

2025/26

# DNREC Division of Fish and Wildlife

## State Wildlife Area Maps and Regulations



<https://de.gov/wamaps>

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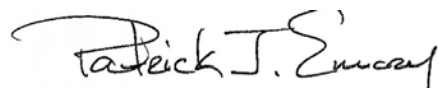
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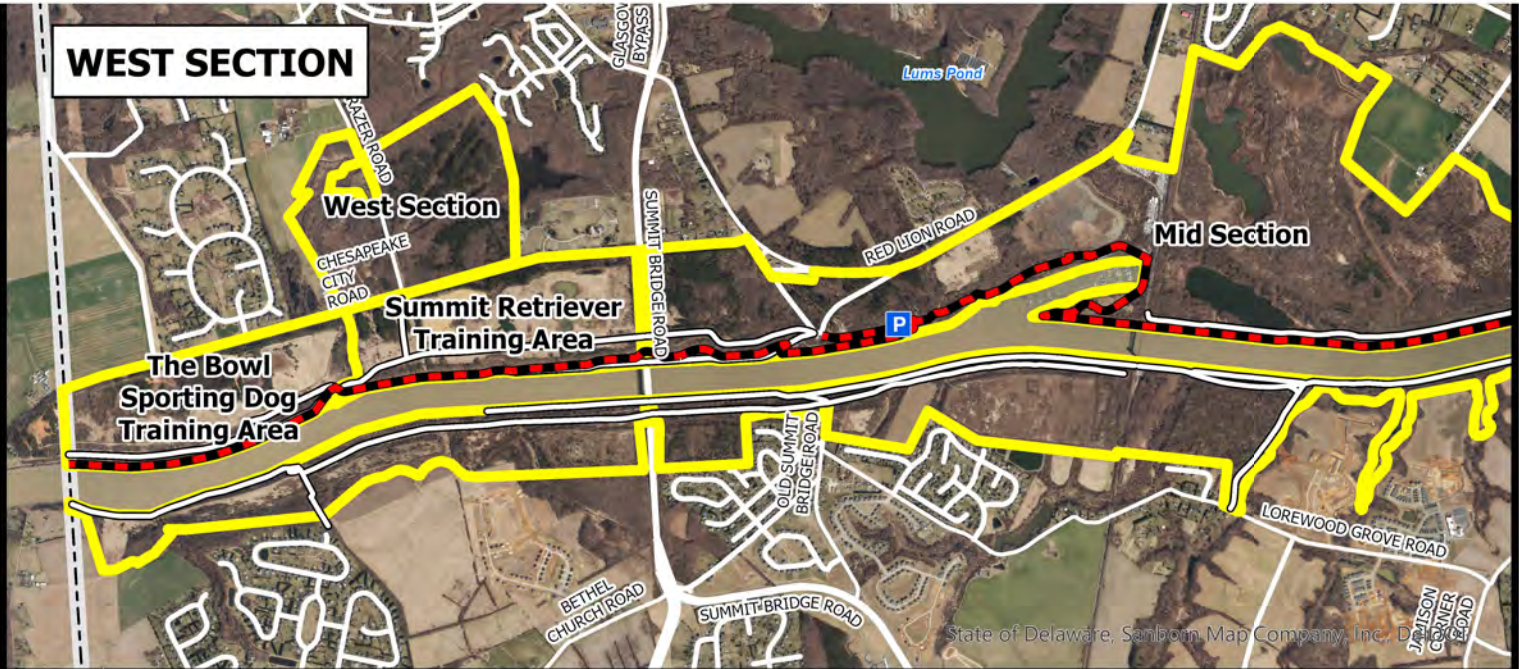
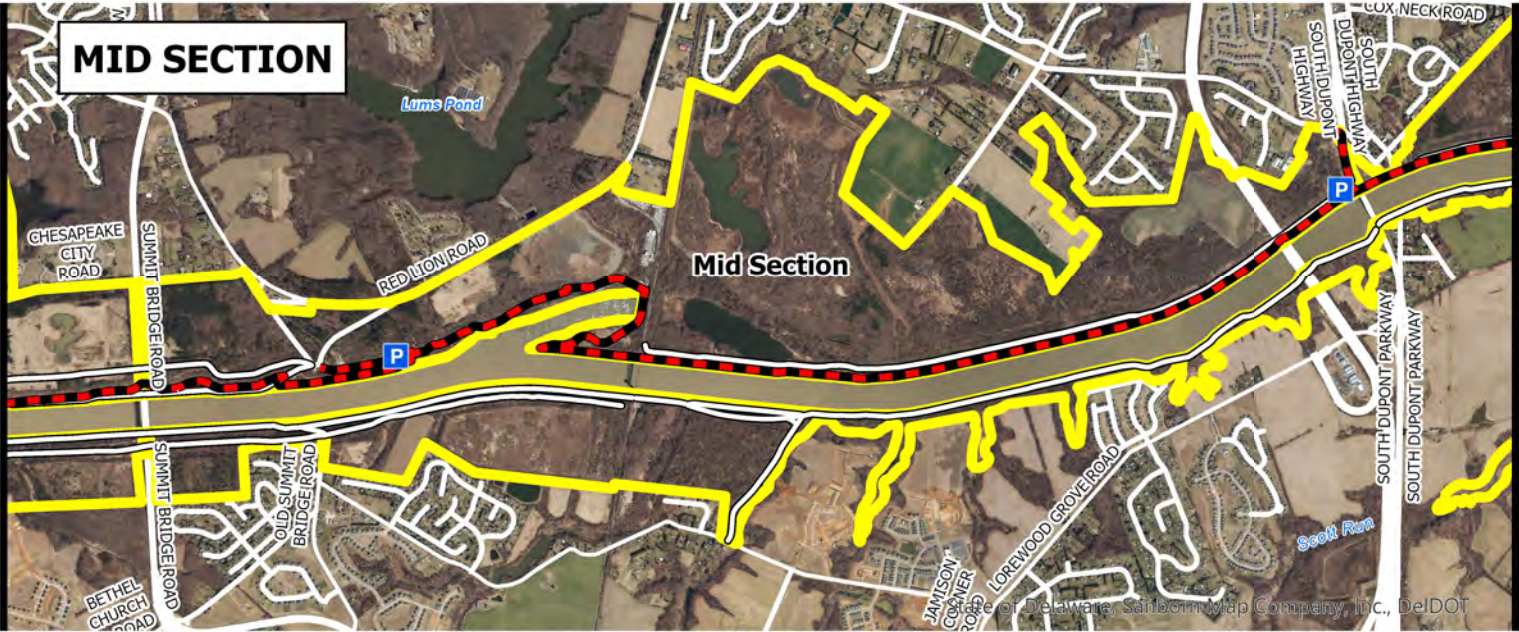
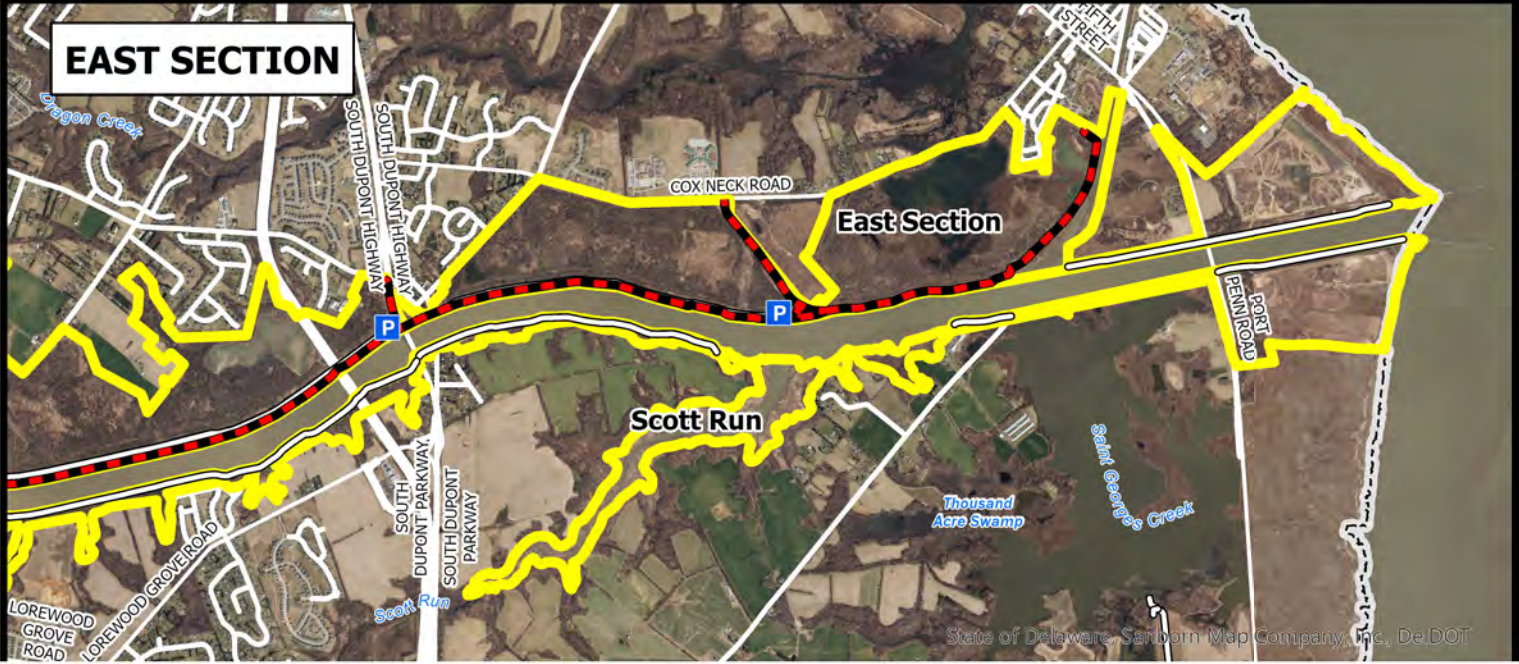
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## General Overview



Wildlife Area  
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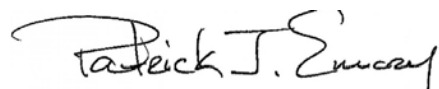
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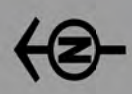
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## East Section

### Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



- Wildlife Area
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- Scott Run - Youth 4H Only
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**DEER HUNTING**

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**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

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2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges, safety zones, Scotts Run and the Summit Retriever Training Areas and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.

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**SUMMIT RETRIEVER TRAINING AREA**

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2. In a cooperative stewardship agreement, the Delaware Bay Retriever Club assists in the management of this area. Except during permitted field trial and organized training events, the club does not maintain exclusive use of the area and the area is open to the public engaged in the act of retriever training.
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**MIKE CASTLE RECREATION TRAIL**

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DOVE HUNTING

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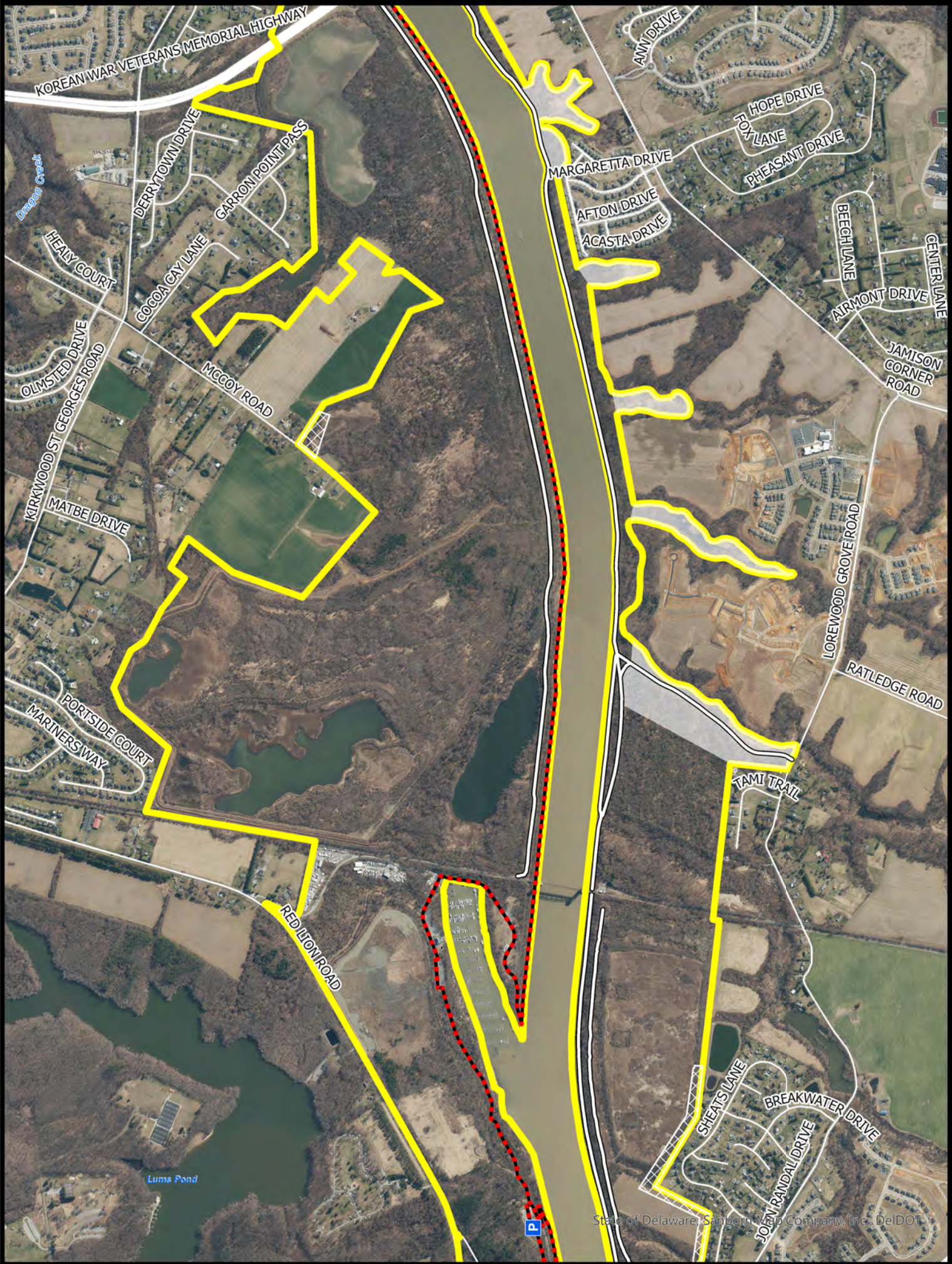




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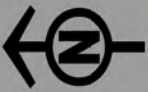
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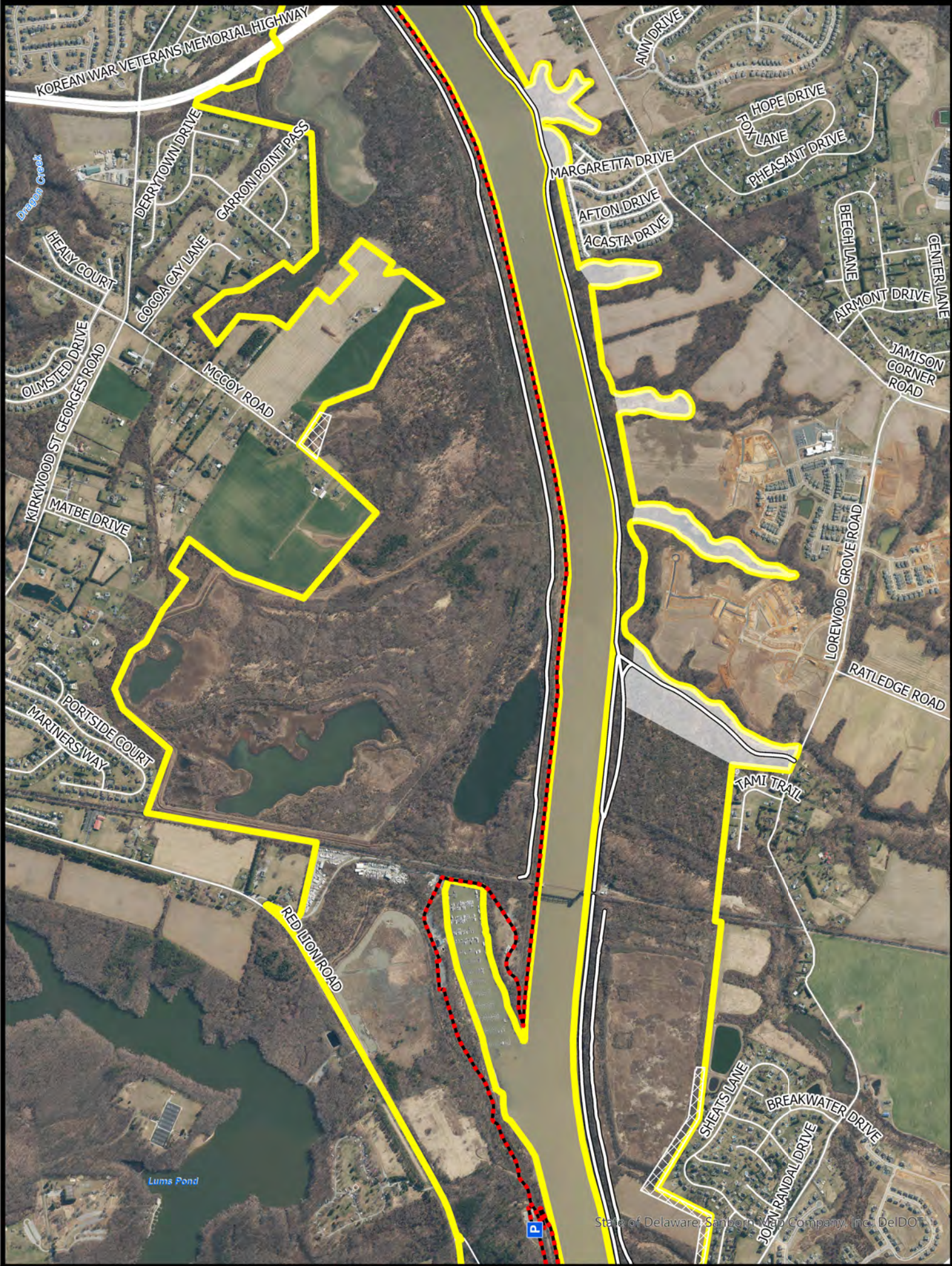




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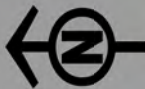
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THE BOWL SPORTING DOG AREA

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- 2. Legal hunting and falconry are permitted within this area.

MIKE CASTLE RECREATION TRAIL

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- 4. For more information, please consult the **Mike Castle Trail** map.

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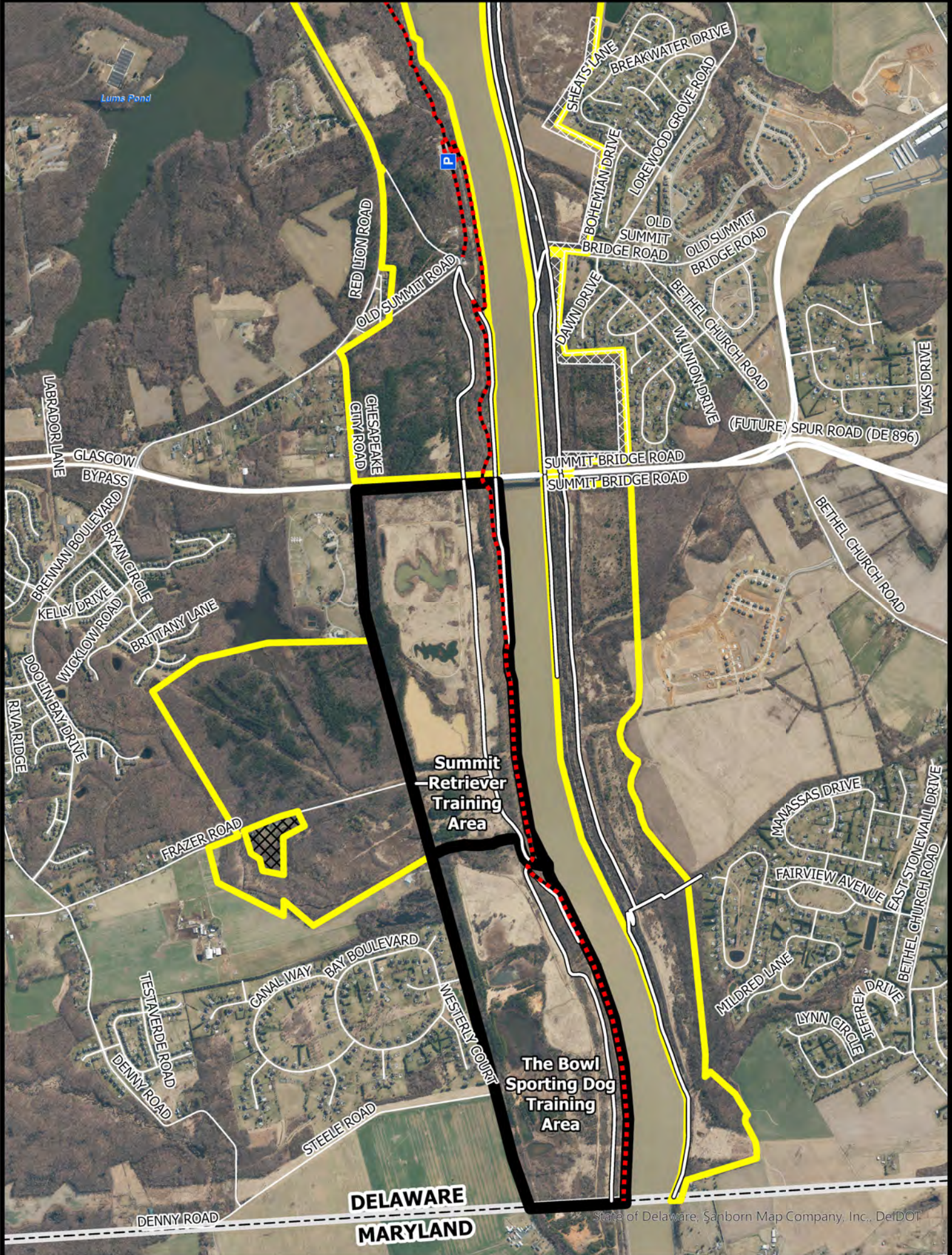
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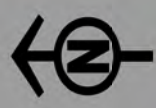
# C&D CANAL CONSERVATION AREA

West Section & Dog Training  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



State of Delaware, Sanborn Map Company, Inc., DelDOT

- Wildlife Area
- Dog Training Area
- Private Property
- CAP Exempt
- Michael Castle Trail
- Safety Zone
- Maintained Roadway
- State Line



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**DEER, FURBEARERS & SMALL GAME HUNTING**  
**C&D CANAL CONSERVATION AREA**  
**Effective July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026**

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**A Conservation Access Pass (CAP) is not required for the C&D Canal Conservation Area.**

**GENERAL**

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3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season except for the Summit Retriever Training Area.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handguns/pistol caliber rifles are not permitted to be used during any season and this area is NOT open during the January handgun season. Only shotguns and muzzleloaders with rifled barrels may be used for deer hunting.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

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2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges, safety zones, Scotts Run and the Summit Retriever Training Areas and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.

4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28.

**B. Furbearers**

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2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
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4. For more information, please consult the **Mike Castle Trail** map.

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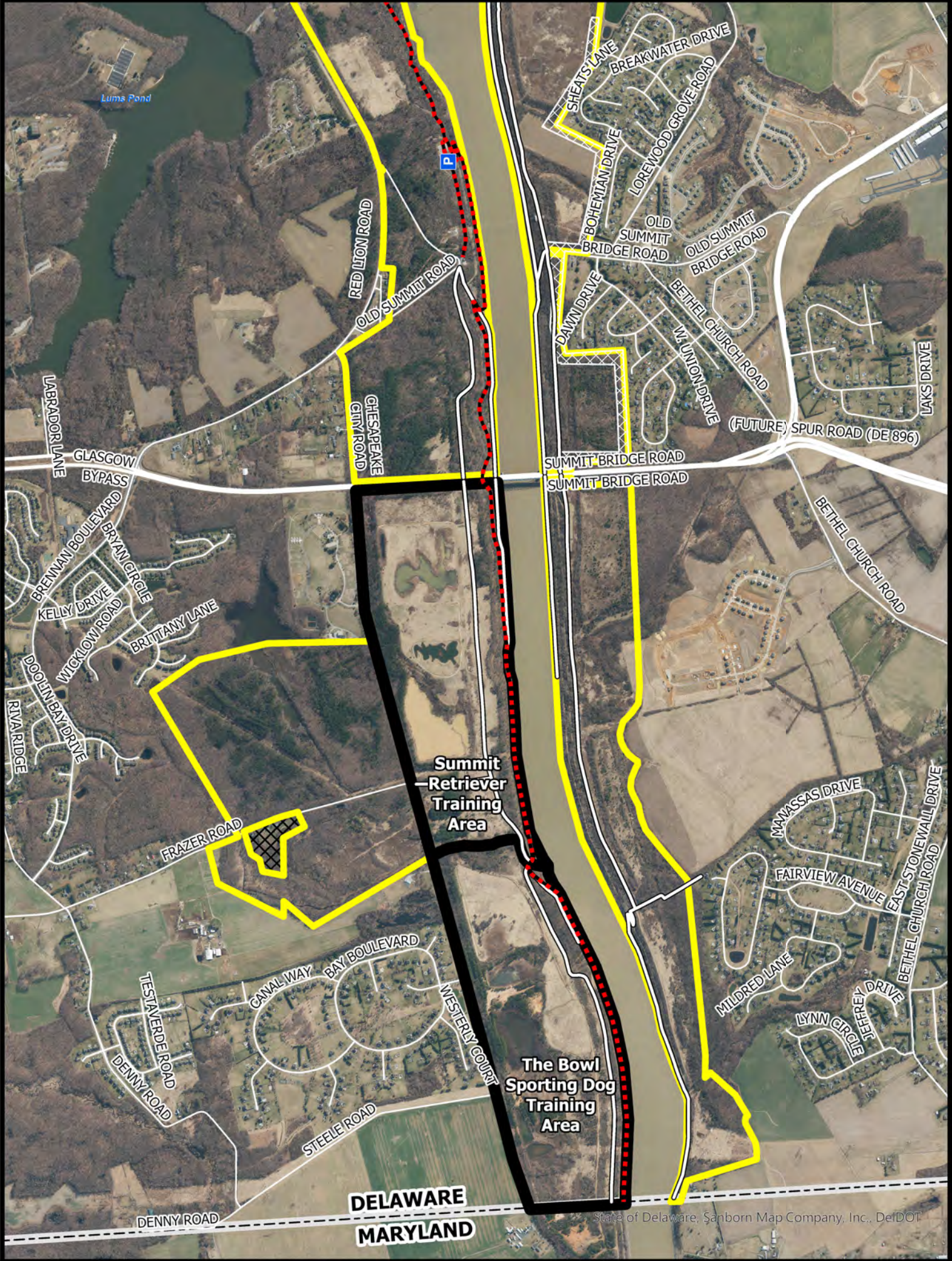
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# C&D CANAL CONSERVATION AREA

## West Section & Dog Training Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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Wildlife Area



Dog Training Area



Safety Zone



Private Property



CAP Exempt



State Line



Maintained Roadway



Michael Castle Trail



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WATERFOWL & GAMEBIRD HUNTING  
C&D CANAL CONSERVATION AREA  
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GENERAL

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- 2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
- 3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
- 4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

WATERFOWL HUNTING

- 1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges, safety zones, Scotts Run and the Summit Retriever Training Area.
- 2. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs.
- 3. Vehicles prohibited in upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
- 4. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

DOVE HUNTING

- 1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
- 2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges, safety zones, Scotts Run and the Summit Retriever Training Area.
- 3. No permit is required.

TURKEY HUNTING

- 1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.
- 2. Turkey hunting prohibited within the Summit Retriever Training Area.

DOG TRAINING

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- 4. For more information, please consult the **Mike Castle Trail** map.

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# AUGUSTINE WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



- Wildlife Area
- CAP Exempt
- CAP Required

- Maintained Roadway
- Wildlife Viewing Tower
- Area Headquarters
- Check Station
- Boat Ramp



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**General Rules and Regulations Governing Land and Waters**  
**Administered by the Delaware Division of Fish & Wildlife**  
**Effective July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026**

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**GENERAL**

1. A Conservation Access Pass is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated Delaware State Wildlife Areas for any allowable activities, including hunting, birdwatching, hiking and photography.
2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
  - Damaging or defacing buildings, equipment, structures, signs, or land features.
  - Littering or dumping trash including yard waste.
  - Operating radio-controlled devices, including drones, or the launching of model rockets.
  - Metal-detecting or use of metal detectors.
  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See #16 for dog training information.
  - Camping or lighting open fires of any type.
  - Swimming.
  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

the Wildlife Section at (302) 739-9912. This registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and blinds.

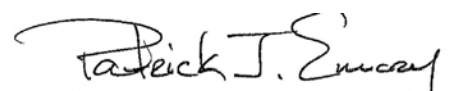
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
Patrick J. Emory, Director

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# AUGUSTINE WILDLIFE AREA

Shilling, Warren, Faella, Selby,  
Ashton & Port Penn Tracts

## Deer, Furbearers and Small Game Hunting



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Wildlife Area

Safety Zone

Private Property

CAP Exempt

CAP Required

Maintained Roadway

Pedestrian Trail

Deer Stand

HD Deer Stand

Area Headquarters

Check Station

Wildlife Viewing Tower

Boat Ramp

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4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

**A. Archery**

1. Archery hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges, safety zones.
2. Archery hunters must register through the daily lottery and hunt from the state-built stands during any overlapping firearm deer season.
3. Archery hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.

**B. Firearm – Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Handgun**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all deer firearms seasons.
2. Stands issued by lottery at the Augustine Check Station.
3. Drawings held 2 hours before sunrise. A second lottery will be held at NOON. No permits issued after 1:00 PM.
4. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season. Archery hunting is allowed during this season in accordance with state and area laws.
5. Only one firearm permitted per deer stand.
6. Deer drives are prohibited.

7. Handgun hunting permitted during the January handgun season via lottery.
8. Disabled deer hunting locations are available for non-ambulatory hunters. These locations can be reserved in advance one time per season by calling (302) 836-7294 or (302) 834-8433. If not reserved disabled locations are available through the daily lottery.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

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2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 October 5, 26

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3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
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Silver Run, Baxter & Green Tracts  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



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- Wildlife Area
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- HD Deer Stand
- Safety Zone
- Deer Stand
- Boat Ramp
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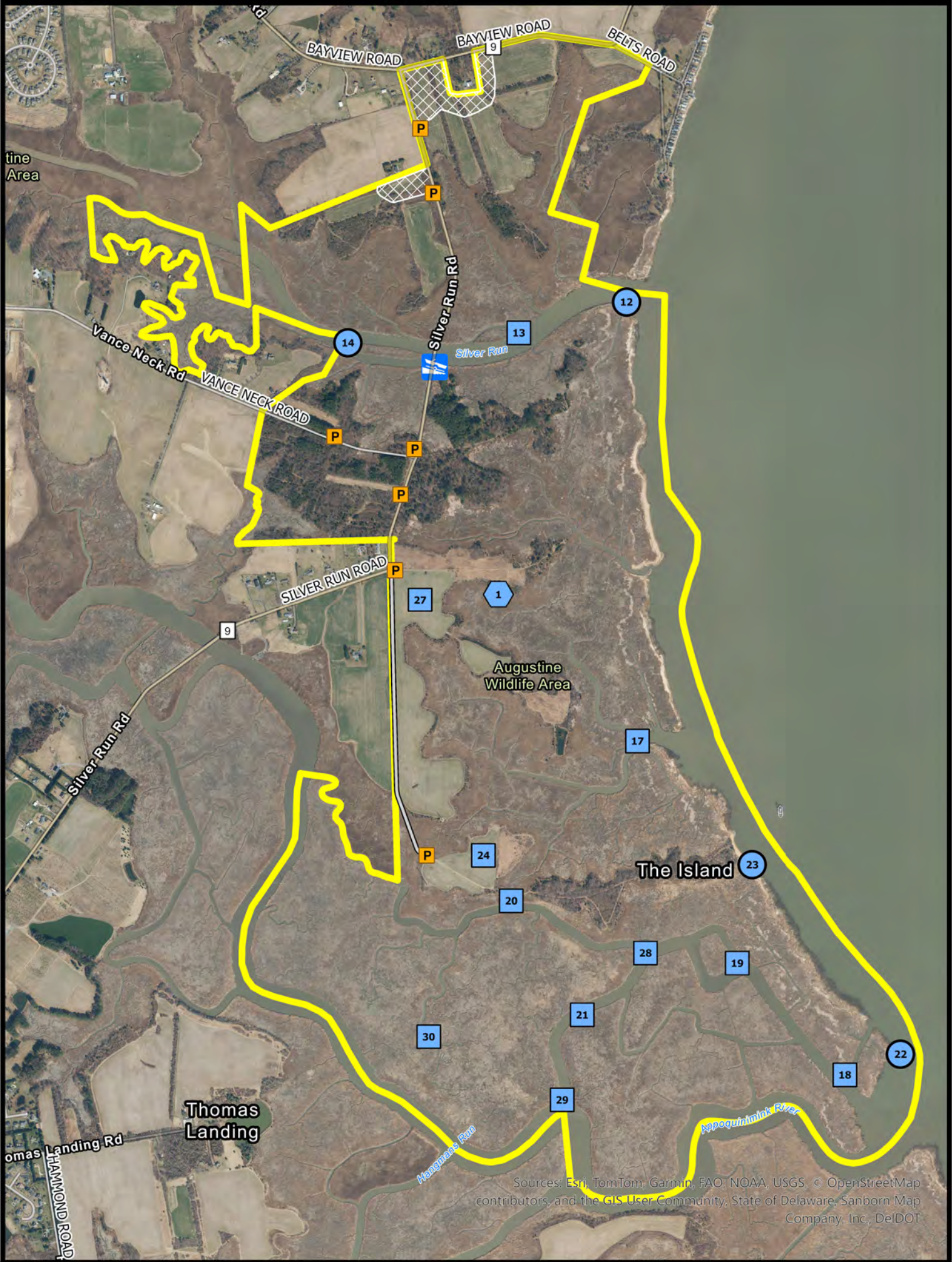
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Silver Run, Baxter & Green Tracts  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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- Wildlife Area
- Safety Zone
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- Maintained Roadway
- Waterfowl Blind
- HD Waterfowl Blind
- Waterfowl Blind Site
- Boat Ramp



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WATERFOWL HUNTING

- 1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all waterfowl seasons.
- 2. Blinds issued by lottery held at the Augustine Check Station 2 hours before sunrise. Blinds issued until 1:00 PM
- 3. Hunting permitted on opening day, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays during all regular waterfowl seasons.
- 4. All hunting from state-built blinds or blind sites only.
- 5. Hunters must stay within 35 yards of designated blind sites while hunting.
- 6. No more than 3 persons per pit, blind, or blind site.
- 7. This area is **OPEN** for the early teal season, however not all blinds will be available.
- 8. No waterfowl hunting from upland fields, except from designated goose blinds and blind sites.
- 9. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields with designated blind sites.
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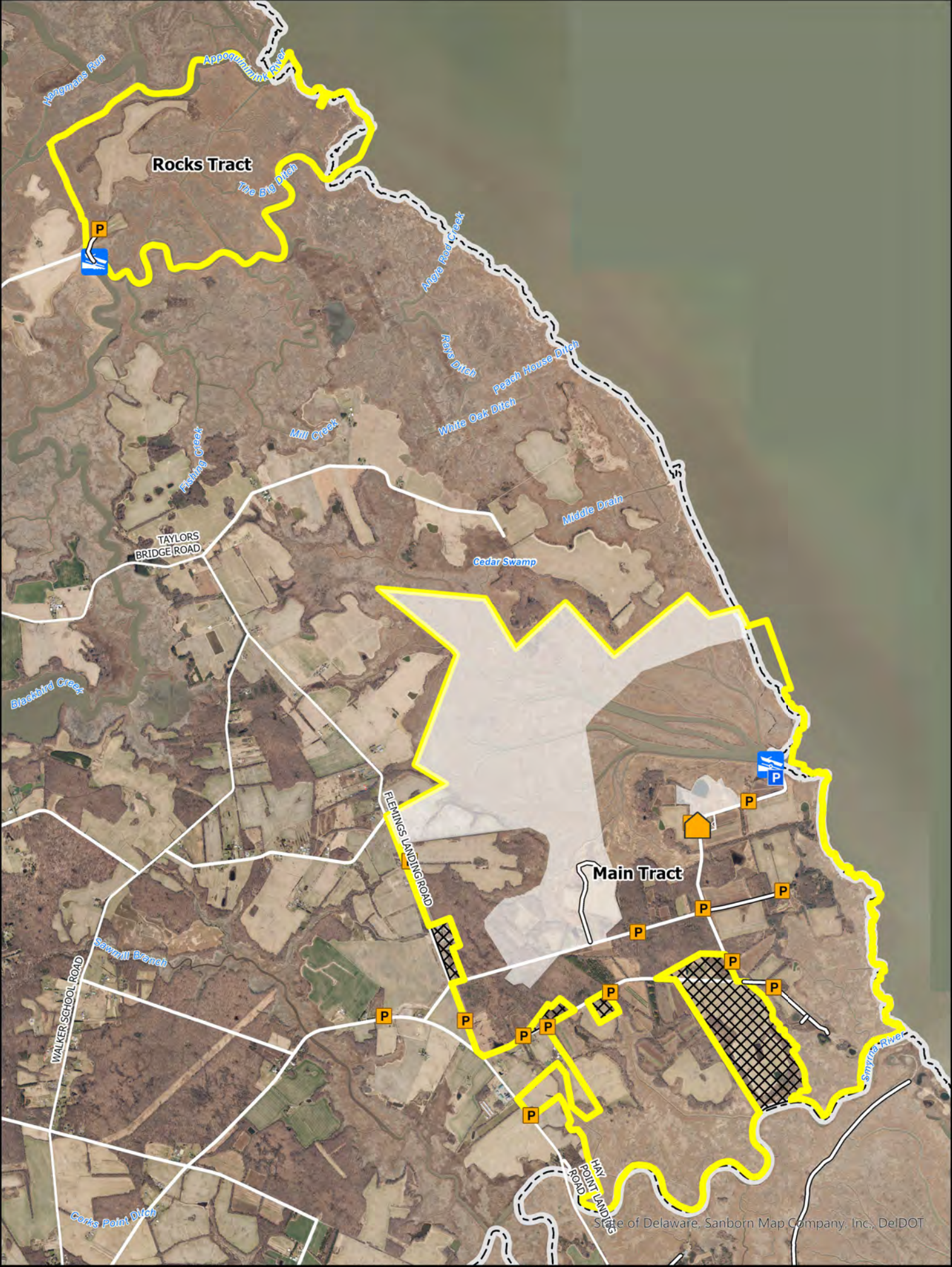
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# CEDAR SWAMP WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



