insure compliance of the regulations of the hunt.
- 2. Each hunter will be required to check in and out at the entrance check station to verify the permit before the hunt and allow for the examination of the deer after the hunt is completed. This will accommodate the check station personnel to gather the needed data and any other information needed. Check in time is at 5:00 a.m., and checkout time is 5:30 p.m. both days.

Season

1. The 2019 season will be a 2 day season beginning at one half hour before sunrise on Saturday, November 9th and ending at sunset on Sunday, November 10th.

Permits

Criteria for eligibility:

- Successful applicants must posses a managed deer hunting permit for the State of Missouri. A resident permit is \$17.00 and nonresident is \$225.00.
- 2. Applicants must also provide a letter from a physician to verify the applicant's physical condition. The physician's letter must be on an official letterhead with an original signature.
- In case any emergency medical assistance is required during the hunt, all applicants must list on the application form any special medicine or medical equipment needs EMS personnel may need.
- 4. Due to volunteer support basis, assistance for personal hygiene needs will not be provided. If help is needed, applicant will be required to provide his or her own personal assistant.

Application Procedure and Permit Notification

- 1. In order to apply for a permit, the eligible applicants need to complete the application form within this packet and submit with their physician's verification letter. Permit applications must be received by close of business September 30, 2019.
- 2. Three (6) permits will be issued by random drawing for the designated hunting blinds.
- 3. Notification of successful applicants will be by mail. A packet of instructions will be mailed to each successful applicant after the drawing. Hunters and their assistants will be required to attend an orientation meeting. This will be held on Nov 8th at 6:00 pm to instruct participants on blind locations and safety requirements during the hunt.

Safety

Hunting Areas/ Firearms.

- Hunters will be required to have a volunteer assistant or guide in the blind during the hunt.
 The guide will not be permitted to have any weapon in possession during the hunt. Only one
 firearm per blind will be permitted. Hunting will be restricted to the hunting blinds. Hunters
 and their assistants will be required to remain in designated blinds during hunting hours. The
 assistant may leave the blind to retrieve a harvested deer, but NOT to track a deer. Corps
 employees will perform all of the tracking.
- 2. Hunting from any vehicle is prohibited.
- 3. All firearms will be unloaded until the hunter is safely seated inside their blind. Firearms must be unloaded upon departure from the blind. (The cap removed from the muzzleloader is considered unloaded.)
- 4. Portable radios and cell phone numbers will be provided to the volunteer assistants for direct communication to the check station personnel in case of emergencies or needed assistance. Hunters may notify Corps personnel if they would like to come out for lunch or leave early.

Hunter Orange

- 1. All hunters and their assistants during the hunt must wear Hunter orange.
- 2. The colored area of the garment must total at least 400 square inches above the waist. In addition, a hunter orange head garment must be worn.

Safety Briefing

 All permitted hunters and volunteer guides must attend a safety briefing starting at 5:00 am on Saturday, Nov. 9th at the entrance to the Watchable Wildlife Area. Before the hunt begins the permitted hunter and their assistant will receive instructions and review of safety rules and regulations from Corps employees.