

Refuge Boundary Stewards needed.....

Help us maintain our refuge boundaries by adopting a specific section of the refuge boundary. Boundary Stewards will be responsible for walking a specific section of refuge boundary twice a year. The ideal time of year to schedule Stewards is spring and fall. This time of year is cooler and the insect population is not as great as the summer. The decrease in leaves on trees and vegetation makes it easier to spot and clear out around boundary signs.

Responsibilities:

- **Identify signs that need replacement due to fading over time, vandalism, or theft. If possible the Steward will install a new sign.**
- **Check for signposts that are bent or twisted.**
- **Identify and report large gaps between boundary signs or un-posted sections.**
- **Remove vegetation from around signs so they can be visible.**
- **Document and report any encroachment on refuge owned lands by adjacent land owners (ie., sheds, wood piles, forts, mowing or extending of yards, other personal property).**
- **Report the use of any unauthorized trail leading into the refuge from adjacent land or specific houses.**
- **Document in detail un-authorized activity occurring within the refuge (ie., vacant hunter tree stands, paint ball, target practice, “party areas”, fires, unauthorized people in closed areas, pets on refuge.)**

Contact Refuge Officer Brian Willard at 978-443-4661 x13 if you want to help.