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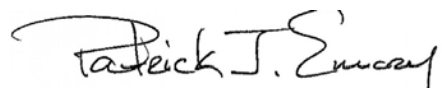
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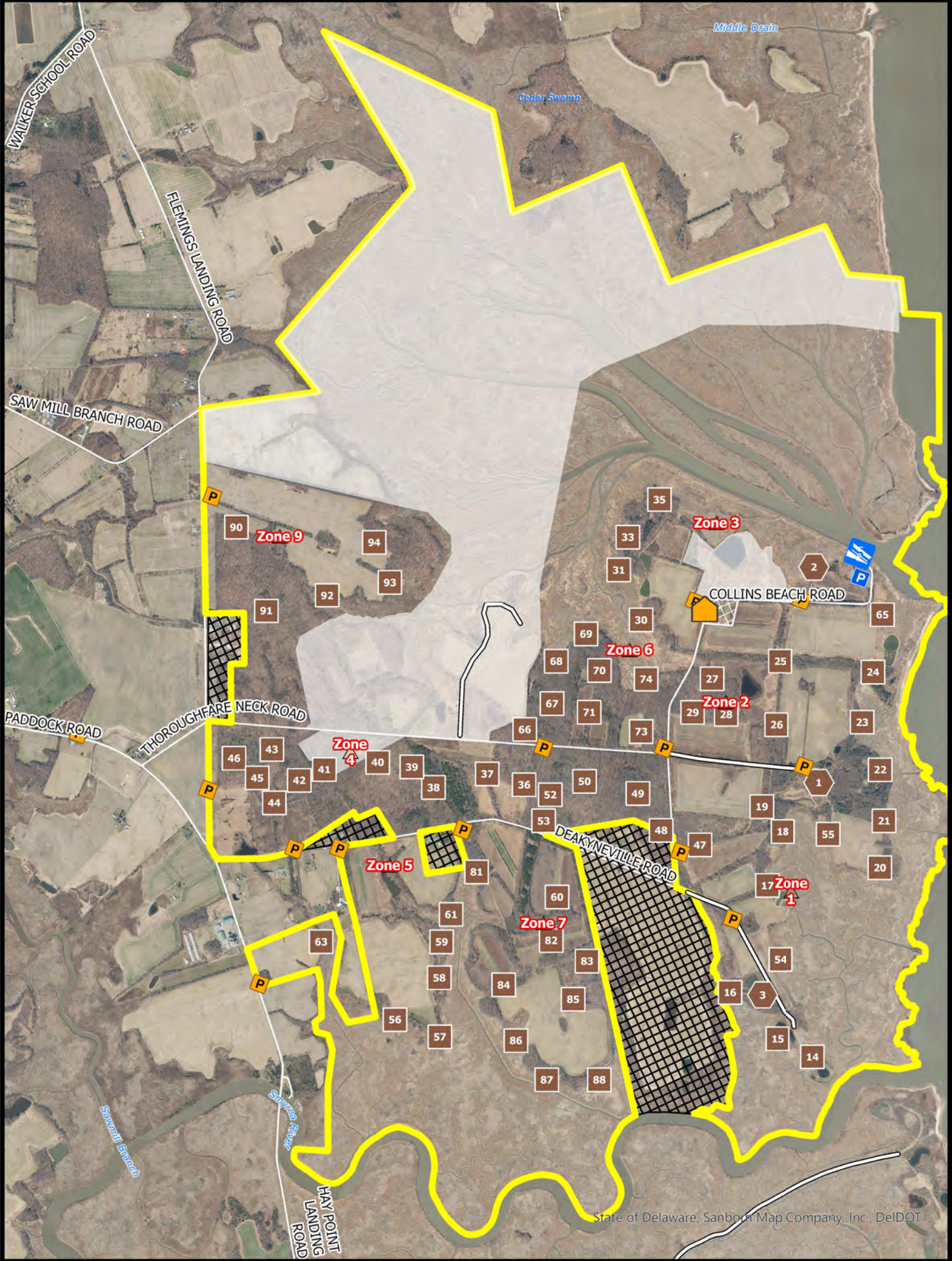
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# CEDAR SWAMP WILDLIFE AREA

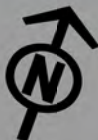
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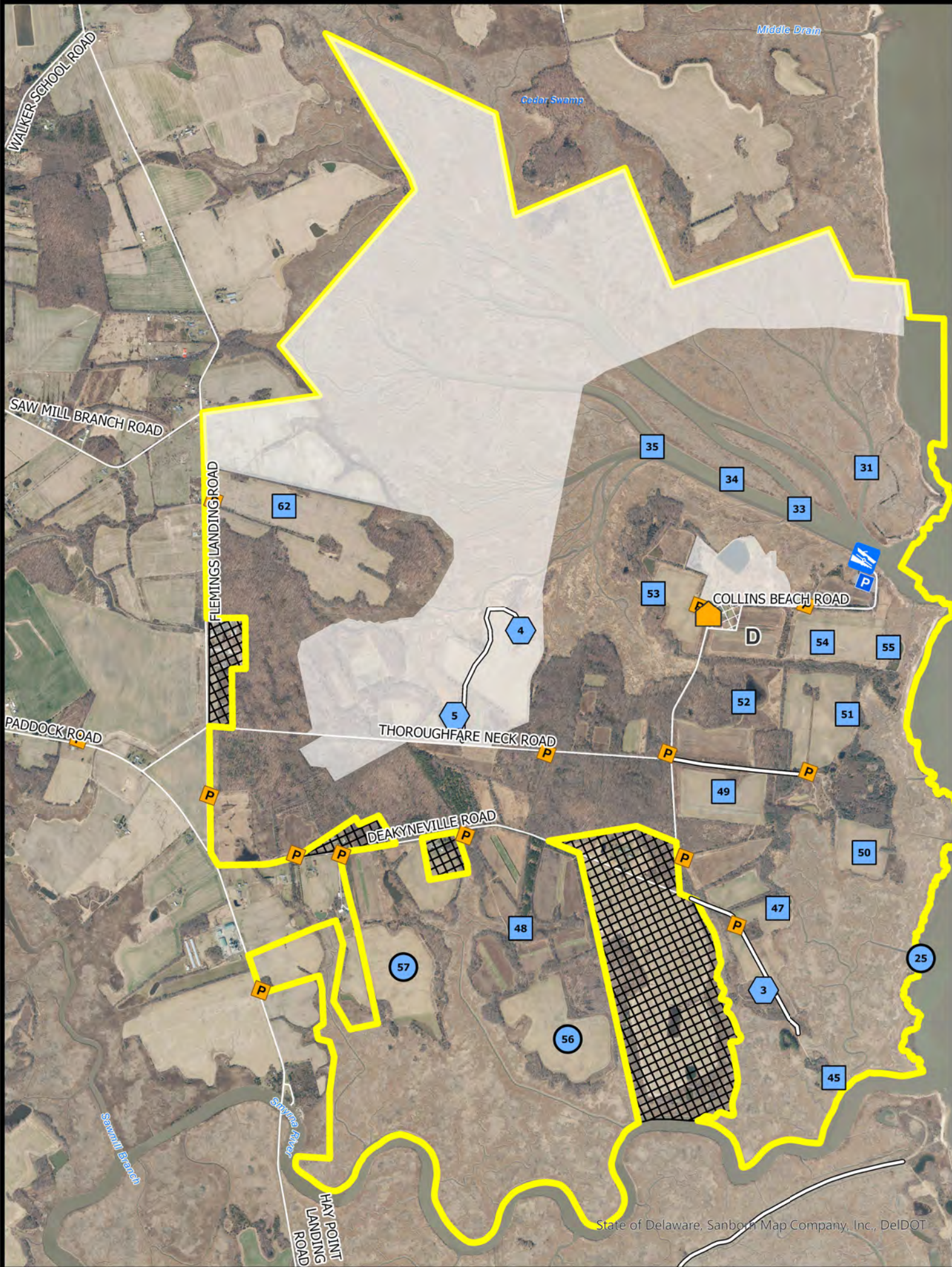
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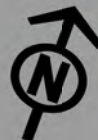
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Rocks Tract  
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Wildlife Area

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Upland Zone



CAP Required



Deer Stand



Boat Ramp



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Wildlife Area



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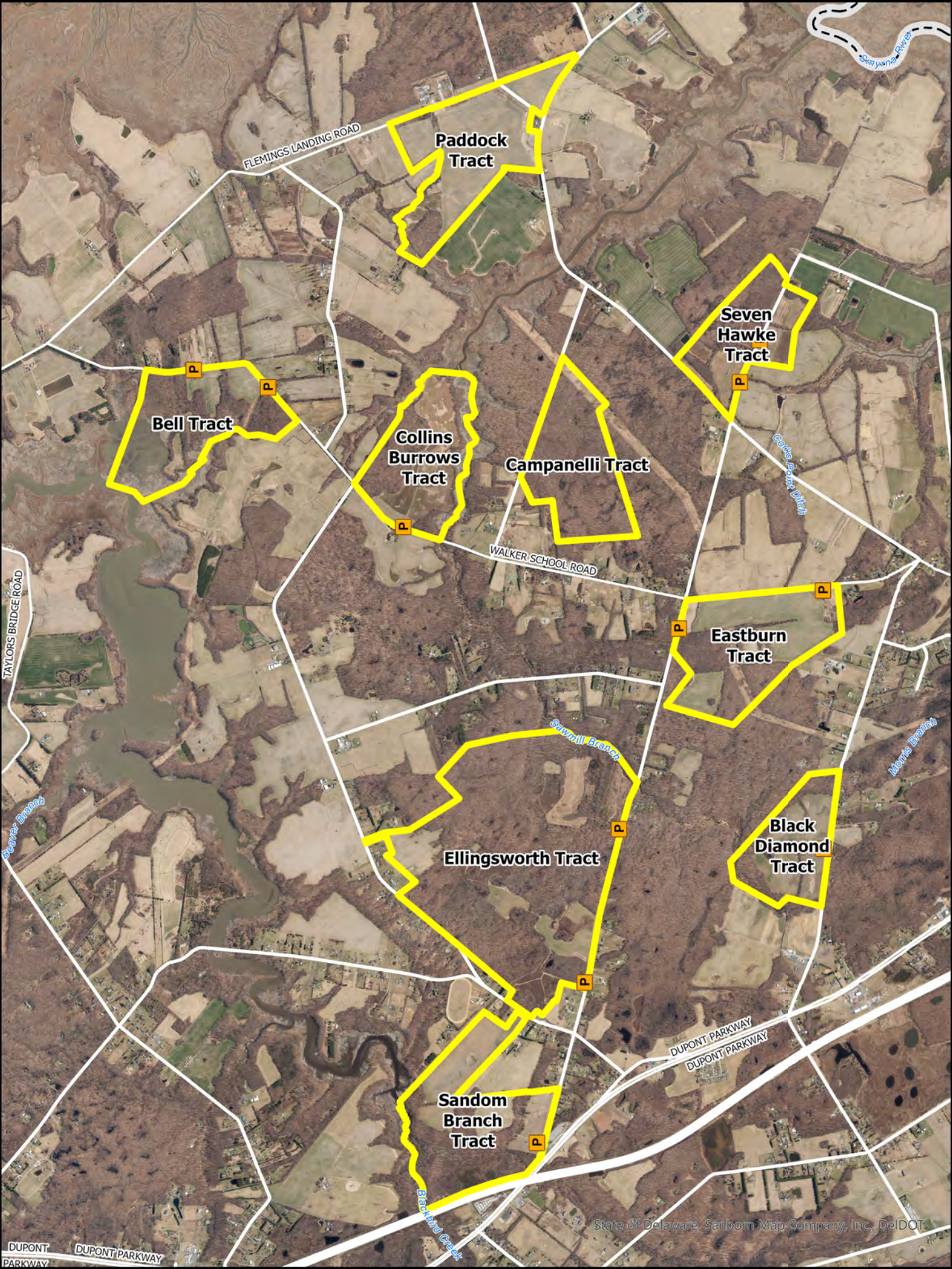
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# EAGLES NEST WILDLIFE AREA

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Wildlife Area



CAP Required



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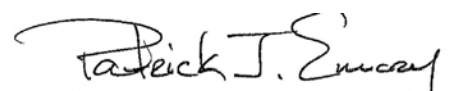
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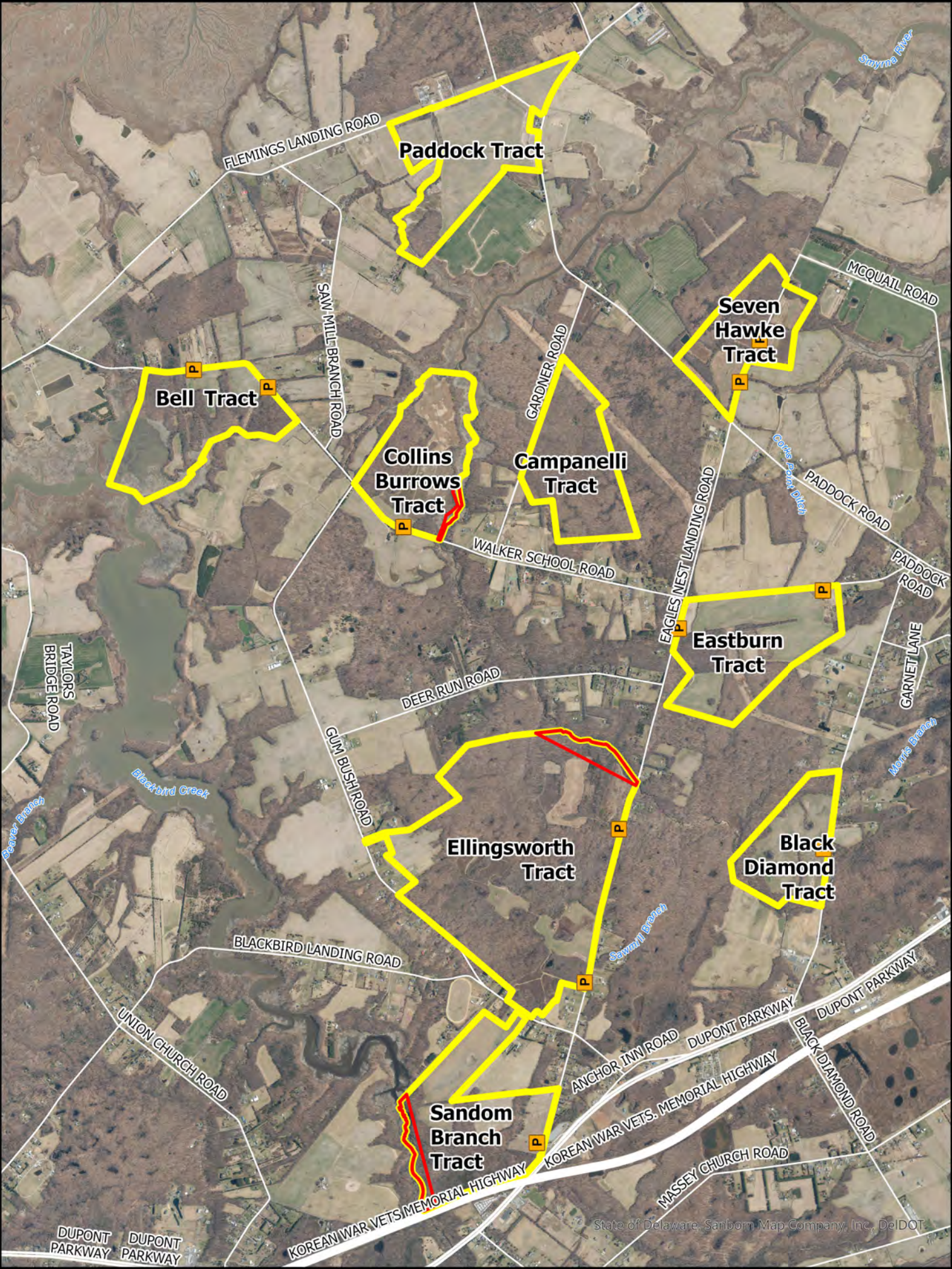
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# EAGLES NEST WILDLIFE AREA

Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



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Wildlife Area



CAP Required



No Waterfowl Hunting



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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handgun hunting permitted during the January handgun season.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not

permitted to enter refuges for any reason.

3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 October 5, 26

**B. Furbearers**

1. Trapping rights for Bell Tract awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information. No trapping on Bell Tract except by valid contract holders.
2. Public trapping for all other tracts is permitted with a valid permit issued by the Division. Limited permits available. For more information, visit <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/fish-wildlife/hunting/furbearers/> or call (302) 739-9912.
3. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
4. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
5. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

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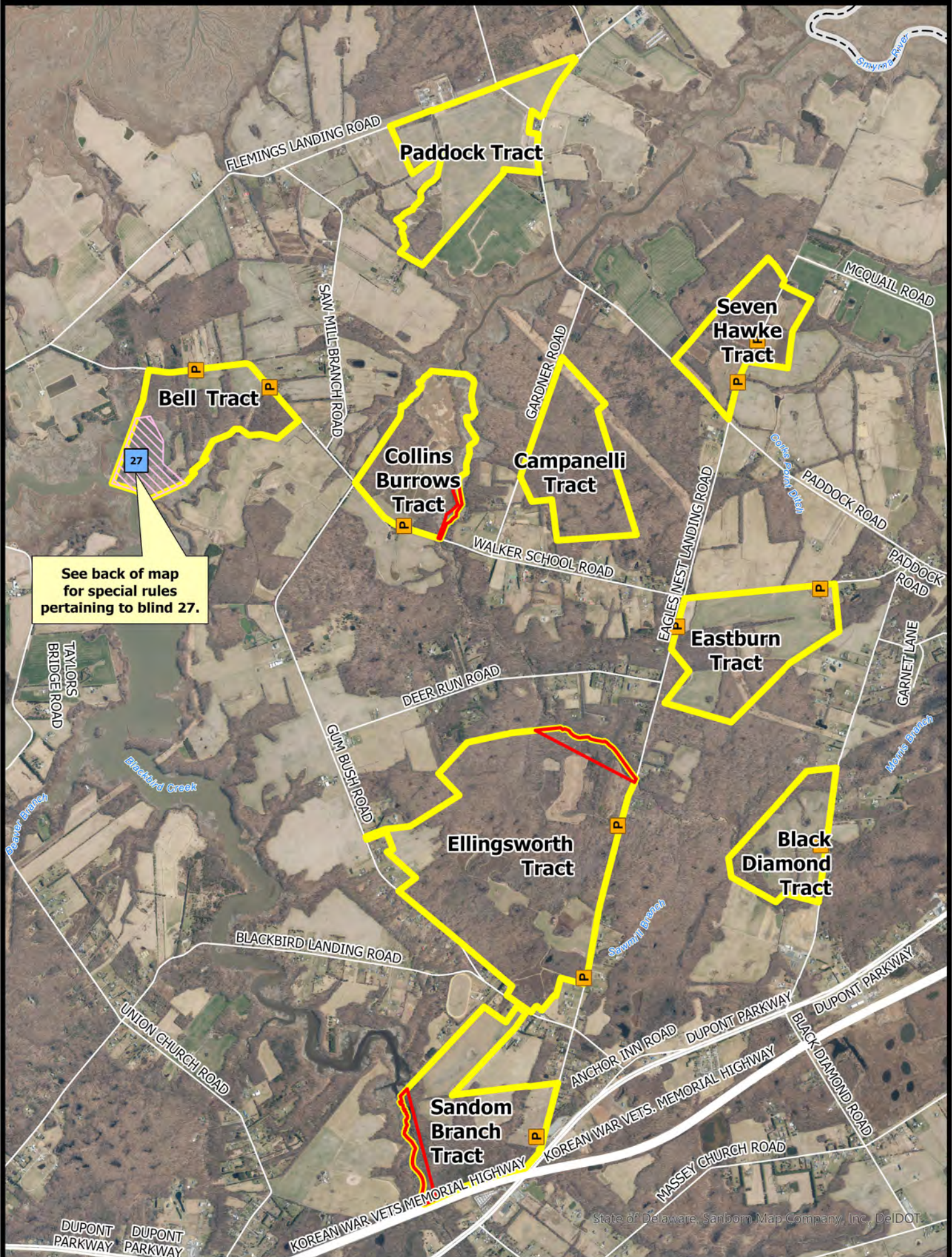
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# EAGLES NEST WILDLIFE AREA

## Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



See back of map for special rules pertaining to blind 27.

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- Wildlife Area
- No Waterfowl Hunting
- Special Rules Waterfowl Hunting Area
- CAP Required
- Waterfowl Blind



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**WATERFOWL & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
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**GENERAL**

- 1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
- 2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
- 3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
- 4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

- 1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges, safety zones, along the banks of the Saw Mill Branch and Blackbird Creeks, and within tidal portions of the Bell Tract.
- 2. Blind 27 on the Bell Tract issued through the Cedar Swamp Check Station lottery. See Cedar Swamp maps for lottery days and times.
- 3. Hunting from Blind 27 on the Bell Tract permitted on opening day, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays during all regular waterfowl seasons.
- 4. No waterfowl hunting permitted in tidal areas of the Bell Tract outside of Blind 27.
- 5. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
- 6. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

- 1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
- 2. Regulated dove field (**D**) located on the Collins Burrows Tract available by lottery only on Opening day, Labor Day, and all Saturdays of the early season. Lotteries held at 12:00 PM at the Cedar Swamp Check Station.

- 3. Hunting hours on regulated fields are from 1:00-6:00 PM. No dove hunting on Collins Burrows Tract permitted outside of the regulated dove field during the early season.
- 4. Dove hunting permitted on all tracts other than Collins Burrows Tract except within refuges and safety zones during early season, no permit required.
- 5. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones during late seasons, no permit required.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

- 1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

<p><b>Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.</b></p>
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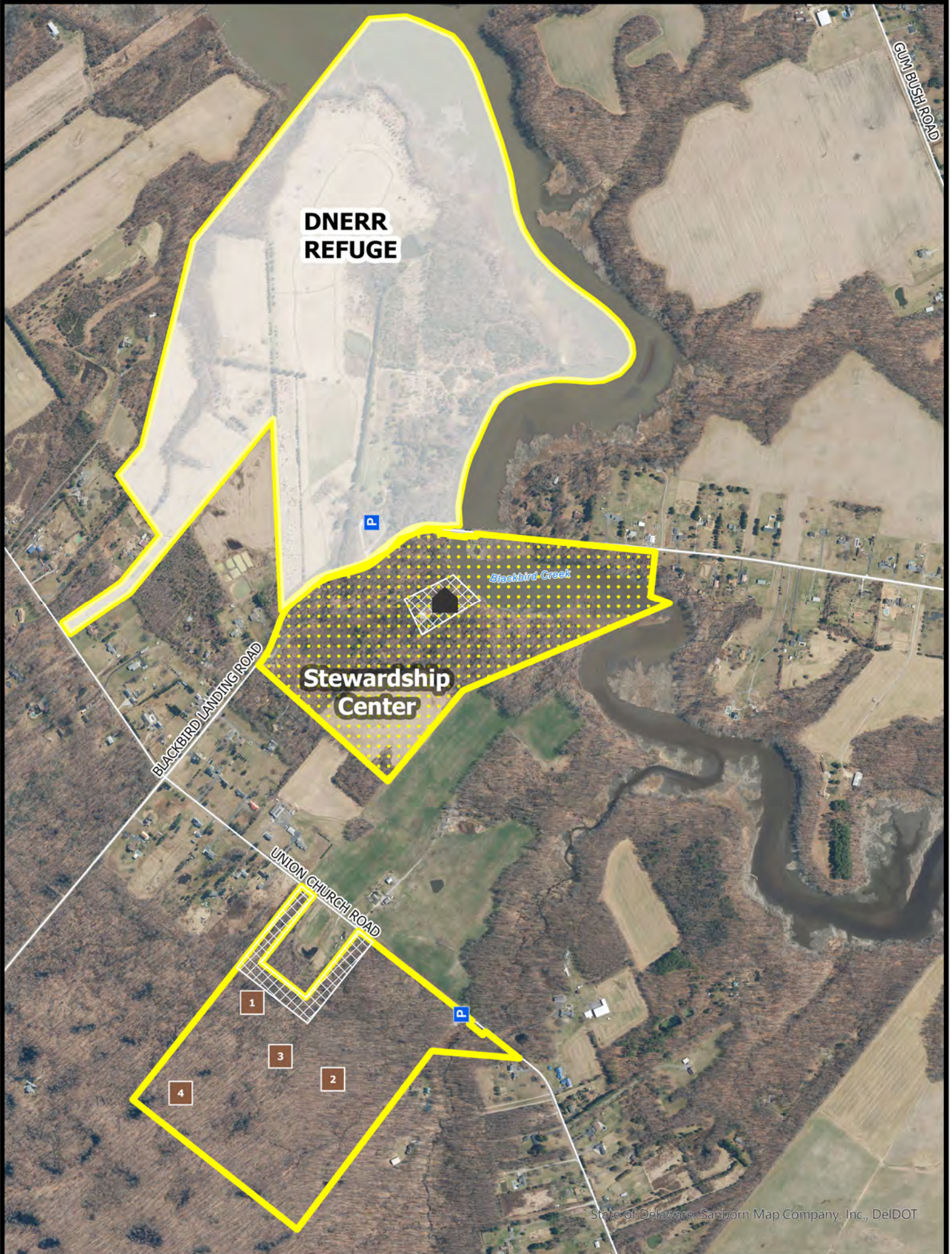
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## Blackbird Creek Reserve Hunting



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Wildlife Area



Archery Only



Refuge



Safety Zone



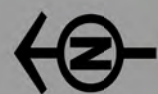
CAP Exempt



Deer Stand



Stewardship Center



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**DEER, FURBEARER, SMALL GAME, WATERFOWL, & GAMEBIRD HUNTING  
DNERR**

**Blackbird Creek Reserve Tract  
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**GENERAL**

- 1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
- 2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
- 3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
- 4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**DEER HUNTING**

**NOTICE**

**THIS AREA IS NOT OPEN FOR SUNDAY DEER HUNTING**

**A. Archery**

- 1. Archery hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones within the Stewardship Center and McKinley Tracts.
- 2. Archery hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of temporary portable deer stands must be removed at the end of each days hunt. Trail cameras are not permitted on the DNERR Blackbird Creek Reserve Tract.
- 3. Archery hunters using the Stewardship Center tract during concurrent firearms seasons do not need to go through the lottery at the Cedar Swamp Check Station.

**B. Firearm – Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Handgun**

- 1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all deer firearms seasons.
- 2. Stands for the McKinley tract issued by lottery at the Cedar Swamp Check Station. Drawings held 2 hours before sunrise. A second lottery will be held at 12:00 PM. No permits issued after 1:00 PM.
- 3. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season. Archery hunting is allowed during this season in accordance with state and area laws.
- 4. Only one firearm permitted per deer stand.
- 5. Deer drives are prohibited.
- 6. Handgun hunting during the January handgun season permitted on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday only.

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**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

- 1. Small game hunting is prohibited on this property.
- 2. Dog training is prohibited.

**B. Furbearers**

- 1. Trapping is prohibited on this property.
- 2. Raccoon hunting is prohibited on this property.
- 3. Fox and coyote hunting and chasing are prohibited on this property.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

- 1. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited on this property.

**DOVE HUNTING**

- 1. Dove hunting is prohibited on this area.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

- 1. Turkey hunting is prohibited on this property.

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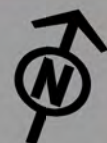
# WOODLAND BEACH WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



- Wildlife Area
- Refuge
- CAP Exempt
- CAP Required

- Maintained Roadway
- Boat Ramp
- Wildlife Viewing Tower
- AREC
- Check Station
- McKay Field Office



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**General Rules and Regulations Governing Land and Waters**  
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**GENERAL**

1. A Conservation Access Pass is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated Delaware State Wildlife Areas for any allowable activities, including hunting, birdwatching, hiking and photography.
2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
  - Damaging or defacing buildings, equipment, structures, signs, or land features.
  - Littering or dumping trash including yard waste.
  - Operating radio-controlled devices, including drones, or the launching of model rockets.
  - Metal-detecting or use of metal detectors.
  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See #16 for dog training information.
  - Camping or lighting open fires of any type.
  - Swimming.
  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

the Wildlife Section at (302) 739-9912. This registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and blinds.

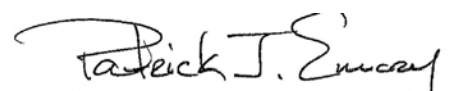
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
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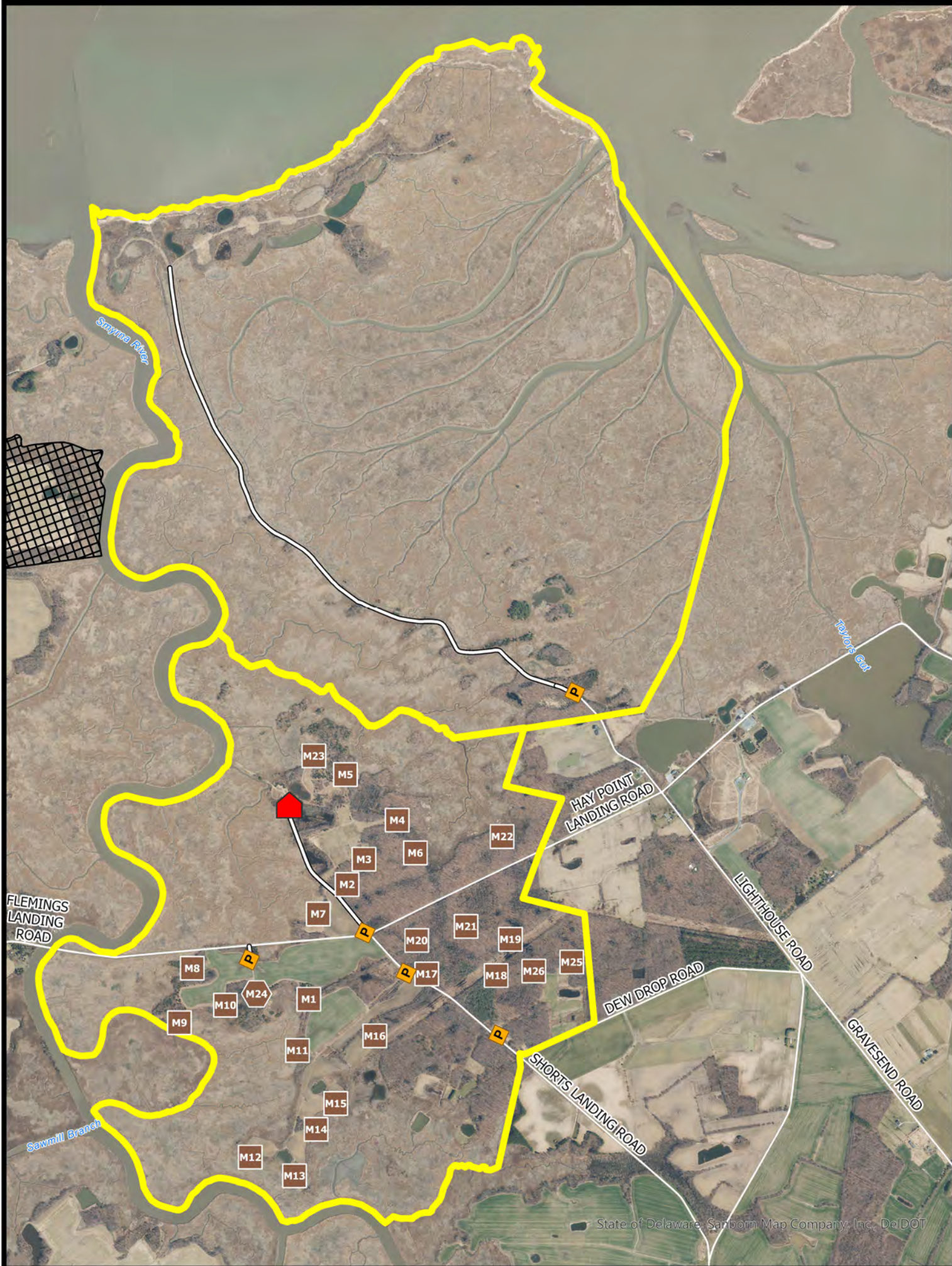
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# WOODLAND BEACH WILDLIFE AREA

McKay & Lighthouse Island Tracts  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



State of Delaware, Sanborn Map Company, Inc., DeDOT

- Wildlife Area
- Maintained Roadway
- Deer Stand
- HD Deer Stand
- Private Property
- CAP Required
- McKay Field Office



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**GENERAL**

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3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

**This area is managed as a Quality Buck Area. Harvesting bucks with outside antler spreads less than 15 inches is prohibited at any time, except youth under age 17 and non-ambulatory disabled hunters.**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

**A. Archery**

1. Archery hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. Archery hunters must register through the lottery and hunt from lottery stands during all firearm deer seasons.
3. Archery hunting is closed during special youth / non-ambulatory disabled deer hunts.
4. Archery hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.

**B. /Firearm – Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Handgun**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all deer firearms seasons unless hunting on the Lighthouse Island Tract.
2. Stands issued by lottery at the Woodland Beach Check Station. Drawings held 2 hours before

- sunrise. A second lottery will be held at 12:00 PM. No permits issued after 1:00 PM.
3. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season. Archery hunting is allowed during this season in accordance with state and area laws.
  4. Refuge stands (R1-R7) are open during the youth hunt and on Mondays and Fridays of all firearm seasons beginning on the first Monday of November shotgun season.
  5. The Lighthouse Island Tract is open for all deer firearm seasons on a first come first served basis, no permit required.
  6. Handgun hunting during the January handgun season will be allowed on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday only.
  7. Deer drives are prohibited.
  8. Only one firearm permitted per deer stand.
  9. Disabled deer hunting locations (R3, M24) are available for non-ambulatory hunters. R3 is closed on all refuge hunt days. These locations are awarded via a lottery held at 11:00 AM the day prior to the hunt. If not awarded in advance, disabled locations are available through the daily lottery.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. Squirrel hunting permitted; no permit required.
3. Rabbit hunting by lottery only on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Lottery held at 8:00 AM at the Woodland Beach Check Station. Hunters must vacate the area by 3:30 PM. Maximum of 4 hunters per party per zone.
4. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
5. Hunting prohibited within posted refuges and safety zones and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
5. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 October 5, 26

**B. Furbearers**

5. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
6. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
7. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
8. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

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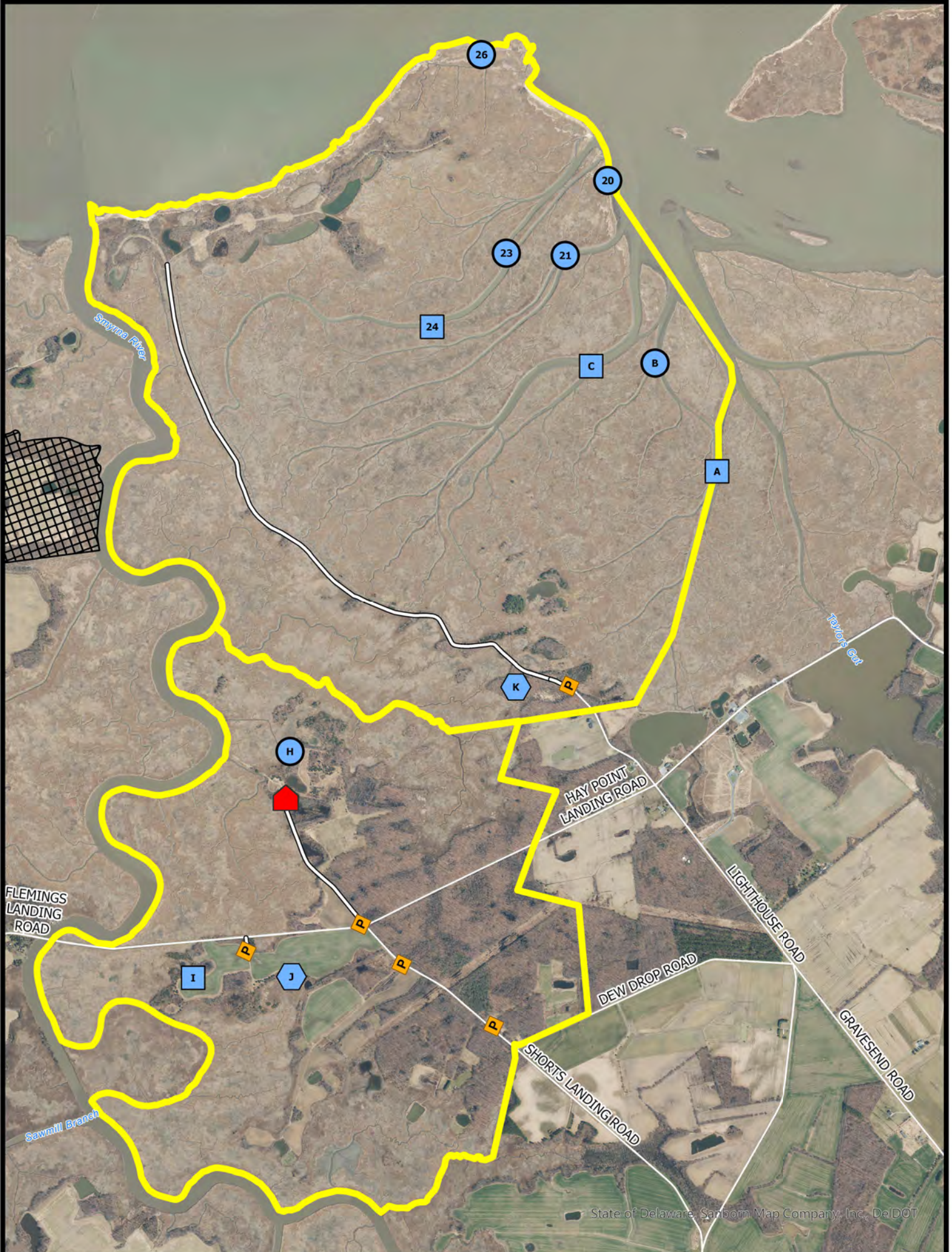




# WOODLAND BEACH WILDLIFE AREA

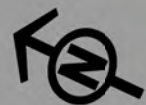
## McKay & Lighthouse Island Tracts

### Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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- Wildlife Area
- Maintained Roadway
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4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all waterfowl seasons.
2. All hunting from state-built blinds or blind sites only. Hunters must stay within 35 yards of designated blind sites while hunting.
3. Blinds issued by lottery held at the Woodland Beach Check Station 2 hours before sunrise. Blinds issued until 1:00 PM
4. Marsh blinds are open all days of all regular waterfowl seasons.
5. Blinds within Taylors Gut impoundment and designated goose blinds are open on opening days, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays during all regular waterfowl seasons.
6. Blinds E, J, and K are designated for disabled hunters and are awarded via lottery held at 11:00 AM the day prior to the hunt. If not reserved disabled locations are available through the daily lottery.
7. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited on the Lighthouse Island and Cabin Tracts.
8. No more than 3 persons per pit, blind, or blind site.
9. No waterfowl hunting from upland fields, except from designated goose blinds and blind sites.
10. Airboats are prohibited.
11. Park in appropriate parking lots (see map). Do not park at the ramp or on the side of the road. Do not drive into fields.

