

This map is your permit to hunt deer during the seven continuous day gun stalk deer hunt, feral hog (special season), and all other game in accordance with the seasons, rules, and regulations listed hereon. EXCEPT for gun deer, youth deer, youth turkey, and primitive weapons deer hunting. A separate permit will be issued at the checking station on the dates of these hunts. This permit must be signed and in your possession to be valid.

Signed _____
 Date _____
 A separate trapping permit will be issued by the area manager.

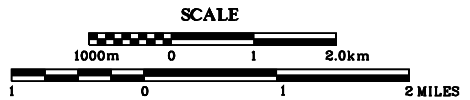
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- GRAVEL, STONE OR SOIL ROAD _____
- PAVED STATE ROUTE _____
- OTHER PAVED ROADS _____
- CATTLE GUARD _____
- GATE ACROSS ROAD _____
- BOAT LAUNCH OR DOCK _____
- WILDLIFE OPENING _____
- SCENIC SITE-OVERLOOK _____
- MANAGEMENT AREA BOUNDARY _____
- DEER ARCHERY ONLY _____
- DEER HUNTING RESTRICTED TO ARCHERY ONLY _____
- SAFETY ZONE _____
- PRIVATE LAND _____
- PRIMITIVE CAMPING _____
- CHECKING STATION (HEADQUARTERS) _____
- TARGET RANGE _____
- ROADSIDE PARK-PICNIC GROUND _____

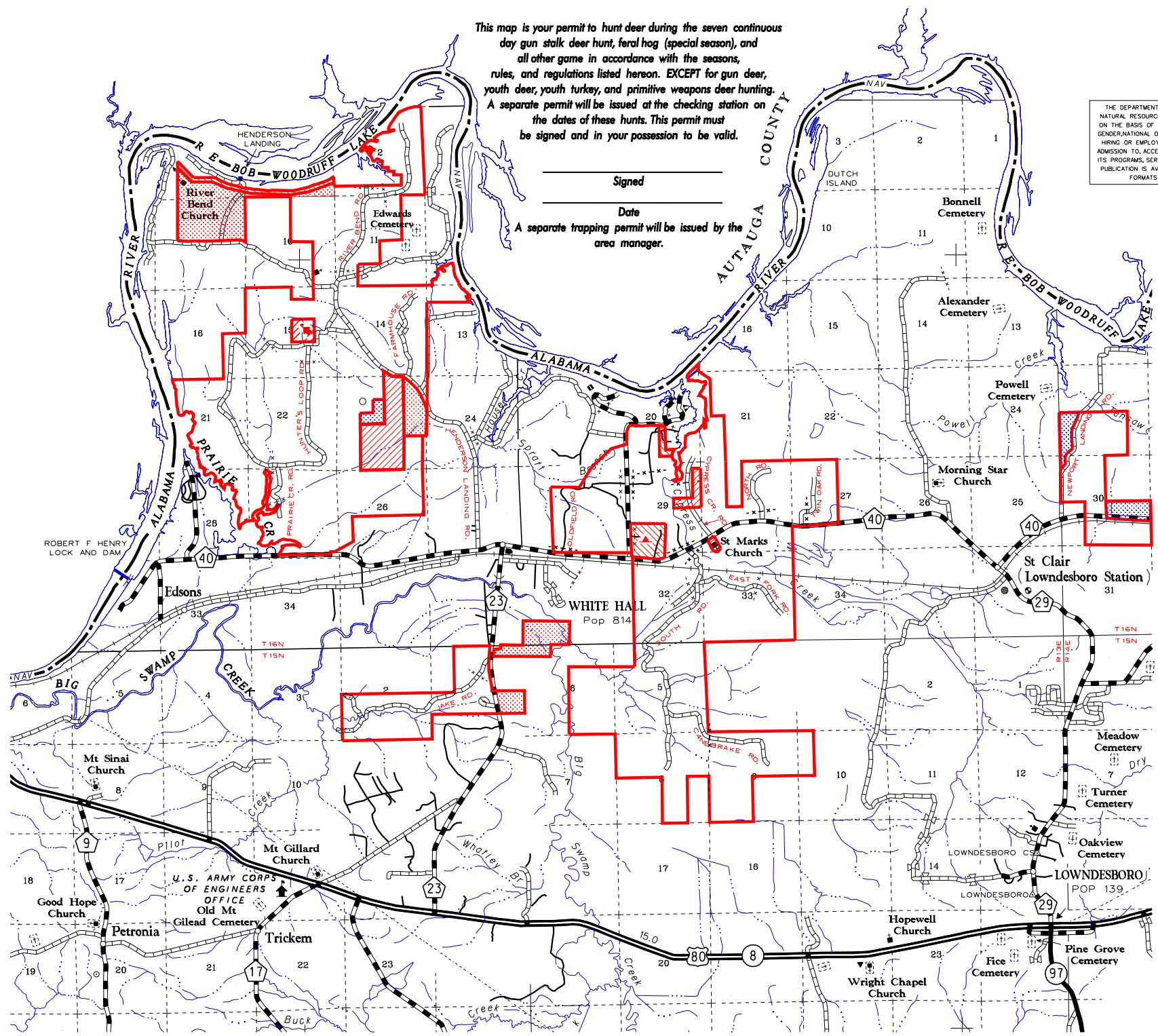
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LOWNDES WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA

