Upper Delta WMA Gate Closure Protocol

Swamp road gate is subject to closure with little notice when flooding is forecast.

The gate is locked when tailwater reading at Cleburne Lock and Dam on the Alabama River is approaching 21 feet.

Gate is opened after water level recedes, road has dried out, and any needed repairs are completed.

Call the District V office at 251-626-5474 for updates.

Link to obtain tailwater reading and forecast from NOA website is: http://water.weather.gov/ahps2/hydrograph.php?wfo=mox&state=al

You can google "Cleburne Hydrograph" or call 1-888-771-4601 for water level information.
UPPER DELTA WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
(Baldwin & Mobile Counties)
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE AND FRESHWATER HUNTING REGULATIONS - September 2019 - August 2020

PERMITS:
A season permit is required for all hunting and is valid for all game species and seasons listed on permit. Permits may be obtained at self-service permit box located on Area Off St. Luke Church Road and from the Division of Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries Office, 30571 Five Rivers Boulevard, Spanish Fort, between the hours of 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM Monday-Friday, or by writing to the Baldwin County Five Rivers, PO Box 405, Daphne, AL 36526. Include a self-addressed and stamped envelope and you will be notified of permit in the mail. A written permit to hunt big game and small game.

NOTE:
1. A State Hunting License, Wildlife Management Area (WMA) License and a wildlife management area permit are required when hunting deer, turkey, or waterfowl in a wildlife management area. For residents, a State hunting license or Wildlife Heritage License (residents only) and WMA permit are required for hunting small game, except waterfowl on wildlife management areas. Nonresidents must possess a wildlife management area license in addition to a hunting license and WMA permit to hunt big game and small game.
2. Youth hunters on deer and turkey hunts must be less than 16 years of age. Supervisors must be 21 years old or older, or a parent, and must be properly licensed. The use of age set-up for supervisors at all times.
3. Individuals ages 16 through 64 that utilize the range on Upper Delta WMA are required to possess a valid Wildlife Heritage License, State hunting license, WMA license, or resident annual freshwater fishing license.
4. All untagged deer seasons size limits apply to all deer hunting seasons.
5. Administrators of the hunt shall have the right to direct the distribution of the hunters and to inspect all vehicles or other equipment while on the areas. The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and landowners, who are making the hunting possible, hereby put each hunter on notice that he is at his own risk and the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and such landowners shall not be responsible for any accidents or injuries that may occur.

HUNTING DATES:
DEER:

Zone A & B:

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<td>Mar. 21 – May 3 (Daylight until 1:00 p.m.)</td>
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<td>ZONE A:</td>
<td>State Season (1/4 hour before sunrise to 1:00 p.m.)</td>
<td>No hunting on days of youth, gun, dog and primitive weapons deer hunts.</td>
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<td>BOBCAT, COYOTE, FERAL-SWINE &amp; FOX</td>
<td>Open during any other scheduled WMA Hunting Season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. No Dogs Allowed.</td>
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<td>FURBEARER TRAPPING (excluding feral swine)</td>
<td>Nov. 2 – Feb. 29.</td>
<td>Trapping permits must be obtained from Area Biologist. All trappers must wear hunter’s orange while trapping on days of gun deer hunts.</td>
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BAG LIMITS:
Dr - Deer - Bucks only hunts with bare antlers visible above natural hairline - 1 day (3 must be present on one side); (excludes sheep) - 2 a day, only, one untagged deer and one antlered buck; Waterfowl - see federal regulations; Dove - 15 a day; Squirrel - 8 a day; Rabbit - 8 a day; Stove - 8 a day; Racoon - 5 per person per day; Opossum - No Limit; Black Bear - 1 deer; Fox, Badger - 1 deer. |

PERMITTED FIREARMS, BOW AND ARROW, & Falconry:
Dr: Deer Hunts: As defined in Alabama Regulations legal arms and ammunition in 220-2.02(2), (excluding buckshot) and archery equipment in 220-2.03. |
Dog Hunts: Buckshot Only. |
Wildlife: Using only muzzle loading rifles .40 caliber or larger, muzzle loading shotguns, air-powered guns .30 cal or larger, or archery equipment as defined in 220-2.03. |
Turkey: As defined in 220-2.02(2), except no center-fire pistols or shotguns allowed. |
Remaining of Seasons: Legal arms and ammunition as defined in 220-2.02 and archery equipment in 220-2.03. |
Trapping: As defined in 220-2.02(1), except no .22 magnum is allowed. |
Falconry will be legal on all AREA scheduled hunts for legally permitted falconers; following the dates those seasons are open on each AREA. |

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL:
1. To take, trap, seize, possess, point, fire firearms, ammunition, traps, or bow and arrow, except bow fishing equipment from Mar. 1-Aug. 31, without a valid permit. |
2. To use dogs for stalking deer or for turkey hunting. (Leashed dogs may be used for the express purpose of retrieving wounded deer; limited to two dogs per tracking event). |
3. To use dogs for hunting, training, or any purpose from end of small game season until August 31. |
4. For any person under 18 years of age to hunt on the management area unless accompanied by a properly licensed adult who is either 21 years old or older or the parent. |
5. For any person to possess or to carry in or on a vehicle, any firearm, and any firearm ammunition of any description, in a publicly accessible place on any public land managed by the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, except that firearms, and ammunition in the possession of persons lawfully licensed by the Department. |
6. To transport or to carry in or on a vehicle, any firearm, and any firearm ammunition of any description, except when lawfully licensed, in the possession of persons lawfully licensed by the Department. |
7. For any person except authorized personnel to block or otherwise stop traffic on any road or at any gate by parking a vehicle in a such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible. |
8. In cooperation with the Forever Wild Land Trust. |
9. To hunt from an elevated stand or platform without attaching themselves to the tree or platform with a full body safety harness capable of supporting their weight. |
10. To possess open alcoholic beverages outside designated camping areas. |
11. To use any firearm other than an air-soft rifle, .22 caliber or less, single shot muzzle loading rifle, or muzzle loading shotgun as defined in 220-2.02(2), to hunt any wildlife species except turkey, migratory birds and while hunting legally designated species during legal nighttime hours without wearing the minimum requirement of hunter orange as described in 220-2.02(5). |
12. To discharge firearms except as otherwise authorized to take specified species except archery equipment on any road or at any gate by parking a vehicle in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible. |
13. To operate any motor driven vehicle on power line or gas line rights-of-way. |
14. To use any firearm other than an air-soft rifle, .22 caliber or less, single shot muzzle loading rifle, or muzzle loading shotgun as defined in 220-2.02(2), to hunt any wildlife species except turkey, migratory birds and while hunting legally designated species during legal nighttime hours without wearing the minimum requirement of hunter orange as described in 220-2.02(5). |
15. To harvest wildlife or their nests, eggs, young, or hatchlings. |
16. To transport or to carry in or on a vehicle, any firearm, and any firearm ammunition of any description, except when lawfully licensed, in the possession of persons lawfully licensed by the Department. |
17. To violate any provision of this regulation. |
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24. Users should refer to WMA Regulation 220-2.55 for the complete list of WMA specific regulations.

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