



TPWD Cooperator,

During the Texas Parks and Wildlife Commission meeting in March 2009, the TPW Commission adopted an application deadline for the Trap, Transport and Transplant (TTT) permit as proposed by TPWD Wildlife Division staff. This new change will take effect **September 1, 2009**. The intent of this letter is to notify cooperators and constituents who may be affected by this new deadline and provide substantial time in planning for the upcoming TTT season.

The new change in the TTT rules requires completed Trap Site Forms and Release Site Forms within the TTT application be received by Department staff no later than the 1st business day in January of the current permit year. Completion of the Trap Site Forms and Release Site Forms must include all trap and release site(s), and number of deer to be trapped and released. These forms must be postmarked no later than the 1st business day in January to be accepted.

This new change does not require the CWD test results or the application fees to be submitted by the new application deadline. Once on-site habitat inspections have been completed and field staff has approved the trap and release sites, the complete application including CWD test results and appropriate application fees must be submitted to the Wildlife Permit Office at TPWD headquarters in Austin for final permit approval and issuance. Deer may still be trapped and relocated from October 1 through March 31 of the permit year.

It is important to plan ahead and make decisions regarding the TTT activities in a timely manner. Your local TPWD biologist/technician may provide technical assistance and suggestions regarding your deer management program, wildlife management plans, and matters regarding TTT requests. You may find your local biologist/technician on the TPWD website at the following link:

<http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/landwater/land/habitats/county/>

New TTT applications are now available. Please check the TPWD website for TTT application forms at the following link:

<http://www.tpwd.state.tx.us/business/permits/>

Should you have any questions, please contact TPWD staff for assistance.