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(Lowndes County)
ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES
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Hunting Regulations – August, 2008 – July, 2009

PERMITS: Season permits will be issued locally by St. Clair Grocery, County Road 29, St. Clair; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Assistant Resource Office, Hwy. 80, White Hall; Triple Spot, Co. Rd. 23, White Hall; Four Seasons, Owens Road, White Hall; Hall's Grocery, Old Selma Road, Montgomery; Shopper Stop # 145, Hwy. 80, Lowndesboro (open 7 days a week 24 hours a day); or by writing Area Biologist Chris Jaworowski, 154 Battlefield Road, Lowndesboro, AL 36752, or District IV Wildlife Office, 1820-C Glynwood Drive, Prattville, AL 36066, (334) 358-0035). All deer hunters (including archery during the gun deer hunts) shall be issued a hunting permit at the checking station located on Hunter's Loop Road off of Henderson Road. The checking station will be open no later than 5 a.m. Trapping permits may be obtained only from the Area Biologist. **On each of the buck only gun deer hunts, those hunters less than the age of 16 and all female hunters may harvest either-sex deer (except spotted fawns – one deer per day). Bucks must have a minimum of 3 points, 1 inch or greater, on at least one antler. NOTE: Statewide antlered buck bag limits apply to all WMAs.**

NOTE: On the Youth deer hunt, the 7-day gun deer hunt and special feral hog seasons, this map permit shall be your permit to hunt on the Lowndes WMA. This permit is valid for those days and must be in your possession. You do not check in or out at the check station. The check station will not be open during these hunts. Permits are available at the locations shown above. Deer harvested on the Youth Hunters' Choice deer hunt, the 7-day gun deer hunt and by archery must be recorded on the reporting form at the check station.

HUNTING DATES:

DEER:	(Youth)	<u>Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice:</u> Nov. 15-16 (except spotted fawns) two deer per day may be harvested, only one of which may be an antlered buck. (Note: No check-in required and buck antler restrictions do not apply to youths on this hunt).
	(Gun)	<u>Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice with buck antler restrictions:</u> Nov. 28-29; Dec. 6-13; Dec. 19-20 (except spotted fawns) two deer per day may be harvested, only one of which may be an antlered buck with a minimum of 3 points, 1 inch or greater on at least one antler.
	(Archery)	<u>Stalk Hunting Bucks only with buck antler restrictions:</u> Jan. 9-10; Jan 23-24. One buck per day may be harvested with bucks having a minimum of three points, 1 inch or greater, on at least one antler. <u>Stalk Hunting Hunters' Choice:</u> (except spotted fawns-one deer per day) Oct.15-Jan. 31. Bucks must have a minimum of 3 points, 1 inch or greater, on at least one antler. All archery harvested deer must be signed in at the check station.
TURKEY:	(Youth)	Note : All archery hunters must obtain deer permit on days of gun deer hunts; no hunting on dates of Youth Deer Hunt. Mar. 14 (Daylight until 1:00 P.M.). Must check in at check station.
	(Physically Disabled)	Mar. 15 (Daylight until 1:00 P.M.).
	(Gun)	Mar. 16-Apr. 30 (Daylight until 1:00 P.M.).
SQUIRREL:		Oct. 1-Feb.28 (except on days of gun and youth deer hunts).
QUAIL:		Nov.17-Feb. 28 (except on days of gun deer hunts).
RABBIT & CROW:		Oct. 1-Feb. 28 (except on days of gun and youth deer hunts).
RACCOON, OPOSSUM & FOX:		Sept.6-Feb. 28 (Nighttime hours only) (except on dates of gun and youth deer hunts). (Fox hunting - dogs only - no weapons).
BOBCAT & FOX:		(Daytime Only) Open during deer and turkey seasons in that county using weapons and ammunition for open legal seasons (No Dogs Allowed). only one Fox per day.
DOVE:		State season-Saturdays and Wednesdays only (12:00 noon until sunset) (except on days of gun and youth deer hunts).
WATERFOWL:		State season- Saturdays and Wednesdays only; (1/2 half hour before sunrise to sunset) (except on days of gun and youth deer hunts).
TRAPPING:		State Season (except on days of gun deer hunts).
FERAL SWINE: (Special Season)		Aug. 16-Sept. 5; Mar. 1-10, (South Road Area Only) Permitted Firearms & Bow and Arrow and Hunter Orange requirements; same as that for gun deer hunting on WMAs
FERAL SWINE:		Open during any other daylight season using weapons and ammunition approved for those hunts. (No dogs allowed).
WOODCOCK & SNIPE:		Dec. 18- Jan. 31 (except on days of gun deer hunts).

BAG LIMITS: Deer – All bucks (except on youth hunt) must have a minimum of 3 points, 1 inch or greater, on at least one antler – one a day; ***Hunters' Choice** gun deer hunts (except spotted fawns) two deer per day may be harvested only one of which may be an antlered buck with a minimum of 3 points, 1 inch or greater, on at least one antler.

Archery (either sex except spotted fawns – one deer per day- antlered bucks must have a minimum of 3 points, 1 inch or greater on at least one antler. **Turkey** (Gobblers only) - 1 a day; 5 per season; **Squirrel** - 8 a day; **Rabbit** - 8 a day; **Raccoon** - 5 per person per day; **Opossum** - No Limit; **Waterfowl** - State and Federal regulations apply; **Fox** – 1 a day; **Feral Swine** – No bag limit; **Quail** – 12 a day; **Dove** – 15 a day. Falconers may take migratory game birds (not more than 3 per day in aggregate combination) and resident game birds and animals following the bag limits listed above for firearms and archery.

PERMITTED FIREARMS, ARCHERY EQUIPMENT & FALCONRY:

Deer:	Stalk Hunts:	Centerfire rifles that have been plugged or otherwise incapable of holding more than 11 cartridges and using mushrooming and/or expanding type ammunition or shotguns using slugs only or muzzle loading rifles .40 caliber or larger, or centerfire handguns with a minimum 4 inch barrel length using mushrooming and/or expanding type ammunition. All applicable laws regarding possessing and carrying handguns must be followed.
	Archery:	Bow and arrow or crossbow.
Waterfowl:	Service:	Shotguns using steel shot only, T-size or smaller or other shot compositions and shot sizes that are approved by the U.S. Fish & Wildlife
Turkey:		Shotguns using No. 2 shot or smaller, bow and arrow.
Dove:		Shotguns using No. 2 shot or smaller.
Squirrel & Rabbit:		Shotguns using No. 4 shot or smaller, .22 caliber or smaller rimfire firearms, and muzzle loading rifles .40 caliber or smaller, or air rifles.
Quail:		Shotguns using No. 4 shot or smaller.
Raccoon & Opossum		(Daylight Hours) Shotguns using No. 4 shot or smaller and .22 caliber or smaller rimfire firearms only. (Nighttime Hours) State Law and Regulations apply.
Fox:		No weapons allowed.

