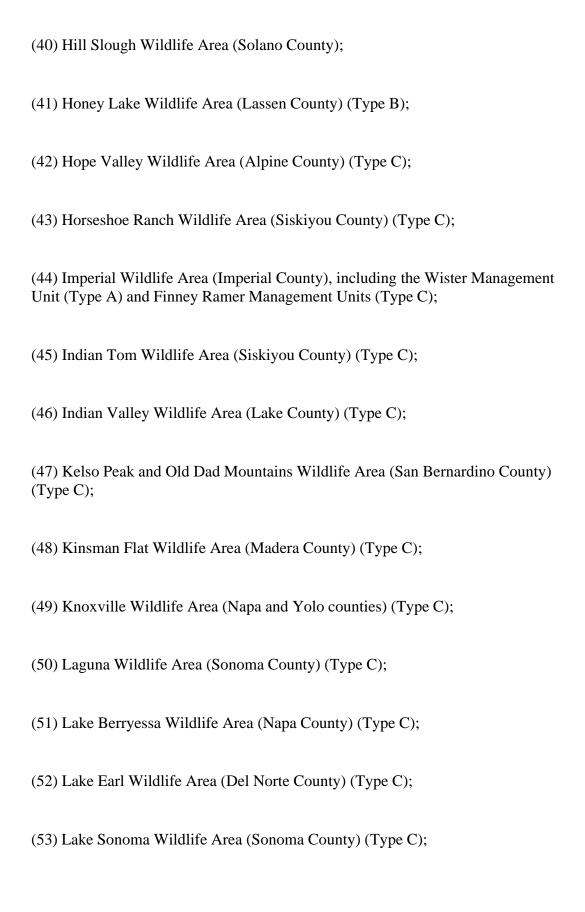
# 550. Regulations for General Public Use Activities on All State Wildlife Areas Listed Below.

(a) State Wildlife Areas:
(1) Antelope Valley Wildlife Area (Sierra County) (Type C);
(2) Ash Creek Wildlife Area (Lassen and Modoc counties) (Type B);
(3) Bass Hill Wildlife Area (Lassen County), including the Egan Management Unit (Type C);
(4) Battle Creek Wildlife Area (Shasta and Tehama counties);
(5) Big Lagoon Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C);
(6) Big Sandy Wildlife Area (Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties) (Type C);
(7) Biscar Wildlife Area (Lassen County) (Type C);
(8) Buttermilk Country Wildlife Area (Inyo County) (Type C);
(9) Butte Valley Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type B);
(10) Cache Creek Wildlife Area (Colusa and Lake counties), including the Destanella Flat and Harley Gulch management units (Type C);
(11) Camp Cady Wildlife Area (San Bernadino County) (Type C);
(12) Cantara/Ney Springs Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type C);

(13) Cedar Roughs Wildlife Area (Napa County) (Type C); (14) Cinder Flats Wildlife Area (Shasta County) (Type C); (15) Collins Eddy Wildlife Area (Sutter and Yolo counties) (Type C); (16) Colusa Bypass Wildlife Area (Colusa County) (Type C); (17) Coon Hollow Wildlife Area (Butte County) (Type C); (18) Cottonwood Creek Wildlife Area (Merced County), including the Upper Cottonwood and Lower Cottonwood management units (Type C); (19) Crescent City Marsh Wildlife Area (Del Norte County); (20) Crocker Meadow Wildlife Area (Plumas County) (Type C); (21) Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area (Yuba County) (Type C); (22) Decker Island Wildlife Area (Solano County) (Type C); (23) Doyle Wildlife Area (Lassen County) (Type C); (24) Dutch Flat Wildlife Area (Modoc County) (Type C); (25) East Walker River Wildlife Area (Mono County) (Type C); (26) Eel River Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C);

(27) Elk Creek Wetlands Wildlife Area (Del Norte County); (28) Elk River Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C); (29) Eureka Slough Wildlife Area (Humboldt County); (30) Fay Canyon Wildlife Area (Alpine County) (Type C); (31) Fay Slough Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C); (32) Feather River Wildlife Area (Sutter and Yuba counties), including the Abbott Lake, Lake of the Woods, Marysville, Morse Road, Nelson Slough, O'Connor Lakes, Shanghai Bend, and Star Bend management units (Type C); (33) Fremont Weir Wildlife Area (Yolo County) (Type C); (34) Grass Lake Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type C); (35) Gray Lodge Wildlife Area (Butte and Sutter counties) (Type A); (36) Green Creek Wildlife Area (Mono County) (Type C); (37) Grizzly Island Wildlife Area (Solano County), including the Cordelia Slough, Crescent (Type A), Gold Hills (Type B), Goodyear Slough (Type B), Grey Goose (Type C), Grizzly Island (Type A), Island Slough (Type B), Joice Island (Type A), and Montezuma Slough management units; (38) Hallelujah Junction Wildlife Area (Lassen and Sierra counties) (Type C); (39) Heenan Lake Wildlife Area (Alpine County) (Type C);



(54) Little Panoche Reservoir Wildlife Area (Fresno County) (Type C); (55) Los Banos Wildlife Area (Merced County) (Type A); (56) Lower Sherman Island Wildlife Area (Sacramento County) (Type C); (57) Mad River Slough Wildlife Area (Humboldt County) (Type C); (58) Marble Mountains Wildlife Area (San Bernardino County) (Type C); (59) Mendota Wildlife Area (Fresno County) (Type A); (60) Merrill's Landing Wildlife Area (Tehama County) (Type C); (61) Miner Slough Wildlife Area (Solano County) (Type C); (62) Monache Meadows Wildlife Area (Tulare County) (Type C); (63) Morro Bay Wildlife Area (San Luis Obispo County) (Type C); (64) Moss Landing Wildlife Area (Monterey County) (Type C); (65) Mouth of Cottonwood Creek Wildlife Area (Shasta and Tehama counties) (Type C); (66) Mud Lake Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type C); (67) Napa-Sonoma Marshes Wildlife Area (Solano, Napa, and Sonoma counties), including the American Canyon, Coon Island, Dutchman Slough, Huichica Creek, Napa River, Ringstrom Bay, Sonoma Creek, Tolay Creek, White Slough, and

Wingo management units (All Type C, except White Slough);

