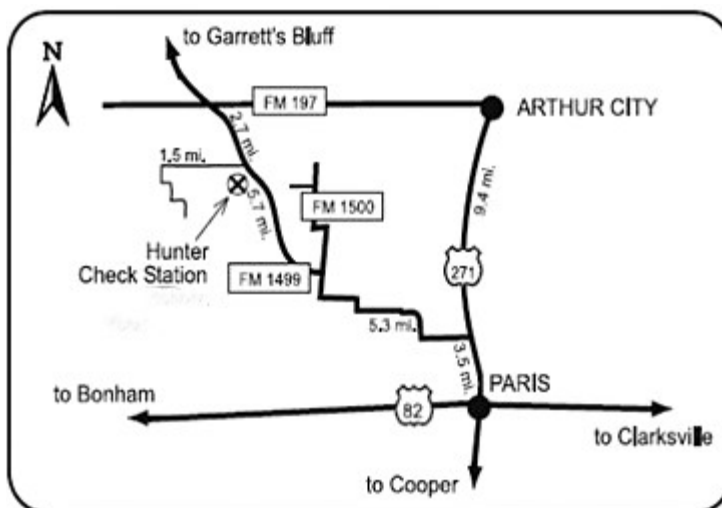




## Pat Mayse WMA E-Postcard Turkey

### Background

The Pat Mayse Wildlife Management Area (PMWMA) is located approximately 12 miles northwest of Paris, TX and contains 9,005 acres of land and water and is located in Lamar County at the western edge of Pat Mayse Lake. The primary purpose of this WMA is to serve as a public hunting area. The Texas Parks and Wildlife Department (TPWD) manages this WMA under a license agreement and in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE).



### Special warning to all users of the

**WMA:** During World War II, sections of this WMA were used as artillery training sites and unexploded ordnance or other dangerous military munitions are still found on occasion. If you find an unexploded ordnance or other military munitions, you are **strongly cautioned not to disturb it in any way**. Report its location to TPWD personnel. **Respect old military ordnance as you would a rattlesnake — both are dangerous!!**

### Check-in/Orientation

**When:** Hunters should report to the PMWMA hunter check station at 5pm on the day before the hunt (4/21) for sign-in and mandatory orientation. Hunters must contact the WMA **as soon as possible** if they are unable to attend their accepted hunt or be on time for orientation.

**Where:** From Paris, take US 271 north for 4 miles and turn left on FM 1499. Follow FM 1499 for 7 miles, then turn right at the stop sign in Emberson to stay on FM 1499. The check station and hunter campground will be 4.5 miles ahead on your left, at the intersection of FM 1499 and CR 35650. Google maps link: <https://goo.gl/maps/2fjmbpxQhj2qRhtXA>

**Preparation:** Hunters should bring 1) a valid photo ID (for adult hunters or those supervising youth hunters), 2) a valid Texas Hunting License with all stamps required by statute and at least one valid Eastern wild turkey tag 3) a special draw permit (received via email prior to the hunt). Digital copies of the hunting license and special draw permits are acceptable.

### Regulations

**Hunter Education:** Hunter education is required of Texas hunters born on or after September 2, 1971. (See the Texas Parks & Wildlife Outdoor Annual for more information).

**Youth Supervision:** Youth under 17 are required to be under the immediate supervision of an authorized supervising adult, 18 or older, who possesses a valid Texas hunting license. Youth under 12 years old must remain within normal voice distance of the supervising adult. For youth 12 to 16 years of age who have received hunter education certification, the requirement for immediate supervision is relaxed to the extent that the supervising adult is required only to be present on the public hunting unit. Supervising adults are responsible for the actions and liability of the youth.

**Firearms:** Shotguns with birdshot or archery equipment are the only legal means. Shotguns or archery equipment should be sighted-in prior to your arrival, as we do not have target facilities on the property. Possession of a loaded firearm at the hunter check station or in a motor vehicle is prohibited.

**Blinds:** Hunters should bring their own portable blinds or stands if desired.

**Vehicles:** Hunters should be prepared to access their compartments on foot. However, if road conditions allow, hunters will be permitted to drive the interior WMA roads in their vehicles to access their compartments. 4x4 vehicles are strongly recommended. All-terrain vehicle (ATV) and off-road vehicle (ORV) use is strictly prohibited, but the use of non-motorized bicycles is allowed. Contact the WMA hunt manager for expected road conditions prior to your hunt or if you have additional questions regarding access.

**Bag Limit:** 1 Male Eastern wild turkey.

**Baiting:** Baiting is strictly prohibited. Baiting is defined as the placement of minerals, vegetative materials, or other food substances used as an attractant for wildlife.

**Electronic Calls:** The use of recorded or electric calling devices is prohibited.

**Tagging:** Hunters will be required to tag harvested turkeys with tags from their hunting license and check their harvest on the Texas Hunt & Fish App.

### **Check Station**

**Hours:** Hunters will be required to check-in their harvests with the WMA hunt manager. Check station hours for each hunt period will be explained during the mandatory orientation.

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

### **Other Information**

**Scouting:** Scouting of the area prior to your hunt date is allowed, but please be considerate of our walk-in hunters.

**Camping:** Primitive camping is available at the check station. No facilities, water, or electrical hookups are available. Camping with facilities may be available at the nearby USACE Pat Mayse Lake campgrounds. To check availability or make a reservation, call 1-877-444-6777 or go to [www.recreation.gov/camping/gateways/568](http://www.recreation.gov/camping/gateways/568).

**Maps:** Topographical and aerial maps will be available at the hunt orientation, and digital copies are available upon request by contacting the WMA hunt manager prior to your hunt.

If you have any further questions, contact the WMA hunt manager at (903) 905-2207 or [jacob.white@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:jacob.white@tpwd.texas.gov).