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**CDFW Announces Drawing for 2015 Joice Island Pig Hunt at Grizzly Island Wildlife Area**

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) is offering pig hunting opportunities at Grizzly Island Wildlife Area in Solano County. CDFW will accept application cards through close of business Feb. 9, 2015, and the drawing will be held on Feb. 12, 2015.

CDFW will be holding limited-entry, permit-only hunts to control a small population of wild pigs on the Joice Island Unit of the Grizzly Island Wildlife Area. Joice Island is a 2,150-acre wetland area consisting of thick cattails, tules, some brush and standing water.

A total of 24 two-day permits will be issued. The first weekend of this hunting opportunity has been reserved for apprentice hunters. Two-day pig hunt permits will be issued by drawing only for the following weekends:

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| Apprentice Hunters (12 & over with Junior License) | Mar. 7-8 |

General (Adults or apprentice hunters may apply)

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| Mar. 14-15 | Mar. 21-22 | Mar. 28-29 | Apr. 4-5 | Apr. 11-12 | Apr. 18-19 | Apr. 25-26 |

Three hunters will be drawn for each of the 8 weekends, for a total of 24 hunters. Permits with maps and additional information will be mailed to successful applicants. A permit holder may bring one non-hunting partner. *Note: dogs will not be allowed. Only shotguns using slugs and archery will be allowed for this hunt.*

To apply for a permit, send a standard postcard (available from your local post office) to:

Joice Island Pig Hunt

2548 Grizzly Island Road

Suisun City, CA 94585

Please include the name of the hunter (apprentice hunters must also provide name of adult chaperone), his or her mailing address (including zip code), a phone number, and the 2014-15 hunting license GO-ID number and desired hunt date. Each hunter may apply only one time and for only one date. In addition to a hunting license, hunters must possess a valid California pig tag.

Applications will be accepted for parties of up to two hunters, but the card must contain all information for both hunters. Incomplete cards and multiple entries will not be accepted. There is no fee to apply.

*CDFW reserves the right to cancel this hunt and close the area to all public users without prior notification due to unforeseen circumstances or emergency situations.*

For more information, please contact CDFW at (707) 425-3828.

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