(68) North Grasslands Wildlife Area (Merced and Stanislaus counties), including the China Island, Gadwall, and Salt Slough management units (Type A); (69) O'Neill Forebay Wildlife Area (Merced County) (Type C); (70) Oroville Wildlife Area (Butte County), including the Thermalito Afterbay Management Unit (Type C); (71) Petaluma Marsh Wildlife Area (Marin and Sonoma counties), including the Black John Slough, Burdell, Day Island, Green Point, Novato Creek, Petaluma River, Point Sonoma, and Rush Creek management units (Type C); (72) Pickel Meadow Wildlife Area (Mono County (Type C)); (73) Pine Creek Wildlife Area (Modoc County) (Type C); (74) Point Edith Wildlife Area (Contra Costa County) (Type C); (75) Putah Creek Wildlife Area (Solano County) (Type C); (76) Rector Reservoir Wildlife Area (Napa County) (Type C); (77) Red Lake Wildlife Area (Alpine County) (Type C); (78) Sacramento Bypass Wildlife Area (Yolo County) (Type C); (79) Sacramento River Wildlife Area (Butte, Colusa, and Glenn counties) (Type C); (80) San Felipe Valley Wildlife Area (San Diego County) (Type C);

- (81) San Jacinto Wildlife Area (Riverside County) (Type A);
- (82) San Luis Obispo Wildlife Area (San Luis Obispo County);
- (83) San Luis Reservoir Wildlife Area (Merced County) (Type C);
- (84) San Pablo Bay Wildlife Area (Marin and Sonoma counties) (Type C);
- (85) Santa Rosa Wildlife Area (Riverside County) (Type C);
- (86) Shasta Valley Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type B);
- (87) Sheepy Ridge Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type C);
- (88) Silver Creek Wildlife Area (Lassen County) (Type C);
- (89) Slinkard-Little Antelope Wildlife Area (Mono County) (Type C);
- (90) Smithneck Creek Wildlife Area (Sierra County) (Type C);
- (91) South Fork Wildlife Area (Kern County) (Type C);
- (92) Spannus Gulch Wildlife Area (Siskiyou County) (Type C);
- (93) Spenceville Wildlife Area (Yuba and Nevada counties) (Type C);
- (94) Surprise Valley Wildlife Area (Modoc County) (Type C);
- (95) Sutter Bypass Wildlife Area (Sutter County) (Type C);

(96) Tehama Wildlife Area (Tehama County) (Type C); (97) Truckee River Wildlife Area (Placer and Nevada counties), including the Boca, Polaris, Union Ice, and West River management units (Type C); (98) Upper Butte Basin Wildlife Area (Butte and Glenn counties), including the Howard Slough, Little Dry Creek, and Llano Seco management units (Type A); (99) Volta Wildlife Area (Merced County) (Type A); (100) Walker River Wildlife Area (Mono County) (Type C); (101) Waukell Creek Wildlife Area (Del Norte County) (Type C); (102) Warner Valley Wildlife Area (Plumas County) (Type C); (103) West Hilmar Wildlife Area (Merced and Stanislaus counties) (Type C); (104) White Slough Wildlife Area (San Joaquin County) (Type C); (105) Willow Creek Wildlife Area (Lassen County) (Type B); (106) Yolo Bypass Wildlife Area (Yolo County). (b) Area Regulations: (1) Regional Manager's Authority: The regional manager shall have the authority to regulate public use of State wildlife areas where such use is not provided for in

these regulations or in sections 551 and 552 of this title.

- (2) Entry Restrictions. The department may limit the number of persons entering any area listed in section 550 or 551 of this title during any period for safety reasons, to reduce crowding, to provide for the limited take of a species, or may close portions of areas or close areas entirely to public entry or to specific activities. No person shall enter an area that has been closed to the public, except by written permission of the regional manager. On wildlife areas where entry and exit sites are designated by the department, no person shall enter or leave except at designated sites.
- (3) Procedures for Issuing Entry Permits. In the event that the department elects to limit the number of hunters, trappers, or other users, entry permits will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis, or by a drawing to be held at a designated department office. The department shall inform the commission in writing and the public via the news media of any implementation of the provisions of this subsection, when limits imposed under this subsection differ substantially for a specific area from the prior year. Such notification shall include: the State wildlife area affected, the time period, the reason for the limitation or closure, the number of entry permits to be issued, and the method of issuance.
- (4) Permit Requirements. No person shall enter any State wildlife area or portion thereof where the department has limited public entry without a valid entry permit in their immediate possession. [See subsections 551(f), (g), and (h) for regulations regarding general requirements and costs for individual entry permits. See subsection 551(q) for entry permit requirements for specific areas.]
- (5) Use Permits for Organized Events. Any person organizing an event or gathering to be conducted on a State wildlife area shall obtain a use permit from the appropriate regional manager. Such events or gatherings shall be compatible with wildlife area objectives.
- (6) Motor Driven Vehicles.
- (A) No person shall drive, operate, leave, place, or stop any motor driven vehicle or trailer on any State wildlife area except on public or established roads or on designated jeep trails and such other areas as designated by the Department. No person shall park or leave any motor driven vehicle or trailer in any area where signs prohibiting parking are posted. The Department may designate the parking lot where a person must park a vehicle while on the wildlife area.

(B) No person shall drive a vehicle carelessly in willful disregard of the rights or safety of others, or without due caution or at a speed or in a manner likely to endanger any person, property, or wildlife.
(7) Signs, Traffic and Road Closures.
(A) Drivers of motor driven vehicles operated within the wildlife areas shall comply with the directions of traffic signs posted in the area by the department.
(B) No person shall damage, remove, or destroy any barrier, sign, signpost, or signboard on any wildlife area.
(8) Boats.
(A) The department may restrict the use and operation of boats on State wildlife areas, department administered national wildlife refuges, and State recreation areas to protect natural resources or provide for the orderly operation of hunting and fishing programs on these areas. Boating restrictions may include, but not be limited to, limiting boat speeds, limiting motor size and type, or prohibiting the use of motors. During the times waterfowl are present, the provisions of Section 251 of this Title will also apply.
(B) Except as prohibited in subsection 551(q), boats may be used under the following regulations on State wildlife areas, department administered national wildlife refuges, and State recreation areas.
1. When launch sites are designated by the department, all boats must be launched and removed from those sites.
2. All persons shall remove their boats from the waters when instructed to do so by an employee of the department.
3. The use of boats may be restricted to certain zones designated by the department.