12. Hunters using marsh and river blinds must have a boat and required safety equipment.
13. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, no permit required.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

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**DEER HUNTING**

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Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

**A. Archery**

1. Archery hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. Archery hunters must register through the lottery and hunt from lottery stands during all firearm deer seasons.
3. Archery hunting is closed during special youth / non-ambulatory disabled deer hunts.
4. Archery hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.

**B. /Firearm – Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Handgun**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all deer firearms seasons unless hunting on the Lighthouse Island Tract.
2. Stands issued by lottery at the Woodland Beach Check Station. Drawings held 2 hours before

- sunrise. A second lottery will be held at 12:00 PM. No permits issued after 1:00 PM.
3. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season. Archery hunting is allowed during this season in accordance with state and area laws.
  4. Refuge stands (R1-R7) are open during the youth hunt and on Mondays and Fridays of all firearm seasons beginning on the first Monday of November shotgun season.
  5. The Lighthouse Island Tract is open for all deer firearm seasons on a first come first served basis, no permit required.
  6. Handgun hunting during the January handgun season will be allowed on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday only.
  7. Deer drives are prohibited.
  8. Only one firearm permitted per deer stand.
  9. Disabled deer hunting locations (R3, M24) are available for non-ambulatory hunters. R3 is closed on all refuge hunt days. These locations are awarded via a lottery held at 11:00 AM the day prior to the hunt. If not awarded in advance, disabled locations are available through the daily lottery.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. Squirrel hunting permitted; no permit required.
3. Rabbit hunting by lottery only on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Lottery held at 8:00 AM at the Woodland Beach Check Station. Hunters must vacate the area by 3:30 PM. Maximum of 4 hunters per party per zone.
4. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
5. Hunting prohibited within posted refuges and safety zones and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
5. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 October 5, 26

**B. Furbearers**

5. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
6. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
7. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
8. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

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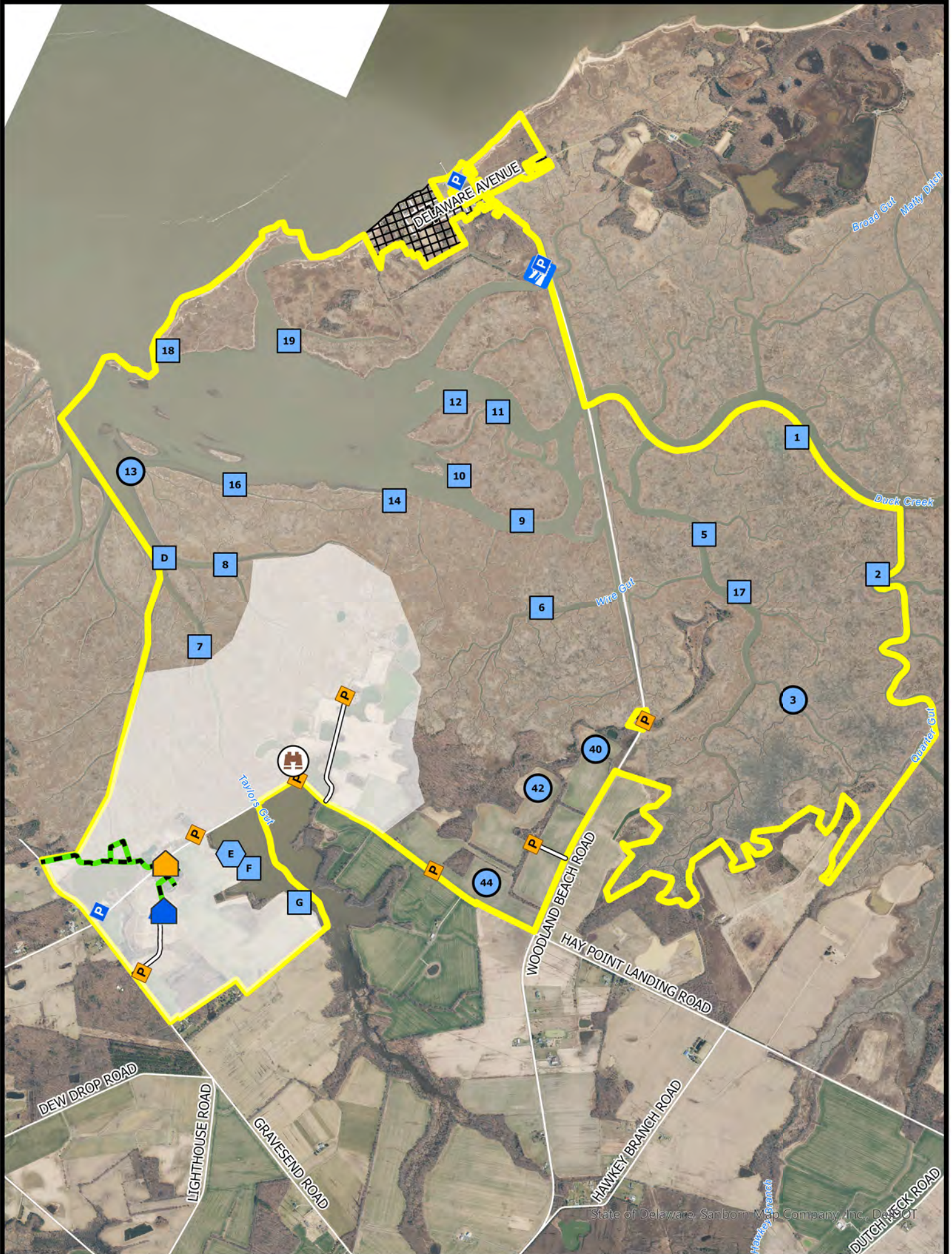
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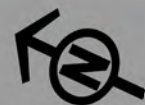


# WOODLAND BEACH WILDLIFE AREA

Goldsborough, Ennis, & Cabin Tracts  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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|------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Wildlife Area    | Maintained Roadway   | AREC                   |
| Refuge           | Pedestrian Trail     | Check Station          |
| Private Property | Waterfowl Blind      | Wildlife Viewing Tower |
| CAP Exempt       | HD Waterfowl Blind   | Boat Ramp              |
| CAP Required     | Waterfowl Blind Site |                        |



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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all waterfowl seasons.
2. All hunting from state-built blinds or blind sites only. Hunters must stay within 35 yards of designated blind sites while hunting.
3. Blinds issued by lottery held at the Woodland Beach Check Station 2 hours before sunrise. Blinds issued until 1:00 PM
4. Marsh blinds are open all days of all regular waterfowl seasons.
5. Blinds within Taylors Gut impoundment and designated goose blinds are open on opening days, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays during all regular waterfowl seasons.
6. Blinds E, J, and K are designated for disabled hunters and are awarded via lottery held at 11:00 AM the day prior to the hunt. If not reserved disabled locations are available through the daily lottery.
7. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited on the Lighthouse Island and Cabin Tracts.
8. No more than 3 persons per pit, blind, or blind site.
9. No waterfowl hunting from upland fields, except from designated goose blinds and blind sites.
10. Airboats are prohibited.
11. Park in appropriate parking lots (see map). Do not park at the ramp or on the side of the road. Do not drive into fields.

12. Hunters using marsh and river blinds must have a boat and required safety equipment.
13. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, no permit required.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

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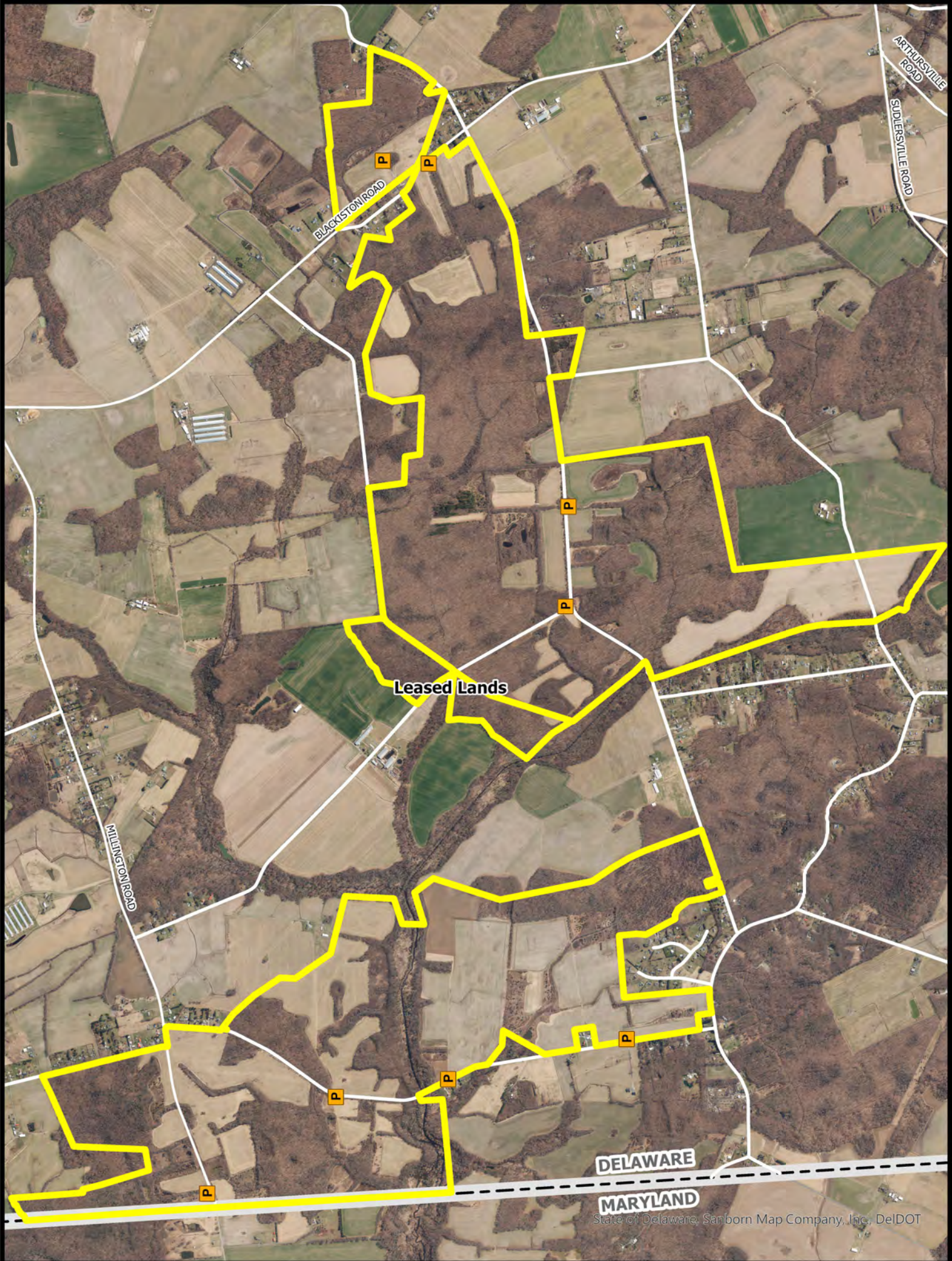
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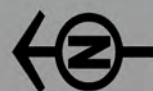


# BLACKISTON WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



- Wildlife Area
- CAP Required
- State Line



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**GENERAL**

1. A Conservation Access Pass is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated Delaware State Wildlife Areas for any allowable activities, including hunting, birdwatching, hiking and photography.
2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
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  - Littering or dumping trash including yard waste.
  - Operating radio-controlled devices, including drones, or the launching of model rockets.
  - Metal-detecting or use of metal detectors.
  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See #16 for dog training information.
  - Camping or lighting open fires of any type.
  - Swimming.
  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

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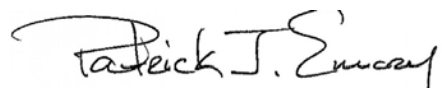
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
Patrick J. Emory, Director

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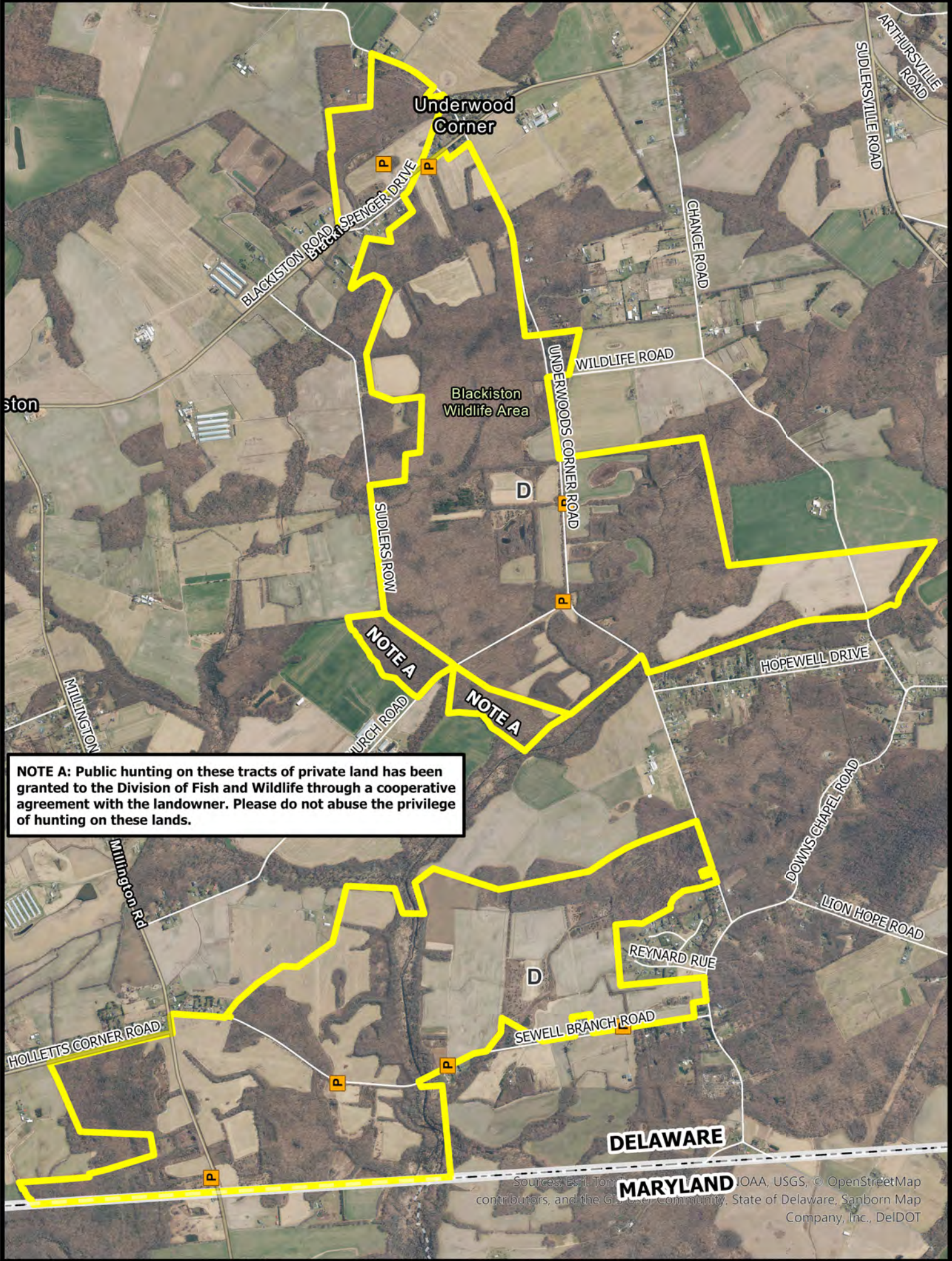
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# BLACKISTON WILDLIFE AREA

Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



**NOTE A:** Public hunting on these tracts of private land has been granted to the Division of Fish and Wildlife through a cooperative agreement with the landowner. Please do not abuse the privilege of hunting on these lands.

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Wildlife Area



CAP Required



Dove Field



State Line



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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handgun hunting permitted during the January handgun season.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
3. Rabbit hunting closed during December antlerless deer season and January shotgun deer season.

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4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sunday: September 1, 8, 15, 22; October 6, 27.

**B. Furbearers**

1. Public trapping is permitted with a valid permit issued by the Division. Limited permits available. For more information, visit <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/fish-wildlife/hunting/furbearers/> or call (302) 739-9912.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

**FISHING**

1. Fishing at Gleason Pond is catch and release only.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting permitted without special permit.
2. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs
3. Vehicles prohibited in upland fields or anywhere off established roadways
4. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
3. No permit is required.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

**Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.**

Patrick J. Emory, Director

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# LITTLE CREEK WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



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|------------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| Wildlife Area    | CAP Exempt         | Boat Ramp              |
| Refuge           | CAP Required       | Wildlife Viewing Tower |
| Safety Zone      | Maintained Roadway | Check Station          |
| Private Property |                    |                        |



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  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
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  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
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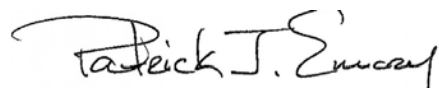
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
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**FISHING/CRABBING**

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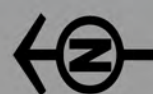
# LITTLE CREEK WILDLIFE AREA

Davey Crockett & Tarburton Tracts  
Deer, Furbearers, Small Game Hunting



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|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Wildlife Area            | Safety Zone      | Maintained Roadway |
| National Wildlife Refuge | Private Property | Deer Stand         |
| No Waterfowl Hunting     | CAP Exempt       | Boat Ramp          |
|                          | CAP Required     |                    |



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4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

**A. Archery**

1. Archery hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. Archery hunters must register through the daily lottery and hunt from the state-built stands during any overlapping firearm deer season.
3. Archery hunting is closed during the special youth / non-ambulatory disabled deer hunts.
4. Archery hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt.

**B. Firearm – Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Handgun**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt on the Davey Crockett and Tarburton Tracts during all deer firearms seasons.
2. Stands issued by lottery at the Little Creek Check Station. Drawings held 2 hours before sunrise. A second lottery will be held at 12:00 PM. No permits issued after 1:00 PM.
3. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season. Archery hunting is allowed during this season in accordance with state and area laws.

4. Handgun hunting during the January handgun season will be allowed on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday only.
5. Deer drives are prohibited.
6. Only one firearm permitted per deer stand.
7. Disabled deer hunting location (T1) is available for non-ambulatory hunters.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

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3. Rabbit hunting by lottery only on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Lottery held at 8:00 AM at the Little Creek Check Station. Hunters must vacate the area by 3:30 PM. Maximum of 4 hunters per party per zone.
4. Rabbit hunting closed during December antlerless and January shotgun deer seasons as well as the week prior to the December antlerless season.
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6. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 October 5, 26

**B. Furbearers**

1. No trapping except by valid permit holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays according to applicable state laws.
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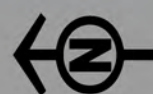
# LITTLE CREEK WILDLIFE AREA

## Davey Crockett & Tarburton Tracts Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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|--|--------------------------|--|------------------|--|--------------------|
|  | Wildlife Area            |  | Safety Zone      |  | Maintained Roadway |
|  | National Wildlife Refuge |  | Private Property |  | HD Waterfowl Blind |
|  | No Waterfowl Hunting     |  | CAP Exempt       |  | Boat Ramp          |
|  |                          |  | CAP Required     |  |                    |



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3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere within this area except within refuges and safety zones.
2. The disabled blind (T) on the Tarburton tract is available through the Little Creek Check Station on Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays when the Main Tract waterfowl blinds are open. Drawings for this blind are held the day before the hunt at 11:00 AM.
3. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
4. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted on the Davey Crockett & Tarburton Tracts during all seasons except within refuges and safety zones, no permit required.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

<b>Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.</b>
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Patrick J. Emory, Director

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**DEER, FURBEARERS & SMALL GAME HUNTING**  
**LITTLE CREEK WILDLIFE AREA**  
**Main Tract**  
**Effective July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026**

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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.

2. Small game hunting permitted; no permit required.
3. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
4. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
5. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28.

**B. Furbearers**

1. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

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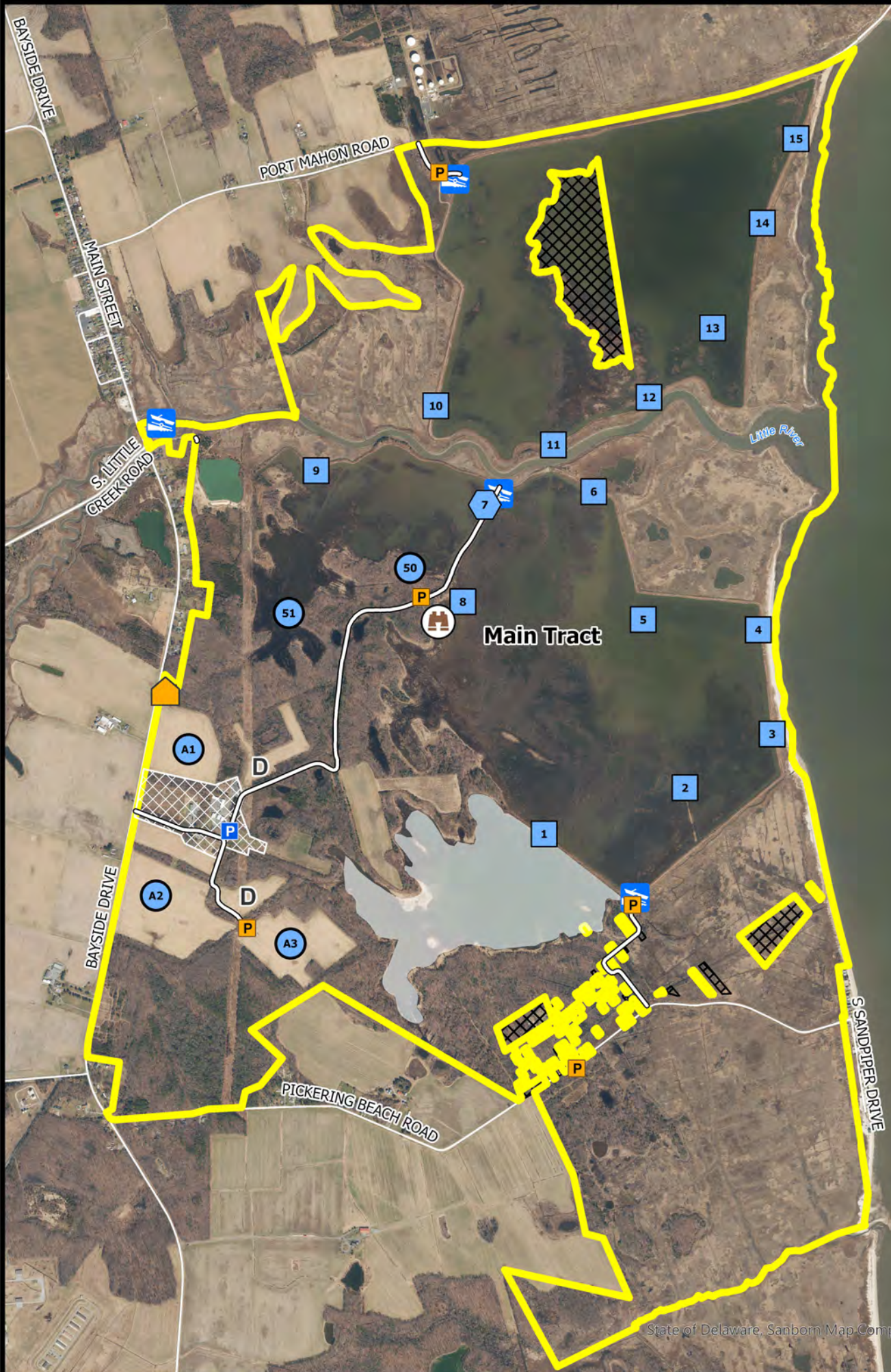
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# LITTLE CREEK WILDLIFE AREA

## Main Tract Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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|------------------|----------------------|------------------------|
| Wildlife Area    | CAP Required         | Dove Field             |
| Refuge           | Maintained Roadway   | Check Station          |
| Safety Zone      | Waterfowl Blind      | Wildlife Viewing Tower |
| Private Property | HD Waterfowl Blind   | Boat Ramp              |
| CAP Exempt       | Waterfowl Blind Site |                        |



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**WATERFOWL & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
**LITTLE CREEK WILDLIFE AREA**  
**Main Tract**  
**Effective July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026**

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**GENERAL**

- 1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
- 2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
- 3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
- 4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

- 1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt from state blinds during all waterfowl seasons.
- 2. Blinds issued by lottery held at the Little Creek Check Station 2 1/2 hours before sunrise. Blinds will not be reissued.
- 3. Hunting permitted on opening day, Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, and Sundays during all regular waterfowl seasons.
- 4. All blinds must be vacated by 2:00 PM.
- 5. All hunting from state-built blinds or blind sites only, except for the area south of Pickering Beach Road where waterfowl may be hunted from any area without special permit. Hunters must stay within 35 yards of designated blind sites while hunting.
- 6. Blind 7 is designated for disabled hunters and is awarded via lottery held at 11:00 AM the day prior to the hunt. If not reserved in advance disabled locations are available through the daily lottery.
- 7. No more than 3 persons per pit, blind, or blind site.
- 8. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the early teal season.
- 9. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields designated for waterfowl hunting (A1 - A3). No waterfowl hunting permitted from non-designated fields or fields that do not contain blinds.

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- 10. Airboats are prohibited.
- 11. Park in appropriate parking lots (see map). Do not park at the ramp or on the side of the road. Do not drive into fields.
- 12. Hunters using marsh and river blinds must have a boat and required safety equipment.
- 13. Hunters must vacate all hunting areas by one hour after sunset.
- 14. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

- 1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
- 2. Regulated dove fields (**D**) available on the Main Tract by lottery only on Opening day, Labor Day, Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays of the early season. Lotteries held at 12:00 PM at the Little Creek Check Station. Hunting hours are from 1:00-6:00 PM. No dove hunting permitted on the Main Tract outside of the designated dove fields during the early season.
- 3. Dove hunting permitted on the entire Main Tract during late seasons except within refuges and safety zones, no permit required.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

- 1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

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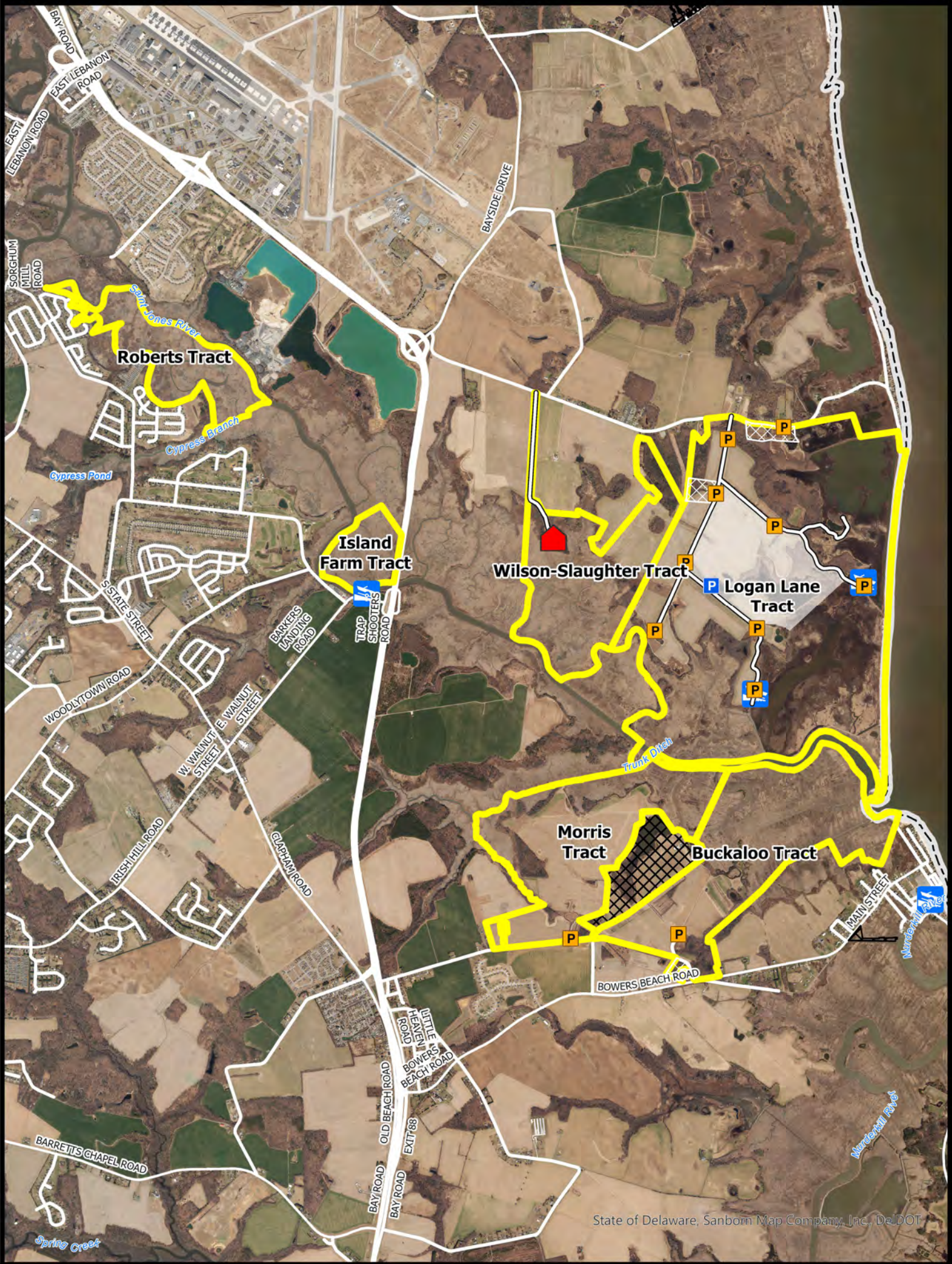
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# TED HARVEY CONSERVATION AREA

## General Overview



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- Wildlife Area
- Refuge
- Safety Zone
- Private Property
- CAP Exempt

- CAP Required
- Maintained Roadway
- DNERR St. Jones Reserve
- Boat Ramp



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**General Rules and Regulations Governing Land and Waters**  
**Administered by the Delaware Division of Fish & Wildlife**  
**Effective July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026**

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**GENERAL**

1. A Conservation Access Pass is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated Delaware State Wildlife Areas for any allowable activities, including hunting, birdwatching, hiking and photography.
2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
  - Damaging or defacing buildings, equipment, structures, signs, or land features.
  - Littering or dumping trash including yard waste.
  - Operating radio-controlled devices, including drones, or the launching of model rockets.
  - Metal-detecting or use of metal detectors.
  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See #16 for dog training information.
  - Camping or lighting open fires of any type.
  - Swimming.
  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

the Wildlife Section at (302) 739-9912. This registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and blinds.

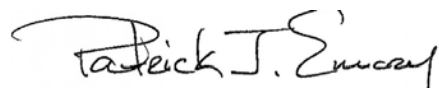
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
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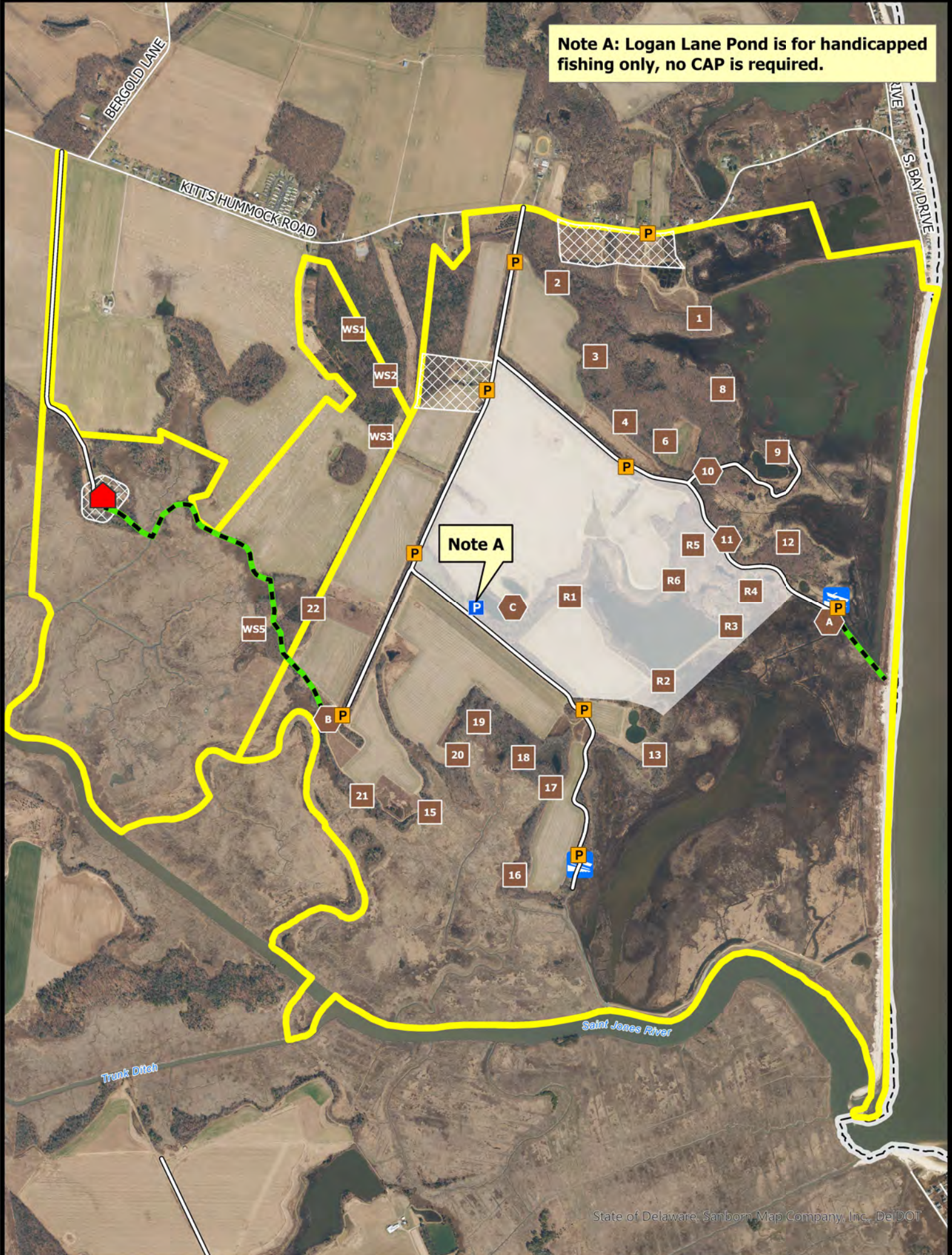
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# TED HARVEY CONSERVATION AREA

Logan Lane & Wilson-Slaughter Tracts  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



Wildlife Area

Refuge

Safety Zone

CAP Exempt

CAP Required

Maintained Roadway

Pedestrian Trail

Deer Stand

HD Deer Stand

DNERR St. Jones Reserve

Boat Ramp

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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

**A. Archery**

1. Archery hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges, safety zones, and adjacent to agricultural fields on the Wilson-Slaughter Tract.
2. Archery hunters must register through the lottery and hunt from lottery stands during all firearm deer seasons.
3. Archery hunting is closed during special youth / non-ambulatory disabled deer hunts.
4. Archery hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.

**B. Firearm – Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Handgun**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all deer firearms seasons.
2. Stands issued by lottery at the Little Creek Check Station. Drawings held 2 hours before sunrise. A second lottery will be held at 12:00 PM. No permits issued after 1:00 PM.
3. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season. Archery hunting is

allowed during this season in accordance with state and area laws.

4. Refuge stands (R1-R6) are open during the youth hunt and on Mondays and Fridays of all firearm seasons beginning on the first Monday of November shotgun season.
5. Handgun hunting during the January handgun season will be allowed on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday only.
6. Deer drives are prohibited.
7. Only one firearm permitted per deer stand.
8. Disabled deer hunting locations (HDA, HDB, HDC) are available for non-ambulatory hunters. HDC is closed on all refuge hunt days. These locations are awarded via a lottery held at 11:00 AM the day prior to the hunt. If not awarded, disabled locations are available through the daily lottery.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. Squirrel hunting permitted; no permit required.
3. Rabbit hunting by lottery only on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Lottery held at 8:00 AM at the Little Creek Check Station. Hunters must vacate the area by 3:30 PM. Maximum of 4 hunters per party per zone.
4. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
5. Hunting prohibited within posted refuges, safety zones, and on the Wilson-Slaughter Tract. Dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
6. Dog training is prohibited on this area.

**B. Furbearers**

1. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

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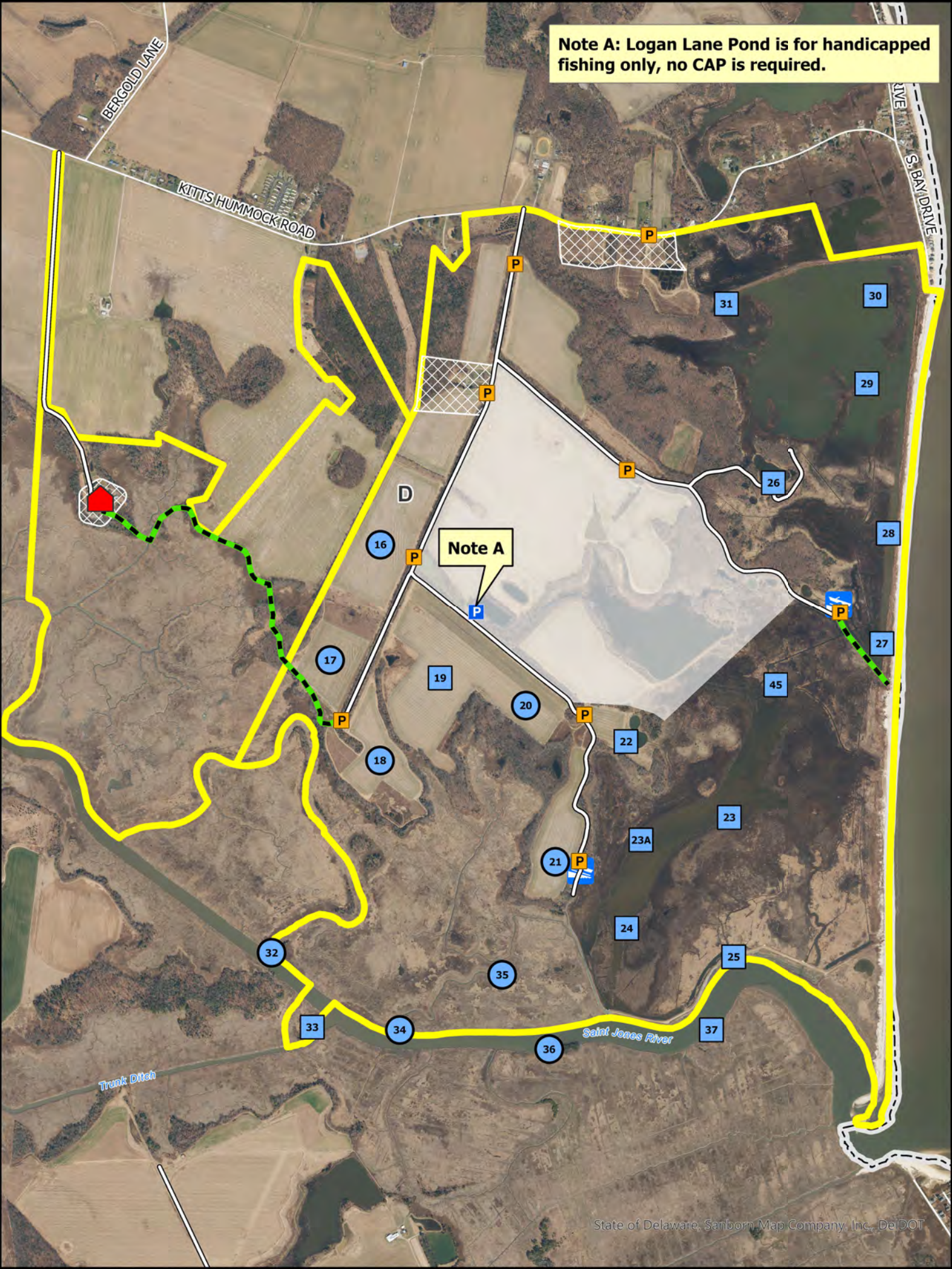
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# TED HARVEY CONSERVATION AREA

Logan Lane & Wilson-Slaughter Tracts  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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Wildlife Area

Refuge

Safety Zone

CAP Exempt

CAP Required

Maintained Roadway

Pedestrian Trail

Waterfowl Blind

Waterfowl Blind Site

Dove Field

DNERR St. Jones Reserve

Boat Ramp

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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all waterfowl seasons.
2. Blinds issued by lottery held at the Little Creek Check Station 2 ½ hours before sunrise. Blinds will not be reissued.
3. Field blinds (16-22) and impoundment blinds (23-31) open on opening day, Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays during all regular waterfowl seasons.
4. Hunters must vacate field and impoundment blinds by 2:00 PM.
5. Marsh and river blinds and blind sites (32-44) open all days of all seasons during legal shooting hours.
6. Blind 26 is designated for disabled hunters and is awarded via lottery held at 11:00 AM the day prior to the hunt. If not reserved in advance disabled locations are available through the daily lottery.
7. No more than 3 persons per pit, blind, or blind site.
8. No waterfowl hunting from upland fields except from designated goose blinds.
9. All hunting from state-built blinds or blind sites only. Hunters must stay within 35 yards of designated blind sites while hunting.
10. Airboats are prohibited.

