



WATERFOWL RESERVATION INFORMATION

Type-A Areas	Number of Hunters Per Reservation	Reservation Processing Time	Reservation Expiration Time	Vacancy Procedures
Bear Creek Unit – San Luis NWR	Two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each. For East Bear Creek, three people per reservation.	At least 2 ½ hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the Salt Slough/San Luis check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before the hunt.
Colusa NWR	Four people, but not more than two junior hunters or non-shooters.	At least 2 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - For Wednesday and Saturday hunt days, sign up Tuesday and Friday nights between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM. For Sunday hunts, sign up Saturday at the check station prior to 8:00 PM.
China Island Unit – North Grassland WA	Two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each.	At least 2 ½ hours before shoot time. Check in at Kesterson.	1 ½ hours before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the Kesterson check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before the hunt.
Delevan NWR	Four people, but not more than two junior hunters or non-shooters.	At least 2 ½ hours before shoot time.	1 ½ hours before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - For Wednesday and Saturday hunt days, sign up Tuesday and Friday nights between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM. For Sunday hunts, sign up Saturday at the check station prior to 8:00 PM.
Freitas North – San Luis NWR	One boat with up to four people.	Starting at 2:00 AM the morning of the hunt. Check in at Kesterson	3:00 AM	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the Kesterson check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before the hunt.
Freitas South – San Luis NWR	One boat with up to four people.	Starting at 2:00 AM the morning of the hunt. Check in at Salt Slough/San Luis check station.	3:00 AM	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the Salt Slough/San Luis check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before the hunt.
Gadwall Unit – North Grasslands WA	Two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each.	At least 2 ½ hours before shoot time. On opening day of waterfowl season, 3 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the Salt Slough/San Luis check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before the hunt.
Gray Lodge WA	General Reservations are for up to two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each. Mobility Impaired Blind Reservations are for up to three people.	At least 2 hours before shoot time.	1 1/2 hours before shoot time.	First-come, first-served line.
Grizzly Island WA	Two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each. Blinds – two hunters only. Reservation numbers are not used at Grizzly Island.	At least 2 hours before shoot time. On the opening weekend of waterfowl season, reservation processing time will begin 3 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	First-come, first-served line.
Howard Slough Unit – Upper Butte Basin WA	Up to three people.	At least 2 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM the night before the hunt. In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) entry will begin 1 hour before shoot time, following reservations.



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Joice Island Unit – Grizzly Island WA	Two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each. Reservation numbers are not used at Joice Island.	At least 2 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	No refills.
Kern NWR	Blinds – Up to four people. Free roam - Two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each.	At least 2 1/2 hours before shoot time.	1 1/2 hours before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - applications must be deposited at the check station at least 2 hours before shoot time. Refill until 2:00 PM.
Kesterson Unit – San Luis NWR	Three in the three-person blinds (16 available). Two in the two-person blinds (15 available). Three in the three-person mobility impaired blinds (2 available).	At least 2 ½ hours before shoot time.	1 ½ hours before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the Kesterson check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before the hunt.
Little Dry Creek Unit – Upper Butte Basin WA	Up to three people.	At least 2 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM the night before the hunt. In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) entry will begin 1 hour before shoot time, following reservations.
Llano Seco Unit – Upper Butte Basin WA	Up to three people.	At least 2 hours before shoot time.	1 ½ hours before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up between 4:00 AM and 4:30 AM the morning of the hunt. In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) entry will begin 1 ½ hours before shoot time, following reservations.
Los Banos WA	Blinds and Assigned Ponds - Approximately 13 three-person sites, 14 two-person blinds. In addition, there are 11 Jr blinds and 2 (two person) ADA blinds. Free roam - Two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each.	At least 2 hours before shoot time, except on opening day which is 2 ½ hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the Los Banos check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before.
Mendota WA	Two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each.	On opening day of waterfowl season, 2 ½ hours before shoot time; all other hunt days at least 2 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	First-come, first-served line.
Merced NWR	Two in the two-person blinds, Three in the three-person blinds (from 1 to 3 available). Three in the three-person mobility impaired blind (1 available). Lonetree, three people per reservation.	At least 2 hours before shoot time.	1 ½ hours before shoot time.	No refills. Reservation no-shows filled by In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery). Sign up at the Los Banos check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before the hunt.
Sacramento NWR	Four people, but not more than two junior hunters or non-shooters.	At least 2 ½ hours before shoot time.	1 ½ hours before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - For Wednesday and Saturday hunt days sign up Tuesday and Friday nights between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM. For Sunday hunts sign up Saturday at the check station prior to 8:00 PM.
Salt Slough Unit – North Grasslands WA	Assigned Ponds and Blinds- Up to three people, approximately 15 assigned pond sites plus 1 ADA blind and 1 space blind available. Free roam - Two adults, each adult may bring up two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each.	At least 2 ½ hours before shoot time. On opening day of waterfowl season 3 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the Salt Slough/San Luis check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before the hunt.



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San Jacinto WA	Four people, but not more than 2 junior hunters or non-shooters.	3:00 AM	3:00 AM or until last reservation is called.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at 3:00 AM.
San Luis NWR	Blinds - Two in the two-person blinds. Three in the three-person blinds at Blue Goose Unit. Free roam - two adults, each adult hunter may bring up two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each.	At least 2 ½ hours before shoot time. On opening day of waterfowl season, 3 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the Salt Slough/San Luis check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before the hunt.
Stone Lakes NWR	This hunt is now administered by the USFWS. For information, please visit https://www.fws.gov/refuge/stone_lakes .			
Sutter NWR	Four people, but not more than two junior hunters or non-shooters.	At least 2 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - For Wednesday and Saturday hunt days sign up Tuesday and Friday nights between 6:00 PM and 8:00 PM. For Sunday hunts sign up Saturday at the check station prior to 8:00 PM.
Volta WA	Two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each.	At least 2 hours before shoot time.	1 hour before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the Los Banos check station between 6:00 PM and 9:00 PM the night before the hunt.
Imperial Wildlife Area	Six people, but no more than four adults.	3:00 AM	3:00 AM or until last reservation is called.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) - sign up at the check station between 7:00 PM and 10:30 PM the night before the hunt.
Yolo Bypass WA	Blinds - up to four people, except mobility impaired blinds (up to three people). Free roam - two adults, each adult hunter may bring up to two junior hunters or two non-shooters or one of each.	At least 2 ½ hours before shoot time.	1 1/2 hours before shoot time.	In-Person Vacancy Draw (Lottery) – For Wednesday and Saturday hunt days, sign up Tuesday and Friday nights between 4:00 PM and 7:00 PM at the Yolo Bypass Headquarters. For Sunday hunts sign up Saturday at the check station prior to 7:00 PM.