4. Boat speed shall not exceed five miles per hour. (9) Vandalism and Litter. (A) No person shall tamper with, damage, or remove any property not his own when such property is located within a State wildlife area. (B) No person shall leave, deposit, drop, bury, or scatter bottles, broken glass, feathers, hides, wastepaper, cans, sewage, or other rubbish in any State wildlife area except in a receptacle or area designated for that purpose, and no person shall import and deposit any rubbish or toxic substance into State wildlife areas from other places. Where no designated receptacles are provided, any refuse resulting from a person's use of the area must be removed from the area by such person. (10) Trees and Minerals. (A) No person shall dig up, cut, damage, or remove from a wildlife area any trees, shrubs, vines, plants or wood, except that vegetation may be cut and used for the purpose of building blinds, unless otherwise directed by the area manager. (B) No person shall dig up or remove any humus, soil, sand, gravel, or rock. (11) Bottles and Artifact Collecting. No person shall collect or remove bottles or artifacts, or dig or otherwise disturb the soil to locate or remove bottles or artifacts, from any Wildlife Area. (12) Camping and Unattended Personal Property. No person shall camp in any part of a State wildlife area except in areas designated by the department. (See subsection 551(q) for additional camping restrictions on specific areas). Camping on wildlife areas shall be limited to not more than seven consecutive days, and not more than 14 days total in any calendar year, except by written permission of the Regional Manager. Personal property may not be left on State wildlife areas for camping or other purposes, except at authorized locations. Decoys may not be left

in the field overnight, except as provided in subsection 551(q). Any hunting blinds

on wildlife areas shall be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

- (13) Fires. From April 30 through October 30 on Type C areas, and during the entire year on Type A and B areas, no person shall build or maintain fires except in portable gas stoves, in charcoal briquette barbeques, or in fireplaces at sites developed by the department. No fire shall be left unattended and all fires shall be extinguished with water before leaving. (See subsection 551(q) for additional fire restrictions.)
- (14) Use of Dogs and Field Trials. The department may prohibit or restrict the use of dogs on any State wildlife area (see subsection 551(q)). Except as further prohibited in subsection 551(q), dogs are allowed only for hunting or when under immediate control. Dogs must be leashed at designated campsites and check station areas. Special permits are required for field trials. Dog training is allowed only in areas maintained by the department.
- (15) Pesticides Use. No person, other than authorized federal, state, or local employees conducting a pest control program approved by the department, shall apply any pesticide in any State wildlife area.
- (16) Livestock. No person shall permit livestock, including but not limited to cattle, horses, sheep, goats, and hogs, to browse, graze, bed, cross, or otherwise trespass on any State wildlife area except under an authorized grazing permit issued by the department. The recreational use of horses is allowed, except as designated in subsection 551(q). Persons who fail to remove their livestock from any State wildlife area within 48 hours after receiving official notice of trespass by the regional manager through certified mail, shall be in violation of this section.
- (17) Fish and Frogs. Fish and frogs may not be taken for commercial purposes (see subsection 551(q) for specific area regulations).
- (18) Hunting and Trapping. Hunting and trapping shall be allowed on State wildlife areas during the regular open seasons subject to subsection 550(b)(19), 551(b), and 551(q), and such other area use regulations as specified by the regional manager.
- (19) Special Restrictions. (Areas where hunting and possession of firearms and archery equipment is prohibited).

No person, except authorized personnel, shall possess or discharge a firearm, bow and arrow, air or gas gun, spear gun, or other propulsive device of any kind in the following areas: Battle Creek, Crescent City Marsh, Elk Creek Wetlands, Eureka Slough, and Hill Slough wildlife areas; Cordelia Slough and Montezuma Slough management units of Grizzly Island Wildlife Area; White Slough Unit of Napa-Sonoma Marshes Wildlife Area; and Day Island, Green Point, Novato Creek, Point Sonoma, and Rush Creek units of the Petaluma Marsh Wildlife Area.

- (20) Ejection. The department may eject any person from a State wildlife area for violation of any of these rules or regulations or for disorderly conduct, intoxication, or when a department employee determines that the general safety or welfare of the area or persons thereon is endangered. The decision, in such respect, of any department employee assigned management or enforcement responsibilities for the area shall be final.
- (21) User Responsibility for Knowing Regulations. All wildlife area users shall be responsible for area-specific regulations listed under subsection 551(q). Failure to comply with any of the area-specific regulations shall be a violation of this subsection.

#### NOTE

Authority cited: Sections 200, 202, 203, 355, 713, 1526, 1528, 1530, and 10504, Fish and Game Code. Reference: Sections 355, 711, 1055.3, 1526, 1528, 1530, 1585, 1764, 1765, and 10504, Fish and Game Code.

#### HISTORY

- 1. Repealer and new section filed 10-8-93; operative 10-8-93 pursuant to section 202 and 215, Fish and Game Code (Register 93, No. 41). For prior history, see Register 93, No. 28.
- 2. New subsections (a)(8), (24), (60), (70), (83), (94) and (98) and subsection renumbering filed 9-20-94; operative 10-24-94 (Register 94, No. 38).
- 3. Editorial correction of subsections (b)(10), (13), (14) and (16) (Register 94, No. 38).

- 4. Amendment filed 10-5-94; operative 11-4-94 (Register 94, No. 40).
- 5. New subsection (a)(99), amendment of subsections (b)(8)-(10) and (b)(15), new subsection (b)(18), and amendment of Note filed 9-12-95; operative 9-12-95 pursuant to Government Code section 11343.4(d) (Register 95, No. 37).
- 6. Amendment of section and Note filed 10-1-96; operative 10-1-96 pursuant to Government Code section 11343.4(d) (Register 96, No. 40).
- 7. New subsections (a)(63) and (a)(73), subsection renumbering and amendment of subsection (b)(12) filed 10-3-97; operative 10-3-97 pursuant to Fish and Game Code sections 202 and 215 (Register 97, No. 40).
- 8. New subsections (a)(52) and (a)(77), subsection renumbering and amendment of subsection (b)(2) filed 10-16-98; operative 10-16-98 pursuant to Fish and Game Code sections 202 and 215 (Register 98, No. 42).
- 9. New subsection (a)(81), subsection renumbering, repealer of former subsection (a)(106) and amendment of subsections (b)(2), (b)(6)(A), (b)(7), (b)(7)(B) and (b)(19) filed 10-6-99; operative 10-6-99 pursuant to Fish and Game Code sections 202 and 215 (Register 99, No. 41).
- 10. Repealer of subsection (a)(9), subsection renumbering and amendment of newly designated subsection (a)(96) and subsection (b)(13) filed 9-28-2000; operative 9-28-2000 pursuant to Fish and Game Code section 215 (Register 2000, No. 39).
- 11. Amendment of subsections (a)(29), (a)(32), (a)(49), (a)(67), (a)(103), (b)(17) and (b)(19) filed 10-23-2001; operative 10-23-2001 pursuant to Fish and Game Code sections 202 and 215 (Register 2001, No. 43).
- §551. Hunting, Firearms, and Archery Equipment Use and Permit Requirements on State and Federal Areas.