11. Park in appropriate parking lots (see map). Do not park at the ramp or on the side of the road. Do not drive into fields.
12. Hunters using impoundment, marsh, and river blinds must have a boat and required safety equipment.
13. Hunters must vacate all hunting areas 1 hour after sunset.
14. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order, no permit or sign-in required.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Regulated dove field (**D**) available by lottery only on Opening day, Labor Day, Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays of the early season. Lotteries held at 12:00 PM at the **Little Creek Check Station**. Hunting hours are from 1:00-6:00 PM. Dove hunting is prohibited on the Logan Lane Tract outside of the regulated dove field during the early season.
3. Dove hunting permitted anywhere (excluding posted refuges, safety zones, and the Wilson Slaughter Tract) during late seasons, no permit required.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

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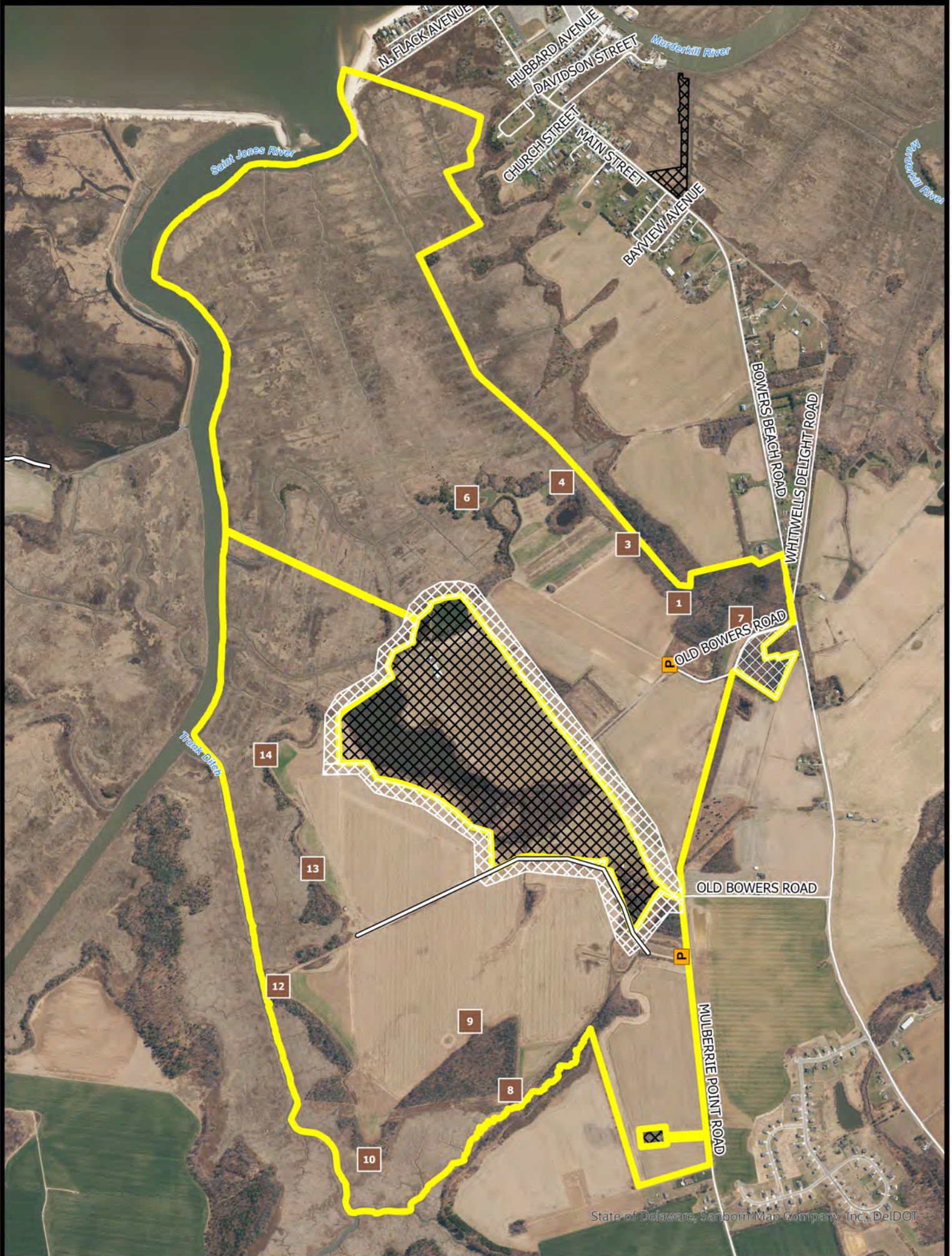




# TED HARVEY CONSERVATION AREA

## Morris & Buckaloo Tracts

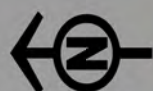
### Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



- Wildlife Area
- Safety Zone
- No Hunting Zone

- Private Property
- CAP Required
- Maintained Roadway

- Deer Stand



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3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

**A. Archery**

1. Archery hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. Archery hunters must register through the lottery and hunt from lottery stands during all firearm deer seasons.
3. Archery hunting is closed during special youth / non-ambulatory disabled deer hunts.
4. Archery hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.

**B. Firearm – Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Handgun**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all deer firearms seasons.
2. Stands issued by lottery at the Little Creek Check Station. Drawings held 2 hours before sunrise. A second lottery will be held at 12:00 PM. No permits issued after 1:00 PM.
3. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season. Archery hunting is

allowed during this season in accordance with state and area laws.

4. Handgun hunting during the January handgun season will be allowed on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday only.
5. Deer drives are prohibited.
6. Only one firearm permitted per deer stand.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. Squirrel hunting permitted; no permit required.
3. Rabbit hunting by lottery only on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. Lottery held at 8:00 AM at the Little Creek Check Station. Hunters must vacate the area by 3:30 PM. Maximum of 4 hunters per party per zone.
4. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
5. Hunting prohibited within posted refuges, safety zones, and on the Wilson-Slaughter Tract. Dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
6. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 October 5, 26

**B. Furbearers**

1. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays according to applicable state laws.
4. Fox chasing is prohibited.

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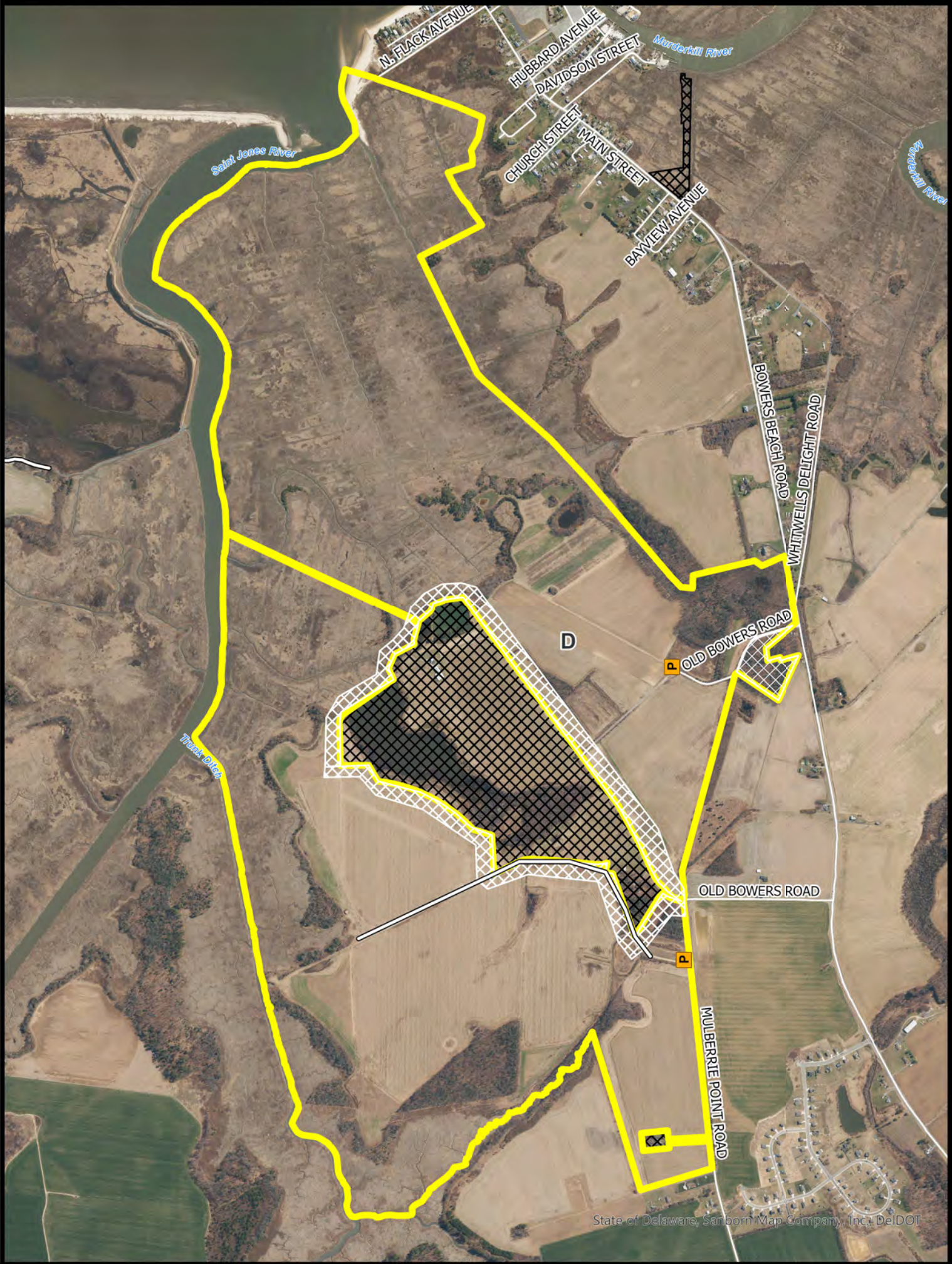
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# TED HARVEY CONSERVATION AREA

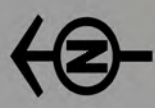
Morris & Buckaloo Tracts  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



- Wildlife Area
- Safety Zone
- No Hunting Zone

- Private Property
- CAP Required
- Maintained Roadway

Dove Field



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**WATERFOWL & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
**TED HARVEY CONSERVATION AREA**  
**MORRIS AND BUCKALOO TRACTS**  
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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere within this area except within refuges and safety zones but only from upland fields.
2. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
3. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Regulated dove field (**D**) available by lottery only on opening day, Labor Day, Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays of the early season. Lotteries held at 12:00 PM at the **Little Creek Check Station**. Hunting hours are from 1:00-6:00 PM. Dove hunting is prohibited on the Morris and Buckaloo Tracts outside of the regulated dove field during the early season.
3. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones during late seasons, no permit required.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

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Patrick J. Emory, Director

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# TED HARVEY CONSERVATION AREA

Roberts & Island Farm Tracts  
Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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Wildlife Area



CAP Exempt



Waterfowl Blind Site



Boat Ramp



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**DEER, FURBEARER, SMALL GAME, WATERFOWL, & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
**TED HARVEY CONSERVATION AREA**  
**Roberts & Island Farms Tracts**  
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**GENERAL**

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2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

1. Deer hunting is prohibited on these tracts.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunting is prohibited on these tracts.
2. Dog training is prohibited.

**B. Furbearers**

1. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
2. Raccoon hunting is prohibited on this property.
3. Fox and coyote hunting and chasing are prohibited on this property.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all waterfowl seasons.
2. Blinds issued by lottery held at the Little Creek Check Station 2 ½ hours before sunrise. Blinds 38-44 will not be reissued.
3. Blinds 38-44 open all days of all seasons during legal shooting hours.
4. No more than 3 persons per pit, blind, or blind site.
5. All hunting from state-built blinds or blind sites only. Hunters must stay within 35 yards of designated blind sites while hunting.
6. Airboats are prohibited.

7. Park in appropriate parking lots (see map). Do not park at the ramp or on the side of the road. Do not drive into fields.
8. Hunters using impoundment, marsh, and river blinds must have a boat and required safety equipment.
9. Hunters must vacate all hunting areas 1 hour after sunset.
10. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Dove hunting prohibited on these tracts.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting prohibited on these tracts.

**Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.**

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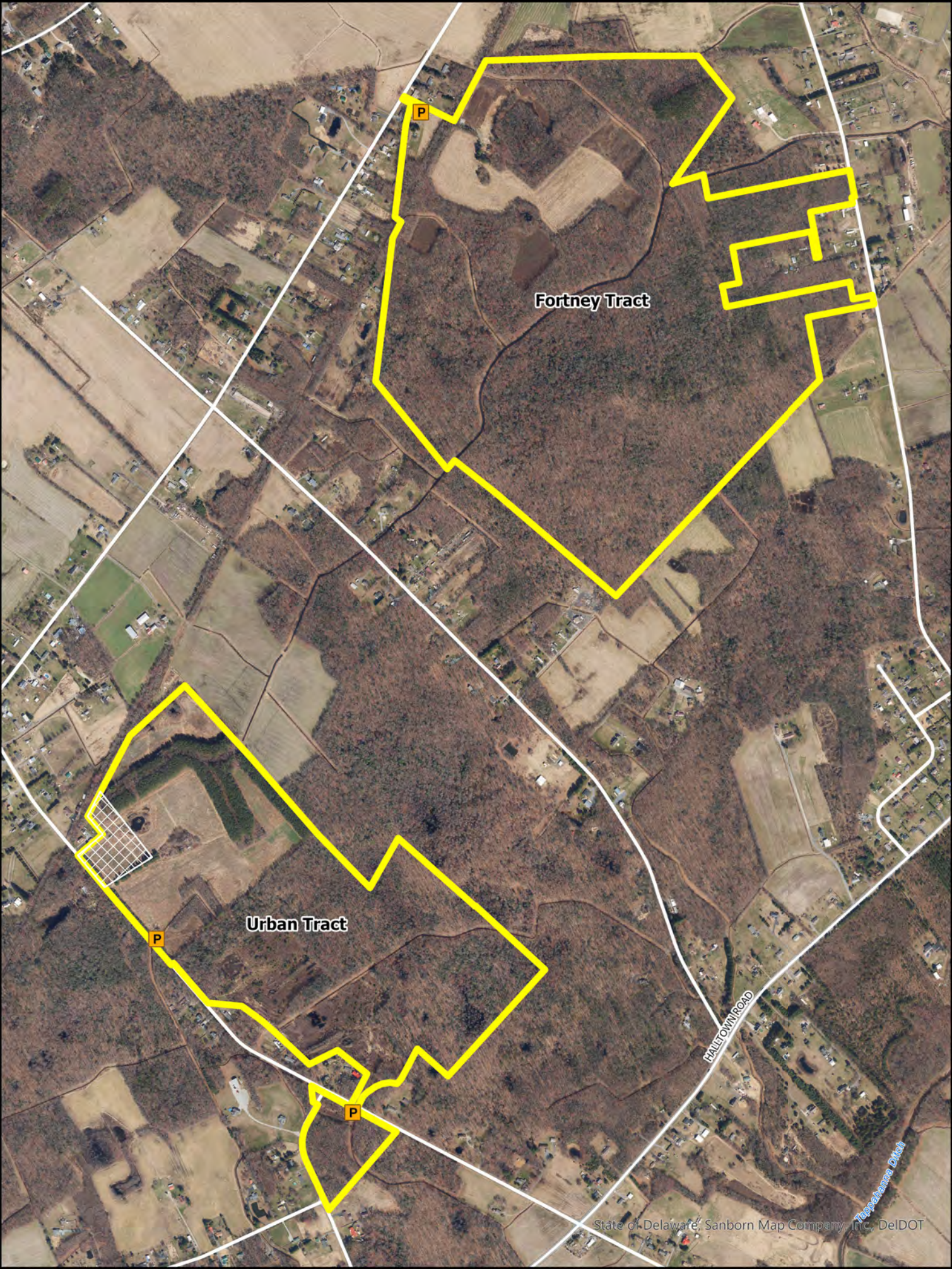
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# TAPPAHANNA WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



 Wildlife Area  Safety Zone  CAP Required



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**GENERAL**

1. A Conservation Access Pass is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated Delaware State Wildlife Areas for any allowable activities, including hunting, birdwatching, hiking and photography.
2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
  - Damaging or defacing buildings, equipment, structures, signs, or land features.
  - Littering or dumping trash including yard waste.
  - Operating radio-controlled devices, including drones, or the launching of model rockets.
  - Metal-detecting or use of metal detectors.
  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See #16 for dog training information.
  - Camping or lighting open fires of any type.
  - Swimming.
  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

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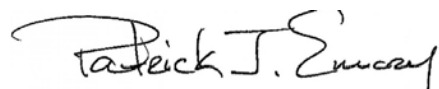
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
Patrick J. Emory, Director

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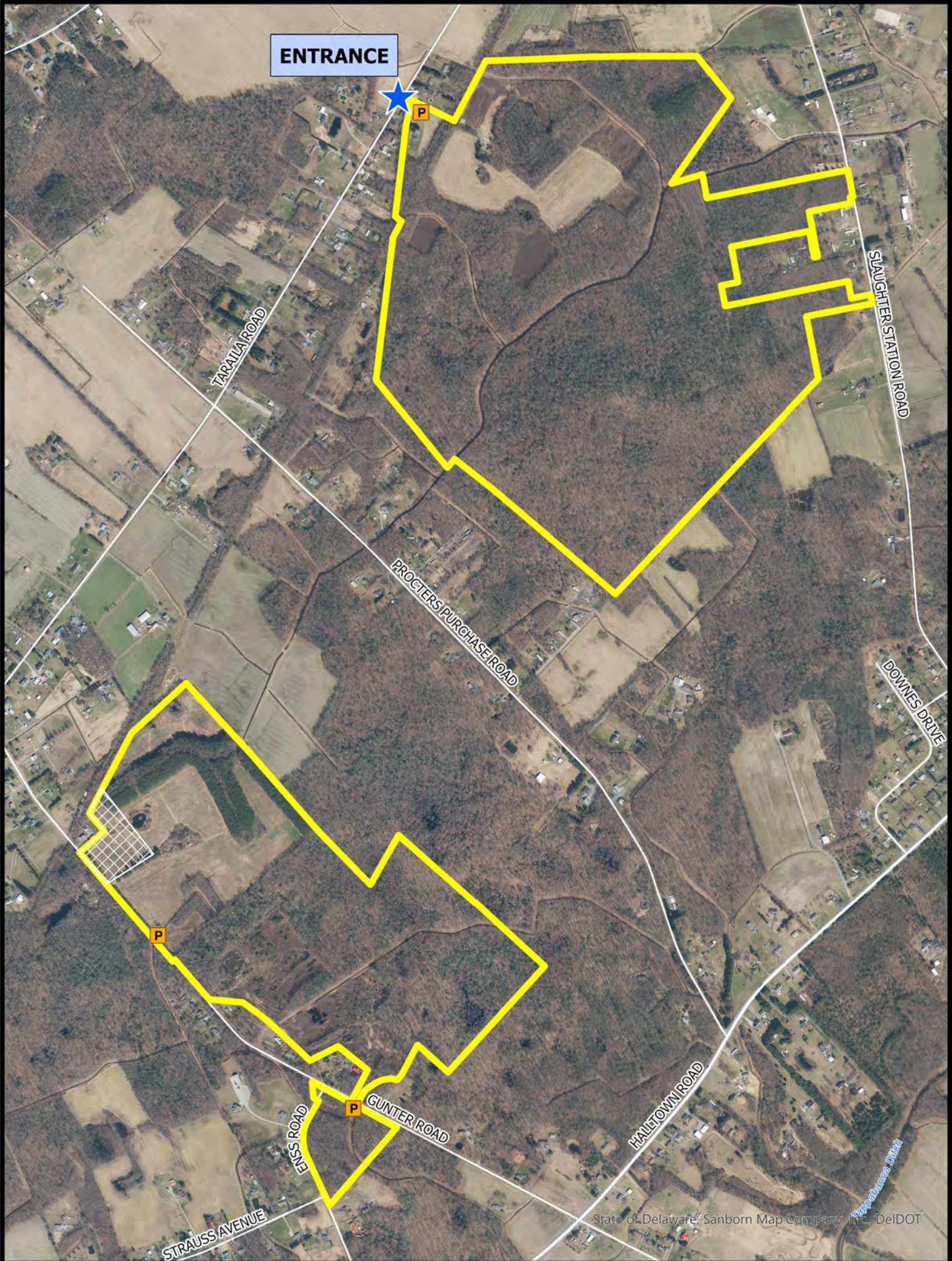
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# TAPPAHANNA WILDLIFE AREA

Urban & Fortney Tracts  
Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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Wildlife Area



Safety Zone



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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handgun hunting permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.

2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28; October 5, 26.

**B. Furbearers**

1. Public trapping is permitted with a valid permit issued by the Division. Limited permits available. For more information, visit <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/fish-wildlife/hunting/furbearers/> or call (302) 739-9912.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited on this area.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

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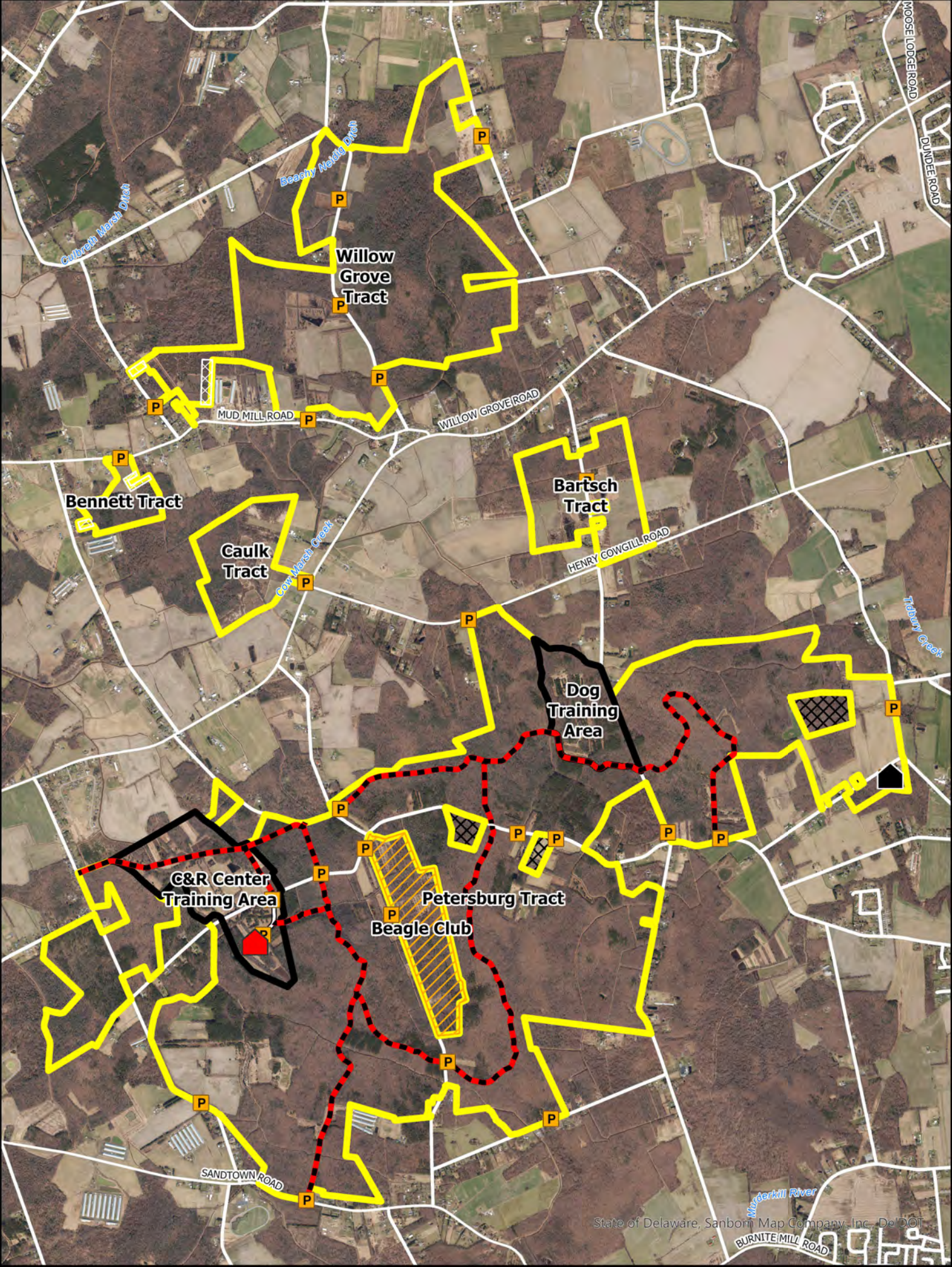
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# NORMAN G WILDER WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



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- Wildlife Area
- Area Headquarters
- C&R Center

- CAP Required
- Maintained Roadway
- Multiple Use Trail
- Beagle Club

- Dog Training Area
- Safety Zone
- Private Property



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3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
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  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

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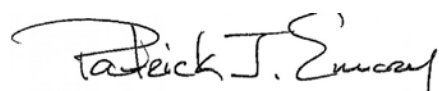
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11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
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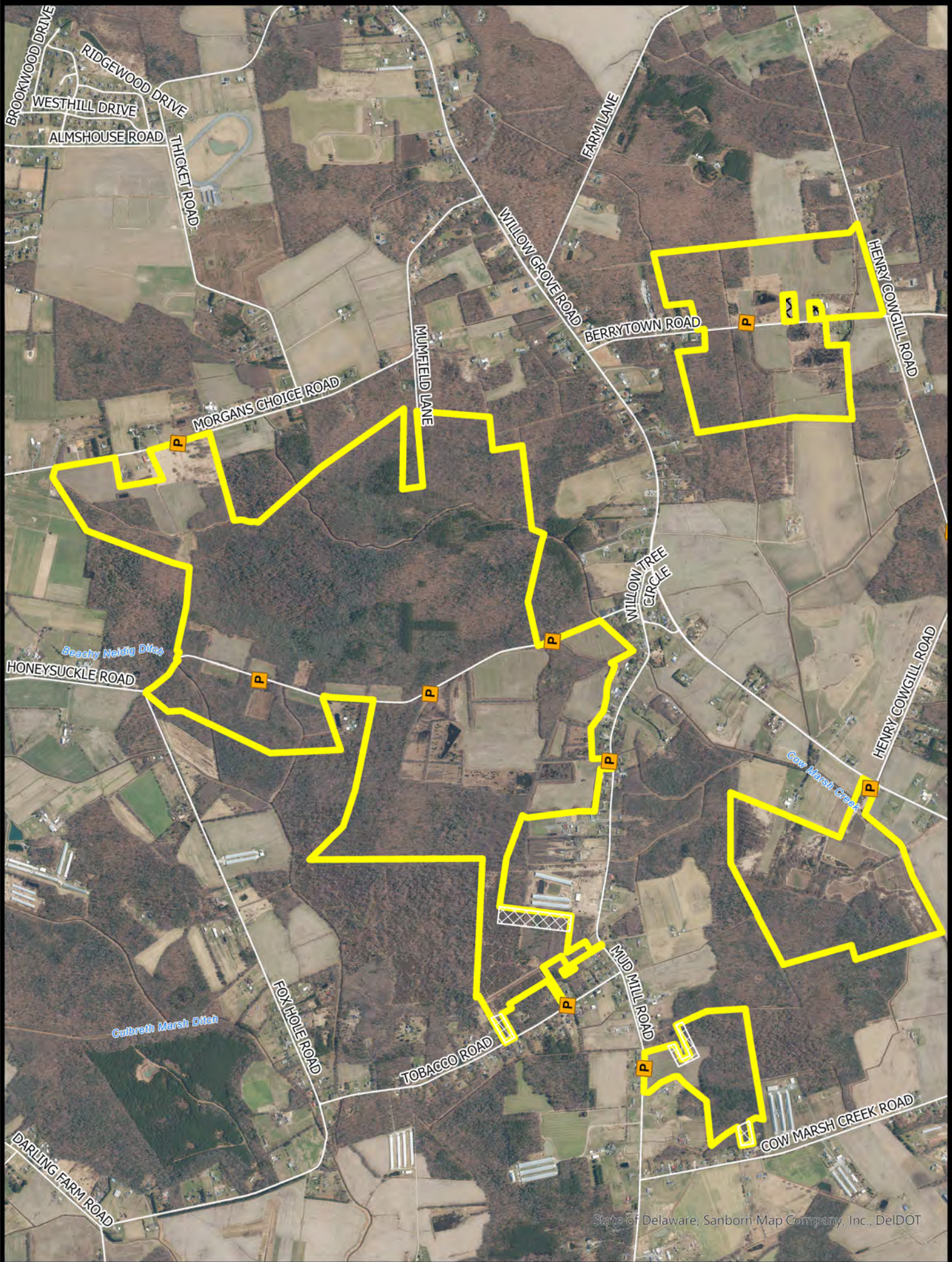
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# NORMAN G WILDER WILDLIFE AREA

Willow Grove, Bartsch, Caulk & Bennett Tracts  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



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Wildlife Area



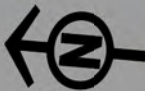
Private Property



Safety Zone



CAP Required



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4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
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**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones. During the youth/non-ambulatory deer hunt and January handgun deer seasons, the bird dog trial area including a 100-yard perimeter around the C&R training center is open to archery and crossbow only.
2. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere (excluding posted refuges and safety zones, the bird dog trial area near the C&R Center, and within the fenced beagle club area), and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
3. Rabbit hunting closed during December antlerless deer season and January shotgun deer season.
4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 October 5, 26

**B. Furbearers**

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2. No trapping permitted within designated dog training areas.
3. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
4. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
5. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

**DOG TRAINING AREAS**

**C&R Center**

1. To reserve the C&R Center for field trials call (302) 739-9912.
2. Dog training and field trials permitted year-round except during firearm deer seasons and before 1:00 PM during turkey season.
3. Firearms permitted within the field trial area year-round while training dogs.
4. Bird dog trials may be extended to include the Haine's Tract from February 16 to March 31 only. No vehicle access to the Haine's Tract is permitted.

**Berrytown Road Training Area**

1. Dog training permitted all year except during firearms deer seasons and before 1:00 PM during turkey season.
2. Firearms prohibited on this area except during legal hunting seasons.

**HORSEBACK RIDING**

1. Horses may be used only on roads open to vehicular traffic or designated horse trails except for activities approved by the Division. Horseback riding is prohibited during any firearm deer seasons excluding Sundays.

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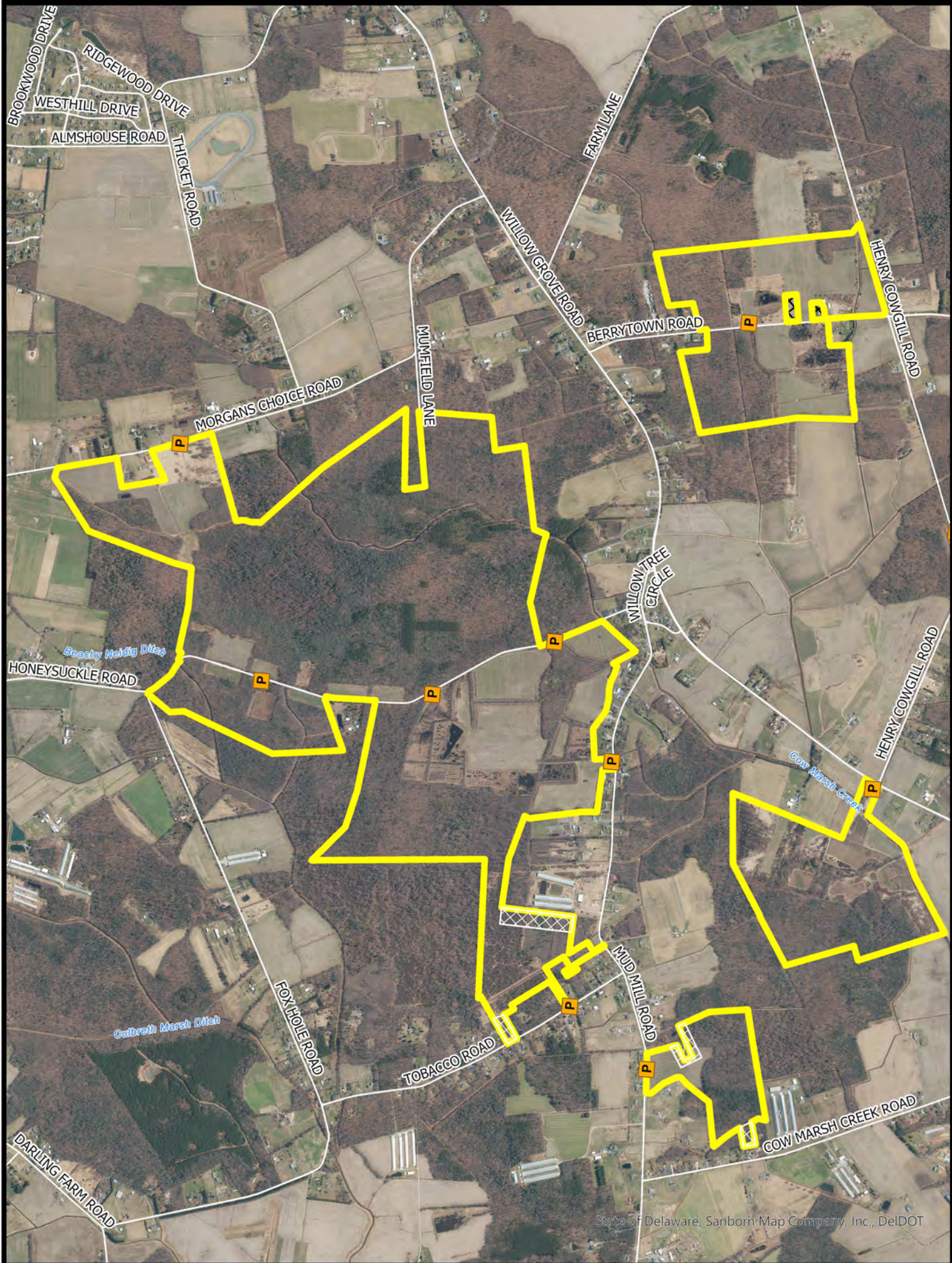
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# NORMAN G WILDER WILDLIFE AREA

Willow Grove, Bartsch, Caulk & Bennett Tracts  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



Wildlife Area



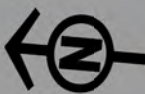
Safety Zone



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**WATERFOWL & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
**NORMAN G. WILDER WILDLIFE AREA**  
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- 3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
- 4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

- 1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere within this area except within refuges and safety zones.
- 2. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
- 3. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

- 1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
- 2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

- 1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.
- 2. No turkey hunting within the fenced beagle club area.

**DOG TRAINING AREAS**

**C&R Center**

- 1. To reserve the C&R Center for field trials call (302) 739-9912.
- 2. Dog training and field trials permitted year-round except during firearm deer seasons and before 1:00 PM during turkey season.
- 3. Firearms permitted within the field trial area year-round while training dogs.
- 4. Bird dog trials may be extended to include the Haine’s Tract from February 16 to March 31 only. No vehicle access to the Haine’s Tract is permitted.

**Berrytown Road Training Area**

- 1. Dog training permitted all year except during firearms deer seasons and before 1:00 PM during turkey season.
- 2. Firearms prohibited on this area except during legal hunting seasons.

**HORSEBACK RIDING**

- 1. Horses may be used only on roads open to vehicular traffic or designated horse trails except for activities approved by the Division. Horseback riding is prohibited during any firearm deer seasons excluding Sundayss.

