MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES, AND PARKS
DIVISION OF ENFORCEMENT, WILDLIFE AND FISHERIES
POST OFFICE BOX 451
JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39205

PUBLIC NOTICE NUMBER W16 3462

TO: The Honorable Delbert Hosemann
Secretary of State
Post Office Box 136
Jackson, MS 39205
AND
ALL INTERESTED PERSONS

The Mississippi Commission on Wildlife, Fisheries and Parks, at a meeting in Jackson, Mississippi on August 2, 2010, under authority of Section 25-43-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, did adopt the following wildlife management area regulations for the 2010-11 hunting year. This was done under authority of Sections 49-5-13 and 49-7-31, Mississippi Code of 1972.

Be it ordered that Public Notice Number W15 3462 is hereby repealed, and the following 2010-11 wildlife management area hunting regulations are adopted.

2010-2011 Regulations for
Red Creek Wildlife Management Area

George, Jackson, and Stone Counties

SPECIES	OPENING DATE	CLOSING DATE	COMMENTS
DEER			For deer hunting regulations see DEER DATA COLLECTION, LEGAL BUCKS, AREA DESCRIPTIONS, and DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
Archery	Oct. 15	Nov. 19	Does and legal bucks.
Youth Gun	Nov. 13	Nov. 19	Does and legal bucks.
Gun	Nov. 20	Dec. 1	Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Dec. 2	Dec. 15	Does and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 16	Dec. 23	Does and legal bucks.
Gun	Dec. 24	Jan. 19	Legal bucks only.
Primitive Weapon	Jan. 20	Feb. 15	Legal bucks only.
YOUTH TURKEY	Mar. 5	Mar. 11	
TURKEY	Mar. 12	Apr. 30	
YOUTH SQUIRREL	Oct. 23	Oct. 29	
SQUIRREL	Oct. 30	Feb. 28	
RACCOON	Jul. 2	Sep. 25	Friday and Saturday nights only.

RACCOON, OPOSSUM & BOBCAT	Oct. 1	Feb. 28	
TRAPPING	Nov. 1	Feb. 28	
RABBIT	Oct. 16	Feb. 28	See DOG RESTRICTIONS in SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS.
QUAIL	Nov. 25	Mar. 5	

SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR RED CREEK WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA
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WMA USER PERMIT: All persons participating in hunting, fishing, or trapping on this wildlife management area, except those exempt from purchasing an annual hunting or fishing license, must carry on their person an annual statewide Wildlife Management Area User Permit. This permit is required in addition to the daily visitor use permit and any required license and may be purchased wherever licenses are sold.

NO SUNDAY HUNTING.

AREA DESCRIPTION: Red Creek WMA is that portion of the U. S. Forest Service lands on the DeSoto National Forest in George, Jackson, and Stone Counties that are located south of Red Creek and north of McHenry Road, west of Hwy. 15 and lands south of Red Creek and north of Wire Road, east of Hwy. 15.

BAG LIMITS: Same as statewide bag limits.

PERMIT STATIONS: All visitors must obtain a DAILY VISITOR USE PERMIT card from a self-service permit station. Parts A and B of this permit must be legibly filled out before using the WMA. Part A of the permit must be deposited in the return box at a permit station before using the WMA. Part B must be displayed on the dash of the vehicle so that the name, address, and date are visible from outside the vehicle. Permits are invalid if not properly dated or if date has been changed. Before leaving the WMA, visitors must complete the reverse side of Part B of the permit and deposit it in the return box at a permit station. It is the responsibility of the Area Manager and other Agency personnel to have permit cards completed.

DEER DATA COLLECTION: All deer harvested must be checked at the WMA Headquarters or at the self-service data collection stations located across from the headquarters on Wire Road by the hunter who harvested them before leaving the WMA. If WMA personnel are not available to check the deer, the hunter is responsible for collecting and legibly recording ALL biological data. Instructions and equipment will be provided.

LEGAL BUCKS: Legal bucks are those with an inside spread of at least 12 inches OR one main beam length of at least 15 inches. For hunters less than 16 years of age, one of the three buck bag limit may be any buck.

DOG RESTRICTIONS: Deer hunting with dogs is prohibited. Small game hunting with dogs is allowed during any small game season. **Hog hunting with dogs is allowed during daylight hours only during Feb. 16 - Mar. 4, 2011.**

HANDICAPPED ACCESS AREA: Deer and turkey hunting in the designated Handicapped Access Area (see map) is restricted to handicapped hunters.

LEGAL WEAPONS: Only centerfire rifles, shotguns with slugs or buckshot, primitive weapons, and centerfire handguns may be used for deer hunting. Only rimfire rifles .22 caliber or smaller or any caliber handgun may be used when hunting hogs with dogs.

OFF-ROAD MOTORIZED VEHICLES/ATVs: Off-road vehicle use will be governed by U. S. Forest Service regulations. For additional information, contact the Forest Service at (601) 528-6160.

HORSES: Hunting from horseback is allowed.

CAMPING: Camping is allowed subject to U.S. Forest Service regulations.

HENLEY PARK: Camping allowed Oct. 15-May 1 in designated area only. A permit is required from the area manager. Fishing allowed only during daylight hours.

BEARS: Black bears may occur on this WMA. They are federally protected as a threatened subspecies. Hunting or disturbing bears is prohibited. Please report any bear sightings on your daily visitor use permit.

CODE OF FEDERAL REGULATIONS, TITLE 36, will be enforced. For additional information, contact the Forest Service at (601) 528-6160.

This adopted public notice will become effective Sept. 2, 2010. Witness my hand and seal this the 2nd day of ~~July~~ Aug. 2010.

MISSISSIPPI COMMISSION ON WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

BY: _____
Charles Rigdon, Chairman

MISSISSIPPI DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE, FISHERIES & PARKS

BY: _____
Sam Polles, Ph.D., Executive Director

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2011
RANKIN COUNTY, MS