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(a) The following regulations apply to areas listed below:
(1) State wildlife areas listed in <u>Section 550</u> . (See sub <u>section 550</u> (b)(19) for areas where possession and use of firearms and archery equipment are completely prohibited.)
(2) Areas operated in cooperation with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (for additional regulations for Federal areas, see <u>Section 552</u> ):
(A) Colusa National Wildlife Refuge, Type A (Colusa County);
(B) Delevan National Wildlife Refuge, Type A (Colusa County);
(C) Kern National Wildlife Refuge, Type A (Kern County);
(D) Merced National Wildlife Refuge, Type A (Merced County);
(E) Sacramento National Wildlife Refuge, Type A (Glenn and Colusa counties);
(F) San Luis National Wildlife Refuge, Type A (Merced County), including the San Luis, Kesterson, and Blue Goose Units;
(G) Sonny Bono Salton Sea National Wildlife Refuge, Type A (Imperial County) (operated with the Imparial Wildlife Area);
(H) Sutter National Wildlife Refuge, Type A (Sutter County).
(3) Areas operated in cooperation with other Federal agencies:
(A) Baldwin Lake, Type C (San Bernardino County);

(B) Volta Wildlife Area, Type A (Merced County);
(C) Lake Sonoma Wildlife Area, Type C (Sonoma County).
(4) Areas operated in cooperation with other State agencies:
(A) Lake Earl Project Area, Type C (Del Norte County) (Unclassified land administered by the Department of Parks and Recreation);
(B) O'Neill Forebay Wildlife Area, Type C (Merced County);
(C) San Luis Reservoir Wildlife Area, Type C (Merced and Santa Clara counties);
(D) Little Panoche Reservoir Wildlife Area, Type C (Fresno County);
(E) Perris Reservoir State Recreation Area, area day use fee (Riverside County).
(F) Clifton Court Forebay, Type C (Contra Costa County).
(b) Method of Take.
(1) Firearms and Archery Equipment, General: Except as otherwise provided, no person shall possess in the field or discharge a firearm, bow and arrow, air or gas gun, or other propulsive device of any kind on any wildlife area (see <a href="section-551"><u>section</u></a> <a href="551"><u>551</u>(b)(9)).</a>
(2) Except as otherwise provided, no shotguns larger than twelve gauge and no rifles, pellet guns, combination rifle-shotguns, pistols, archery equipment, or revolvers shall be possessed in the field or discharged on any Type A or Type B areas. All legal firearms and archery equipment may be used on Type C areas unless prohibited (see subsection 551(q)).

- (3) Shotgun shells shall not contain shot size larger than size BB in lead and size T in steel. On those areas where big game species may be hunted, shotguns with slugs may be used.
- (4) At Grizzly Island Wildlife Area and on all national wildlife refuges listed in Section 552, only steel or other nontoxic shot approved by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service may be used or possessed in the field.
- (5) Archery equipment shall not be used during the waterfowl and pheasant seasons on Type A and B areas, unless provided for in subsection 551(q).
- (6) Loaded firearms, as defined in Section 2006 of the Fish and Game Code, are prohibited in the parking lots on all wildlife areas and on national wildlife refuges listed in Section 552.
- (7) On Type C areas, raptors may be used to take legal game in accordance with general hunting regulations.
- (8) On Type A and B state wildlife areas, raptors may be used to take legal game only from the first Saturday following the end of the general waterfowl season through the end of the falconry pheasant season. Raptors may be used only on Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays.
- (9) Except as otherwise provided, an adult-supervised youth may possess and discharge a BB gun on any wildlife area. A BB gun is not an authorized method of take and may not be used to take wildlife on any wildlife area. A BB gun is defined as an air and/or spring-actuated rifle similar to Daisy BB gun models 95 (Timberwolf), 105 (Buck), or 1938 (Red Ryder), firing a spherical BB no longer than 0.177 inches in diameter (4.5mm) at a muzzle velocity no greater than 350 feet per second. For the purpose of this section a youth is defined as a person under the age of 16.
- (c) Nonhunting Uses of Firearms and Archery Equipment:

- (1) Except at designated shooting sites or with a special permit, possession in the field and use of firearms and archery equipment is permitted only for the purpose of hunting on all wildlife areas and on national wildlife refuges listed in <u>Section 552</u>.
- (2) No glass or porcelain targets shall be used on any wildlife area. Clay targets shall be used only at designated sites where their use is permitted.
- (d) Hunting Days:
- (1) Except as provided for in subsection 551(q), waterfowl may be taken on Type A and Type B areas only on Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays.
- (2) All Type A and Type B areas shall be closed to hunting on Christmas Day, except for the following Type B areas: Island Slough and Gold Hills units of Grizzly Island Wildlife Area. These areas will be open to hunting on Christmas Day when Christmas occurs on a Wednesday, Saturday, or Sunday.
- (3) On Type C areas, shooting days shall be daily except as noted in subsections 551(b) and 551(q).
- (e) Shooting Hours: Waterfowl: Except as provided for in subsection 551(q), shooting hours on all Type A and Type B areas shall be the legal waterfowl shooting hours as designated by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Other Species: Except as noted in subsection 551(q), other species may be taken only during the hours designated for the taking of each species under the regulatory powers of the Fish and Game Commission or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.
- (f) Requirements for Entry Permits and Trespass: No person shall enter upon any area listed in <u>sections 550</u> or <u>551</u> of this Title where the department requires a valid daily entry permit without the required entry permit in their immediate possession, or unless otherwise authorized by the department. Entry must be made at locations designated by the department. Daily entry permits are required to hunt during the waterfowl and pheasant seasons on Type A and B areas. During this period daily entry permits must be returned to the checking stations where issued within one and one half hours after sunset unless otherwise designated in 551(g). Daily entry permits also may be required at other times on Type A and B areas or on Type C areas (see subsection 551(g)).