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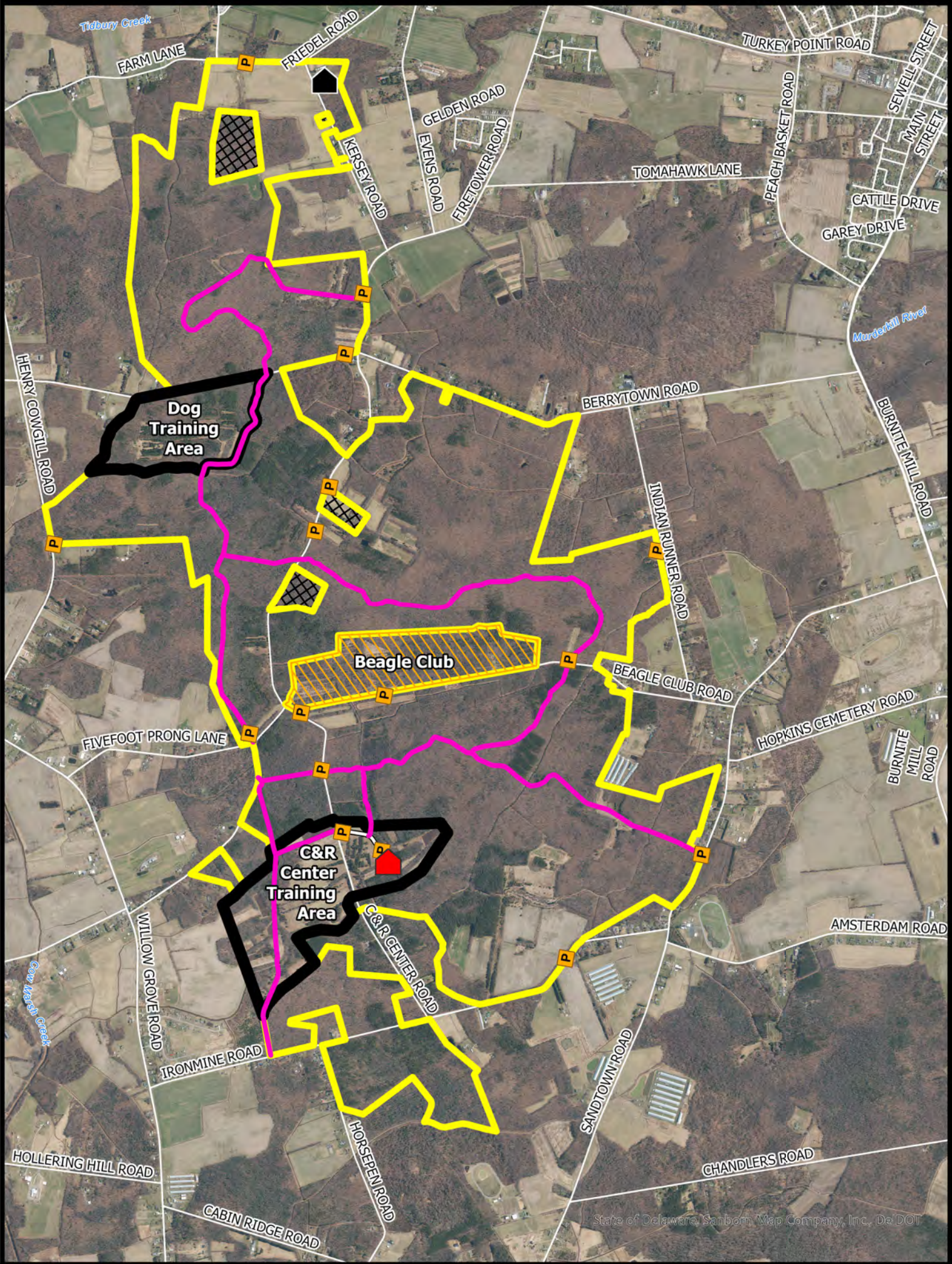
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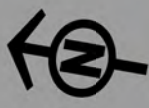
# NORMAN G WILDER WILDLIFE AREA

Petersburg Tract  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



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|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Wildlife Area     | Private Property   | Horse Trail       |
| Beagle Club       | CAP Required       | Area Headquarters |
| Dog Training Area | Maintained Roadway | C&R Center        |



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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones. During the youth/non-ambulatory deer hunt and January handgun deer seasons, the bird dog trial area including a 100-yard perimeter around the C&R training center is open to archery and crossbow only.
2. This area **IS NOT OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere (excluding posted refuges and safety zones, the bird dog trial area near the C&R Center, and within the fenced beagle club area), and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
3. Rabbit hunting closed during December antlerless deer season and January shotgun deer season.
4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 October 5, 26

**B. Furbearers**

1. Public trapping is permitted with a valid permit issued by the Division. Limited permits available. For more information, visit <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/fish-wildlife/hunting/furbearers/> or call (302) 739-9912.
2. No trapping permitted within designated dog training areas.
3. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
4. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
5. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

**DOG TRAINING AREAS**

**C&R Center**

1. To reserve the C&R Center for field trials call (302) 739-9912.
2. Dog training and field trials permitted year-round except during firearm deer seasons and before 1:00 PM during turkey season.
3. Firearms permitted within the field trial area year-round while training dogs.
4. Bird dog trials may be extended to include the Haine's Tract from February 16 to March 31 only. No vehicle access to the Haine's Tract is permitted.

**Berrytown Road Training Area**

1. Dog training permitted all year except during firearms deer seasons and before 1:00 PM during turkey season.
2. Firearms prohibited on this area except during legal hunting seasons.

**HORSEBACK RIDING**

1. Horses may be used only on roads open to vehicular traffic or designated horse trails except for activities approved by the Division. Horseback riding is prohibited during any firearm deer seasons excluding Sundays.

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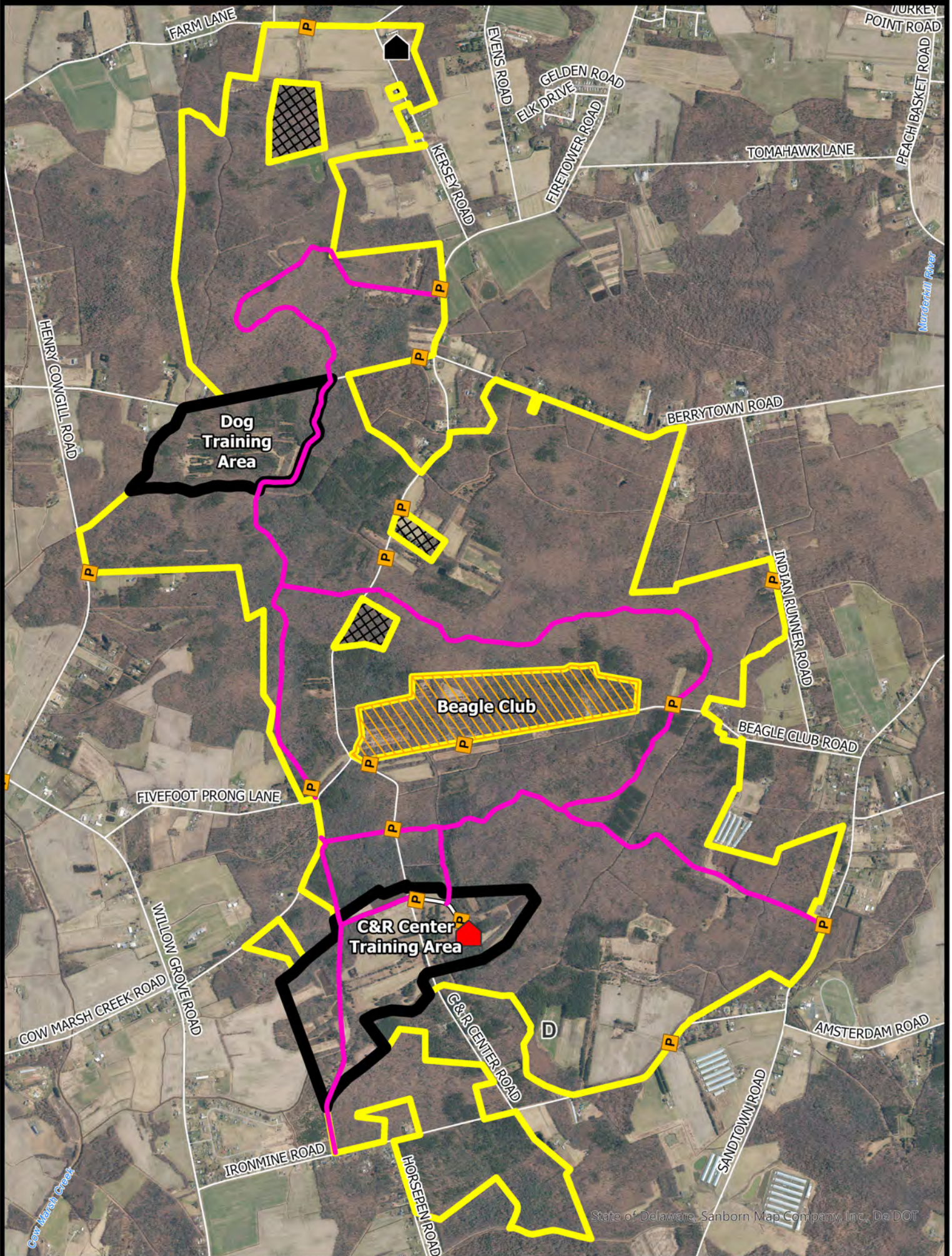
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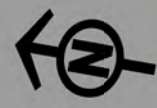
# NORMAN G WILDER WILDLIFE AREA

Petersburg Tract  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Wildlife Area     | CAP Required       | Area Headquarters |
| Beagle Club       | Maintained Roadway | C&R Center        |
| Dog Training Area | Horse Trail        |                   |
| Private Property  | Dove Field         |                   |



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**WATERFOWL & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
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**GENERAL**

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- 2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
- 3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
- 4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

- 1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere within this area except within refuges and safety zones.
- 2. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
- 3. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

- 1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
- 2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

- 1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.
- 2. No turkey hunting within the fenced beagle club area.

**DOG TRAINING AREAS**

**C&R Center**

- 1. To reserve the C&R Center for field trials call (302) 739-9912.
- 2. Dog training and field trials permitted year-round except during firearm deer seasons and before 1:00 PM during turkey season.
- 3. Firearms permitted within the field trial area year-round while training dogs.
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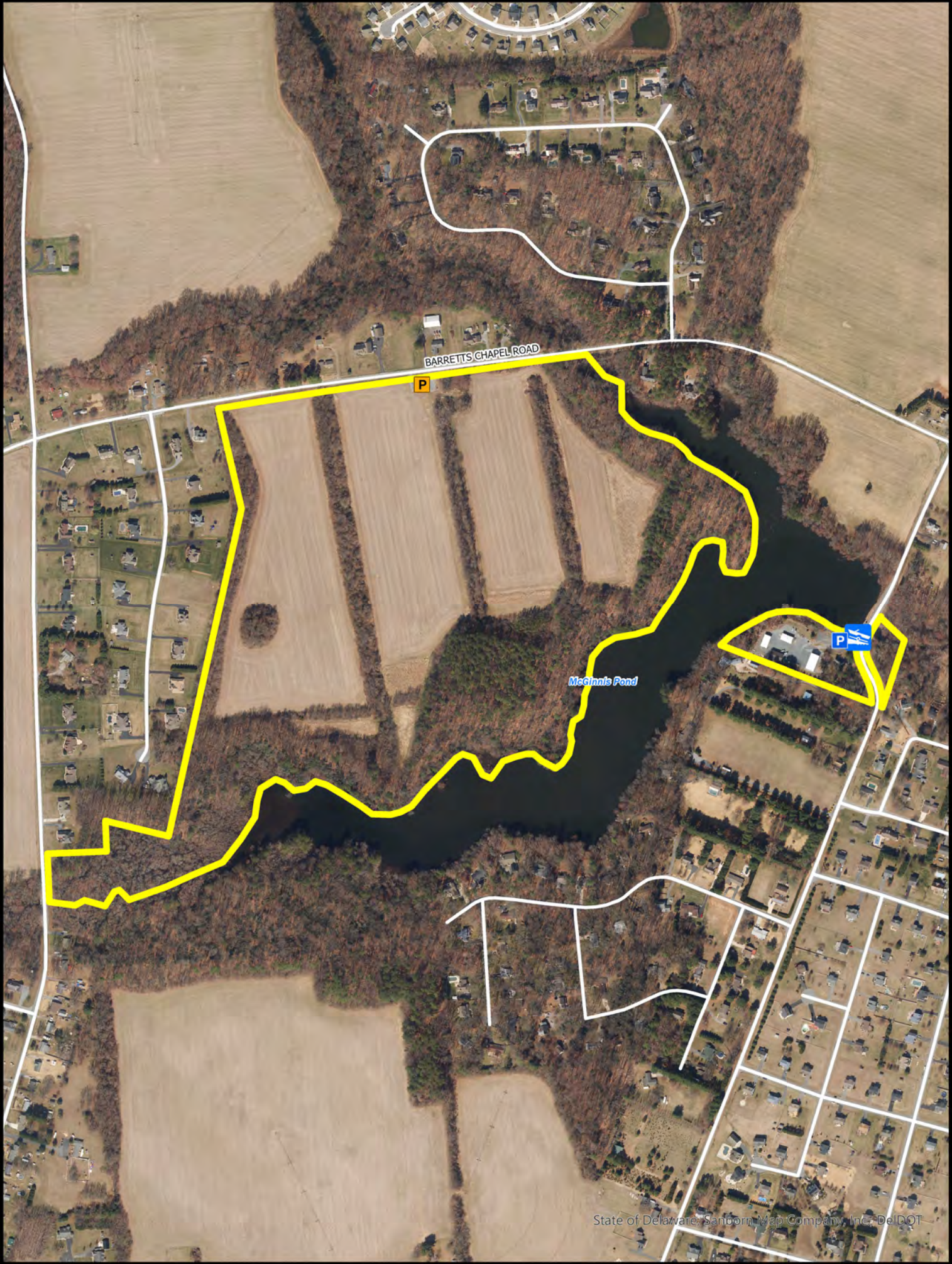
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# McGINNIS POND WILDLIFE AREA

General Overview



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Wildlife Area



Boat Ramp



CAP Exempt



CAP Required



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**GENERAL**

1. A Conservation Access Pass is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated Delaware State Wildlife Areas for any allowable activities, including hunting, birdwatching, hiking and photography.
2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
  - Damaging or defacing buildings, equipment, structures, signs, or land features.
  - Littering or dumping trash including yard waste.
  - Operating radio-controlled devices, including drones, or the launching of model rockets.
  - Metal-detecting or use of metal detectors.
  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See #16 for dog training information.
  - Camping or lighting open fires of any type.
  - Swimming.
  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

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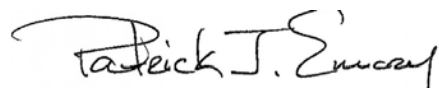
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
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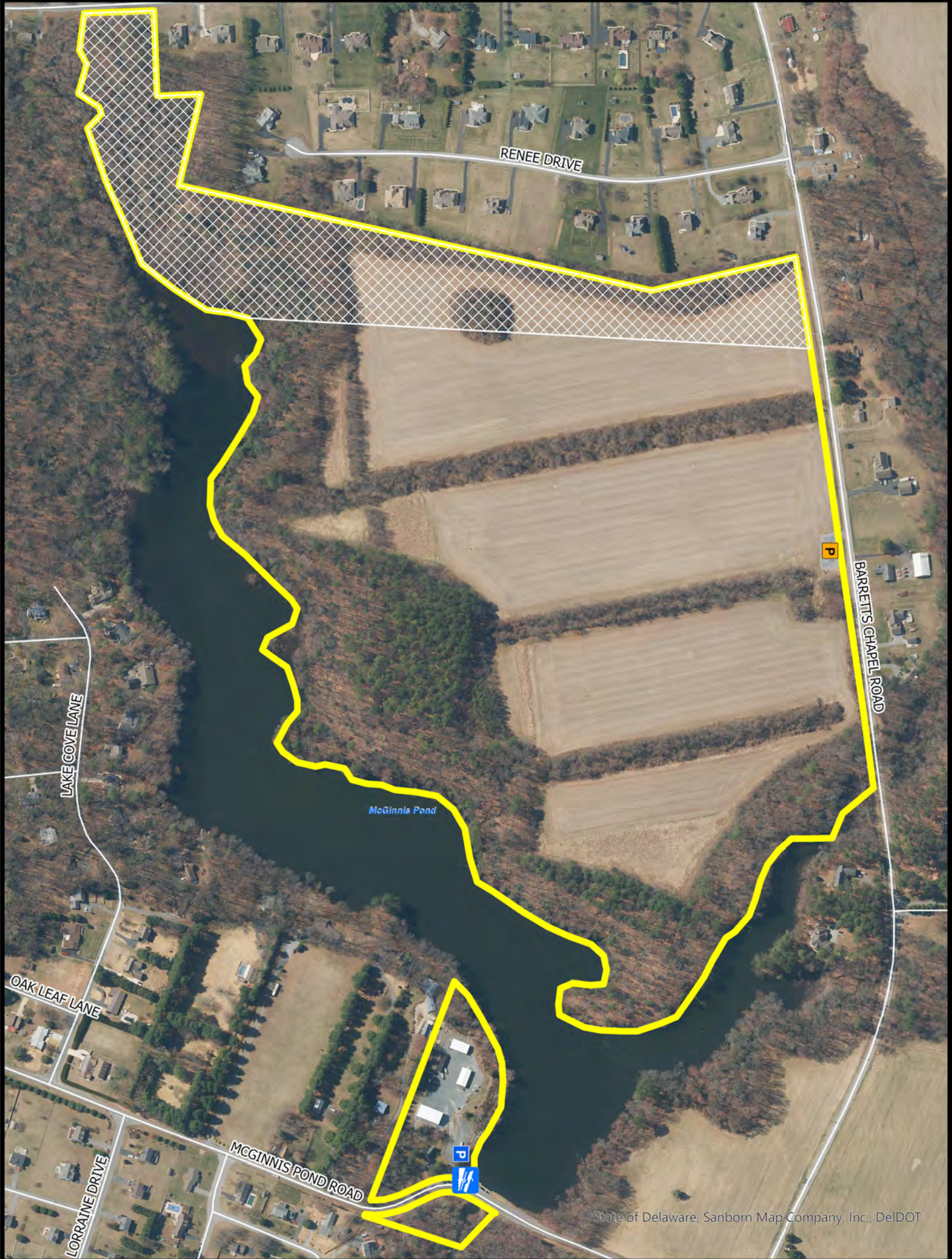
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Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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Wildlife Area



CAP Exempt



Boat Ramp



Safety Zone



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**GENERAL**

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3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area is open to archery hunting only; no firearms deer hunting permitted.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunting is prohibited.
2. Dog training is prohibited.

**B. Furbearers**

1. Trapping is prohibited.
2. Raccoon hunting is prohibited
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting deer per these map regulations.
4. Fox chasing is prohibited.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited on this property.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Dove hunting is prohibited on this area.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting is prohibited on this property.

<b>Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.</b>
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# MILFORD NECK WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



Wildlife Area



CAP Required



Maintained Roadway



DuPont Nature Center



Boat Ramp



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**GENERAL**

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4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
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  - Littering or dumping trash including yard waste.
  - Operating radio-controlled devices, including drones, or the launching of model rockets.
  - Metal-detecting or use of metal detectors.
  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See #16 for dog training information.
  - Camping or lighting open fires of any type.
  - Swimming.
  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

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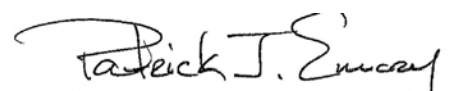
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10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
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12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
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  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
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**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
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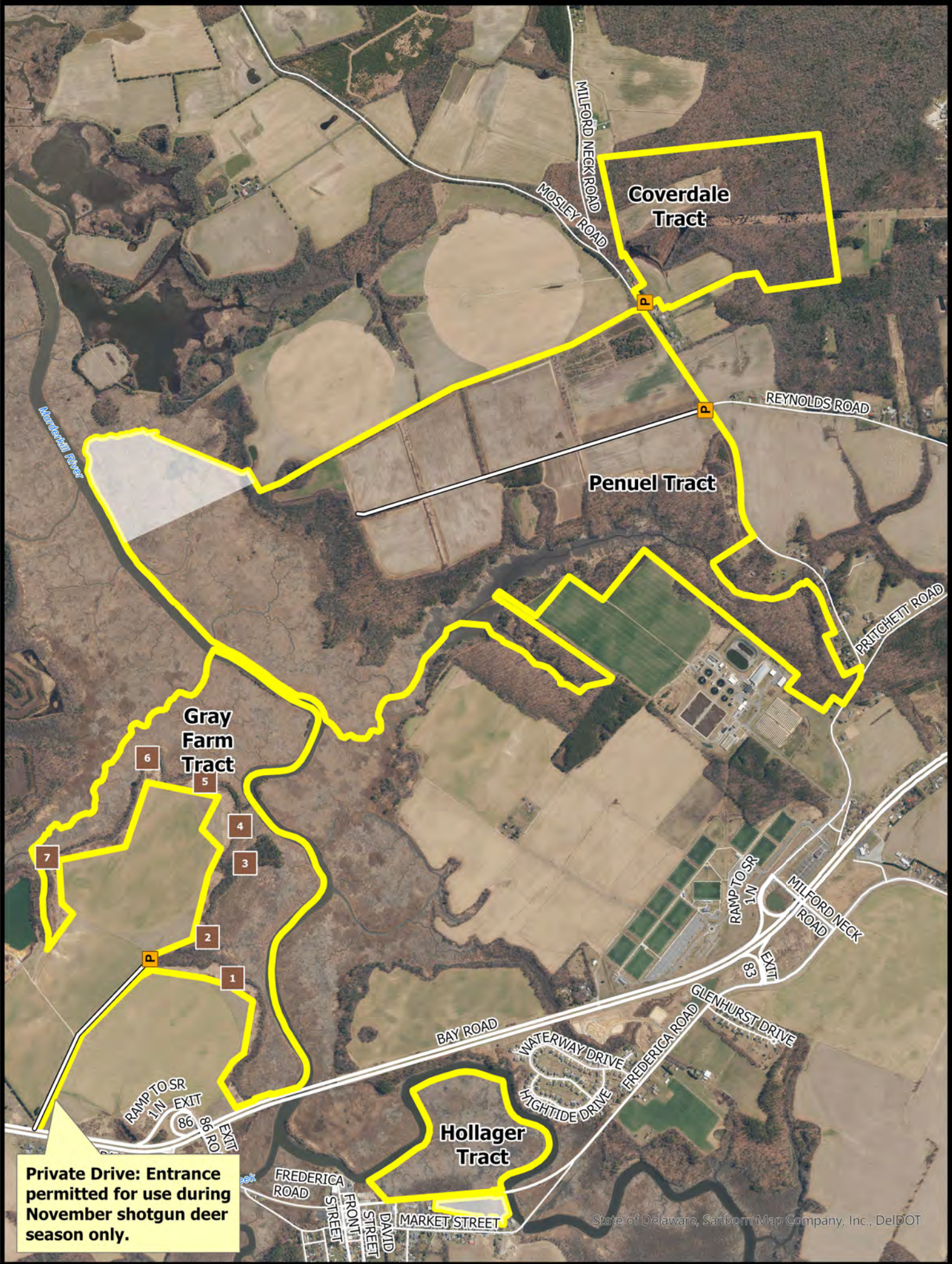






# MILFORD NECK WILDLIFE AREA



Gray Farm, Hollager,  
Penuel & Coverdale Tracts


Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



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 Wildlife Area  
 Refuge

 CAP Required  
 Maintained Roadway

 Deer Stand



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2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

**A. Archery**

1. Archery hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. Archery hunters accessing the Gray Farm Tract must do so by boat; no access from Route 1 is permitted.
3. Archery hunting on the Gray Farm Tract during November shotgun season only permitted through the Little Creek Check Station, see B.2 below.
4. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
5. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.

**B. Firearm – Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Handgun**

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere (excluding posted refuges and safety zones and under special regulations for the Gray Farm Tract, see below).
2. The Gray Farm Tract is only open for November shotgun deer season. Stands are issued through a daily lottery held at the Little Creek Check Station. Drawings are held 2 hours before sunrise and at 12:00 PM. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt the Gray Farm Tract. Hunters are permitted to use the private drive off Rt. 1 to access the Gray Farm Tract during November shotgun season only.

3. All tracts **ARE OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season except for the Gray Farm Tract and the Dog Training area, which are archery only during this season.
4. Except on the Gray Farm, hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
5. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
6. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
7. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
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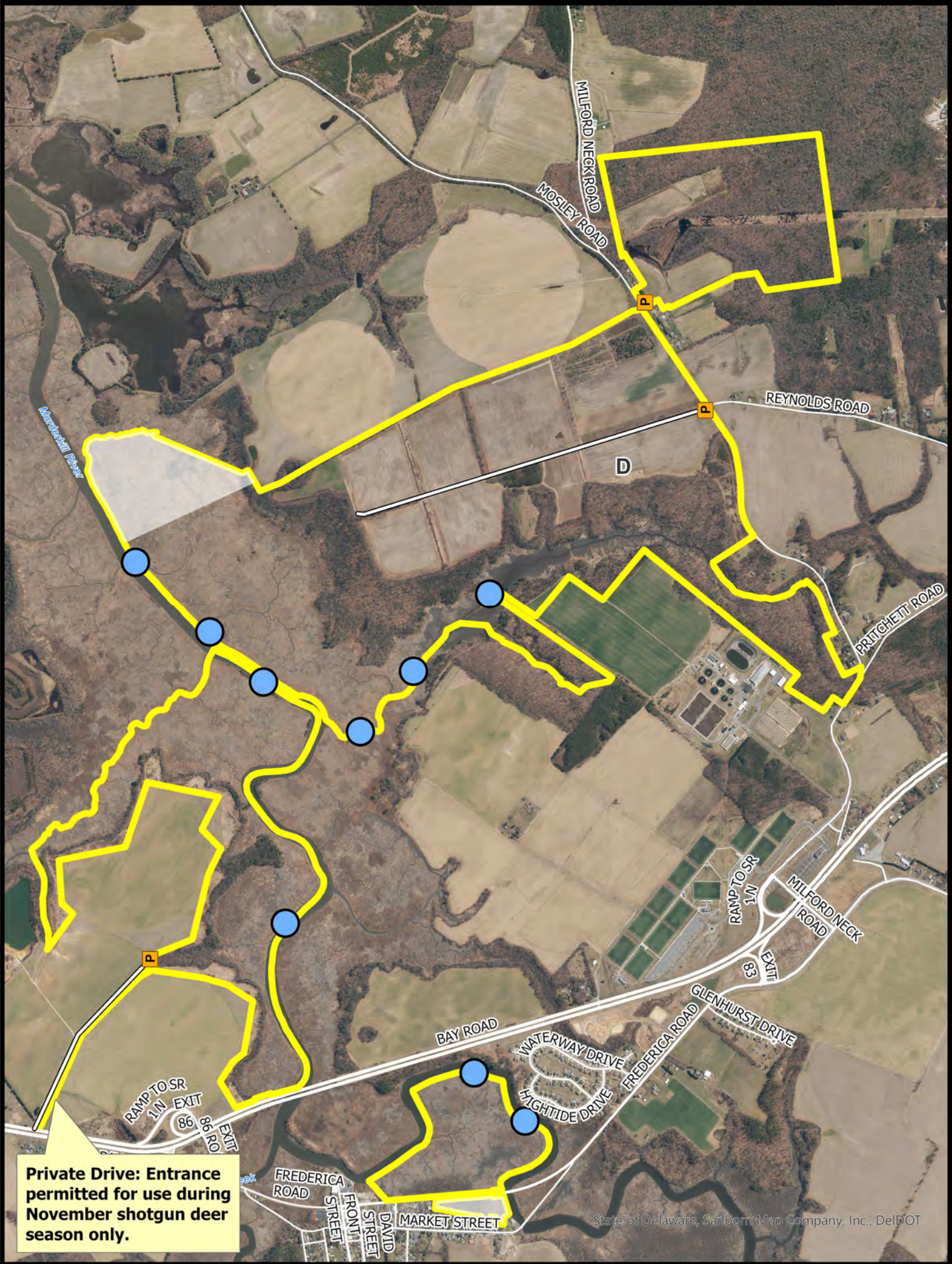
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# MILFORD NECK WILDLIFE AREA

Gray Farm, Hollager,  
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Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



Private Drive: Entrance permitted for use during November shotgun deer season only.

State of Delaware, Sanborn Map Company, Inc., DelDOT

Wildlife Area  
 Refuge

CAP Required  
 Maintained Roadway

Waterfowl Blind Site  
 Dove Field



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Hall Tract  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



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Wildlife Area



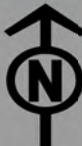
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# MILFORD NECK WILDLIFE AREA

## Hall Tract Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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Wildlife Area



Private Property



CAP Exempt



Boat Ramp



Waterfowl Blind Site



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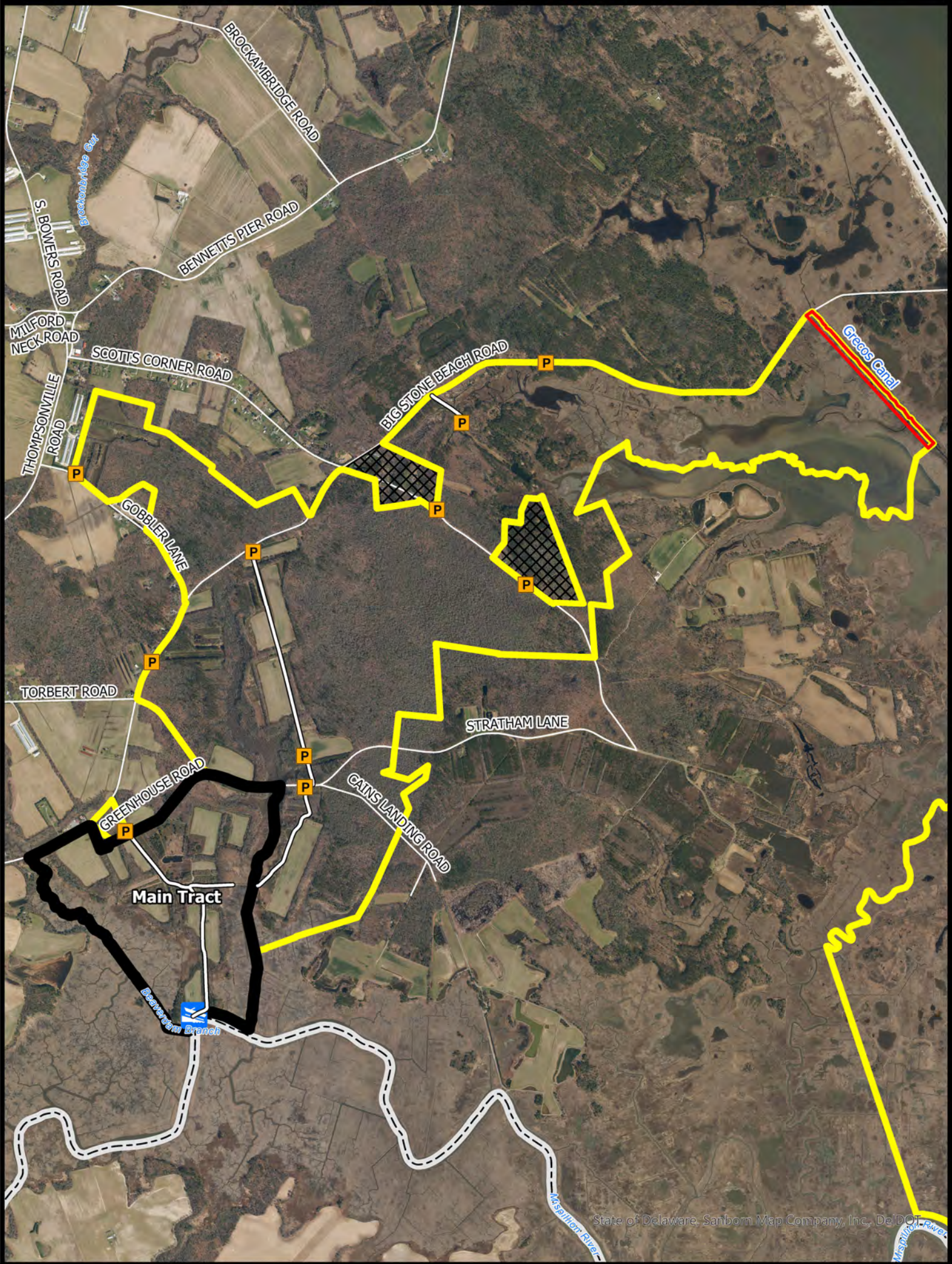
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# MILFORD NECK WILDLIFE AREA

Main Tract  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



- Wildlife Area
- Dog Training Area
- No Waterfowl Hunting
- Private Property
- CAP Required
- Maintained Roadway
- Boat Ramp



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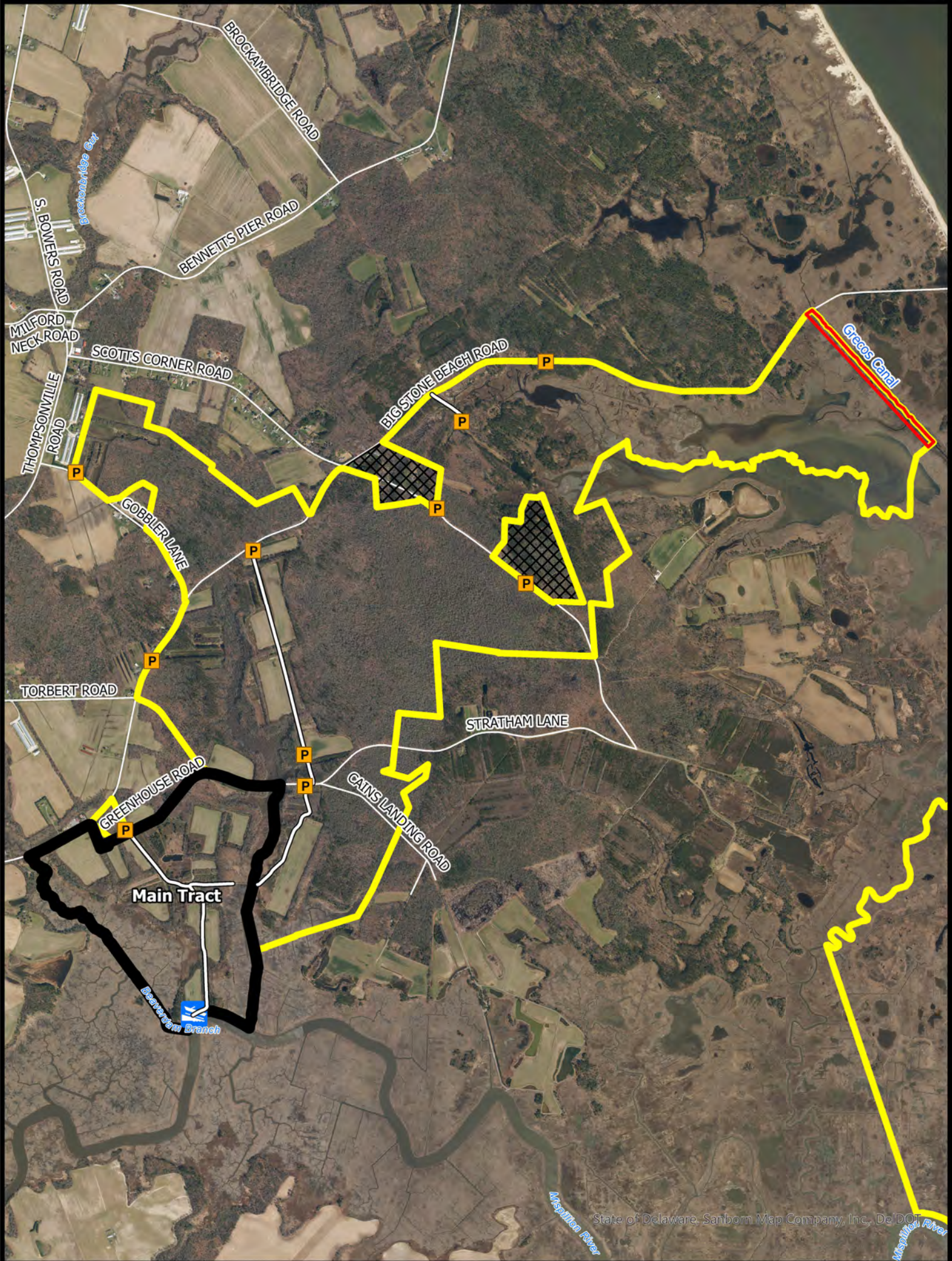
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Prime Hook  
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**GENERAL**

- 5. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
- 6. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
- 7. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
- 8. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

- 1. Waterfowl hunting permitted without special permit except for the Coverdale Tract.
- 2. All waterfowl hunting is prohibited on the Coverdale Tract.
- 3. Waterfowl hunting on creeks and marshes on Hall, Gray Farm, Hollager and Penuel Tracts must occur within a 35-yard radius of designated blind sites on first come first serve basis.
- 4. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere on the Main, Rawley’s Island and Cedar Creek Tracts with no site restrictions.
- 5. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
- 6. No waterfowl hunting from the hedgerow which serves as the eastern boundary of the Penuel Tract.
- 7. Airboats are prohibited.
- 8. Hunters must vacate all hunting areas by one hour after sunset.
- 9. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

- 1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.

- 2. Regulated dove fields (**D**) available by lottery only on the Penuel Tract on Opening day, Labor Day, Wednesdays, Saturdays, and Sundays of the early season. Lotteries held at 12:00 PM at the **Little Creek Check Station**. Hunting hours are 1:00-6:00 PM.
- 3. Dove hunting is prohibited on the Penuel Tract outside of the regulated dove fields during the early season.
- 4. Dove hunting permitted on all other tracts (except the Gray Farm Tract where dove hunting is prohibited) without permit during all seasons.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

- 2. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

**Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.**

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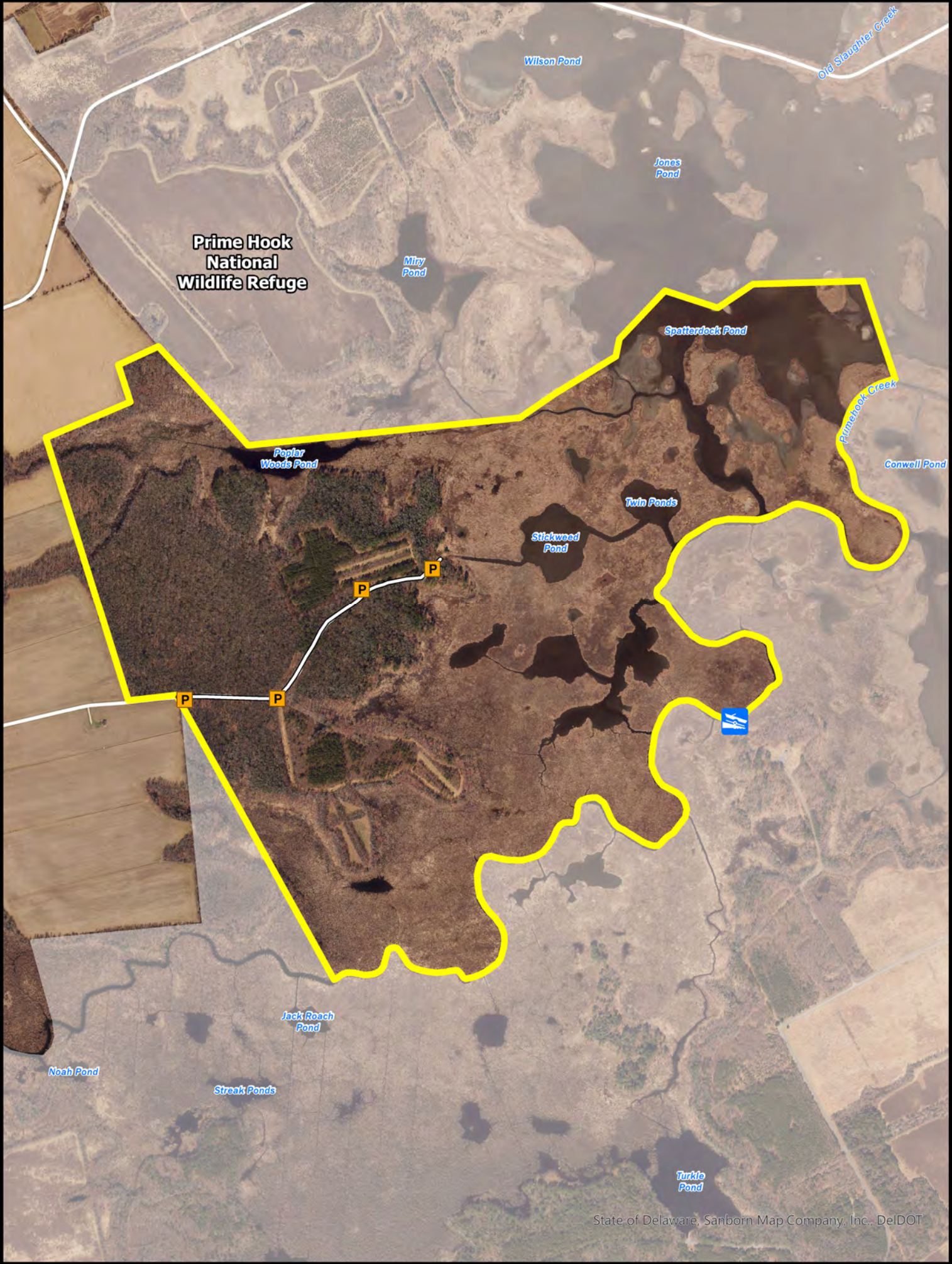
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# PRIME HOOK WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



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 Wildlife Area  
 CAP Required

 Maintained Roadway  
 Boat Ramp



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**GENERAL**

1. A Conservation Access Pass is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated Delaware State Wildlife Areas for any allowable activities, including hunting, birdwatching, hiking and photography.
2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
  - Damaging or defacing buildings, equipment, structures, signs, or land features.
  - Littering or dumping trash including yard waste.
  - Operating radio-controlled devices, including drones, or the launching of model rockets.
  - Metal-detecting or use of metal detectors.
  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See #16 for dog training information.
  - Camping or lighting open fires of any type.
  - Swimming.
  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

the Wildlife Section at (302) 739-9912. This registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and blinds.

