

**DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND WILDLIFE**<http://www.dfg.ca.gov>

Wildlife Programs Branch

Upland Game

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**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

Hunters must possess a valid 2017-2018 California hunting license and upland game bird stamp. Hunters possessing a junior hunting license do not need an upland game bird stamp and must be accompanied by a non-shooting adult 18 years of age or older. All shooters and non-shooters must wear shooting safety glasses, blaze orange, and initial and sign the enclosed waiver.

Please come prepared and wear appropriate gear for the hunt; we strongly recommend you bring water, a hat, sturdy shoes/boots, sweater/jacket, mosquito repellent and a cooler with ice for your birds. For safety, Apprentice hunters must have a properly fitted shotgun. Please note if you are not prepared for the hunt or your gear is deemed unsafe you may be asked to withdraw from the hunt.

The Upland Game Bird Special Hunts Program is pleased to offer you this special hunt. Practice good sportsmanship, enjoy your hunt and most of all, be a safe hunter.

If you require any special accommodations, cannot attend this hunt, or have any questions please contact the Los Banos Wildlife Area at (209) 826-0463 between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm.

Have a enjoyable and safe hunt.

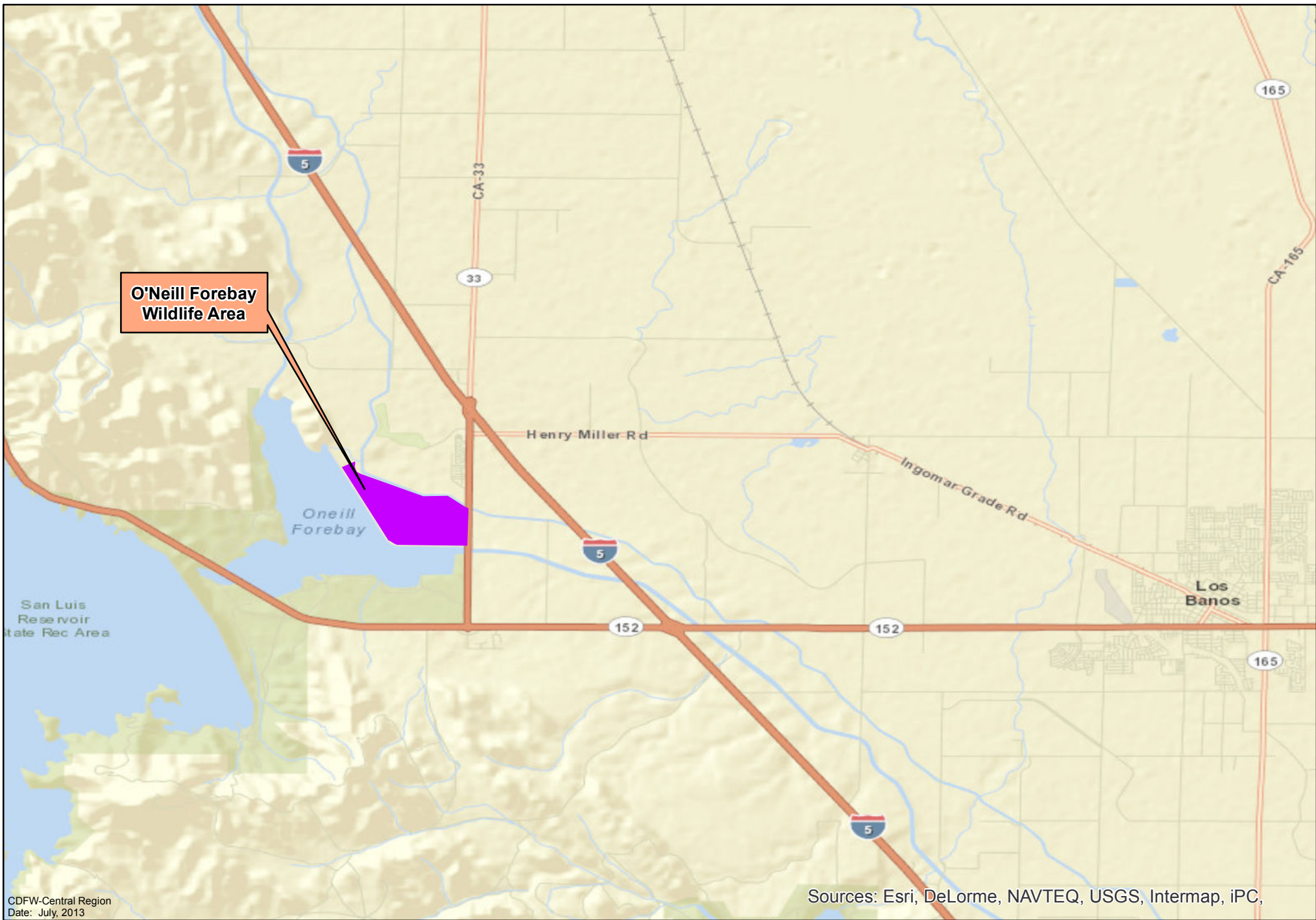
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- Effective July 1, 2016, non-lead shot will be required when taking upland game birds with a shotgun, except for dove, quail, snipe, and any game birds taken on licensed game bird clubs.
- Effective July 1, 2015, NON-LEAD AMMUNITION will be required when hunting on ALL CDFW Lands.