- (g) Season Pass, Two-day Pass, and Entry Permit Fees:
- (1) To obtain a daily entry permit to hunt during the waterfowl and pheasant seasons on Type A areas, possession of a season pass, a two-day pass, or payment of a daily fee is required, except as provided in subsection 551(q).
- (2) The base fee for a Type A season pass is \$75 and the base fee for a Type B season pass is \$25. These fees shall be adjusted annually, as required under Fish and Game Code Section 713. Holders of junior hunting licenses are exempt from these fees.
- (3) On Type B areas during the waterfowl and pheasant seasons, a Type B season pass or a Type A season pass is required to obtain a daily entry permit for all hunting, unless otherwise provided in subsections 551(q) or 551(1)(3).
- (4) The fee for a one-day entry permit is \$12 and the fee for a two-day pass is \$20. Holders of junior hunting licenses are exempt from these fees.
- (5) At State recreation areas included in subsection 551(a)(4), the entry permit fee for hunting shall be the recreation area day-use fee.
- (6) On Type C areas (all wildlife areas not listed as Type A, Type B, or State recreation areas in Section 551), no fees for hunting are required.
- (7) On some areas (see subsection 551(q)), day use passes are required for all public access. Fees may be charged (see Fish and Game Code Section 1765).
- (h) Issuance of One-day Entry Permits:
- (1) Hunters with season passes shall not receive priority in the issuance of daily entry permits over hunters who do not have season passes.

- (2) Holders of junior hunting licenses will be issued entry permits only when accompanied by an adult. An adult is defined as a person at least 18 years old. An adult may be accompanied by up to two junior hunters. On Type A and B areas, adults must accompany junior hunters in the field. On Type A and B areas when a non-shooter accompanies a junior hunter, the non-shooter will be considered a hunter possessing valid resident or nonresident hunting license in establishing his or her place in line. Persons 16 or 17 years of age in possession of a valid resident or nonresident hunting license will be issued entry permits but may not be accompanied by junior hunters.
- (3) Entry permits must be returned, as required by the department, when departing the area. Hunters are required to report the number and species of all game taken, as required by the Department, before departing the area.
- (4) No person shall apply for, obtain, use, or have in his or her possession while hunting, any one-day entry permit which has not been issued to that person by the department or which is a duplicate, forgery, or alteration of an official department form; or which has been obtained by use of a non-validated or fraudulent application or advance reservation form. Any person who violates this section shall be barred from all State-operated areas for the entire waterfowl season following the date of discovery of the violation by the department.
- (5) Any person who violates regulations governing drawing procedures for hunting opportunities on State-operated areas, other than reservation drawings described in subsection 551(j), shall not be issued a permit for that day, or shall be ejected for that day if a permit has been issued, and shall be denied entry for the remainder of the season.
- (i) Daily Entry Permit Revocations, Refusals, and Ejections: On Type A and Type B areas the department is authorized to refuse to issue a one-day entry permit to anyone and to revoke this permit and eject the holder forthwith from the area for disorderly conduct, intoxication, or for any other reason when it appears that the general safety or welfare of the area, or persons thereon, is endangered. Decision of the Department employee in charge of the area in such respect shall be final. Any person whose entry permit has been revoked shall not be entitled to hunt on any wildlife area during the current hunting year. Persons affected by this section may appeal such actions to the Commission.
- (j) Reservations:

- (1) Advance reservations for waterfowl and pheasant hunting will be available for certain areas as specified under subsections 551(q) and 552(a).
- (2) Reservations shall be issued by drawing to licensed hunters as follows: Official applications shall be made available to the public through license agents and department offices. Applicants shall purchase either a \$1.05 application card or a \$5.25 application card and submit it to the Department's License and Revenue Branch at the address indicated on the application. Applicants may also apply for every available Saturday, Sunday, and/or Wednesday hunt date for one or more areas by completing a season-long application card and returning it with the appropriate payment to the License and Revenue Branch. Applications must be received in the License and Revenue Branch office at least 17 days prior to the authorized shoot date on which the applicant wishes to hunt. Late, incomplete, or incorrect applications will not be included in the drawing.

## (3) Multiple Applications:

- (A) The applicant is limited to one application for each area for each authorized shoot date as specified under subsections 551(q) and 552(a), unless otherwise specified in subsection 551(q).
- (B) The department may eliminate from any drawing all applications not in compliance with these regulations. Persons who submit more than one application for the same shoot date for the same area may be barred from hunting on State-operated areas for a period of one year following the date of discovery of the violation by the department. Any reservation issued to any person as a result of such improper submission, or to any person already barred from the State-operated areas, shall be void and of no force and effect.

- (4) Priorities: Unless otherwise stated on the reservation or on information mailed with the reservation, upon paying the appropriate fee for a one-day entry permit or presenting a two-day pass or season pass, successful applicants shall be granted a one-day entry permit during the waterfowl or pheasant season, a one-day permit shall be granted, however, only if the applicant's reservation was issued by the department in the applicant's name and is for the area requested. Applicants must enter, at the appropriate checking station on the assigned or stated hunt date. Unless otherwise provided for, the reservation will expire one and one-half hours before waterfowl shoot time. For some areas, reservations will be numbered by the department in the order in which they are drawn. These reservations will be accepted at checking stations in that order, only if the reservation holder is present at the time the number is called.
- (5) Except as provided for in subsections 551(j)(6) or 551(q), or Section 552, a reservation shall assure entry for up to six persons. No more than two may be adult (see subsection 551(h)(2)) hunters who have valid resident or nonresident licenses and no more than two may be persons 16 or 17 years of age in possession of a valid resident or nonresident hunting license (see subsection 551(h)(2)). Each adult may be accompanied by up to two hunters holding junior licenses or two non-shooters irrespective of age, or one of each. Non-shooters are defined as persons who wish to accompany a permittee in the field or remain at a designated parking space. Non-shooters shall not discharge or possess a firearm on the area.
- (6) If hunting a special blind area, a reservation will assure entry of no more persons (adult hunters, junior hunters, and/or nonshooters) than will fill the blind.
- (7) Unless otherwise provided for in this **section**, the advance reservation system only serves to assure entry onto the area and does not necessarily constitute a method for prioritization over other users.
- (k) Deferred Openings: When the department considers such deferment desirable to protect agricultural crops from waterfowl, it is hereby authorized and directed to defer opening to public access any area until in the opinion of the Department the danger of crop damage in the immediate region is abated.
- (l) Species Allowed:

