Dear Landowners / Agents:

**September 2019 Alligator Season** CITES hide tags for “Core Counties” and special properties will be issued on the designated dates and times below by Texas Parks and Wildlife Department staff. Alligator CITES tags cost $21.00 each. If tags are not picked up as scheduled, tags will be issued by appointment only as time permits. No hide tags will be issued after **September 7, 2019**. Currently only check or money order will be accepted as payment for alligator hide tags; please note that cash or credit cards cannot be accepted. Alligator hide tags will not be issued to anyone that does not submit a valid date of birth and driver’s license number or TPWD hunting license number. Paperwork or hide tags returned to the Alligator Program office in Port Arthur after the October 31, 2019 deadline may affect future hide tag issuance.

Landowners/agents must have the GPS coordinates for their property entrance, aerial map of property and deed or property tax showing ownership. **There are no exceptions to this requirement.** The GPS coordinates should be in degree, minute and decimal seconds (e.g. 29°58'08.13"N, 93°54'51.96"W). Landowner’s agents must have a notarized affidavit for each landowner represented.

In areas where hide tag issuance rates are not straightforward (such as easements, property transfers, multiple owners of the same property, undivided interests, disputable habitat, etc.) TPWD reserves the right to not issue for a given property until all parties reach a suitable agreement.

Issuance rates will be determined by the Department. If a private or public entity controls the waterbody then all hide tags may be issued to the public or private entity for distribution as they see fit.

Tag issuance is generally based on the landowner holding at least 300 acres of alligator habitat. Applicants that receive a tag every three years (“opportunity issuance”) receive tags from TPWD to grant hunting opportunity to those with a component of land adjacent to a waterbody, and is not a recognition of alligator habitat per se. Landowners eligible for the one-in-three year issuance rate must pick up tags for their own property (agent status cannot be assigned).

If an issuance location is not listed below for your county, or if you intend to pick up tags at a location other than that assigned for your county, prior notice should be given.
Bay City TPWD Office (979-323-9553) located at 2200 7th Street, 4th Floor, Bay City, TX 77414. **Thursday, August 29th, 2019 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.** (Brazoria and Matagorda Counties).

Guadalupe Delta WMA (361-552-6637) located at 13815 S. Hwy. 35, Port Lavaca, TX 77979. **Thursday, August 29th, 2019 from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** (Calhoun, Jackson, Refugio and Victoria Counties).

Chambers County Whites Park Community Center (409-736-3625) located at 220 White Park Road, Wallisville, TX 77597. **Wednesday, August 28th, 2019 from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** (Chambers, Galveston and Liberty Counties).

J. D. Murphree WMA (409-736-3625) located at 10 Parks and Wildlife Drive, Port Arthur, TX 77640. **Monday, August 26th, 2019 from 10:00 am to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.** (Chambers, Jefferson, Galveston, Liberty and Orange Counties).

Lufkin Field Office (936-639-1879) located at 1805 E. Lufkin Avenue, Lufkin, TX 75901. **Friday, August 23rd, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** (Angelina, Trinity and Nacogdoches Counties).

462 Castlewood Road (936-327-8487), Livingston, TX 77351. **Friday, August 23rd, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** (Liberty, Polk, San Jacinto and Tyler Counties)

Jasper District Office Complex (409-384-6894) located at 289 CR 098, Jasper, TX 75951. **Friday, August 23rd, 2019, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.** (Jasper, Hardin, Newton, Sabine and San Augustine Counties)

**Forms related to the September alligator hunting season can now be found online:** [https://tpwd.texas.gov/business/permits/land/wildlife_management/alligator/](https://tpwd.texas.gov/business/permits/land/wildlife_management/alligator/)

Please bring your 2018 (or most recent) Application and Receipt for Alligator Hide Tags form (PWD 369) if you have it.

Sincerely,
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