Listed below are special rules and information for the hunt:

1. Permits will be issued to you and the person who will be accompanying you on the hunt when you check-in with Department of Fish and Wildlife personnel. Only one non-hunting adult, 18 years or older, must accompany no more than two junior hunters in the field. The adult who is accompanying the junior hunter(s) may NOT possess any weapon and may NOT hunt under any circumstances. The adult accompanying the junior hunter(s) will be in a supervisory capacity only. No other persons except a volunteer dog handler if available will be allowed in the field with the junior hunter(s) and the one accompanying adult.
2. All persons in the field are required to provide and wear shooting safety glasses.
3. **Lead shot may NOT be used to hunt pheasants and upland game.** An upland game stamp is NOT required for junior license holders. The use of dogs is permitted and desirable.
4. Rules and regulations of the Department of Fish and Wildlife will be in effect. Each hunter is limited to taking two (2) rooster pheasant during the hunt.
5. Hunts will not be canceled due to bad weather.
6. It is suggested that bright colored clothing and comfortable walking footwear be worn. Blaze orange vests will be provided by the department at the time you check- in. All permits must be returned before leaving the area.

If you have questions about the hunt or cannot attend, call the Los Banos Wildlife Area at (209) 826-0463 between the hours of 8:00 am and 4:00 pm, Monday through Friday.



Upland Game Bird Special Hunts O'Neill Forebay Wildlife Area



The Ten Commandments of Firearms Safety:

1. Watch that muzzle! Keep it pointed in a safe direction at all times.
2. Treat every firearm with the respect due a loaded gun.
3. Be sure of your target and what is in front of it and beyond it.
4. Keep your finger outside the trigger guard until ready to shoot .
5. Check your barrel and ammunition.
6. Unload firearms when not in use.
7. Point your firearm only at something you intend to shoot.
8. Don't run, jump, or climb with a loaded firearm.
9. Store firearms and ammunition separately and safely.
10. Don't drink alcohol, use drugs or take medications that might impair your abilities and good judgment before or while handling firearms or archery equipment.





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2017-2018 Liability Waiver: Adult Participants



READ, INITIAL AND SIGN BEFORE HUNT DAY

Waiver of Potential Claims and Release of Liability

I, _____, as a condition of my being able to participate in hunting activities on State property acknowledge and represent to the State of California each of the following:

1. Hunting is an inherently dangerous activity that can result in serious injuries or death caused by myself or other people who are present, participating in or watching such activities._____
Initial

2. Hunting also includes an inherent risk of serious injury or death caused by conditions of the land, including both defects in or improvements thereto, or natural conditions including animals (whether those being hunted or not) on the property. The State has not made any representations that the conditions of the property are suitable for hunting or that the property is free from defects._____
Initial

