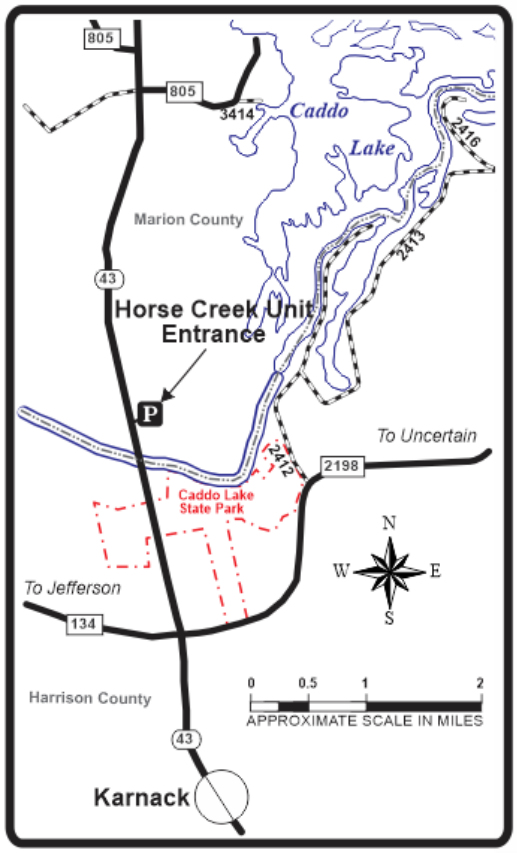
Caddo Lake WMA Horse Creek Unit
E-Postcard Squirrel

Background

The Caddo Lake Wildlife Management Area (WMA) is located in Marion and Harrison counties approximately 20 miles northeast of Marshall and 15 miles east of Jefferson. The WMA consists of 8,128 acres of a permanently flooded bald cypress swamp, seasonally flooded bottomland hardwoods and upland mixed pine hardwood forests. The climate within the WMA is relatively mild with hot and humid summers and mild winters. Water levels usually range from 165 - 172 feet.



The Horse Creek Unit is 830 acres situated in the southwestern corner of the WMA. The habitat includes 20 – 25 year-old pine stands, wet cypress sloughs, mature hardwood bottomland, and mature mixed pine-hardwood forest.

Reporting/Orientation

When: Hunters must be present at 12:00 pm on the first day of the hunt for sign in and orientation. Hunters must contact the WMA as soon as possible if they are unable to attend their accepted hunt. **Hunters arriving late will forfeit their position on the hunt. No exceptions will be made.**

Where: Reporting/Orientation will be at the primitive campsite located on the Horse Creek Unit. That campsite is located about 0.3 miles north of the Big Cypress Bayou bridge on Hwy 43 on the east side of the highway.

Preparation: Hunters must be in possession of and must bring their valid Texas Hunting License and Annual Public Hunting Permit. Hunters must wear orange headwear and 144 square inches of hunter orange appearing on both chest and back. ATVs/ORVs are not allowed. Hunt ends at sunset on the last day

Facilities: A skinning rack is available. No onsite water, electricity, or cold storage is available.

Check-In/Check-Out: All hunters must check in/out with WMA personnel as explained in the orientation.

Late Comers
Check-In: No late comers will be accepted on the E-postcard Squirrel Hunts. Hunters that do not arrive by 12:00 pm for the mandatory orientation will forfeit their position on the hunt. **No exceptions will be made.**

Hunting Conditions
Means/Restrictions: Shotguns and rimfire only. Rabbits and Hares are also allowed to be harvested.

Vehicular accessibility: The Horse Creek Unit has adequate vehicular accessibility. Hunters will not be assigned a hunt compartment; the entire Unit will be open for hunting for all drawn hunters. Vehicles must stay on designated roads and park in designated parking areas.

Stands:
Stands **may** be available and will be explained during the mandatory orientation.

Baiting: Food baiting is NOT allowed.

Bag Limits: Daily bag and possession limits for Marion County apply.

Camping Facilities
A primitive campsite is available on the Horse Creek Unit; no water, electricity or toilet facilities are available. Primitive camping is also available nearby on the Caddo Lake WMA. Other lodging can be found at Caddo Lake State Park (903) 679-3351 and in Marshall and Jefferson.

Other Information
Only the drawn hunters will be allowed to hunt the Horse Creek Unit during the drawn e-postcard hunt.

Standby positions **may** be available. Contact CLWMA Headquarters for availability.

For further information, call the Caddo Lake WMA Headquarters at (903) 679-9817.