# **How to Apply for a Lottery Hunt**

Applications for lottery issued permits will be accepted from September 1 until 4 pm on September 30, 2013.

Mail the following information on a standard  $8.5 \times 11$  inch sheet of paper to:

Bayou Cocodrie NWR **Attn: Hunt Application** 3391 Poole Road Vidalia, LA 71373

- Hunt type
- (Youth I, II or III, Lottery Gun, Special Access)
- Your name
- Complete mailing address
- Phone number
- Application fee \$5 (money order only; excludes youth and special access applications)
- Unit (Brooks Brake, Wallace Lake, Hoover Slough, Cross Bayou or Headquarters)
- Signature
- Each individual may only apply once
- Groups (up to five individuals) may apply for the Lottery Gun hunt only by providing accurate and complete information for each individual on the same sheet of paper. This includes a signature from each person.
- Lottery Hunt Permits are non-transferrable.

Signs are useful tools in regulating the use of refuge lands within the exterior boundary of Bayou Cocodrie NWR. Please observe all signs and become familiar with refuge boundaries to improve the quality of your visit to the refuge. Please be respectful of lands adjacent to the refuge by avoiding trespassing on private land. The wording of the sign applies to the area behind the sign.

### Please respect the following signs:



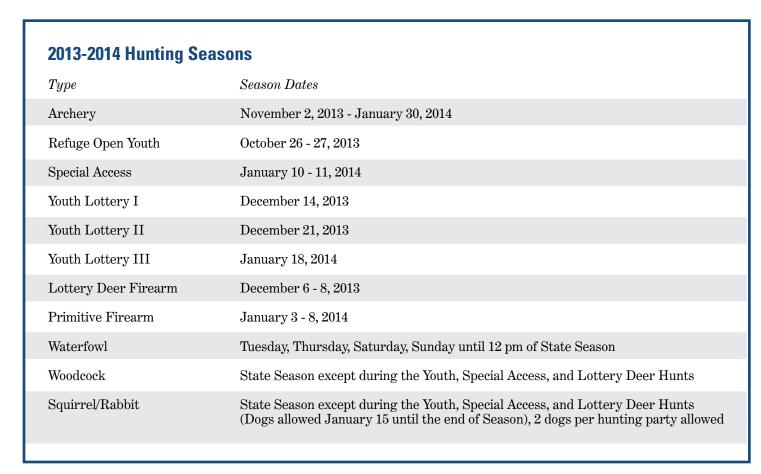
This sign delineates the refuge boundary. Always know the regulations before entering.



All hunting and possession of any weapon is prohibited beyond this sign.



This area is closed to all public entry. Exceptions stated on sign.



Feral hogs are an invasive nuisance species which cause degradation to the habitat and compete with native wildlife for food. Holders of a legal hunting license and refuge mit may take hogs with the approp weapon during hunting season. Hunters are encouraged to dispatch all hogs seen during hunting season. Please record all hogs dispatched on the Daily Use Reporting cards for Refuge management purposes.

## **Threatened Louisiana Black Bears**

Please be aware that the threatened Louisiana black bear listed under provisions of the Endangered Species Act of 1973 occurs throughout the refuge. Numerous conservation agencies have worked cooperatively in an effort to restore this majestic species.

Because feral hogs and black bears can be difficult to distinguish in heavy cover, it is critical that all hunters positively identify their target before they attempt to harvest a feral hog. It is unlawful for anyone to take, harass, disturb, etc., any Louisiana black bear. Criminal penalty: up to \$50,000 fine and one year imprisonment.

## **Bayou Cocodrie Vicinity Map**

