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# Appendix J: Compatibility Determinations

In accordance with the Refuge Improvement Act of 1997, no uses for which the Service has authority to regulate may be allowed on a unit of Refuge System unless it is determined to be compatible. A compatible use is a use that, in the sound professional judgment of the refuge manager, will not materially interfere with or detract from the fulfillment of the National Wildlife Refuge System mission or the purposes of the national wildlife refuge. Managers must complete a written compatibility determination for each use, or collection of like-uses, that is signed by the manager and the Regional Chief of Refuges in the respective Service region.

Draft compatibility determinations were included in the Draft EIS/CCP to allow public review and comment.

Final compatibility determinations will be signed following release of the Record of Decision and will be available for viewing at Refuge headquarters. Below is a list of compatibility determinations included in the Draft EIS/CCP.

- # Biking/Jogging and Footraces
- # Boating
- # Camping, Swimming and Picnicking
- # Cemetery Operations
- # Collection of Wild Plant Foods for Personal Use
- # Cooperative Farming
- # Fire Department Training
- # Fishing (Competitive Events)
- # Fishing (Recreational)
- # Grazing of Livestock
- # The Haven Operations
- # Haying
- # Horseback Riding

- # Hunting of Fox
- # Hunting of Migratory Waterfowl and Game Birds, Resident Game and Furbearers (Recreational)
- # Industrial Operations
- # Installation of Nesting Structures by Public or Groups
- # Interpretation and Environmental Education
- # Priority Wildlife-dependent Recreational Uses on Lands Proposed to be Acquired
- # Sewage Collection System Replacement by the City of Marion
- # Trapping of Furbearers
- # Waterskiing
- # Wildlife Observation and Interpretation
- # Wood Cutting and Timber Harvest
- # Youth Camp Operations