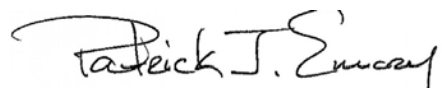
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
Patrick J. Emory, Director

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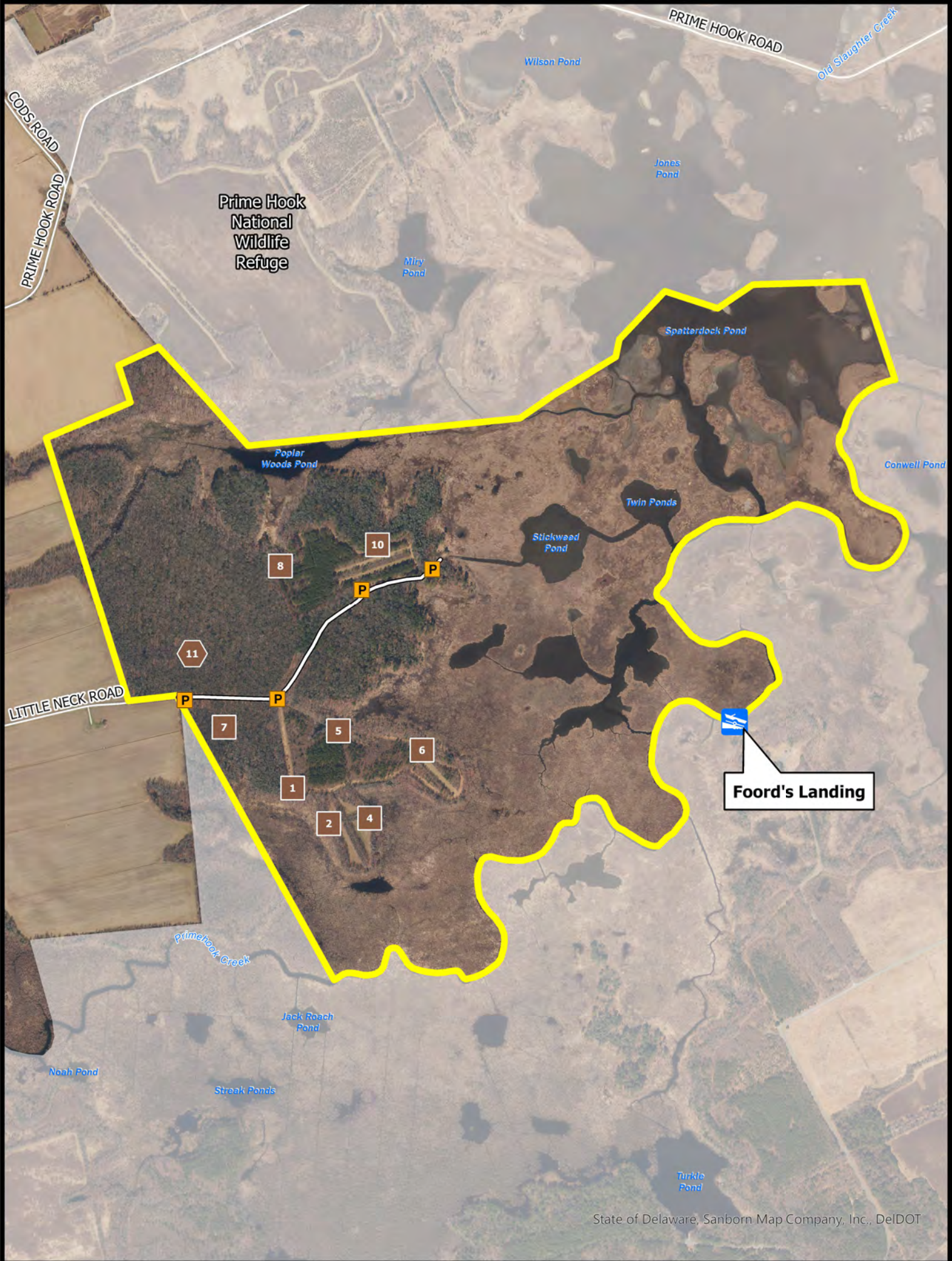
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# PRIME HOOK WILDLIFE AREA

Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



- Wildlife Area
- National Wildlife Refuge
- CAP Required

- Maintained Roadway
- Deer Stand

- HD Deer Stand
- Boat Ramp



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**DEER, FURBEARERS & SMALL GAME HUNTING**  
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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.

2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28.

**B. Furbearers**

1. Public trapping is permitted with a valid permit issued by the Division. Limited permits available. For more information, visit <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/fish-wildlife/hunting/furbearers/> or call (302) 739-9912.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

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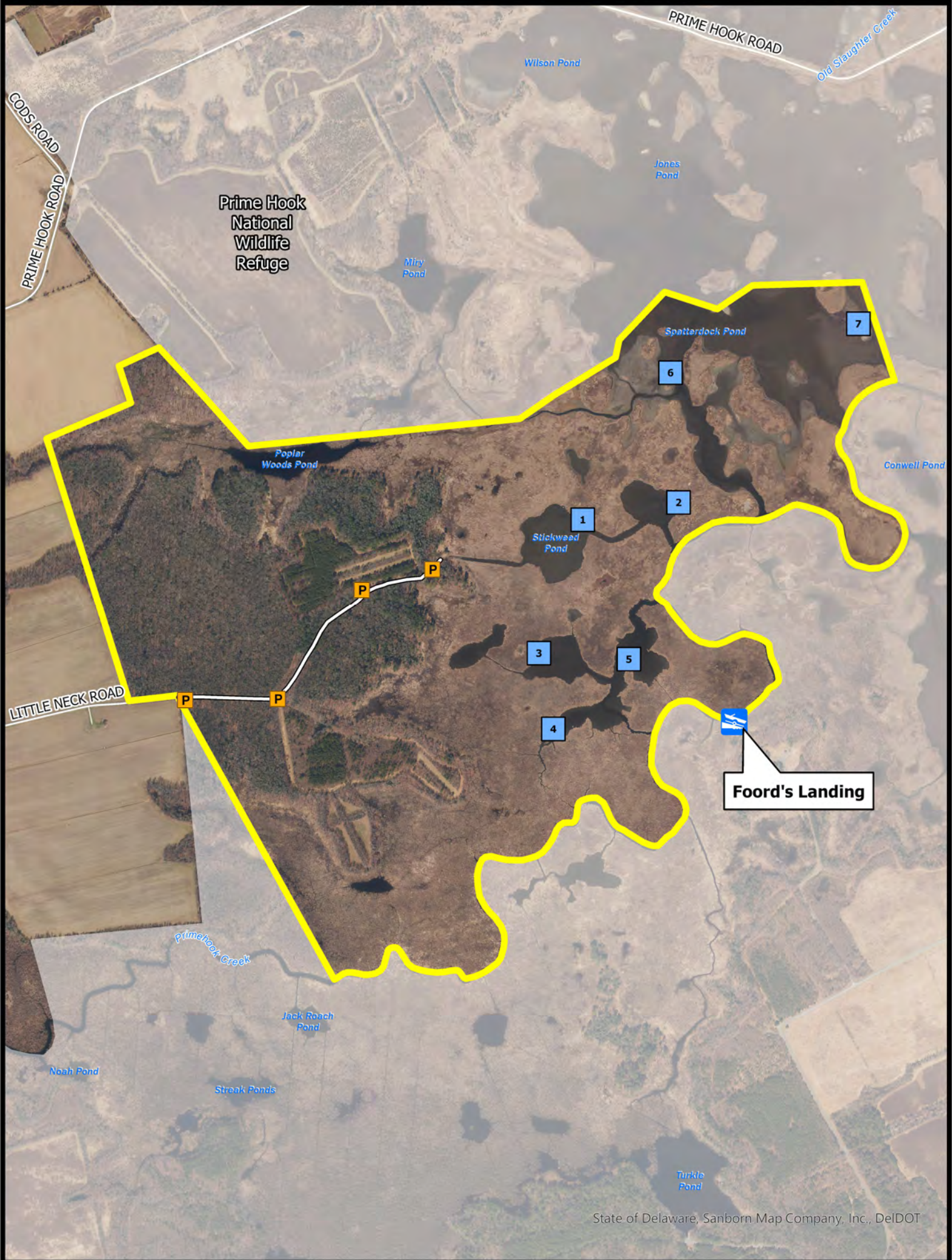
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# PRIME HOOK WILDLIFE AREA

## Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



Wildlife Area



CAP Required



Waterfowl Blind



National Wildlife Refuge



Maintained Roadway



Boat Ramp



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**WATERFOWL & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

**\*Due to low water levels hunters must use the Foords Landing boat ramp located on the Federal Wildlife Refuge as the state ramp is not usable.\***

1. Blinds and blind sites issued using the hunter facilitated drawing procedure held at the Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge checking station 2 1/2 hours before sunrise. Blinds can be signed out until 12:00 PM.
2. All hunting from state and federal blinds and blind sites only.
3. Hunting permitted on Opening day, Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays during all regular waterfowl seasons.
4. All federal blinds closed on Sundays.
5. Hunting permitted from ½ hour before sunrise until 3:00 PM. Hunters must vacate the area by 4:00 PM.
6. No more than 3 persons per pit, blind, or blind site.
7. This area **IS OPEN** for the early teal season, however only State blinds are open, no Federal blind sites are open for early teal. Lotteries and hunting days for early teal season will be the same as general waterfowl seasons as defined in #1, 2, 3, and 4 above.
8. During waterfowl hunting seasons, no boats are allowed at access ramps or in impoundments without a valid waterfowl hunting permit for that day.

9. Airboats are prohibited.
10. Hunters using marsh blinds and blind sites must have a boat and required safety equipment.
11. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted on the entire area during all seasons except within refuges and safety zones, no permit required.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

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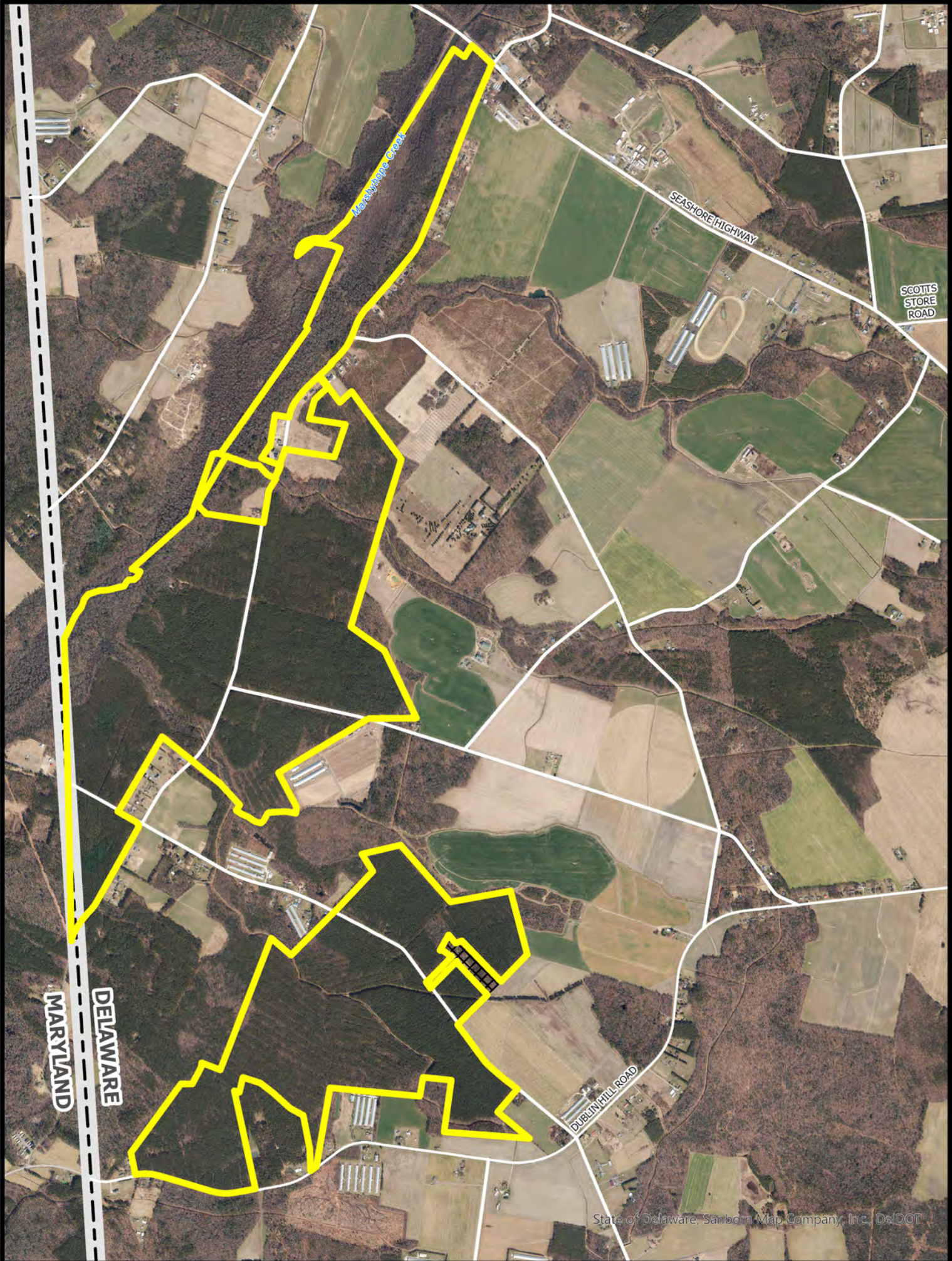
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# MARSHY HOPE WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



- Wildlife Area
- Private Property
- State Line



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**GENERAL**

1. A Conservation Access Pass is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated Delaware State Wildlife Areas for any allowable activities, including hunting, birdwatching, hiking and photography.
2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
  - Damaging or defacing buildings, equipment, structures, signs, or land features.
  - Littering or dumping trash including yard waste.
  - Operating radio-controlled devices, including drones, or the launching of model rockets.
  - Metal-detecting or use of metal detectors.
  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See **#16** for dog training information.
  - Camping or lighting open fires of any type.
  - Swimming.
  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

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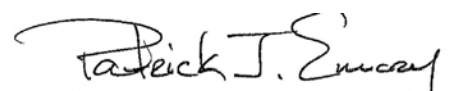
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
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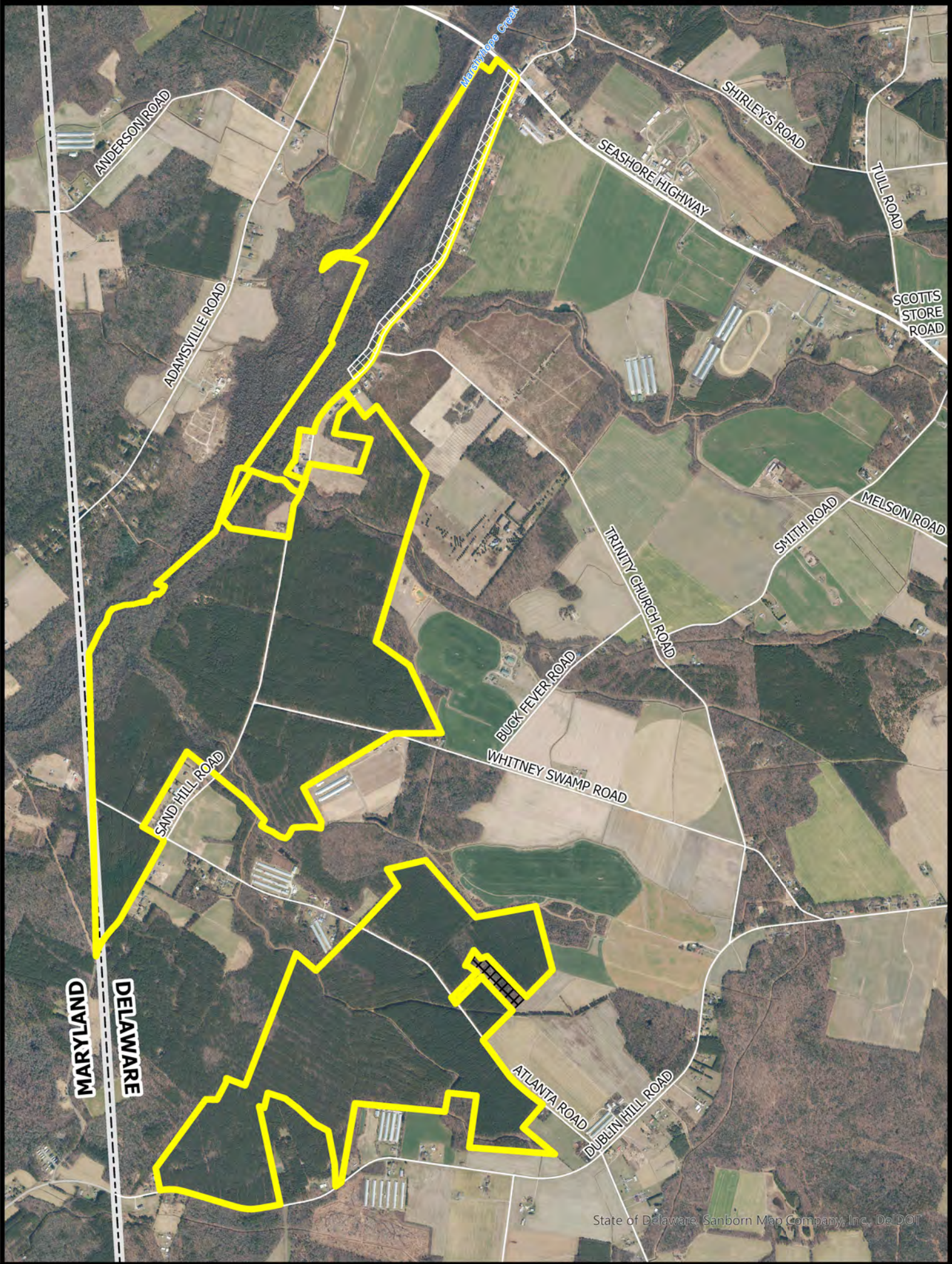
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# MARSHY HOPE WILDLIFE AREA

Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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- Wildlife Area
- Private Property
- Safety Zone
- State Line



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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

- Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.
1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
  2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
  3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
  4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
  5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
  6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.
  7. Hunters are permitted to use designated established roadways to retrieve harvested deer between the hours of 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and from ½ hour after sunset – 9:00 PM.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

- A. Small Game**
1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
  2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
  3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
  4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28.
- B. Furbearers**
1. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
  2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
  3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
  4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere within this area except within refuges and safety zones.
2. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
3. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

**Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.**

Patrick J. Emory, Director

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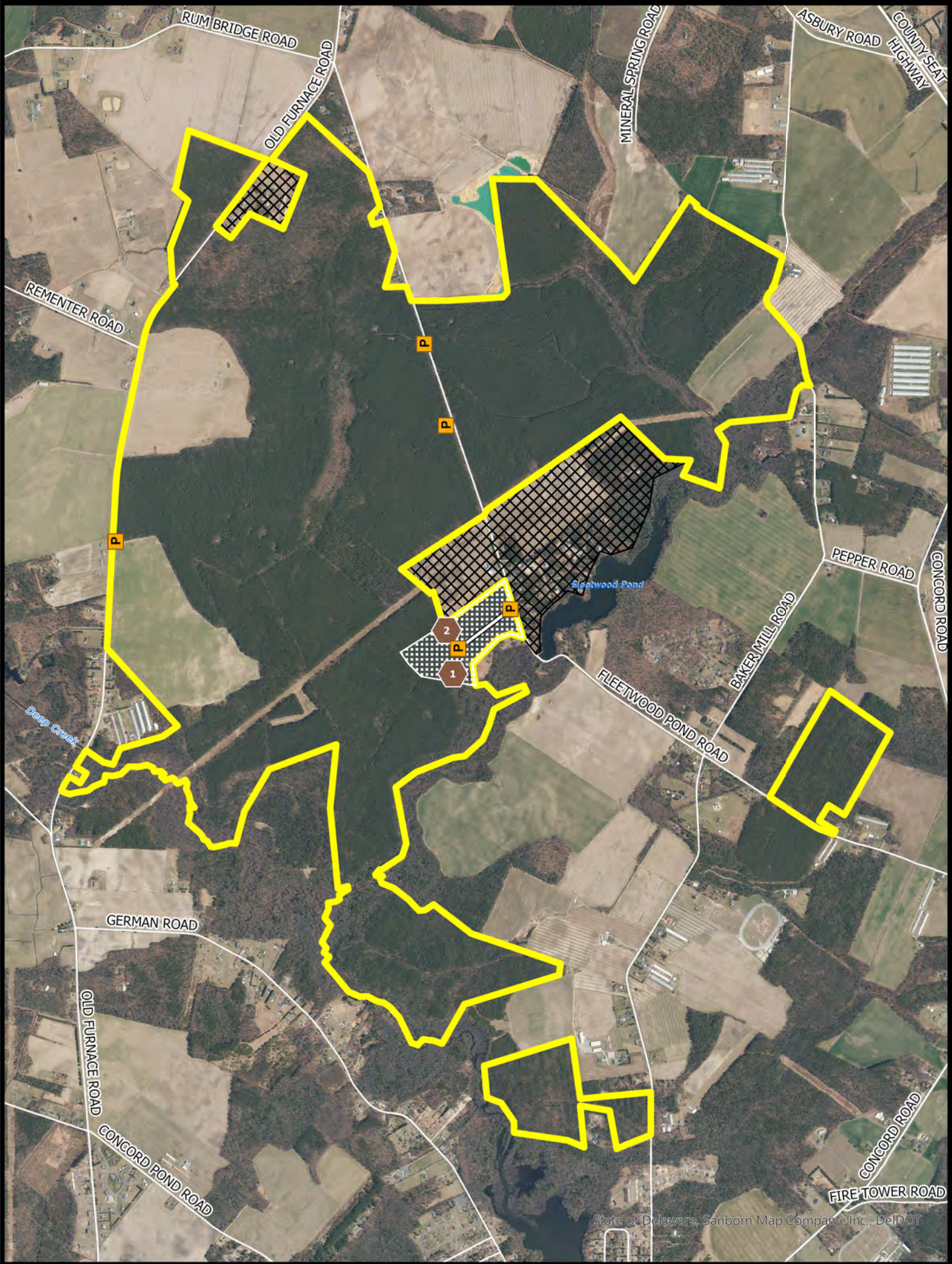




# OLD FURNACE WILDLIFE AREA

## Main Tract

Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



Wildlife Area



Disabled Hunting



Private Property



CAP Required

Maintained Roadway



HD Deer Stand



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**GENERAL**

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3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.
7. Hunters are permitted to use designated established roadways to retrieve harvested deer between the hours of 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and from ½ hour after sunset – 9:00 PM.
8. Two disabled deer stands are available for hunters possessing a State Disabled Hunter Permit. Disabled hunters may drive back and park in the designated disabled parking area. Archery hunting is prohibited

within 100 yards of these stands and firearms deer hunting is prohibited within the entire disabled zone except for these two stands.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

- A. Small Game**
1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
  2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
  3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
  4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28.
- B. Furbearers**
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  2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
  3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
  4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited on this area.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

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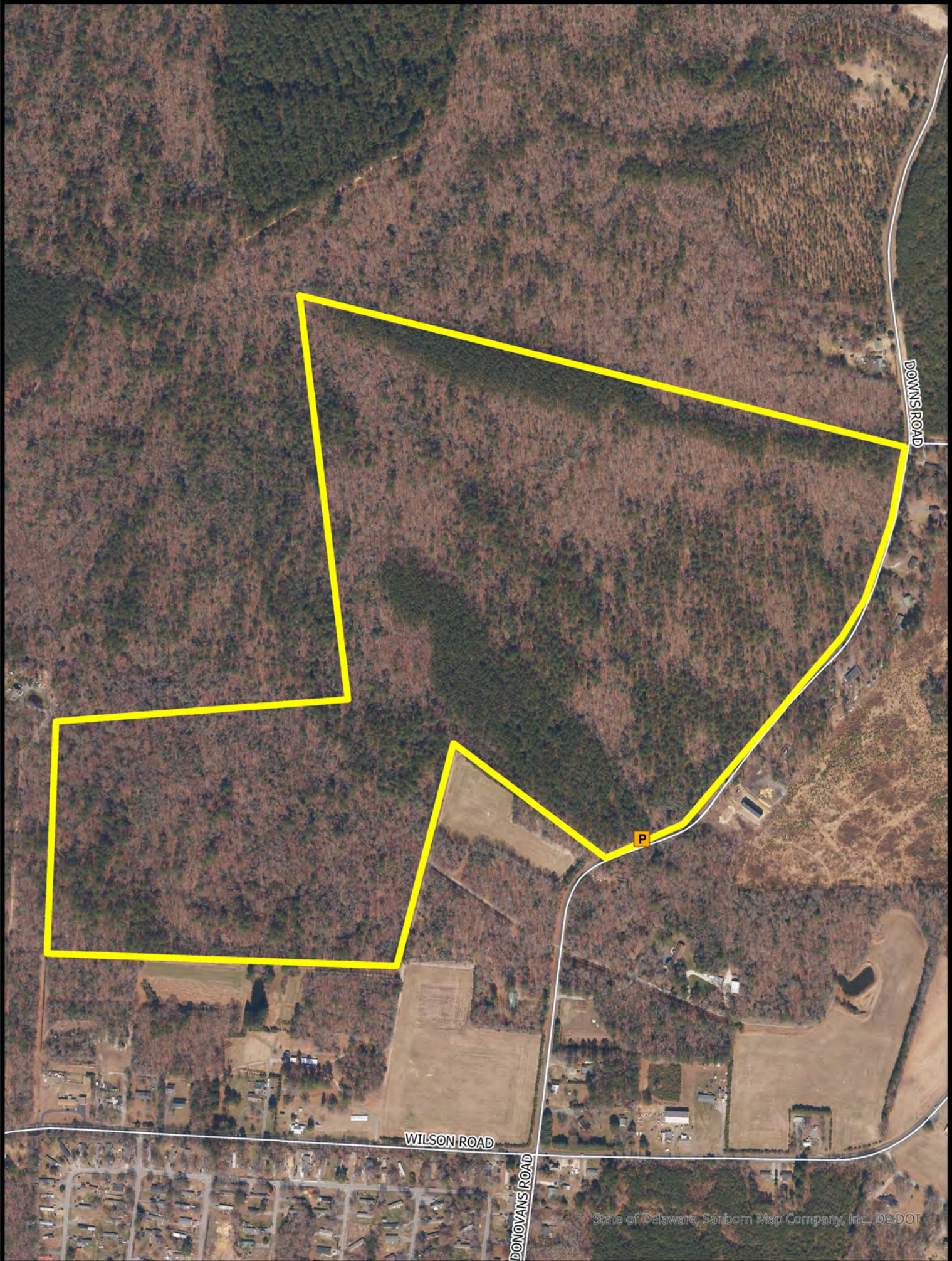




# OLD FURNACE WILDLIFE AREA

Lang Tract

Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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Wildlife Area



CAP Required



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**GENERAL**

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3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.
7. Hunters are permitted to use designated established roadways to retrieve harvested deer between the hours of 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and from ½ hour after sunset – 9:00 PM.
8. Two disabled deer stands are available for hunters possessing a State Disabled Hunter Permit. Disabled hunters may drive back and park in the designated disabled parking area. Archery hunting is prohibited

within 100 yards of these stands and firearms deer hunting is prohibited within the entire disabled zone except for these two stands.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

- A. Small Game**
1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
  2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
  3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
  4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28.
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1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
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**TURKEY HUNTING**

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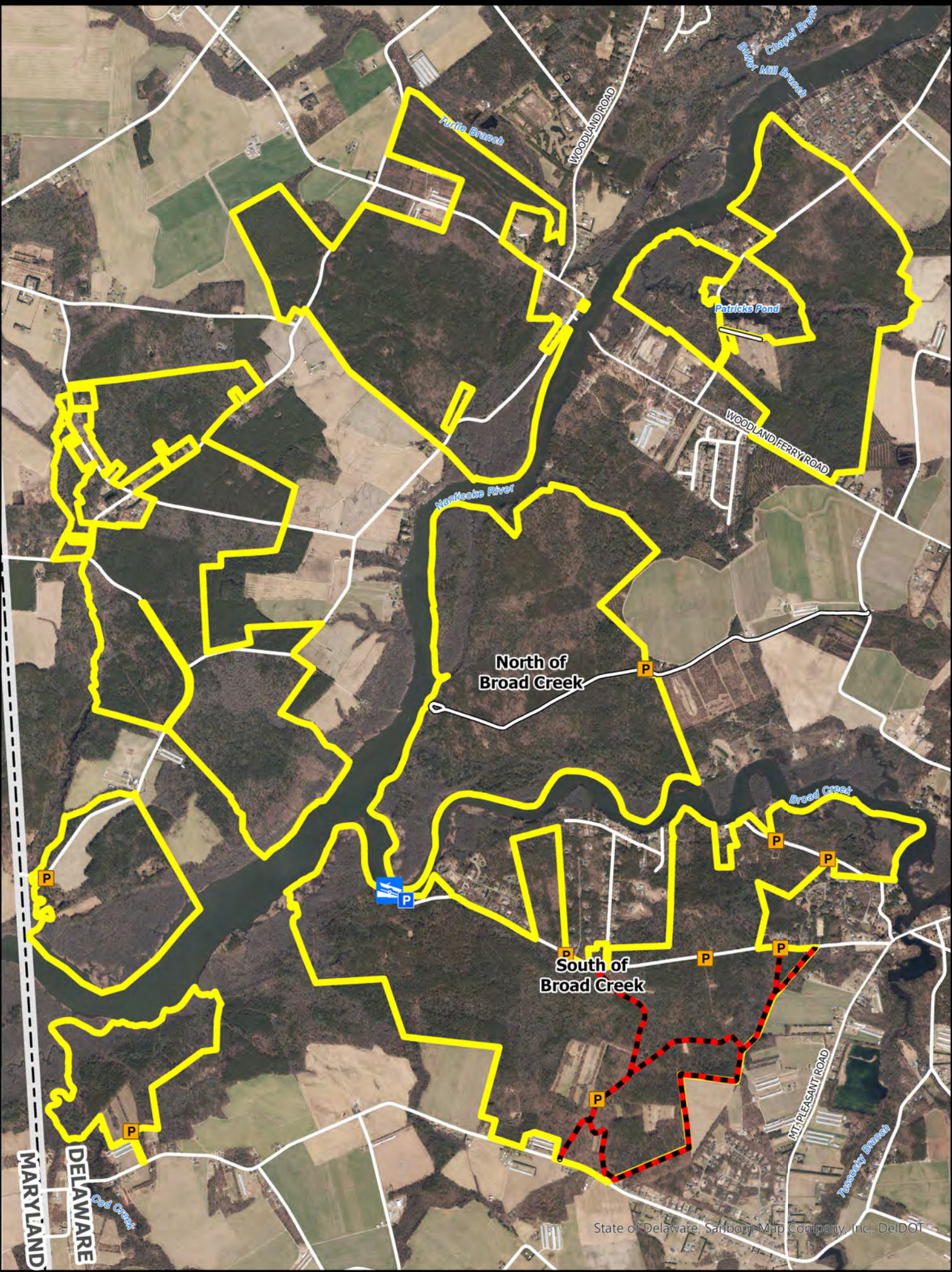
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# NANTICOKE WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



- Wildlife Area
- Boat Ramp
- CAP Exempt

- CAP Required
- Maintained Roadway
- Multiple Use Trail

State Line



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**GENERAL**

1. A Conservation Access Pass is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated Delaware State Wildlife Areas for any allowable activities, including hunting, birdwatching, hiking and photography.
2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
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  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

the Wildlife Section at (302) 739-9912. This registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and blinds.

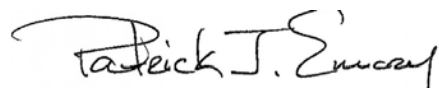
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
Patrick J. Emory, Director

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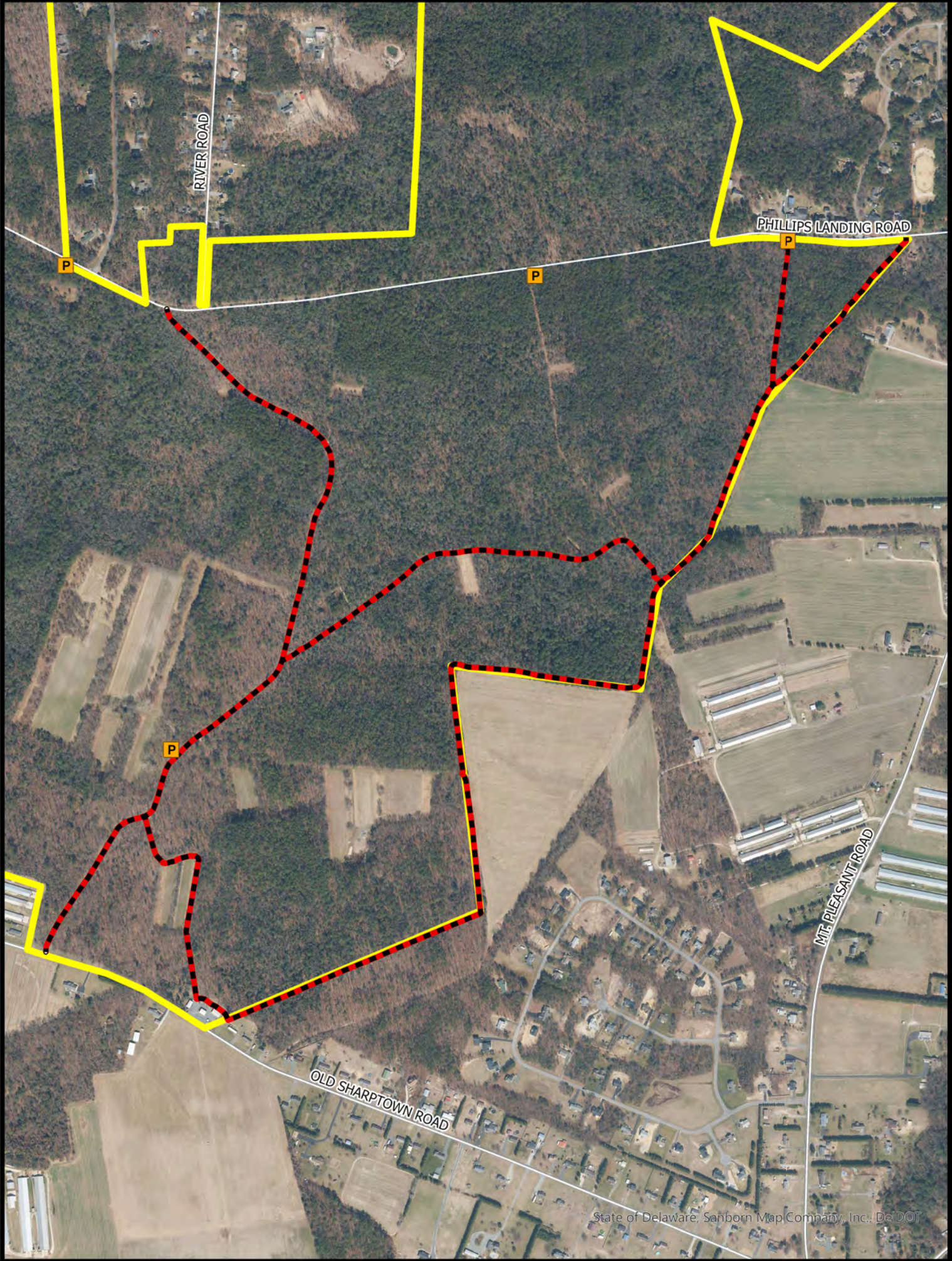
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# NANTICOKE WILDLIFE AREA

## Multiple Use Trail



- CAP Required
- Multiple Use Trail
- Wildlife Area
- Maintained Roadway



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**ROBERT L. GRAHAM - NANTICOKE WILDLIFE AREA  
REGULATIONS PERTAINING TO THE MULTIPLE USE TRAIL**

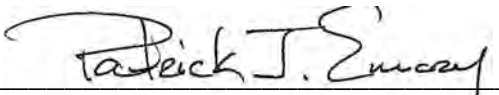
**This map shows the location of the Multiple Use Trails and roads open to horse riding on the Area.** Horse-riding is permitted on all roads open to vehicular traffic on State Wildlife Areas. Designated **trails are laid out to avoid:** 1) **habitats critical to** the perpetuation of several known species of **rare and endangered plants** (e.g., *box huckleberry*, *wild lupine*) and animals (e.g., *frosted elfin*, *Hessel's hairstreak*, *mud salamander*, *Delmarva Fox Squirrels*), 2) **dove hunting fields**, 3) **deer stands**, and 4) **wildlife food and cover plots**.

It is hoped that these regulations will protect the natural resources and provide you with an enjoyable ride. The **Multi-Use Trail** allows **hikers, bicyclists, and horse-riders to travel together** along designated roads and trails, generally routed around the perimeter of the property and provides a loop between Phillips Landing and Old Sharptown Roads. Trail users should use caution when on the Main Road as it is also open to vehicular traffic.