- (1) On Type A and Type B areas, only ducks, geese, coots, moorhens, and snipe which are then in season may be legally taken by permittees on designated shooting days during the open waterfowl hunting season; unless otherwise provided under this section or Section 552 of these regulations.
- (2) Pheasant Hunting: Pheasant hunting shall be permitted as provided for in subsection 551(q) and Section 552. The regional manager may authorize junior pheasant hunts during or outside the general pheasant season.
- (3) Hunting on Type C areas General: Except as provided for in subsection 551(q), hunting is permitted for each authorized species allowed to be hunted on each area, during the open season of that species.
- (4) Turkey Hunting: Turkey hunting shall be permitted as provided for in subsection 551(q) and Section 552. The regional manager may authorize junior turkey hunts on state wildlife areas during the regular season.
- (m) Assigned Hunting Zones: In order to assure proper hunter dispersal and to promote safety, the Department may subdivide the open hunting portion of any Type A or Type B area into zones and assign hunters to these zones or designate where hunters shall park.
- (n) Posting Closed Areas: Any portion of any State wildlife area and any adjoining lands under control of the Department, may be closed to hunting or public access by the Department by posting such lands with signs at least five (5) to the mile.
- (o) Penalties: Failure to comply with regulations contained in <u>sections</u> 550, 551, or 552 may result in any or all of the following:
- (1) denial of permission to enter a State-operated area; and/or
- (2) revocation of any permit already issued; and/or
- (3) ejection from the area; and/or

- (4) citation under the provisions of the Fish and Game Code or **Title 14** of the California Code of Regulations. A proceeding under (1), (2), (3) or (4) will not preclude the invocation of any other remedy.
- (p) Enforcement of Regulations: These regulations shall be incorporated by reference into and become a part of all permits.

#### (q) ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS FOR SPECIFIC AREAS

In addition to the regulations in Section 550 and subsections 551(a) through 551(p), the following areas have special regulations which are listed below (see Section 552 for additional regulations on national wildlife refuges on which the Department of Fish and Game manages hunting programs):

Antelope Valley Wildlife Area, Type C (Sierra County);

Ash Creek Wildlife Area, Type B (Modoc and Lassen counties);

Baldwin Lake, Type C (San Bernardino County);

Bass Hill Wildlife Area, Type C (Lassen County);

Battle Creek Wildlife Area, (Shasta and Tehama counties);

Big Lagoon Wildlife Area, Type C (Humbolt County);

Big Sandy Wildlife Area, Type C (Monterey and San Luis Obispo counties);

Butte Valley Wildlife Area, Type B (Siskiyou County);

Cache Creek Wildlife Area, including the Destanella Flat and Harley Gulch Management Units, Type C (Colusa and Lake counties);

Clifton Court Forebay, Type C (Contra Costa County);

Collins Eddy Wildlife Area, Type C (Sutter and Yolo counties);

Colusa Bypass Wildlife Area., Type C (Colusa County);

Cottonwood Creek Wildlife Area, Type C (Merced and Santa Clara counties);

Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area, Type C (Yuba County);

Decker Island Wildlife Area, Type C (Solano County);

Eel River Wildlife Area, Type C (Humboldt County);

Elk River Wildlife Area, Type C (Humboldt County);

Fay Slough Wildlife Area, Type C (Humboldt County);

Feather River Wildlife Area, including the Abbot Lake, Lake of the Woods, Marysville, Morse Road, Nelson Slough, O'Connor Lakes, Shanghai Bend, and Star Bend management units. Type C (Yuba and Sutter counties);

Fremont Weir Wildlife Area, Type C (Sutter and Yolo counties);

Gray Lodge Wildlife Area, including the west side and east side units, Type A (Butte County);

Grizzly Island Wildlife Area, including the Type A Crescent, Joice Island, and Grizzly Island management units, the Type B Gold Hills, Goodyear Slough, and Island Slough management units, the Type C Grey Goose Management Unit, and the Cordelia Slough and Montezuma Slough management units (Solano County);

Hallelujah Junction Wildlife Area, Type C (Lassen and Sierra counties);

Heenan Lake Wildlife Area, Type C (Alpine County);

Honey Lake Wildlife Area, including the Dakin and Fleming units, Type B (Lassen County);

Hope Valley Wildlife Area, Type C (Alpine County);

Horseshoe Ranch Wildlife Area, Type C (Siskiyou County);

Imperial Wildlife Area, including the Type A Wister Unit and the Type C Finney Ramer Unit (Imperial County);

Indian Valley Wildlife Area, Type C (Lake County);

Kinsman Flat Wildlife Area, Type C (Madera County);

Knoxville Wildlife Area, Type C (Napa and Yolo counties)

Laguna Wildlife Area, Type C (Sonoma County);

Lake Berryessa Wildlife Area, Type C (Napa County);

Lake Earl Wildlife Area, Type C (Del Norte County);

Lake Earl Project Area, Type C (Del Norte County); Lake Sonoma Wildlife Area, Type C (Sonoma County); Little Panoche Reservoir Wildlife Area, Type C (Fresno County); Los Banos Wildlife Area, Type A (Merced County); Lower Sherman Island Wildlife Area, Type C (Sacramento County); Mad River Slough Wildlife Area, Type C (Humboldt County); Mendota Wildlife Area, Type A (Fresno County); Miner Slough Wildlife Area, Type C (Solano County); Morro Bay Wildlife Area, Type C (San Luis Obispo County); Moss Landing Wildlife Area, Type C (Monterey County); Mouth of Cottonwood Creek Wildlife Area, Type C (Shasta County); Napa-Sonoma Marshes Wildlife Area, including the American Canyon, Coon Island, Dutchman Slough, Huichica Creek, Napa River, Ringstrom Bay, Sonoma Creek, Tolay Creek, and Wingo management units, Type C, and White Slough Management Unit (Napa, Solano, and Sonoma counties); North Grasslands Wildlife Area, including China Island, Gadwall, and Salt Slough units, Type A (Merced and Stanislaus counties);

