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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to issue permits to people with disabilities for All Terrain Vehicle use at Lake O' The Pines during the 2007 hunting season

FORT WORTH, Texas – The U.S. 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 2007 hunting season (September 24, 2007 through January 1, 2008) at the hunting area south of the dam and west of Cypress Creek. Permits will be distributed at the Project Office beginning September 10, 2007; 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 permit holders must obtain and carry an ATV Safety Certificate while riding at the hunting area.

As a reminder, 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 December 13 -16, 2007.

The Corps of Engineers wishes to remind everyone to Ride Safe, be a safe hunter, and to respect your fellow hunters, other visitors, adjacent property owners, and the rules and regulation of the Corps of Engineers. ATV usage and hunting on public lands is a privilege for everyone, but is 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.

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