**A. Use of the Multiple Use Trail is subject to the following restrictions:**

1. The trail is closed to all non-hunting activities Monday-Saturday from September 1 – February 28 and April 2 – May 7. The trail is open for hiking, bicycling, and horseback riding on Sundays only during these time periods and open seven days a week during the remainder of the year.
2. This area is closed to Sunday firearm deer hunting but is open for Sunday archery and crossbow deer hunting. While not a requirement, trail users are strongly encouraged to wear blaze orange on Sundays during open deer hunting seasons.
3. Riders will confine their travels to the immediate trail and roads open to vehicular traffic, without entering fields, woods, or road edges.
4. **Bicyclists will yield the right of way to horse-riders; horse-riders and bicyclists will yield the right of way to pedestrians using the trail.**
5. Riders will be responsible for keeping the trail clear of trash and fallen limbs, and debris.
6. Horse trailers and vehicles will be parked in such a manner as to not obstruct other vehicular traffic along other roads and maintenance access points.

For further information, contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife, Dover, Delaware, 19901, (302) 739-9912 or the Assawoman Wildlife Area at (302) 539-3160.

  
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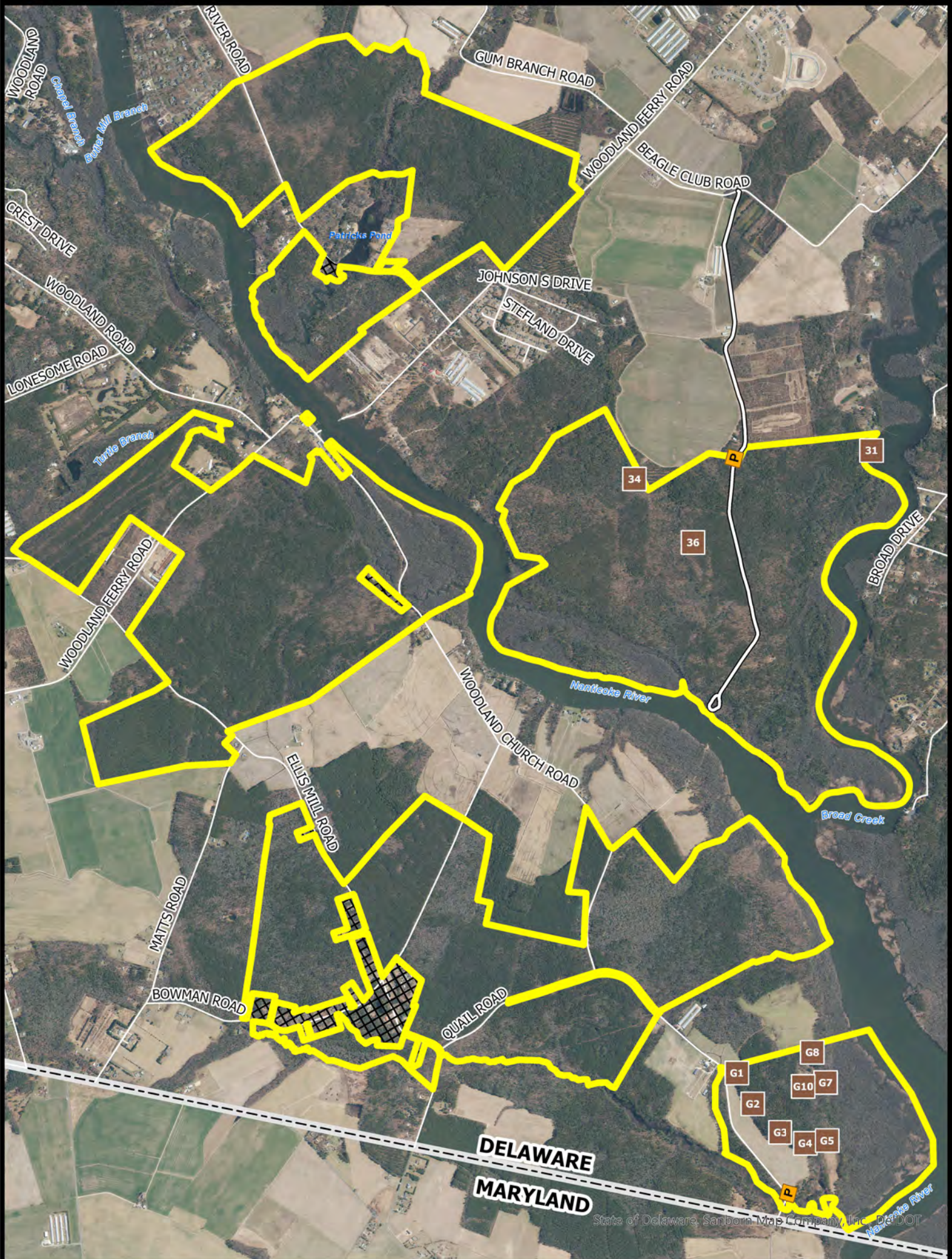
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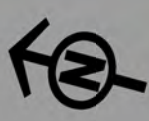


# NANTICOKE WILDLIFE AREA

North of Broad Creek  
Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



- Wildlife Area
- CAP Required
- Private Property
- Maintained Roadway
- Deer Stand
- State Line



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**DEER, FURBEARER, SMALL GAME, WATERFOWL, & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
**ROBERT L. GRAHAM – NANTICOKE WILDLIFE AREA**  
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**GENERAL**

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3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.
7. Hunters are permitted to use designated established roadways to retrieve harvested deer between the hours of 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and from ½ hour after sunset – 9:00 PM.

**Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.**

**UPLAND HUNTING**

- A. Small Game**
1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
  2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
  3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
  4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28.
- B. Furbearers**
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  4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

**MULTIPLE USE TRAIL**

1. See **Multiple Use Trail** map for rules & regulations.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere within this area except within refuges and safety zones.
2. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
3. Hunters permitted to construct temporary blinds along the banks of the Nanticoke River & Broad Creek; however, construction of a temporary blind does not give blind-builder exclusive hunting rights to that area, and use is on a first come, first serve basis.
4. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

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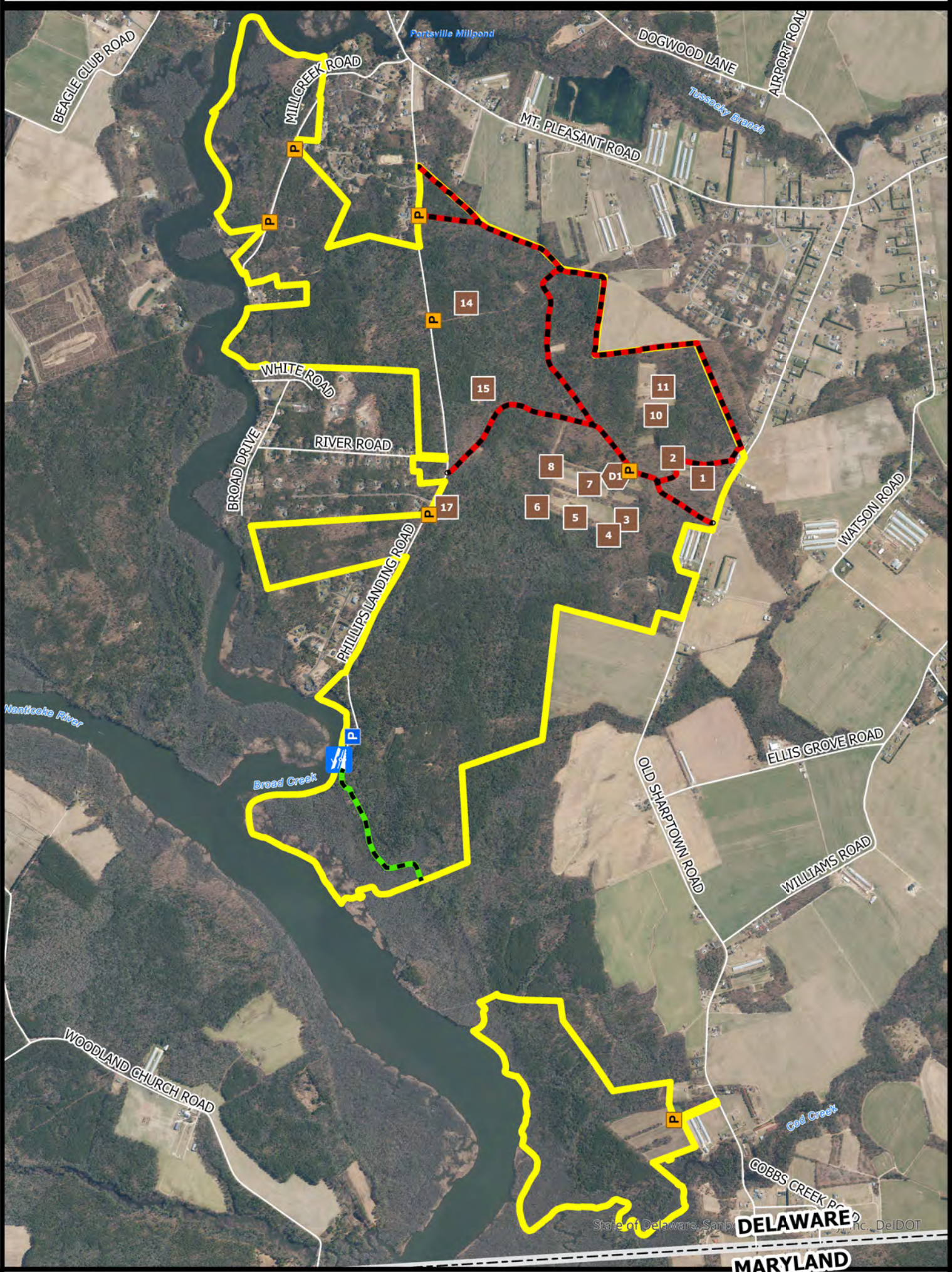
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# NANTICOKE WILDLIFE AREA

South of Broad Creek  
Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



- Wildlife Area
- CAP Exempt
- CAP Required

- Maintained Roadway
- Multiple Use Trail
- Pedestrian Trail

- Deer Stand
- HD Deer Stand

- Boat Ramp
- State Line



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**DEER HUNTING**

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**MULTIPLE USE TRAIL**

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**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere within this area except within refuges and safety zones.
2. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
3. Hunters permitted to construct temporary blinds along the banks of the Nanticoke River & Broad Creek; however, construction of a temporary blind does not give blind-builder exclusive hunting rights to that area, and use is on a first come, first serve basis.
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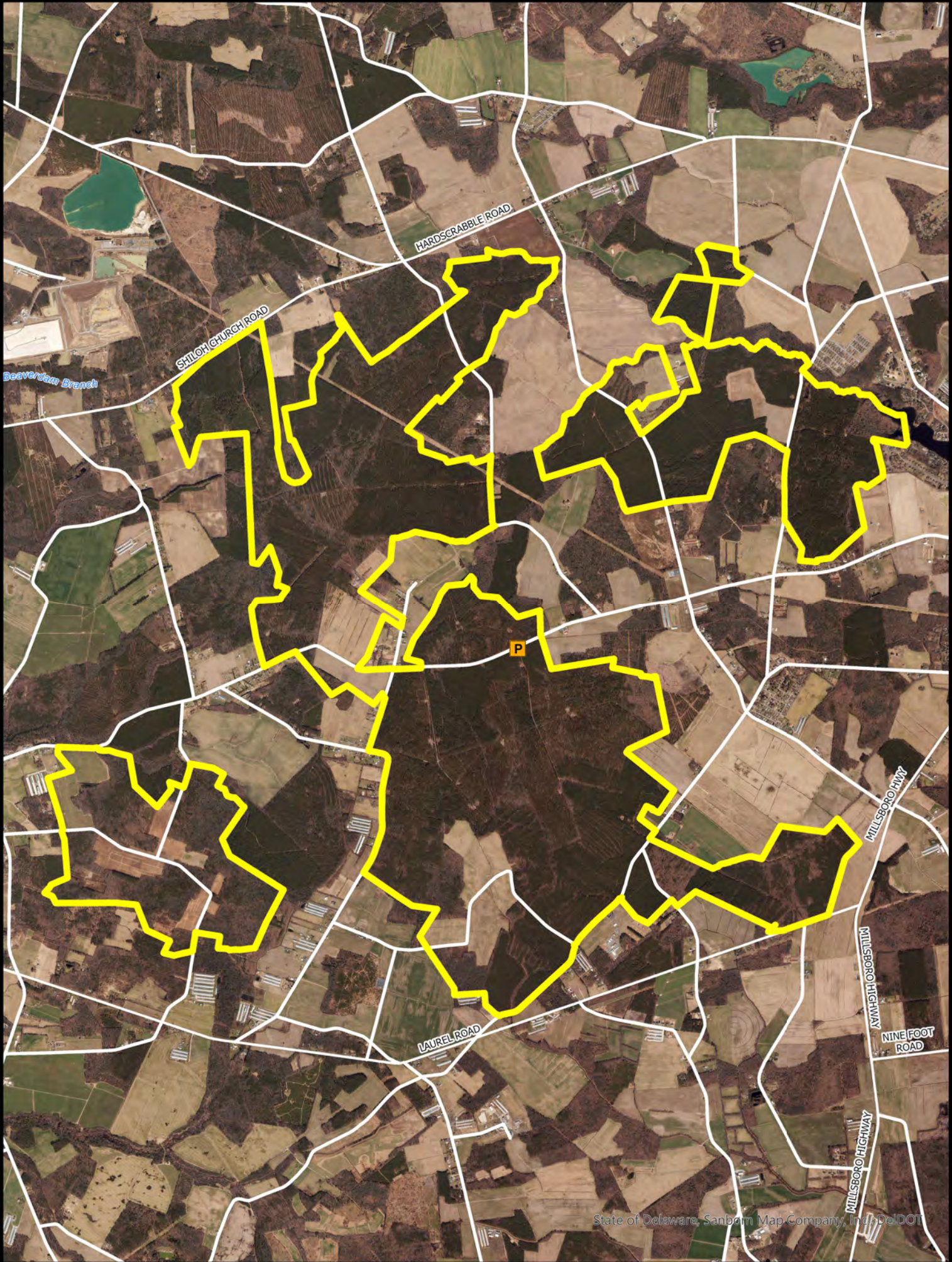
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# MIDLANDS WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



Wildlife Area



CAP Required



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  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

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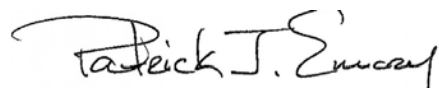
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
Patrick J. Emory, Director

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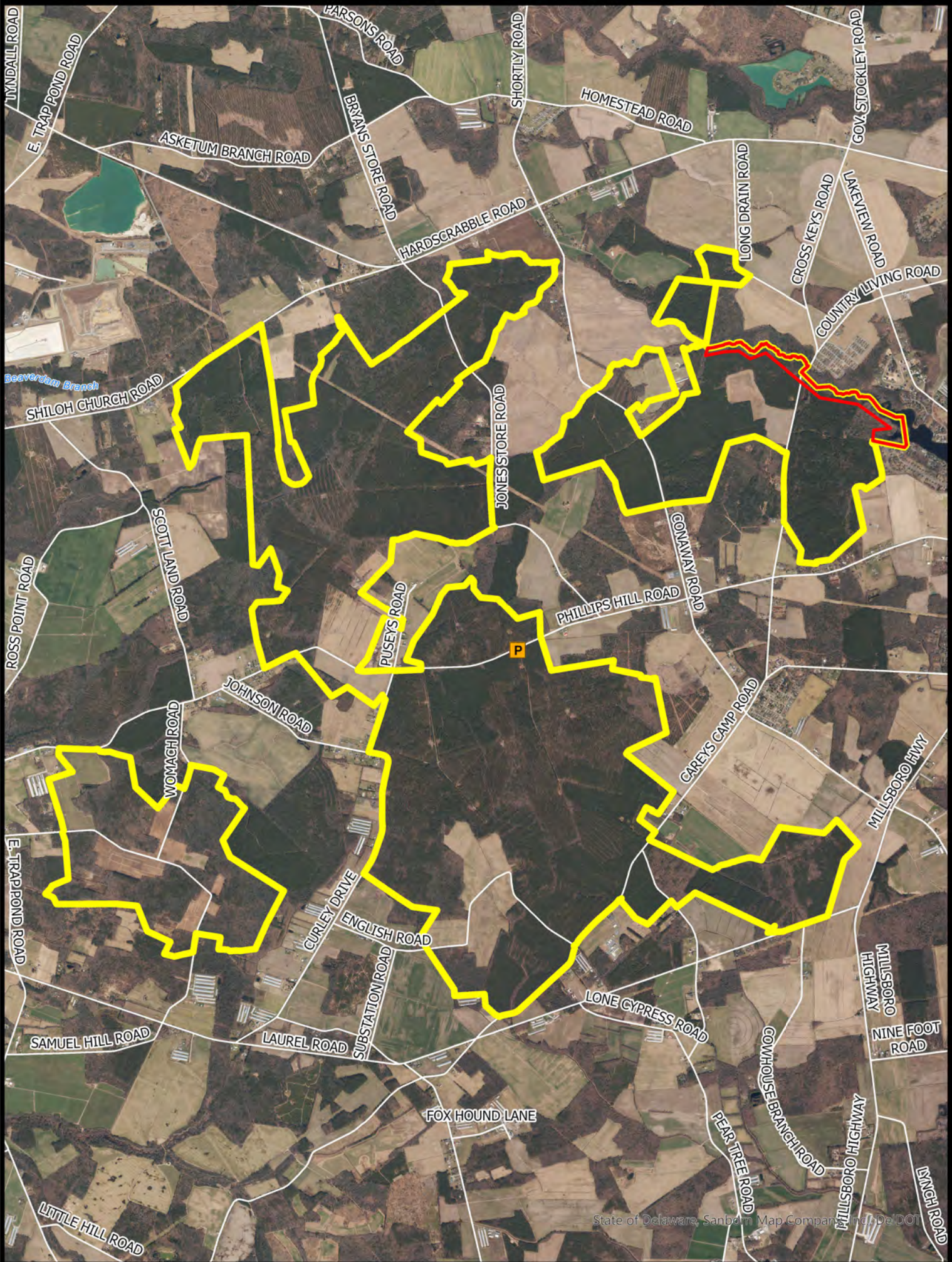
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# MIDLANDS WILDLIFE AREA

Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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Wildlife Area



No Waterfowl Hunting



CAP Required



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**DEER, FURBEARER, SMALL GAME, WATERFOWL, & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
**MIDLANDS WILDLIFE AREA**  
Effective July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026

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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

- Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.
1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
  2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
  3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
  4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
  5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
  6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.
  7. Hunters are permitted to use designated established roadways to retrieve harvested deer between the hours of 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and from ½ hour after sunset – 9:00 PM.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

- A. Small Game**
1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
  2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
  3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
  4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28.
- B. Furbearers**
1. Public trapping is permitted with a valid permit issued by the Division. Limited permits available. For more information, visit <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/fish-wildlife/hunting/furbearers/> or call (302) 739-9912.
  2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
  3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
  4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere within this area except within posted refuges and safety zones and along the shoreline of Shoals Branch.
2. Layout blinds are permitted to be used in upland fields provided no excavation of ground occurs. Vehicles may not be driven into upland fields or anywhere off established roadways.
3. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

**Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.**

Patrick J. Emory, Director

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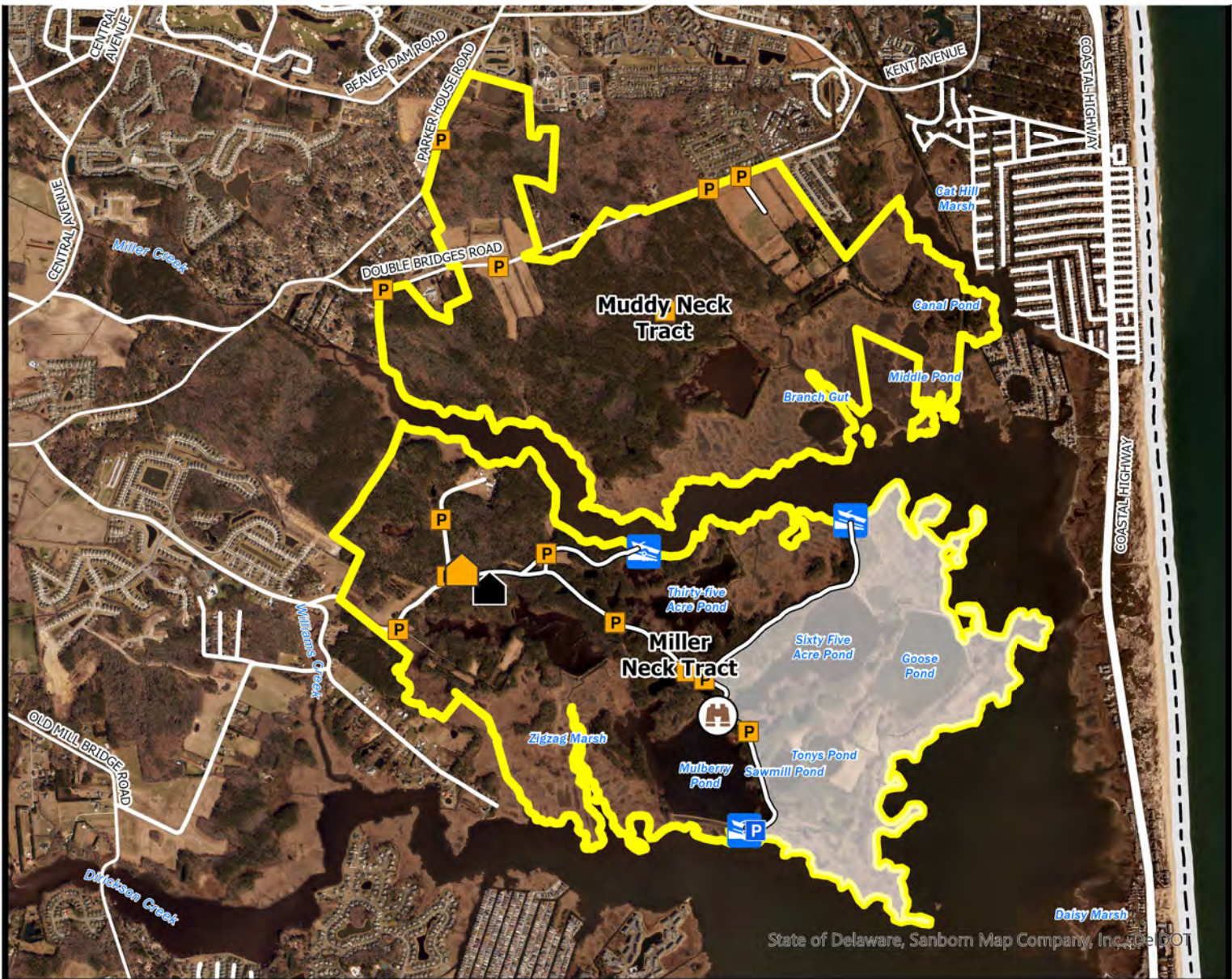
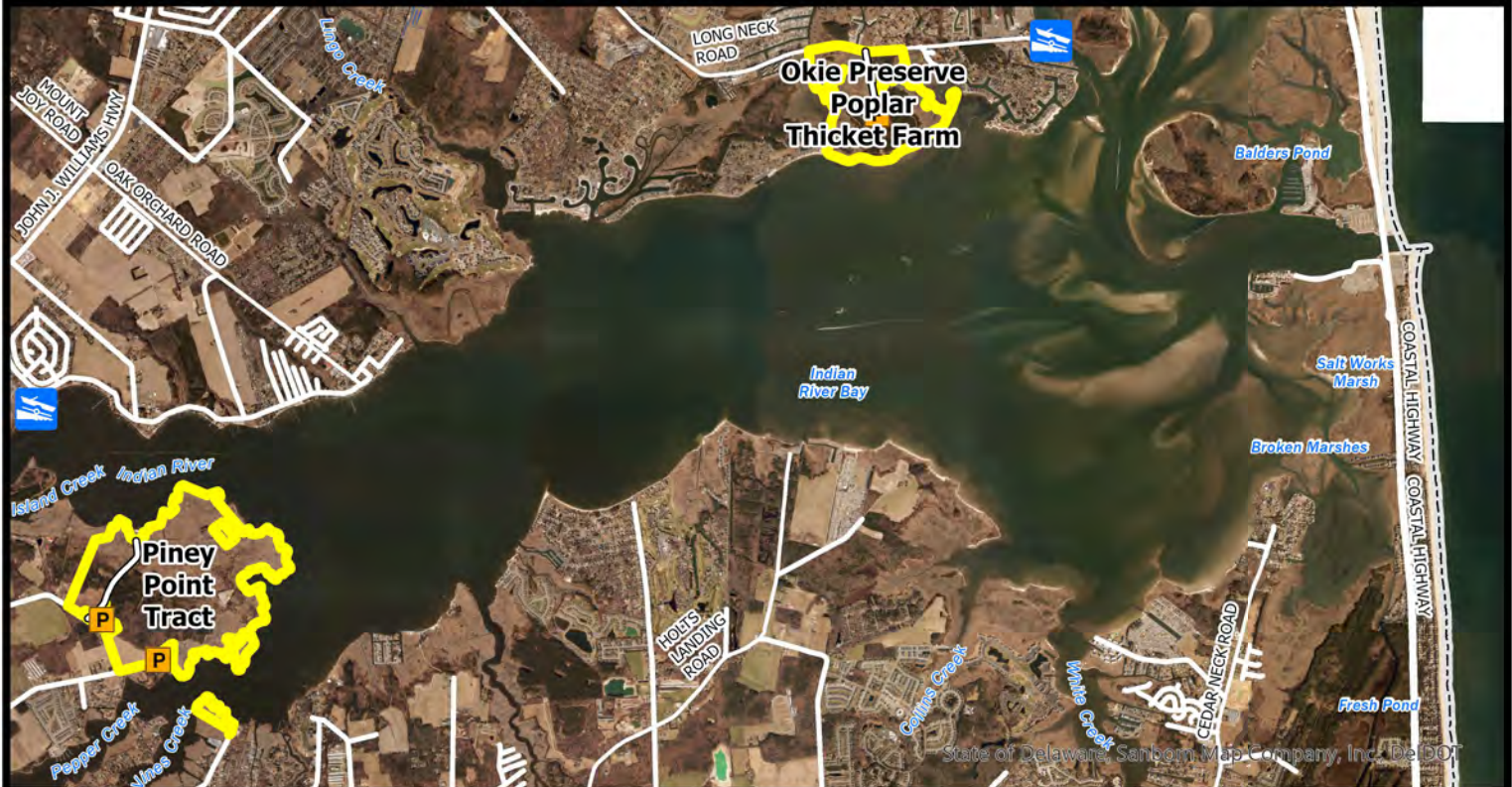
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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

## General Overview



Wildlife Area



Refuge



CAP Exempt



CAP Required

Maintained Roadway



Wildlife Viewing Tower



Area Headquarters



Check Station



Boat Ramp



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**General Rules and Regulations Governing Land and Waters**  
**Administered by the Delaware Division of Fish & Wildlife**  
**Effective July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026**

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**GENERAL**

1. A Conservation Access Pass is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated Delaware State Wildlife Areas for any allowable activities, including hunting, birdwatching, hiking and photography.
2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
  - Damaging or defacing buildings, equipment, structures, signs, or land features.
  - Littering or dumping trash including yard waste.
  - Operating radio-controlled devices, including drones, or the launching of model rockets.
  - Metal-detecting or use of metal detectors.
  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See #16 for dog training information.
  - Camping or lighting open fires of any type.
  - Swimming.
  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
7. Placement of any temporary deer stand or blind that involves placing nails or screws into trees is prohibited. Stands and blinds are prohibited within all refuges and safety zones. See respective area maps for when and where temporary stands and blinds may be used.
8. All hunters that install temporary deer stands or blinds on State Wildlife Areas are required to obtain a free registration number by visiting the Division's website at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling

the Wildlife Section at (302) 739-9912. This registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and blinds.

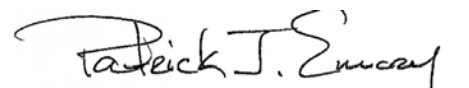
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
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**FISHING/CRABBING**

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Patrick J. Emory, Director

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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

Okie Preserve Poplar Thicket Farm  
Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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- CAP Required
- Pedestrian Trail
- Maintained Roadway
- Wildlife Area



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DEER, FURBEARER, SMALL GAME, WATERFOWL, & GAMEBIRD HUNTING  
ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA  
Marian R. Okie Preserve Poplar Thicket Farm  
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GENERAL

- 1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
- 2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
- 3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
- 4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
- 5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

DEER HUNTING

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

- 1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
- 2. Only archery deer hunting permitted on this property; **no firearms deer hunting is allowed.**
- 3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
- 4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.

UPLAND HUNTING

A. Small Game

- 1. Small game hunting is prohibited on this property.
- 2. Dog training is prohibited.

B. Furbearers

- 1. Trapping is prohibited on this property.
- 2. Raccoon hunting is prohibited on this property.
- 3. Fox and coyote hunting and chasing are prohibited on this property.

WATERFOWL HUNTING

- 1. Waterfowl hunting is prohibited on this property.

DOVE HUNTING

- 1. Dove hunting is prohibited on this area.

TURKEY HUNTING

- 1. Turkey hunting is prohibited on this property.

Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.

Patrick J. Emory, Director

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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

Piney Point Tract  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



Wildlife Area



CAP Required



Deer Stand



Private Property

— Maintained Roadway



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**DEER, FURBEARERS & SMALL GAME HUNTING**  
**ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA**  
**Piney Point Tract**  
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**GENERAL**

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3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Some areas contain state-built deer stands and these stands are available on a first come-first serve basis.
4. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
5. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
6. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
7. Handgun hunting permitted during the January handgun season.
8. Hunters are permitted to use designated established roadways to retrieve harvested deer between the hours of 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and from ½ hour after sunset – 9:00 PM.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 .

**B. Furbearers**

1. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or before 1:00 PM during turkey season.

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Patrick J. Emory, Director

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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

## Piney Point Tract Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



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Wildlife Area



CAP Required



Waterfowl Blind Site



Private Property



Maintained Roadway



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**WATERFOWL & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
**ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA**  
**Piney Point Tract**  
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**GENERAL**

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2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting permitted without special permit.
2. All waterfowl hunting must occur from designated blind sites only and is on a first come first serve basis. Hunters must stay within 35 yards of designated blind sites while hunting.
3. Jump shooting waterfowl or disturbing waterfowl resting in coves near blinds sites is prohibited.
4. Hunters may construct temporary blinds at the designated blind sites however construction of a temporary blind does not give the blind builder any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Airboats are prohibited.
6. Hunters must vacate all hunting areas by one hour after sunset.
7. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
3. Permit required. All hunters must obtain a permit from the Assawoman Check Station.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

<b>Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.</b>
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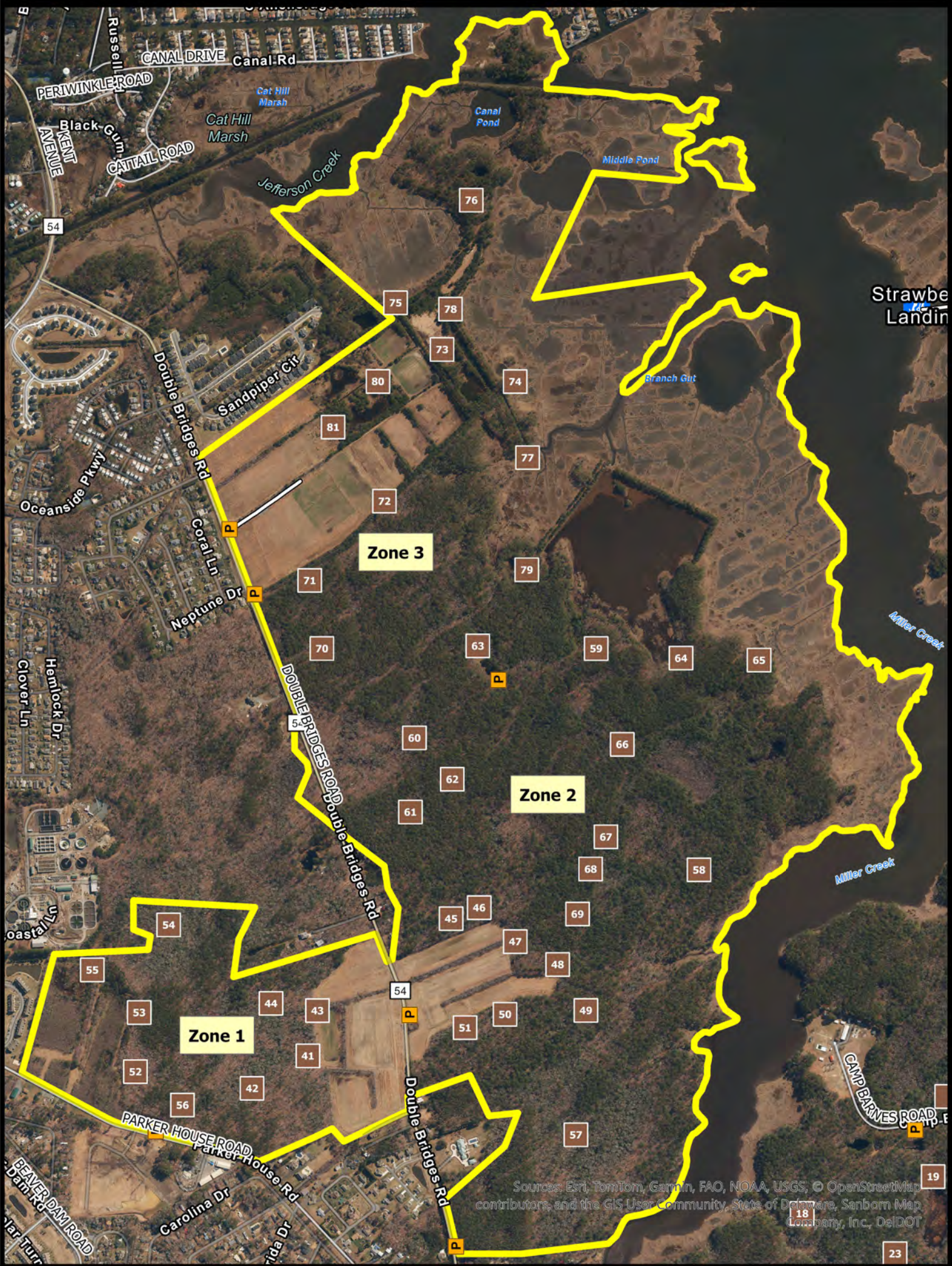
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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

Muddy Neck Tract  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



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Wildlife Area  
 CAP Required

Maintained Roadway  
 Deer Stand  
 Boat Ramp



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**DEER, FURBEARERS & SMALL GAME HUNTING**  
**ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA**  
**Miller and Muddy Neck Tracts**  
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**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

**A. Archery**

1. Archery hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges, safety zones and on impoundment dikes. Hunters must register for a zone at designated tag boards and indicate the nearest stand to their hunting location.
2. Archery hunters must register through the daily lottery and hunt from the state-built stands during any overlapping firearm deer season.
3. Archery hunting is closed on the Miller Neck Tract on the special Youth Deer Hunt days.
4. Archery hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.

**B. Firearm – Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Handgun**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all firearm deer seasons.
2. Stands issued by lottery at the Assawoman Check Station.
3. Drawings held 1 ½ hours before sunrise (2 hours before sunrise during November shotgun season). Stands not issued through lottery are available on a self-signup basis.

4. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season. Archery hunting is allowed during this season in accordance with state and area laws.
5. Refuge stands (R1-R10) are open on Mondays and Fridays of all firearm seasons beginning on the first Monday of November shotgun season.
6. Only one firearm permitted per deer stand.
7. Deer drives are permitted on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday only between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM by parties of 6 or fewer hunters.
8. Handgun hunting permitted during the January handgun season. Refuge stands will not be open.
9. Disabled deer hunting locations are available for non-ambulatory hunters authorized to hunt from a vehicle (HD1-HD4). These locations will not be open on days when refuge stands are being hunted. For reservations call 539-3160. All non-ambulatory hunters must be accompanied by an assistant.
10. Disabled deer stands equipped with stairs (4, 16, 33, 56) are available for hunters possessing a Disabled Hunter Permit. If not filled by disabled hunters, these stands are available during general lottery.
11. Hunters are permitted to use designated established roadways to retrieve harvested deer between the hours of 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and from ½ hour after sunset – 9:00 PM.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. All small game hunters must sign in and return a completed harvest data card available at the Assawoman Check Station.
3. Gray squirrel hunting permitted.
4. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
5. Hunting prohibited within posted refuges and safety zones and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
6. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 .

