TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ORDER NO. 08-007

The Executive Director of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department ORDERS the following modification to the department publications entitled “2008-2009 Public Hunting Lands Map Booklet,” and “2008-2009 Applications for Drawings on Public Lands”:

Due to the landfall of Hurricane Ike and resultant heavy rainfall, flooding, and other dangerous conditions, the following public hunting activities are cancelled:

- The drawn special permit archery alligator hunt (AAL) scheduled for September 12-14, 2008 on the J.D. Murphree Wildlife Management Area (Unit #783);
- The drawn special permit general alligator hunt (ALE) scheduled for September 11-12, 2008 on the J.D. Murphree Wildlife Management Area (Unit #783);
- The teal hunts by Regular Permit and Annual Public Hunting Permit scheduled for September 13, 14, 2008 on Guadalupe Delta Wildlife Management Area – Mission Lake (Unit #720), Guadalupe River (Unit #723) and Hynes Bay (Unit #724) units.
- The teal hunts by Regular Permit and Annual Public Hunting Permit scheduled for September 13, 14, 2008 on Mad Island Wildlife Management Area (unit #729).
- The teal hunts by Annual Public Hunting Permit scheduled for September 13, 14, 2008 on Justin Hurst Wildlife Management Area (Unit #721).
- All public hunting activities by Annual Public Hunting Permit scheduled after noon September 11, 2008 until further notice on Moore Plantation Wildlife Management Area (Unit #902), Bannister Wildlife Management Area (Unit #903), Sam Houston National Forest Wildlife Management Area (Unit #905), and Alabama Creek Wildlife Management Area (Unit #904).

The following public hunting activities are rescheduled as noted:

- The drawn special permit youth alligator hunt (YAL) scheduled for September 13-14, 2008 on the Sea Rim State Park (Unit #1055) is rescheduled for September 20-21, 2008;
- The drawn special permit general alligator hunt (ALE) scheduled for September 12-14, 2008 on the Guadalupe Delta Wildlife Management Area (Unit #720) is rescheduled for September 19-21, 2008;
- The drawn special permit general alligator hunt (ALE) scheduled for September 12-14, 2008 on the Mad Island Wildlife Management Area (Unit #729) is rescheduled for September 19-21, 2008;

The following hunting opportunities shall be added:

1. Persons who have purchased a Mentored Hunting Permit and have completed the requirements of the Mentored Hunting Workshop on the Justin Hurst Wildlife Management Area are authorized to hunt dove on the Little Ridge and Tall Grass
pastures on September 20, 2008. All provisions of the Migratory Game Bird Proclamation (31 TAC Chapter 65, Subchapter N) shall remain in effect.

2. There shall be an alligator hunt on the J.D. Murphree Wildlife Management Area on September 27-28, 2008. The bag limit is one alligator per person and participation is limited to hunters designated by the Operation Game Thief Committee. All provisions of the Statewide Hunting and Fishing Proclamation (31 TAC Chapter 65, Subchapter A) shall remain in effect.

This order is issued pursuant to §81.402 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife code and is effective immediately.

Signed this the 12th day of September, 2008.

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Texas Parks and Wildlife Department