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U. S. Army Corps of Engineers issues special ATV permits for the hunting season

FORT WORTH, Texas – The US Army Corps of Engineers at Lake O’ The Pines will be issuing permits to people with disabilities for All Terrain Vehicle (ATV) usage during the 2006-2007 hunting season at the hunting area south of the dam and west of Cypress Creek. Permits will be distributed at the Project Office beginning September 11th 2006; there will be no charge for the permits at this time. People interested in obtaining a permit must provide a written certification from a physician stating that they have a “**permanent ambulatory disability**”. All permittees must obtain and carry an ATV Safety Certificate while riding at the hunting area.

As a reminder of the change enacted last year to the firearms allowed during hunting season on Corps of Engineers property; rifle hunting for deer or feral hogs is only authorized for hunting areas south of the dam and west of Cypress Creek and for hunting areas north of Highway 155. For all other areas, hunting for deer or feral hogs is restricted to shotguns with slugs, muzzle loading rifles, and legal archery equipment. Also, a special white-tailed deer hunting event will be held for physically challenged hunters 14 December 2006 through 17 December 2006.

The US Army Corps of Engineers wishes to remind everyone to Ride Safe, be a safe hunter, and to respect your fellow hunters, other recreationers, adjacent property owners, and the rules and regulation of the US Army Corps of Engineers. ATV usage and hunting on public lands are privileges for everyone but are also a responsibility for everyone.

For additional information please visit the Lake O’ The Pines Project Office or call 903-665-3911 and ask to speak to a member of the Natural Resources staff.