Richland Creek WMA North Unit
E-Postcard Youth Deer

Background
The Richland Creek WMA North Unit is located 25 miles southeast of Corsicana, along US Hwy 287 near the intersection of FM 488 between the Richland-Chambers Reservoir and the Trinity River. It encompasses 5,243 acres of land; the majority of the Area lies within the floodplain of the Trinity River. The Area is a remote and heavily forested bottomland hardwood habitat. It is recommended that hunters bring rubber footwear and a compass or GPS unit.

Reporting/Orientation
When: 8:30 a.m. on the 1st day of the hunt for sign-in and mandatory orientation at 9:00am.
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.

Where: Check Station – located on FM 488 approximately 2.5 miles south of U.S. Highway 287.

Preparation: Hunters should bring their valid Texas hunting license, Annual Public Hunting Permit, license plate number and E-postcard notification issued from TPWD Austin Headquarters. Please have equipment sighted-in prior to your arrival at the WMA. Hunters will be required to tag harvested deer with tags from their hunting license. Hunters must visibly wear a minimum of 400 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange material with at least 144 square inches appearing on both chest and back, also orange headwear.

Check Station
Hours: Check station hours will be explained during hunt orientation.

Facilities: No game processing station is available. Nearest commercial game processing is in Fairfield (approximately 14 miles).
Check In/Check Out: All hunters must check in/out with Area personnel as explained in the orientation.

Latecomers
Check-In: No latecomers will be accepted on E-postcard Youth Deer Hunts. Hunters that do not arrive by the 9:00 a.m. mandatory orientation will forfeit their position on the hunt. No exceptions will be made.

Stand by Hunters
Check-In: Standby drawing will occur at 8:45am on the first day of the hunt. Stand by hunters should arrive at the RCWMA check station prior to the drawing. All persons wanting to participate in the stand-by drawing must be present.

Orientation: All stand-by hunters must attend the mandatory orientation at noon on the first day of the hunt.

Hunting Conditions
Stands: Portable deer stands are encouraged but will not be provided by Texas Parks & Wildlife Department. The use of stands and area facilities is at your own risk. Portable stands must not damage trees.

Vehicles: Transportation to and from the assigned hunting compartment will be the responsibility of the hunter. Pickup trucks and 4wheel drive vehicles with high ground clearance are encouraged and will provide access to a greater portion of the hunting compartment. All-terrain vehicle (ATV) and off-road vehicle (ORV) use is not allowed.

Terrain: The area exists almost entirely in Trinity River floodplain and is subject to prolonged periods of extensive flooding that may require cancellation of hunts by special permit. All weather footgear is encouraged.

Baiting: Baiting is allowed.

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 and Annual Public Hunting Permit. 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 WMA. The supervising adult is responsible for the actions and liability of the youth.
Camping Facilities
Camping is allowed only in the North Unit campsite. The campsite does not have water or electricity.

Other Information
If you have any further questions, you may telephone the Richland Creek Wildlife Management Area Headquarters at (903) 389-7080.