NOTE: Roads may be closed on a seasonal basis. For more information on the National Forest, please call (936/897-1068).

Bannister WMA
Unit #903
25,658 acres
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MANDATORY DEER CHECK STATION: All deer harvested from the beginning of legal shooting hours on Sat., Nov. 4 until noon on Sun., Nov. 5 must be field dressed prior to being checked at a designated deer check station and receive a metal harvest tag for the deer to be considered legal. Check station hours will be from sunrise until 7:00 p.m. on Saturday and sunrise until 3:00 p.m. on Sunday.

White-tailed Deer: bag limit - 1 buck and 2 antlerless (all seasons combined). LEGAL BUCK must have at least one unbranched antler or an inside spread of at least 13 inches.
Archery Only Season: Sept. 30-Nov. 3 (either sex). No USFS Antlerless Deer Permit required.
General Season: Nov. 4-Jan. 7 (buck only unless in possession of a USFS Antlerless Deer Permit obtained from the USFS. See USFS Additional Restrictions section for more information on antlerless deer permits).
Muzzleloader Season: Jan. 8-21 (either sex, buck must have at least one unbranched antler). No USFS Antlerless Deer Permit required.
Feral Hog: Open year round (no bag limit). Only legal firearms, archery equipment, and crossbows may be used.
Spring Eastern Turkey: Apr. 15-May 14 (1 gobbler only). Shotgun, Archery, and Crossbows only. No baiting allowed. All turkeys harvested must be tagged and reported using the My Texas Hunt Harvest App within 24 hours.
Waterfowl: Shooting hours - one half hour before sunrise to noon.
Hunting is allowed each day of the Early Teal, North Zone Duck, and Eastern Zone Goose seasons (including any special conservation season).

Youth Hunts
Youth/Adult Squirrel: Sept. 23-24. Shotgun and rimfire only.
Youth Only Deer: Oct. 28-29 (either sex) and Jan. 8-21 (either sex, buck must have at least one unbranched antler). See Legal Game Box for White-tailed Deer bag limit and legal buck requirements. No USFS Antlerless Deer Permit required.
Youth Only Waterfowl: See Texas Migratory Digest for Special Youth Season information and regulations. Shooting hours end at noon.

SPECIAL REGULATIONS: Only hunters are required to possess the APH Permit.