Falconry will be legal on all AREA scheduled hunts for legally permitted falconers, following the dates those seasons are open on each AREA. On all scheduled hunts except fox hunting, bow & arrow will be legal, (Crossbows will be legal to hunt with from Oct. 15 – Jan 31 only). Broadhead points will be legal only during scheduled deer, special feral hog and turkey hunts. Bows & arrows, and crossbows must conform with State Regulations on specification. **WHEN ARCHERY HUNTING, IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL FOR ANY PERSON TO CARRY OR POSSESS ANY FIREARMS.**

Trapping: .22 caliber or smaller rimfire firearms during daylight hours only. Trappers must conform with all state laws and regulations pertaining to trapping.

IT SHALL BE UNLAWFUL:

- To hunt, trap, use dogs, possess firearms, ammunition, traps or bow and arrow, or crossbow except bow fishing equipment from March 1-August 31, without a valid permit. A permit is valid only during scheduled management and refuge area seasons during legal hunting hours and only with weapons and ammunition permitted for hunting the wildlife listed on permit.
- To use dogs for stalk hunting of deer or for turkey hunting.
- To use dogs for hunting, training or any purpose from March 1 to the opening of the following fall gun season.
- For any person under 16 years of age to hunt on the management area unless accompanied by a licensed hunter at all times.
- For any person to carry firearms in or on vehicle with ammunition in the magazine, breech or clip attached to firearms, or black powder weapons with primer, cap or flash powder in place, or cocked crossbow.
- To kill or willfully molest any species of wildlife except those designated for hunting. However, this regulation shall not apply to bobcat, fox, feral swine or coyote which may be killed during all scheduled management area hunts, during daylight hours only, when possessing a valid permit and using weapons and ammunition that are legal for such designated hunts. Only one (1) fox per day may be harvested.
- To discharge fireworks at any time.
- To discharge firearms for target practice.
- To hunt or discharge firearms within 150 yards of any camping area, dwelling, dam or timber operation, or within 100 yards of any public road, highway, or within a posted safety zone, upon or across a railroad right-of-way, or within one-half mile of a church on Sunday.
- To use fire to smoke out game.
- For any person except authorized personnel to operate any motor driven vehicle behind, under or around any locked gate, barricaded road or sign which prohibits vehicular traffic; or to ride or possess horses except on roads and trails open to four-wheel motorized vehicles or on roads and trails or in areas designated as open to horses.
- For any unauthorized person at any time to operate a motor scooter, motorcycle, trail bike, or any motor driven vehicle on the management area except on regularly used roads open for public use by four-wheel vehicle traffic.
- For any person to hunt deer or feral swine on days of scheduled gun, youth deer hunts and special feral swine seasons without wearing a vest containing a minimum 144 square inches of hunter orange color, or either a full size hunter orange hat or cap. The hunter orange must be of solid color, except for a small logo on the front of the cap, and visible from any angle.
- For any person except authorized personnel to block or otherwise stop traffic on any road by parking a vehicle in such a way that passage around the vehicle is impossible.
- To deposit, distribute or scatter grain, salt, litter, or any other materials on management area prior to receiving approval from the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources.
- For any person to damage or remove any trees, crop or other plants, dirt, gravel or sod from management area without legal authorization.
- To erect or use a permanent tree stand or scaffold on management area without written permission from the landowners.
- To hunt from an elevated stand or platform without attaching themselves to the tree or platform with a safety harness, rope, or strap capable of supporting their weight.
- To camp in the management area except in designated sites. Individuals or groups may camp on the management area for a period not to exceed nine (9) days in any 30-day period. Campfires must be extinguished before departing. No warming fires shall be permitted away from camping area.
- To cross private property to retrieve wounded game without first obtaining written permission from landowner.
- To violate any posted restrictions on entry, hunting, fishing, or other conduct.

NOTE: Administrators of the hunt shall have the right to distribute 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 hunts 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.**

A State hunting license*, management area map permit and Wildlife Management Area (WMA) License* are required when hunting deer, turkey or waterfowl on any wildlife management area.

*A Wildlife Heritage License is valid in lieu of State Hunting and WMA Licenses on a WMA for all small game hunting, except waterfowl.

YOUTH HUNT: Youth must be less than 16 years old. Supervisors must be 25 years old or older, or a parent and must be properly licensed and remain within arms length of youth at all times.