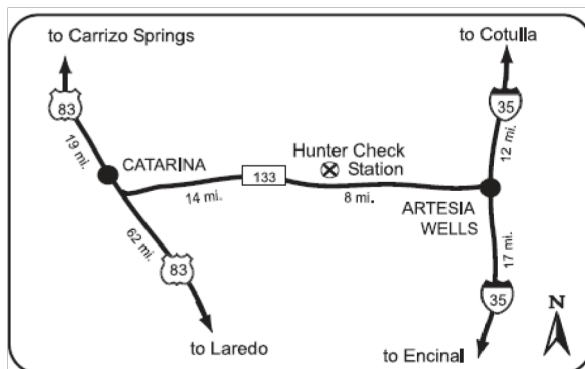




## Chaparral Wildlife Management Area E-Post Card – Multi-Species Hunts

The Chaparral Wildlife Management Area (WMA) is located in La Salle and Dimmit counties, 8 miles west of Artesia Wells on FM 133 (exit #56 on IH35). The WMA is deer-proof fenced and includes 15,200 acres of South Texas native brush country, which is typified by dense brush thickets, mesquite, prickly pear and black-brush. Rattlesnakes are present on the WMA and **care should be exercised at all times**. The average annual rainfall for the area is 21 inches. The South Texas Plains is noted for rapid, extreme changes in weather, notably extremes in temperatures. The purpose of public hunts is to harvest surplus renewable game resources and provide information on research and management programs. Game species are distributed evenly throughout the WMA. It is advisable for the hunter to spend as much time as possible in order to harvest game. Hunters will be assigned a specific hunting compartment. **All vehicles are restricted to the existing road system.**



Primitive campground facilities are available for hunters, located on FM 133 about 1.5 miles east of the WMA entrance. There are **no electric or water hook-ups**, however, restrooms with flush toilets and showers are available. Hunters are urged to bring their own food, drink and ice (the nearest store or cafe are over 13 miles away). The campground will be open the afternoon prior to scheduled hunts. All hunters are urged to set up camp prior to check-in time. **Please close the gate to the campground behind you.** The WMA and campground must be kept clean of trash; pack it in, pack it out. **RVs and campers using generators must camp in the RV campground** located  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile west of the hunter's camp. See other restrictions below.

**Youth Supervision:** A permitted supervising adult must accompany hunters under the age of 17. **Youth 8 years of age and younger must be accompanied.** Youth between the ages of 9 and 16 must have completed a hunter education course or must be accompanied. Adults accompanying youth must be 17 years of age or older, possess a valid Texas hunting license, have completed a hunter education course or be exempt and must be within normal voice control.

Hunter Education is required of all hunters born on or after September 2, 1971. (See Hunting Guide for more information).

- **All hunters must attend a mandatory orientation at 11:00 a.m. on the first day of the hunt.** Please report to the area headquarters for orientation. Please call ahead for late arrivals. Stand-by positions may be available at that time. Hunt ends at dusk on the last day of the hunt period. **All hunters must report to the check station every time they enter or exit the hunt area.**
- At orientation all hunters must have on their person a valid E-Post card confirmation, valid driver's license or ID card, **Annual Public Hunting Permit (\$48.00)**, a **Texas Hunting License** and any special stamp as required by statute. Only hunters drawn for the E-post Card hunt will be admitted. No APH permit required for youth under 17.
- **All game harvested must be checked by TPWD staff:** only species defined by hunt staff at the time of orientation may be taken. You do not need to use a deer tag on you license. A TPWD WMA Legal Game Tag will be issued for all animals harvested.
- **Bag Limit:** Antlerless Only White-tailed Deer, Limit One (1) doe deer. Javelina, either-sex, Limit One (1). Unlimited coyotes, feral hogs and rabbits. Statewide daily limit for quail. For big game, only legal centerfire firearms are allowed, **no archery equipment.** No buckshot or slugs.
- **All hunters must visibly wear a minimum of 400 square inches of daylight fluorescent orange material** (vest and headwear).
- **Portable stands are allowed, and baiting may be permitted.** All equipment must be removed before the end of the hunt period. If permitted, corn must be certified less than 20 ppb aflatoxin free.
- **All-terrain vehicles (ATVs) and off-road vehicles (ORVs) are not permitted on the WMA,** except for use by a hunter with mobility disabilities or an adult directly assisting a hunter with mobility disabilities. Proof of disability is required.
- **Alcoholic beverages may not be publicly displayed or consumed on the WMA** and persons under the influence of alcohol/drugs will not be permitted to enter the hunt area. All open container, DUI and DWI regulations will be enforced.
- **Hunting from a vehicle or the possession of a loaded firearm in or on a motor vehicle is prohibited,** except as allowed by special provisions for hunters with mobility disabilities or CHL holders.
- **Hunters in the field and vehicles within the WMA are subject to inspection by WMA Personnel and/or Game Wardens.**
- **Killing rattlesnakes is prohibited. Do not take any plants, animals** (other than legally taken game) **or artifacts from the WMA,** including shed deer antlers or skulls. Any artifact found must be left as they are; shed antlers or skulls may be brought to the check station.

- Transporting youth (under 18 years of age) in an “open bed” of a pickup truck or trailer is prohibited on roads within boundaries of the Wildlife Management Area.
- For further information, call the Chaparral WMA headquarters at (830) 676-3413 Email: [cwma@tpwd.texas.gov](mailto:cwma@tpwd.texas.gov) or visit the Chaparral WMA Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/ChaparralWMA>