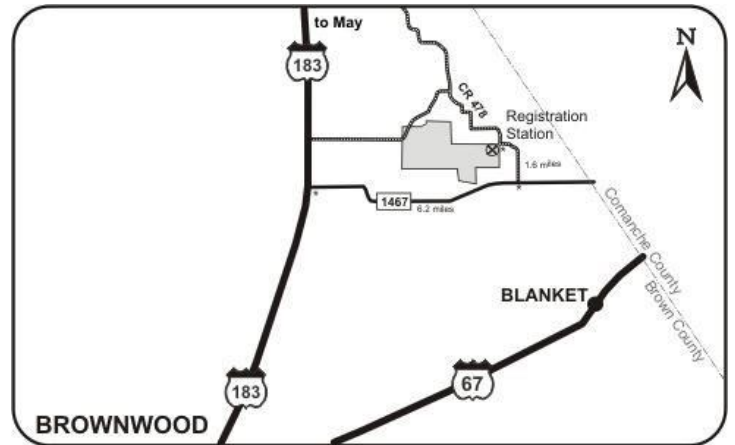




# McGillivray and Leona McKie Muse Wildlife Management Area

## BACKGROUND

The Muse WMA is located 15 miles northeast of Brownwood and consists of 1,975 acres. The Area is considered to be in the southern Cross Timbers and Prairies Ecoregion, although the majority of the Area is encompassed by a large ridge of limestone rising above the prairie floor. Diverse topography and soil types are conducive to a variety of plant types and generally dominated by oak-juniper woodlands, post oak-mesquite flats and small creeks with hardwood bottoms. The Area was donated to Texas Parks and Wildlife Department by Leona and McGillivray Muse in 2000.



## HUNTING

The Muse WMA utilizes public hunting to help manage wildlife populations and provide recreational opportunity. Public hunts have been conducted on the Area since 2008 and hunter success was often 100%. Success is expected to vary from year to year, however harvest opportunity is projected to be good.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

No camping or fires are allowed on the Area. All hunters should bring their own drinking water as there are no facilities on the Area. Camping facilities are available at Lake Brownwood State Park (325/784-5223). Commercial accommodations are available in Brownwood.

Hunter Education is required of Texas hunters born on or after September 2, 1971. (See Texas Parks and Wildlife Outdoor Annual for more information.) Hunters should report to the Check Station at Area Headquarters prior to 11:00 a.m. on the day they are to hunt. **Hunters must contact the area as soon as possible if they are unable to attend their accepted hunt or not able to arrive on the first day for orientation.** Hunting will start after the orientation program that begins at 11:00 a.m. the first day and will end at 11:00 a.m. on the last day during the dates assigned. All hunters are required to sign in at the check station when entering or leaving the Area during the hunt. Hunting is by assigned blind or compartment and hunters will take their vehicles to the hunting area assigned. Baiting is allowed on white-tailed deer hunts.

Hunters are reminded that they must have a valid Texas Hunting License. It is no longer necessary to use a hunting license tag or bonus tag on a deer taken during a Special Permit drawn hunt however a TPWD Legal Deer Tag, issued at the area, must be attached to a harvested deer prior to leaving the hunt area. Shooting hours will be from one-half hour before sunrise to one-half hour after sunset. On all hunts, all persons must wear a minimum of 400 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange material with orange headwear and 144 inches appearing on both the chest and back.

Visitors or family members will not be allowed to accompany hunting permit holders to hunting areas; except a non-hunting adult assisting a permitted disabled hunter will be allowed.

It is an offense for a person to be under the influence of alcohol or consume an alcoholic beverage while engaged in a hunting activity, or to publicly consume or display an alcoholic beverage while on a wildlife management area. For more information contact the Muse WMA staff at (325)203-6926.