3. I acknowledge that in allowing me to participate in hunting activities on State property, the State owes me no duty to supervise the activity or the persons participating in or watching the activity. I further acknowledge that by providing rules, signs, guides, chaperones or other volunteers to assist in hunting activities, neither the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers owe me any duty whatsoever to supervise or control the actions of myself or other persons participating in, watching the activity or on the property._____
Initial

4. Waiver And Release Of Claims: I hereby expressly waive any right that I might have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for any physical or emotional injuries, illnesses, death or other damages that I might suffer as a result of participating in hunting activities on State property._____
Initial

5. Waiver And Release Of Claims Based On Negligence: In addition to the inherent dangers involved in hunting on State property described above, I further acknowledge that serious injuries or death may be caused by the negligent acts of State employees, its agents, volunteers or other persons which increase the risk of injury beyond those normally anticipated while hunting. I hereby expressly agree to assume the risk that I may be seriously injured or killed through the negligent acts of others. I agree to waive any right I may have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for injuries or death that I may suffer arising out of participating in hunting or related activities including physical or emotional injuries, illnesses or death caused by the negligent acts of the State, its agents, employees, volunteers or other persons._____
Initial

Prior to executing this waiver and release of liability, I was given the opportunity to thoroughly read the entire document and to consult my own legal counsel regarding the potential effect of signing this agreement. I hereby consent to be bound by its terms and conditions.

PLEASE READ, SIGN AND BRING WAIVER TO CHECK IN ON THE DATE OF THE HUNT. YOU MUST SUBMIT A WAIVER IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS UPLAND GAME BIRD HUNT

Signature _____ Date _____

Printed Name _____



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2017-2018 Liability Waiver: Minor (under the age of 18) Participant



READ, INITIAL AND SIGN BEFORE HUNT DAY

Waiver of Minor's Potential Claims and Release of Liability

I, _____, am the legal parent/guardian of _____, a minor under the age of 18 years (the "Child"), as a condition of the Child being able to participate in hunting activities on State property, I hereby acknowledge and represent to the State of California each of the following:

1. Hunting is an inherently dangerous activity that can result in serious injuries or death caused by myself, the Child or other people who are present, participating in or watching such activities. _____ Initial

2. Hunting also includes an inherent risk of serious injury or death caused by conditions of the land, including both defects in or improvements thereto, or natural conditions including animals (whether those being hunted or not) on the property. The State has not made any representations that the conditions of the property are suitable for hunting or that the property is free from defects. _____ Initial

3. I acknowledge that in allowing the Child to participate in hunting activities on State property, the State owes the Child no duty to supervise the activity or the persons participating in or watching the activity. I further acknowledge that by providing rules, signs, guides, chaperones or other volunteers to assist in hunting activities, neither the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers owe the Child any duty to supervise or control the actions of the Child or other persons participating in, watching the activity or on the property. _____ Initial

4. Waiver And Release Of Claims: I hereby expressly waive any right that the Child might have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for any physical or emotional injuries, illnesses, death or other damages that the Child might suffer as a result of participating in hunting activities on State property. _____ Initial

5. Waiver And Release Of Claims Based On Negligence: In addition to the inherent dangers involved in hunting on State property described above, I further acknowledge that serious injuries or death may be caused by the negligent acts of State employees, its agents, volunteers or other persons which increase the risk of injury beyond those normally anticipated while hunting. I hereby expressly agree that the Child assumes the risk that the Child may be seriously injured or killed through the negligent acts of others. I agree to waive any right the Child may have to sue the State, its agents, employees and/or volunteers for injuries or death that the Child may suffer arising out of participating in hunting or related activities including physical or emotional injuries, illnesses or death caused by the negligent acts of the State, its agents, employees, volunteers or other persons. _____ Initial

Prior to executing this waiver and release of liability, I was given the opportunity to thoroughly read the entire document and to consult my own legal counsel regarding the potential effect of signing this agreement. I hereby consent to be bound by its terms and conditions and consent to the Child being bound by its terms and conditions.

PLEASE READ, SIGN AND BRING WAIVER TO CHECK IN ON THE DATE OF THE HUNT. YOU MUST SUBMIT A WAIVER IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS UPLAND GAME BIRD HUNT

Signature _____ Date _____ (Parent/Guardian)

Printed Name _____ (Parent Guardian)