O'Neill Forebay Wildlife Area, Type C (Merced County);

Oroville Wildlife Area, Type C (Butte County);

Petaluma Marshes Wildlife Area, Type C (Marin and Sonoma counties);

Point Edith Wildlife Area, Type C (Contra Costa County);

Putah Creek Wildlife Area, Type C (Solano County);

Rector Reservoir Wildlife Area, Type C (Napa County);

Sacramento Bypass Wildlife Area, Type C (Yolo County);

Sacramento River Wildlife Area, Type C (Glenn, Butte, and Colusa counties);

San Felipe Valley Wildlife Area, Type C (San Diego County);

San Jacinto Wildlife Area, Type A (Riverside County);

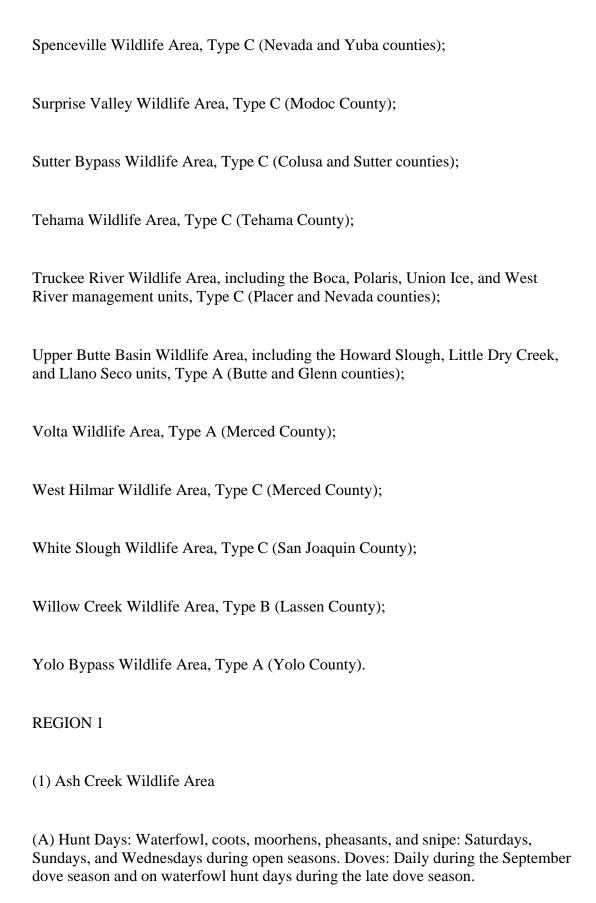
San Luis Obispo Wildlife Area, \$4 range fee (San Luis Obispo County);

San Luis Reservoir Wildlife Area, Type C (Merced and Santa Clara counties);

San Pablo Bay Wildlife Area, Type C (Marin and Sonoma counties);

Santa Rosa Wildlife Area, Type C (Riverside County);

Shasta Valley Wildlife Area, Type B (Siskiyou County);



(B) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, coots, moorhens, doves, pheasants, and snipe. Pronghorn antelope may be taken during junior hunts only.
(C) Camping and Trailers: Allowed.
(D) Special Restrictions: Designated portions may be closed to public entry from March 1 through August 15. No person shall enter or leave the wildlife area except at designated entry points. All dogs must be on a leash from March 1 to August 15.
(2) Bass Hill Wildlife Area
(A) Hunt Days: Daily during seasons for authorized species, except for Special Restrictions listed below.
(B) Authorized Species: All legal species.
(C) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
(D) Special Restrictions: The Egan Management Unit of Bass Hill Wildlife Area shall be open to the use of shotguns, archery equipment, or muzzle-loading weapons, only, for all hunting seasons.
(3) Battle Creek Wildlife Area
(A) Special Restrictions: Public entry is allowed from 6:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. Dog field trials, dog training, horseback riding and bicycles are prohibited. Dogs must be on leash and under direct owner control.
(B) Hunting and possession of firearms and archery equipment is prohibited.
(4) Big Lagoon Wildlife Area

(A) Special Restrictions: Motorized boards are restricted to 5 mph or less.
(5) Butte Valley Wildlife Area
(A) Hunt Days: Waterfowl, coots, moorhens, and snipe: Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays during the waterfowl season. Pheasants: Sundays only during the pheasant season. Doves: Daily during the September dove season and on waterfowl hunt days during the late dove season.
(B) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, coots, moorhens, snipe, pheasants, and doves. Pronghorn antelope may be taken during junior hunts only.
(C) Camping and Trailers: Allowed.
(D) Special Restrictions: Boats with motors are prohibited. Boating and other water-related sports are prohibited from March 1 to September 1. No person shall enter or leave the area except at designated entry points. The area is open to public use only from two hours before sunrise to one hour after sunset. Dogs must be on a leash from March 1 to August 15.
(6) Eel River Wildlife Area
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
(B) Hunt Days: Daily, during open seasons for authorized species.
(C) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, coot, snipe, and pheasant.
(D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.

(E) Special Restrictions: Dogs must be on a leash from March 1 through August 15. Designated portions of the Eel River Wildlife Area may be closed to vehicle entry from March 1 through September 15. Use of all terrain vehicles is prohibited all year with the exception of commercial anglers who may utilize the wave-slope for fishing access.

### (7) Elk River Wildlife Area

- (A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
- (B) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species.
- (C) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, coot, and snipe.
- (D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
- (E) Special Restrictions: Dogs must be on a leash from March 1 through August 15.

### (8) Fay Slough Wildlife Area

- (A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
- (B) Hunt Days: Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays during open seasons for authorized species.
- (C) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, coot, and snipe.
- (D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
- (E) Special Restrictions: Dogs must be on a leash from March 1 through August 15.

- (9) Honey Lake Wildlife Area. (Fleming and Dakin Units)
- (A) Hunt Days: Waterfowl, coots, moorhens, and snipe: Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays during open seasons. Pheasants: Waterfowl hunt days during the pheasant season. Quail and rabbits: Waterfowl hunt days that occur during the pheasant season. Doves: Daily during the September dove season and on waterfowl hunt days during the late dove season.
- (B) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, snipe, coots, moorhens, pheasants, quail, doves, and rabbits.
- (C) Camping and Trailers: Allowed.
- (D) Special Restrictions: Designated portions of the wildlife area may be closed to all public entry from March 1 through August 15. No person shall enter or leave the area except at designated entry points. Dogs must be on a leash from March 1 to August 15.
- (10) Horseshoe Ranch Wildlife Area
- (A) Method of Take Restrictions: All authorized methods of take except during the spring turkey season when only shotguns and archery equipment are permitted and during the M-2 deer season when only muzzle loading firearms [as per subsection 353(a)] are permitted.
- (B) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species.
- (C) Authorized Species: All legal species.
- (D) Camping: Camping allowed.
- (E) Special Restrictions: Only persons possessing a valid M-2 deer tag may possess a firearm on the wildlife area during the M-2 hunt periods.

