



# Keechi Creek Wildlife Management Area 2023-2024 E-Postcard Archery

## Background

Keechi Creek Wildlife Management Area (KCWMA) is located in northeastern Leon County and lies within the Post Oak Savannah Ecological Region. The area contains 1,500 acres of mostly bottomland hardwood forest at the confluence of Keechi and Buffalo creeks. The area was purchased primarily for the preservation of bottomland hardwoods and for use as a waterfowl management area. It was the first non-coastal waterfowl habitat acquired in part with Texas Waterfowl Stamp funds.

## Reporting/Orientation

**When:** 11:00 a.m. on the first day of the hunt for sign-in and mandatory orientation at 12:00 p.m. Hunters must contact the WMA as soon as possible if they are unable to attend their accepted hunt. **Hunters arriving late will forfeit their position on the hunt. No exceptions will be made.**

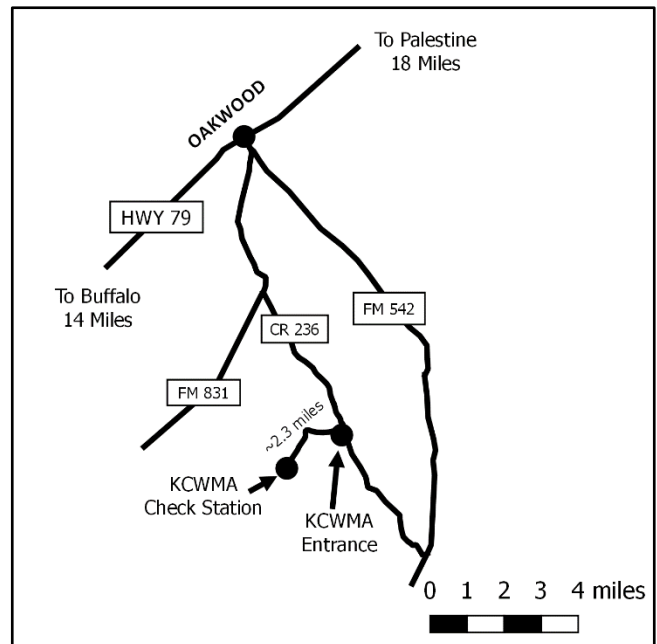
**Where:** From Oakwood take FM 542 south 0.4 miles to FM 831. Take FM 831 west 4.3 miles to CR 236. Take CR 236 south 4.8 miles to WMA sign and gate. Take the easement another 2.3 miles to the WMA entrance.

**Preparation:** Hunters should bring their valid Texas Hunting License, Annual Public Hunting Permit and any required stamp as required by statute. Please have equipment sighted-in prior to your arrival at the WMA. Hunters will be required to tag harvested deer with their license tags. Hunters are exempt from hunter orange requirements on archery only hunts. ATV and ORV use is allowed. Hunt ends at sunset on the last day.

## Check Station

**Hours:** Check station hours for each hunt period will be explained during the mandatory orientation.

**Facilities:** A skinning rack is available. No onsite water, electricity or cold storage is available.



**Check In/Check Out:** All hunters must check in/out with WMA personnel as explained in the orientation.

## **Late Comers**

**Check-In:** No latecomers will be accepted on E-postcard Archery Hunts. Hunters that do not arrive by the 12:00 p.m. mandatory orientation will forfeit their position on the hunt. **No exceptions will be made.**

## **Hunting Conditions**

**Vehicles:** Transportation to and from the assigned hunting compartment will be the responsibility of the hunter. Hunters should come prepared to travel 1-2 miles to reach their hunting compartment. All-terrain vehicle (ATV) and off-road vehicle (ORV) use is allowed. ATV and ORV use is restricted to designated, existing trails.

**Stands:** Elevated, portable stands which do not damage trees are encouraged. Stands will not be provided by KCWMA.

**Youth Supervision:** Youth under 17 are required to be under the immediate supervision of an authorized supervising adult, 18 or older, who possesses a valid Texas hunting license and Annual Public Hunting Permit. Youth under 12 years old must remain within normal voice distance of the supervising adult. For youth 12 to 16 years of age who have received hunter education certification, the requirement for immediate supervision is relaxed to the extent that the supervising adult is required only to be present on the public hunting unit. The supervising adult is responsible for the actions and liability of the youth.

**Baiting:** Baiting is allowed.

**Bag Limits:** 1 WTD Either Sex & Unlimited Feral Hogs. Legal bucks must have one unbranched antler or a main beam spread equal to or greater than 13 inches.

## **Camping Facilities**

A primitive campground is located at the entrance to KCWMA. No facilities are available at the WMA.

## **Other Information**

The area is closed to the general public during E-Postcard Archery Hunts. Non-hunting guest **may** be allowed depending on availability and safety concerns. Contact KCWMA Headquarters for more information.

Standby positions **may** be available. Contact KCWMA Headquarters for availability. If you have any further questions, you may contact the KCWMA Headquarters at (903) 389-7080.