

**TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR ORDER NO. 14-005**

As provided in this Executive Order, the use of permanent hunting blinds at Caddo Lake Wildlife Management Area (the WMA) is being terminated in order to promote the fair and equitable distribution of public hunting opportunity, eliminate the potential for user conflict over permanent hunting blinds, enhance public access, facilitate management of the WMA, and provide greater regulatory consistency by eliminating an exception that was applicable only to the WMA. As provided in this Executive Order, individuals claiming permanent hunting blinds will be given a reasonable opportunity to remove hunting blinds and/or blind materials.

The Executive Director of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department hereby ORDERS that the following modification to the department document titled "2014-15 Public Hunting Catalog," is ADOPTED and further ORDERS publication of this modification on the official website of the department at https://www2.tpwd.state.tx.us/huntwild/hunt/public/public_hunt_drawing/brochures/2014-2015-drawn-hunt-catalog.pdf:

The use of permanent hunting blinds on Caddo Lake Wildlife Management Area (Unit 730) is prohibited after the 2015-2016 waterfowl season. Individuals claiming permanent hunting blinds will be given a reasonable opportunity to remove the hunting blinds and/or blind materials following the 2015-2016 waterfowl season. All permanent hunting blinds on Caddo Lake Wildlife Management Area that are not removed within a reasonable period of time following the 2015-2016 waterfowl season will be removed by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department.

Provided, however, and notwithstanding the previous paragraph, any permanent hunting blind on Caddo Lake Wildlife Management Area that the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department identifies as dilapidated or abandoned is subject to immediate removal by the Texas Parks and Wildlife Department as of the date of this Order.

This order is issued pursuant to §§81.401, 81.402, and 81.405 of the Texas Parks and Wildlife Code and is effective immediately.

Signed this the 9th day of September, 2014.



Carter Smith
Executive Director
Texas Parks and Wildlife Department