(11) Lake Earl Wildlife Area
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
(B) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species.
(C) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, coots, snipe, and moorhens.
(D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
(E) Special Restrictions: Possession and use of authorized firearms and archery equipment is permitted only within the first 100 feet of land along the shoreline and on the water surface of Lake Earl and Lake Talawa during the regular open waterfowl season. Boats are allowed, but motors are prohibited during the waterfowl season. Dogs must be on a leash from March 1 through August 15.
(12) Lake Earl Project Area (Lands administered by the Department of Parks and Recreation)
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
(B) Hunt Days: Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays during open seasons for authorized species.
(C) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, coots, and moorhens.
(D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
(E) Special Restrictions: Entry for hunting purposes is allowed only from the public access sites on Kellogg Road and Pala Road.

# (13) Mad River Slough Wildlife Area

(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
(B) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species.
(C) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, coot, and snipe.
(D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
(E) Special Restrictions: Dogs must be on a leash from March 1 through August 15.
(14) Mouth of Cottonwood Creek Wildlife Area
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
(B) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species.
(C) Authorized Species: All legal species.
(D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
(E) Special Restrictions: Public entry is allowed from one hour before sunrise to one hour after sunset. Dog field trials, dog training, horseback riding, and bicycles are prohibited. Dogs must be on a leash from March 1 through August 15.
(15) Shasta Valley Wildlife Area

(A) Hunt Days: Waterfowl, snipe, coots, and moorhens: Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays during open seasons. Pheasants: Sundays only during the pheasant season. Quail: Waterfowl hunt days only during waterfowl season. Doves: Daily during the September dove season and on waterfowl hunt days during the late dove season. Snipe: waterfowl hunt days only during waterfowl season.
(B) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, snipe, coots, moorhens, pheasants, quail, and doves.
(C) Camping and Trailers: Allowed.
(D) Special Restrictions: No person shall enter or leave the wildlife area except at designated entry points. Only electric boat motors are allowed. Dogs must be on a leash from February 1 to August 15. Pheasant hunters must have special permits obtained at the check station.
(16) Surprise Valley Wildlife Area
(A) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species.
(B) Authorized Species: All legal species.
(C) Camping and Trailers: Allowed in south parking area, except during the period April 1 to August 15.
(17) Tehama Wildlife Area
(A) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species, except for Special Restrictions listed below.
(B) Authorized Species: All legal species.
(C) Camping and Trailers: Allowed.

(D) Special Restrictions:
1. No person shall enter that portion of Tehama Wildlife Area lying south of Hogsback (Belle Mill) Road during the period February 1 through the first Friday in April except with prior written permission of the regional manager.
2. During the Zone G-1 deer season only persons with Department issued entry permits may enter the Tehama Wildlife Area.
3. Pig hunting is restricted to persons who have been issued a Tehama Wildlife Area Pig Hunt Permit.
4. Dogs may not be used to hunt wild pigs.
(18) Willow Creek Wildlife Area
(A) Hunt Days: Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays during open seasons for authorized species.
(B) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, snipe, coots, and moorhens.
(C) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
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(19) Antelope Valley Wildlife Area
(A) Hunt Days: Daily from July 1 through January 31 during open seasons for authorized species.
(B) Authorized Species: All legal species.

(C) Camping and Trailers: Trailers are not allowed. Camping is allowed only from May 1 through October 31.
(D) Special Restrictions: Hunting is allowed only from July 1 through January 31.
(20) Clifton Court Forebay
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
(B) Hunt Days: Saturdays, Sundays, and Wednesdays during open seasons for authorized species.
(C) Entry Permit: Self-registration is required.
(D) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, coots, and moorhens.
(E) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
(21) Collins Eddy Wildlife Area
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles, pistols, or archery equipment may be used or possessed.
(B) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species.
(C) Authorized Species: Waterfowl, coots, moorhens, and all upland game.
(D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.

(22) Colusa Bypass Wildlife Area
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
(B) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species.
(C) Authorized Species: All legal species.
(D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
(23) Daugherty Hill Wildlife Area
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: During the spring turkey season, only shotguns and archery equipment may be used, and then only for the purpose of turkey hunting.
(B) Hunt Days: Daily from July 1 through January 31 during open seasons for authorized species and during the spring turkey season.
(C) Authorized Species: All legal species.
(D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
(E) Special Restrictions: Entry permit, issued by special drawing, is required for the first nine days of the spring turkey season. Hunting is allowed only from July 1 through January 31 and during the spring turkey season, when only turkeys may be hunted. Dogs are allowed only for hunting. Horses and bicycles are allowed only from May 1 to September 15 on the Daugherty Hill Unit of the wildlife area only.
(24) Decker Island Wildlife Area
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.

(B) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species.
(C) Authorized Species: All legal species.
(D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
(25) Feather River Wildlife Area
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
(B) Hunt Days: Daily from July 1 through January 31 during open seasons for authorized species and during the spring turkey season.
(C) Authorized Species: All legal species.
(D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
(E) Special Restrictions: No person shall enter that portion of the O'Connor Lakes Management Unit marked as closed to entry from March 1 through June 30 without special authorization of the Department. Hunting is allowed only from July 1 to January 31 and during the spring turkey season, when only turkeys may be hunted.
(26) Fremont Weir Wildlife Area
(A) Method of Take Restrictions: No rifles or pistols may be used or possessed.
(B) Hunt Days: Daily during open seasons for authorized species.
(C) Authorized Species: Pheasants, doves, quail, and waterfowl.

- (D) Camping and Trailers: Not allowed.
- (E) Special restrictions: Hunting is allowed only from September 1 through January 31.
- (27) Gray Lodge Wildlife Area
- (A) Ammunition Restrictions: A hunter shall not possess more than 25 shotgun shells while in the field during the waterfowl season.