**B. Furbearers**

1. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

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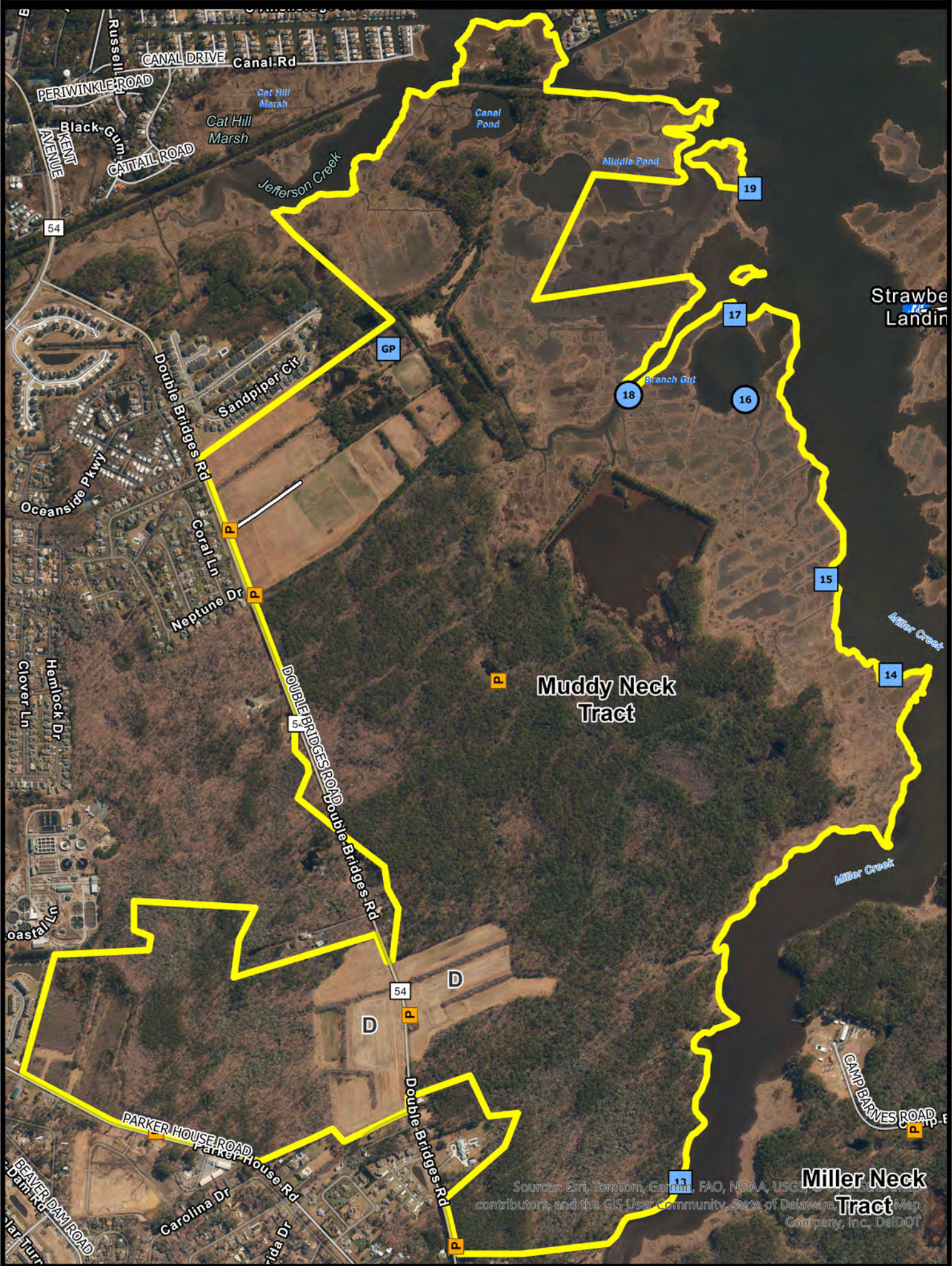
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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

## Muddy Neck Tract Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting

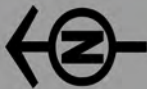


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- Wildlife Area
- CAP Required
- Maintained Roadway

- Waterfowl Blind
- Waterfowl Blind Site

- Dove Field
- Boat Ramp



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**WATERFOWL & GAMEBIRD HUNTING**  
**ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA**  
**Miller and Muddy Neck Tracts**  
**Effective July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026**

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**GENERAL**

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2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Hunting by permit only, issued by a daily lottery held at the Assawoman Check Station.
2. Drawing held 2 hours before sunrise. Blinds not issued during the drawing are available on a self-signup basis until 1:00 PM
3. All hunting from state-built blinds only.
4. No more than 3 persons may occupy one blind.
5. No airboats.
6. No waterfowl hunting from upland fields except from state-built blinds.
7. This area will be open during the Snow Goose Conservation Order. See official seasons and regulations. No permit or sign-in required during the conservation order.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting allowed on Opening day, Labor Day, and all Saturdays and Sundays in September. Sign in required at the Assawoman Check Station at 12:00 PM.
3. Hunting times are from 1:00-6:00 PM on regulated dove fields issued by lottery.
4. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones during late seasons, obtain permit from the Assawoman Check Station.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

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Patrick J. Emory, Director

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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

Miller Neck Tract  
Deer, Furbearers, and Small Game Hunting



- |               |                    |                        |
|---------------|--------------------|------------------------|
| Wildlife Area | Maintained Roadway | Check Station          |
| CAP Exempt    | Deer Stand         | Wildlife Viewing Tower |
| CAP Required  | HD Deer Stand      | Boat Ramp              |
|               | Area Headquarters  |                        |



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**DEER, FURBEARERS & SMALL GAME HUNTING**  
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4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

**A. Archery**

1. Archery hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges, safety zones and on impoundment dikes. Hunters must register for a zone at designated tag boards and indicate the nearest stand to their hunting location.
2. Archery hunters must register through the daily lottery and hunt from the state-built stands during any overlapping firearm deer season.
3. Archery hunting is closed on the Miller Neck Tract on the special Youth Deer Hunt days.
4. Archery hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.

**B. Firearm – Muzzleloader, Shotgun, Handgun**

1. A Wildlife Area Deer Stand / Waterfowl Blind Lottery Permit is required to hunt during all firearm deer seasons.
2. Stands issued by lottery at the Assawoman Check Station.
3. Drawings held 1 ½ hours before sunrise (2 hours before sunrise during November shotgun season). Stands not issued through lottery are available on a self-signup basis.

4. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season. Archery hunting is allowed during this season in accordance with state and area laws.
5. Refuge stands (R1-R10) are open on Mondays and Fridays of all firearm seasons beginning on the first Monday of November shotgun season.
6. Only one firearm permitted per deer stand.
7. Deer drives are permitted on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday only between 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM by parties of 6 or fewer hunters.
8. Handgun hunting permitted during the January handgun season. Refuge stands will not be open.
9. Disabled deer hunting locations are available for non-ambulatory hunters authorized to hunt from a vehicle (HD1-HD4). These locations will not be open on days when refuge stands are being hunted. For reservations call 539-3160. All non-ambulatory hunters must be accompanied by an assistant.
10. Disabled deer stands equipped with stairs (4, 16, 33, 56) are available for hunters possessing a Disabled Hunter Permit. If not filled by disabled hunters, these stands are available during general lottery.
11. Hunters are permitted to use designated established roadways to retrieve harvested deer between the hours of 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM and from ½ hour after sunset – 9:00 PM.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

**A. Small Game**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.
2. All small game hunters must sign in and return a completed harvest data card available at the Assawoman Check Station.
3. Gray squirrel hunting permitted.
4. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
5. Hunting prohibited within posted refuges and safety zones and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
6. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28 .

**B. Furbearers**

1. No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights awarded through competitive bids. Call (302) 739-9912 for bidding information.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

## Miller Neck Tract Waterfowl & Gamebird Hunting



Wildlife Area



Refuge



CAP Exempt



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Maintained Roadway



Waterfowl Blind



HD Waterfowl Blind



Waterfowl Blind Site



Area Headquarters



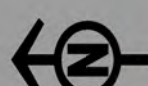
Check Station



Wildlife Viewing Tower



Boat Ramp



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**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

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- 3. All hunting from state-built blinds only.
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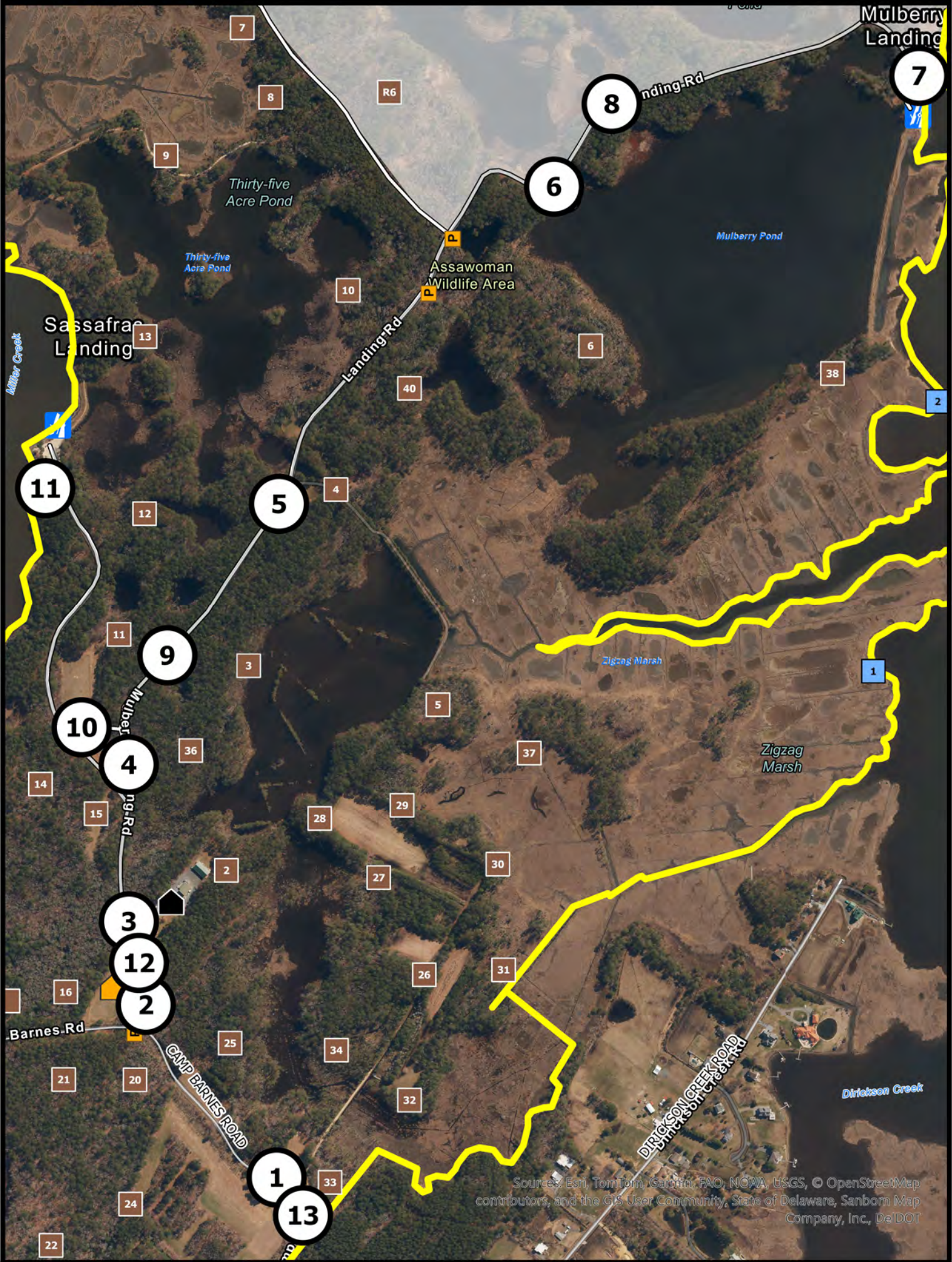
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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

## Automobile Tour



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- Wildlife Area
- CAP Exempt
- CAP Required
- Maintained Roadway

- Area Headquarters
- Check Station
- Wildlife Viewing Tower

- Auto Tour Stop
- Boat Ramp



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Welcome to one of the busiest Wildlife Areas in Delaware. Here on the **Assawoman Wildlife Area** the needs of the animals and plants come first, human outdoor recreation comes second.

**Wildlife areas are managed for the needs of native plants and animals.** Most management efforts relate to habitat protection and enhancement. Several rare plants grow in the wet woods. The ponds are managed for waterbirds, such as waterfowl, wading birds, and shorebirds. Ospreys and bald eagles live along the Little Assawoman Bay. These diverse groups of animals and their habitats have one thing in common – the need of critical habitat protection. That's called putting the "wild" back into "Wildlife Area".

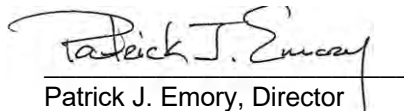
An interpretive tour was developed to help explain management techniques on **Assawoman Wildlife Area**. Brochures are available at the starting point near the main entrance sign.

Please respect our efforts and abide by the rules. Enjoy your visit.

**Special Note:** The road may be closed without notice on days with precipitation in excess of one inch (1"). When the road is dry enough to prevent pothole formation, the road is opened as soon as possible. During a temporary road closure you are free to hike the roads. Thanks for your patience.

**REGULATIONS (Please see Assawoman General Overview and Hunting maps for additional rules and regulations)**

1. State regulations **prohibit the use of non-registered vehicles** on any wildlife area. All other vehicles must use only designated roads, not exceed 20 M.P.H., and not make excessive noise.
2. No person may **trespass into areas closed** by the Division.
3. **Area is closed from on-half hour after sunset to one-half hour before sunrise unless legally hunting or fishing.** You must leave promptly at sunset, and not wait until last light.
4. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas. Target shooting is prohibited. Call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at 302-323-5333.
5. **No dumping or littering.** State Wildlife Areas are **Designated Carry In-Carry out Trash Disposal Areas**. Please take your refuse home with you.
6. Horses may be used **only on established roads open to vehicular traffic**.
7. **No camping or swimming** without special authorization.
8. **Dogs must be properly licensed and must be leashed at all times** unless lawfully hunting. Please remove your dog's feces from the ground and dispose of it properly.
9. Pavilion use is first come, first served. No reservations are accepted.
10. **All fish caught from Memorial Pond must be released to that pond immediately.**

  
Patrick J. Emory, Director

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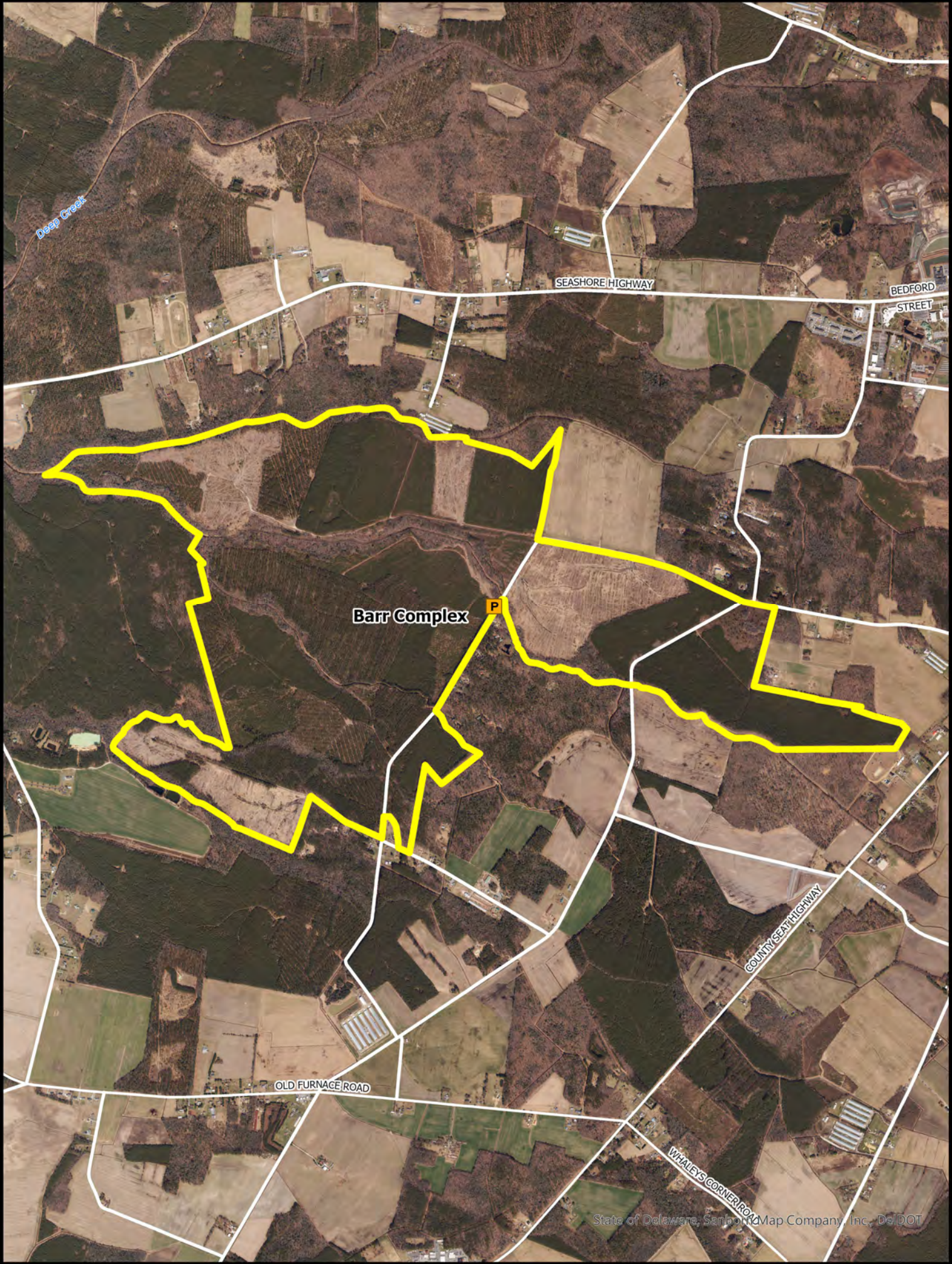
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# INDUSTRIAL FOREST LAND BARR COMPLEX

General Overview



Wildlife Area



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2. Entry permitted between ½ hour before sunrise and ½ hour after sunset unless lawfully hunting, fishing, or boating.
3. All lands administered by the Division are Carry-In / Carry-Out.
4. The following activities are prohibited on State Wildlife Areas:
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  - Allowing dogs to run off leash. See **#16** for dog training information.
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  - Posting signs, banners, or notices of any type
  - Vending or soliciting of any type.
  - Placing caches or letterboxes.
  - Cutting, injuring, or removing trees, shrubs, wildflowers, ferns, mosses, other plants, or firewood.
  - Collecting and/or removing any wildlife species unless lawfully hunting, trapping, or fishing.
  - Operating unlicensed vehicles or any other motorized vehicle (including motorized bicycles) off established roadways or driving in excess of 20 MPH on wildlife area roads.
  - Parking in a manner that blocks access to a road, trail, or boat ramp. Violators will be towed at owner's expense.
  - Leaving a vehicle or trailer unattended over 24 hours.
  - Deployment and/or use of trail cameras.
5. Horses and bicycles (including electric bicycles) may only be ridden on roads or trails that have been designated by the Division on current area maps.

**HUNTING/TRAPPING**

6. Hunting permitted in accordance with state laws, regulations, and rules as specified on current wildlife area maps.
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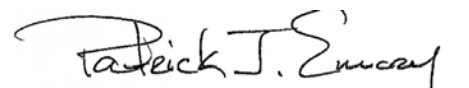
9. No more than six (6) hunters may participate in driving deer at any one time.
10. Hunting is prohibited on all Division dikes and walking on dikes is prohibited during all waterfowl seasons.
11. Entering tidal and/or impounded waters managed by the Division is prohibited during the waterfowl season unless lawfully hunting or trapping.
12. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms.
13. Firearms are allowed except for designated prohibited areas; the Division may authorize firearm possession in designated prohibited areas.
14. The discharge of any firearm including paintball guns, air rifles, bows, and crossbows is prohibited unless lawfully hunting. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
15. Trapping is prohibited except by valid permit holders.

**DOG TRAINING**

16. Dog training is prohibited except:
  - Within established dog training areas;
  - During the open hunting season for the game that the dog is being trained to hunting; and,
  - In accordance with rules established on current area maps.

**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
Patrick J. Emory, Director

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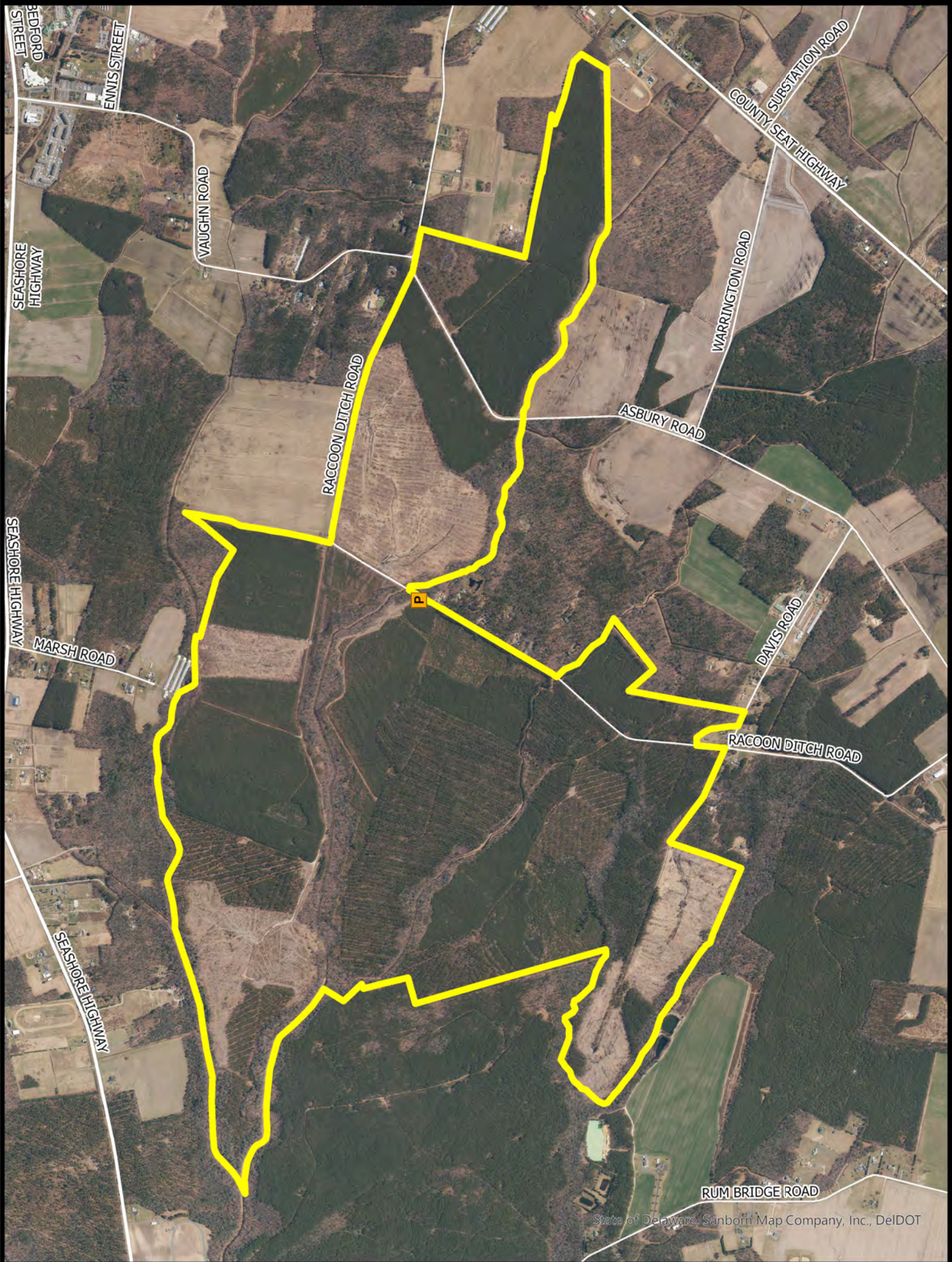
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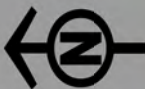
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**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.

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3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
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**B. Furbearers**

1. Public trapping is permitted with a valid permit issued by the Division. Limited permits available. For more information, visit <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/fish-wildlife/hunting/furbearers/> or call (302) 739-9912.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
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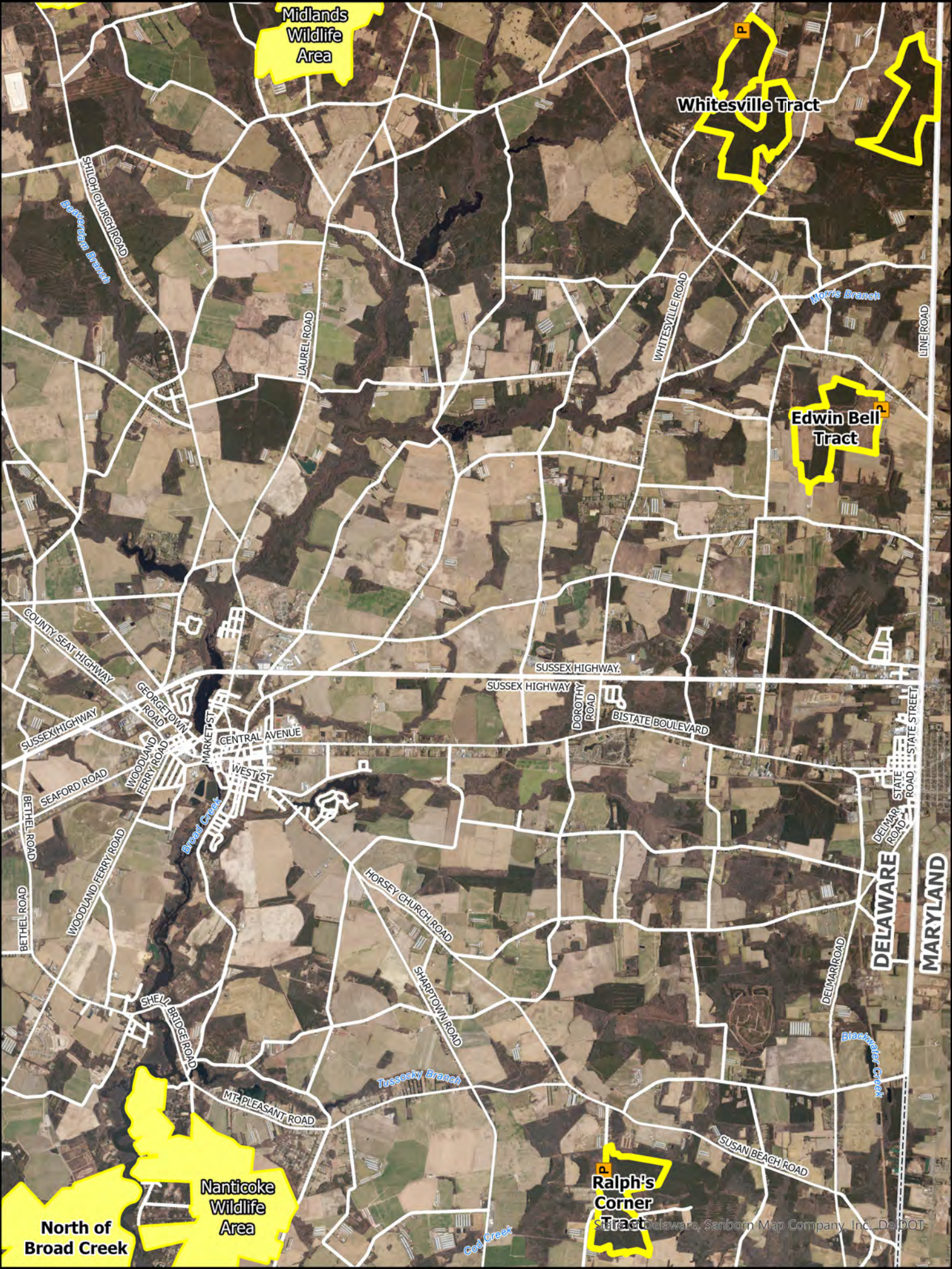
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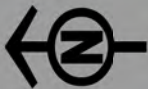


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General Overview



- Wildlife Area
- CAP Required
- State Line



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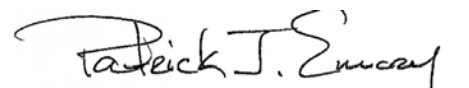
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**FISHING/CRABBING**

17. Licensed fishing in any Division-managed wildlife area pond is prohibited from September 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season except as permitted according to area-specific rules established on current area maps.
18. Crabbing or fishing on or from any dike or water control structure or within any impoundment is prohibited at all times.

  
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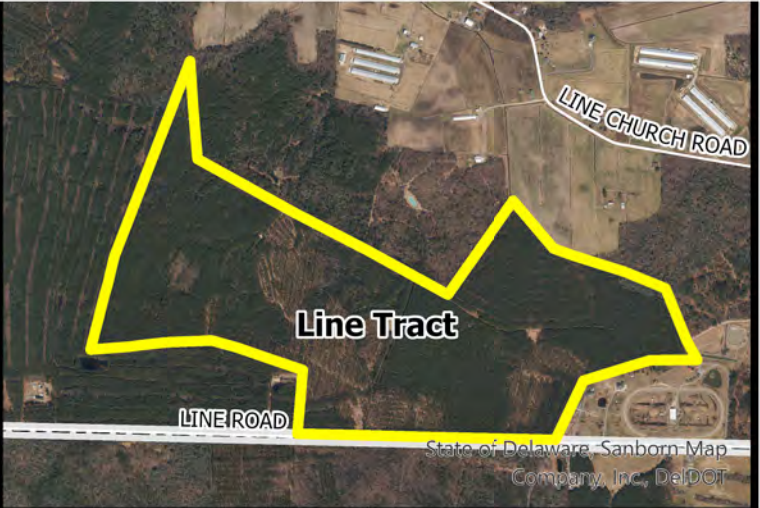
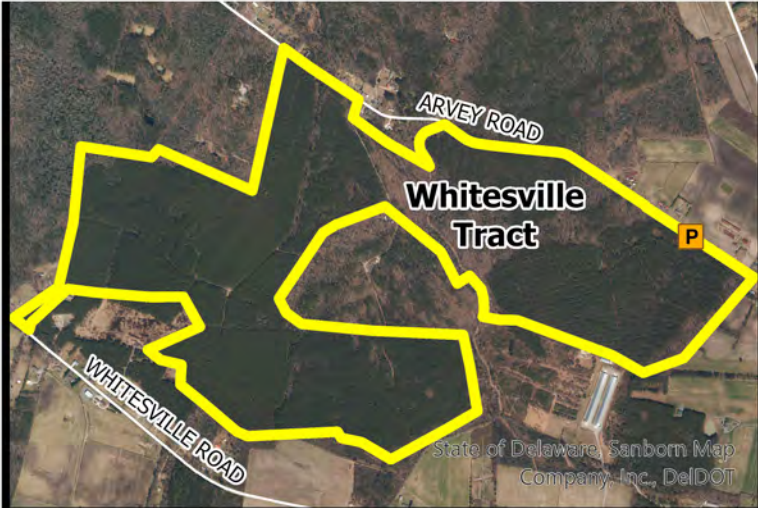
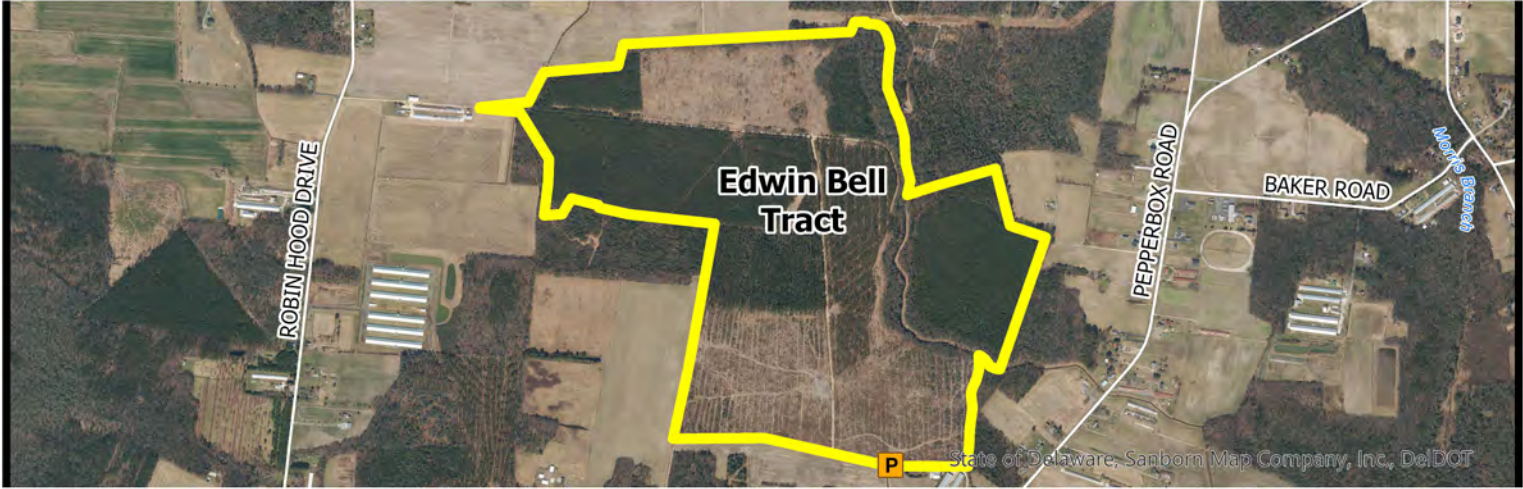
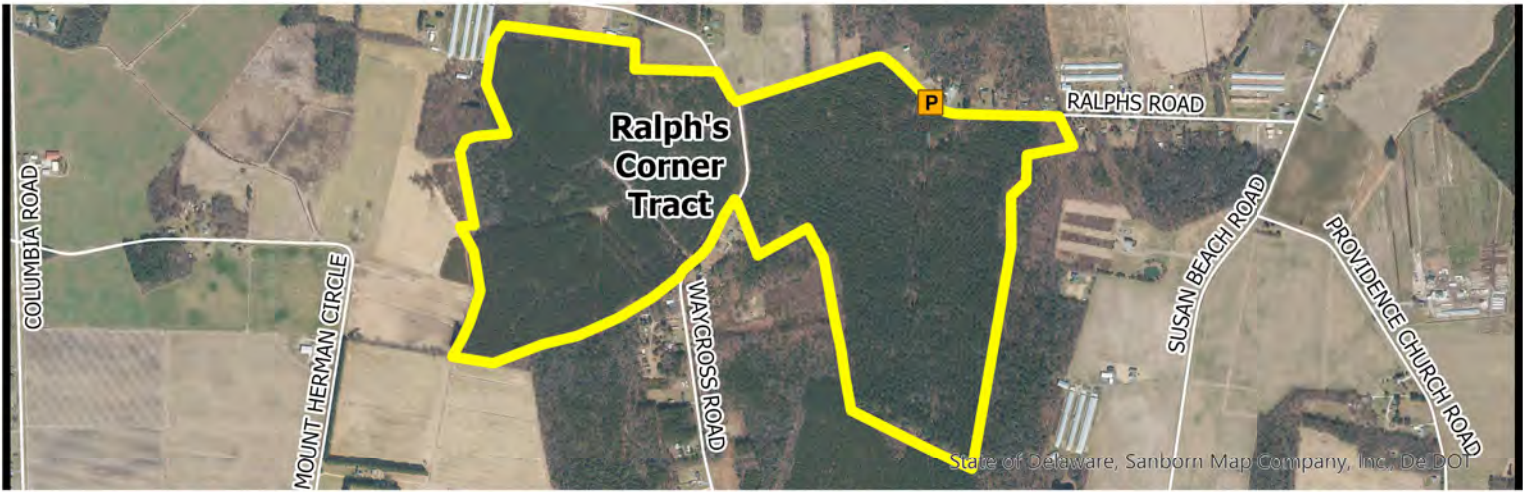
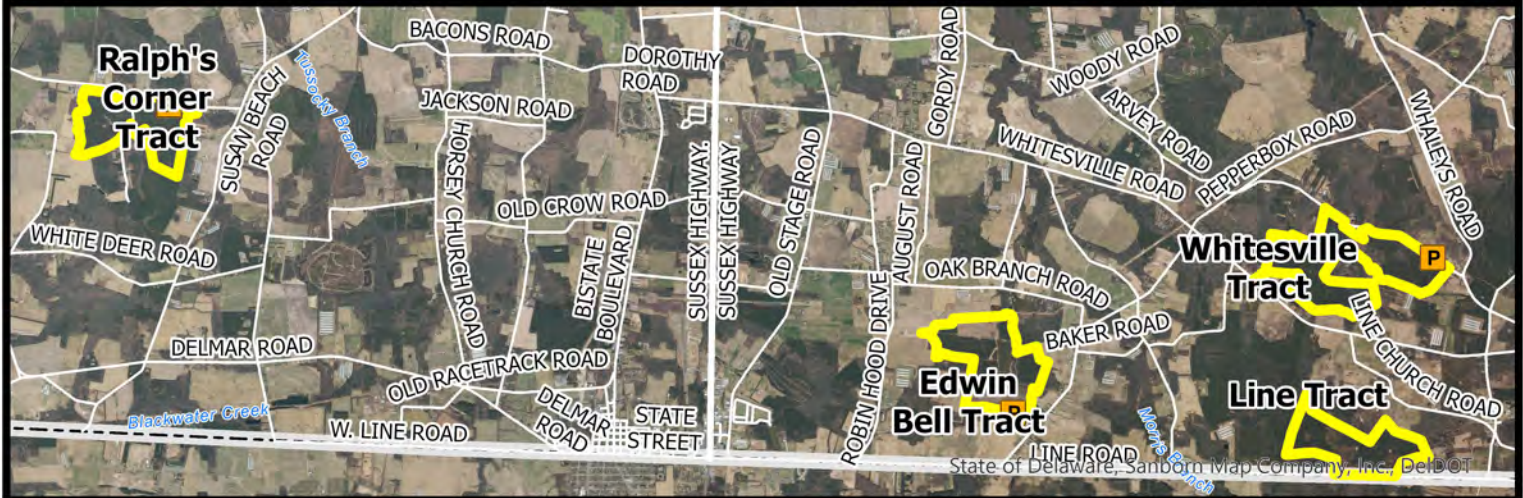
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# INDUSTRIAL FOREST LAND

Laurel Complex  
Deer, Furbearers, Small Game,  
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Wildlife Area  
 CAP Required

State Line



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**INDUSTRIAL FOREST LANDS**  
**Barr & Laurel Complexes**  
**Effective July 1, 2025 – June 30, 2026**

Persons may use state wildlife areas only as directed by the following rules, which have been established by Wildlife Regulations 3900 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code. A Conservation Access Pass (CAP) is required for any registered motor vehicle used to access designated public lands owned or managed by the Division of Fish & Wildlife. For more information go to <https://de.gov/fw> or call (302) 739-9912. Please refer to the **General Overview** map for additional access and allowable use information.

**GENERAL**

1. Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of hunting privileges on state wildlife areas for up to one year.
2. Persons who possess, consume, or are under the influence of drugs or alcoholic beverages are prohibited from hunting or possessing firearms on Division Lands.
3. Failure to accurately complete and return harvest data cards may result in loss of hunting privileges.
4. Firearms may not be discharged outside of established hunting seasons. Target shooting is prohibited at any time.
5. All hunters installing temporary deer stands and/or blinds to remain on-site overnight are required to obtain a free registration number at <https://de.gov/fw> or by calling (302) 739-9912. The registration number must be legibly displayed on all stands and/or blinds.

**DEER HUNTING**

Sunday deer hunting permitted. See Sunday Deer Hunting maps for open areas and hunting implement restrictions.

1. Deer hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.
2. This area **IS OPEN** for the special October antlerless firearms season.
3. Deer hunters may use temporary portable stands. No permanent deer stands, platforms, ladders, or blinds may be constructed. No screw-in steps, tree spikes, screws, or nails are allowed. All parts of a temporary portable deer stand must be removed at the end of each day's hunt unless registered with the Division.
4. The Division is not responsible for theft or damage to any temporary stand and placement of a temporary stand does not give the stand owner any exclusive hunting rights to that area.
5. Deer drives are permitted between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM. No more than 6 hunters may participate in deer drives.
6. Handguns are permitted during the November and January shotgun seasons and during the January handgun season.

**UPLAND HUNTING**

1. Small game hunters must display at least 400 square inches of blaze orange while hunting on State Wildlife Areas.

2. Small game hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones, and dogs are not permitted to enter refuges for any reason.
3. Rabbit hunting closed the week before and the week of December antlerless deer season and during the January shotgun deer season.
4. Rabbit dogs may be trained only on the following Sundays: September 7, 14, 21, 28.

**B. Furbearers**

1. Public trapping is permitted with a valid permit issued by the Division. Limited permits available. For more information, visit <https://dnrec.delaware.gov/fish-wildlife/hunting/furbearers/> or call (302) 739-9912.
2. Raccoon hunting permitted from Sept 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. Red fox and coyote may be harvested in season while hunting other game species per these map regulations and may be hunted during the month of February according to applicable state laws.
4. No fox chasing permitted during any deer firearm season or prior to 1:00 PM during turkey season.

**WATERFOWL HUNTING**

1. Waterfowl hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.

**DOVE HUNTING**

1. Only nontoxic shot may be possessed while hunting doves during the early season.
2. Dove hunting permitted anywhere except within refuges and safety zones.

**TURKEY HUNTING**

1. Turkey hunting by permit only. Permits awarded through preseason lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for application.

**Harvesting or attempting to harvest Northern Bobwhite Quail is prohibited.**

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