2023-2024 POSTED RESTRICTIONS FOR INDIAN BAYOU AREA

All Corps property is managed in accordance with the rules, regulations and policies of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, under the authority vested by Title 36, Code of Federal Regulations. All Louisiana State and Federal Law apply. Your hunting permit acknowledges your understanding of area rules and regulations.

- 1. A 2023-2024 Indian Bayou Hunting permit is required for all persons regardless of age. Permits must be signed prior to hunting any game and must be carried at all times while in the field.
- 2. All hunters (16 years of age and older) are required to have on their person a photo identification verifying age and their current Indian Bayou permit.
- 3. The possession of firearms, ammunition, loaded projectile firing devices, bows and arrows, crossbows, or other weapons are prohibited except during designated area hunts. Hunters must have firearms unloaded at all times while traveling within the area by motor vehicle, ATV, UTVs, horse, bicycle and while in a vessel under mechanical power. Loaded weapons are not allowed within 100 feet of designated ATV trails, foot trails, and roads; or within 100 yards of designated parking areas. Loaded is defined as shells or cartridges in the gun's chamber, magazine, cylinder or clip when attached to firearms or crossbows cocked and in the ready position, or caps on muzzleloaders.
- 4. State bag limits apply unless otherwise specified. The only open seasons are those listed in the Guide to Hunting on Indian Bayou brochure.
- 5. Archery season is either-sex except during bucks-only seasons.
- 6. Deer hunters are limited to one deer per day. **Antler Restrictions** A legal buck shall be defined as deer with at least 4-points on one side or a deer with unbranched antlers commonly referred to as spikes (no minimum length). To be counted as a point, a projection must be a least one inch long and its length must exceed the length of its base. The beam tip is counted as a point but is not measured as a point.
- 7. Proper use of state tags is required. All deer harvested during gun hunts must be physically checked out at a check station. See Guide to Hunting for Check Station Locations. Successful archery and primitive firearm hunters are required to fill out deer harvest information prior to leaving the property. Harvest cards are located on area information boards
- 8. All persons (including archers and small game hunters) EXCEPT waterfowl hunters must display a total of 400 square inches of "Hunter Orange" and wear a "Hunter Orange" cap during open gun and primitive firearm hunts for deer. Hunters participating in the dog season for rabbit must wear a minimum of a "Hunter Orange" cap. Hunter orange must be worn the entire time while in the

- field. All persons afield during hunting season are encouraged to wear "Hunter Orange." Deer hunters hunting from concealed ground blinds must display a minimum of 400 square inches of "Hunter Orange" above or around their blinds which is visible from 360 degrees. Hunters shall display "Hunters Orange" on their person even when hunting in these blinds. Additionally "BLAZE PINK" may be displayed in lieu of Hunter Orange.
- 9. Migratory bird and small game hunting is prohibited during either-sex gun hunts for deer with the exception of waterfowl hunting. Waterfowl hunting after 2:00 p.m. is prohibited.
- 10. Only youths 17 yrs. old or younger may hunt. Youths must possess a hunter safety certification or proof of successful completion of a hunter safety course. Each youth must be accompanied by one adult 18 years of age or older. If the accompanying adult is in possession of a hunter safety certification, a valid hunting license or proof of successful completion of a hunter safety course, this requirement is waived for the youth. Adults may not possess a firearm. Youths may possess only one firearm while hunting. The supervising adult shall maintain visual and voice contact with the youth at all times. An adult may supervise only one youth during this special hunt. **EXCEPT** properly licensed youths 16-17 years old and youths 12 years old or older who have successfully completed a hunter safety course may hunt without a supervising adult.
- 11. Physically challenged hunters must possess a Physically Challenged Hunting Permit issued by the Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries. The use of ATVs on trails designated as Physically Challenged is restricted to physically challenged permit holders and persons 60 years or older with proof of age. Those users may utilize Physically Challenged ATV trails and other ATV trails as indicated on the map. Physically Challenged ATV users may not deviate from designated ATV trails.
- 12. Beaver, feral hogs, nutria and coyote may be taken incidentally to any area hunt with weapons legal for that hunt. Bobcats may be taken by big game license holders.
- 13. Only portable stand and blinds may be used. Deer stand and blinds must be removed from the property at the end of each day. Blinds or stands made solely of natural vegetation and NOT held together by nails or other metallic fasteners may be left in place but cannot be used to reserve hunting locations. Natural vegetation (including corner post) is defined as natural branches that are two inches or less in diameter.
- 14. All motorized vehicles, including automobiles, ATVs, UTVs, E-Bikes, and motorcycles are restricted to roads and trails that are designated on the area map. ATVs must be brought in to the area by vehicle or trailer, off loaded in parking areas and may only be operated on designated trails. Vehicles must park in

designated parking areas. Blocking gates or roads with a vehicle or ATV is prohibited. Tractor implement tires with farm tread designs R1, R2 and R4, known as spade or lug grip types are prohibited on all vehicles and ATVs. ATV tires are restricted to those with a maximum one inch lug height. ATVs are not allowed off designated trials, NO EXECPTIONS!

- 15. Designated trails are open from 4:00 a.m. until two hours after sunset. Visitors using designated trails later than two hours after sunset are required to contact the project office to obtain a Special Use Permit.
- 16. Horses are permitted throughout the property except during open gun and primitive firearm hunts for deer and turkey. Dog training allowed April 5 September 22.
- 17. The following activities are prohibited:
 - The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while on ATVs and/or in possession of firearms.
 - Camping/overnight parking.
 - Overnight mooring of houseboats / staying overnight in any boat to hold a hunting area
 - Use of airboats.
 - Target practice and skeet shooting.
 - Possession or installation of trail cameras.
 - Cutting trees, limbs, or brush.
 - Climbing trees using new or existing nails of spikes.
 - Use or possession of any type of trail markers (paint, flagging, bright eyes, etc.).
 - Moving deer or hogs with organized drivers, standers and/or noisemaking devices.
 - Unattended decoys and equipment in the field or on the water.
 - Construction or hunting from a permanent stand or blind.
 - Leave a stand or blind on the property overnight.

- Baiting, hunting over bait, or the possession of bait, salt, or ingestible attractant while on the project at any time.
- Feeding wildlife including alligators.
- Hunting or possessing loaded weapons within 100 feet of pipelines during deer gun and primitive weapon hunts.