



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Hunting

Havasu National Wildlife Refuge

Public hunting on Havasu National Wildlife Refuge is permitted in specified areas, except as provided by this brochure. All hunting shall be in accordance with all applicable state and federal regulations. Persons possessing, transporting, or carrying firearms on national wildlife refuges must comply with all provisions of federal, state and local law. Persons may only use (discharge) firearms in accordance with refuge regulations (50CFR 27.42 and specific refuge regulations in 50 CFR part 32). All species of animals and plants are protected except those listed in this brochure. Note that the lengths of some hunting seasons may be different than those designated by the states of Arizona and California.

General Regulations

- We only allow take of those species specifically listed. We allow hunting of mourning and white-winged dove, duck, coot, moorhen, goose, common snipe, quail, cottontail rabbit, and desert bighorn sheep on designated areas of the refuge. All other species are prohibited.
- Havasu NWR is a non-toxic shot zone, use or possession of toxic shot (lead), in the field, is prohibited.
- We allow the use of muzzleloader, pistol, pneumatic gun, crossbow, and archery equipment for hunting.
- Use of rifles is prohibited (with the exception of Desert Bighorn Sheep hunts).
- Target shooting or the discharge of a weapon except to hunt is not permitted.
- Motorized vehicles may operate on designated roadways only and must be "street legal" i.e. licensed, insured and equipped to operate on highways.
- Pits, permanent blinds and stands, trail or scouting cameras, and baiting are prohibited.
- The use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting is prohibited.
- Temporary blinds, boats, hunting equipment, and decoys must be removed following each day's hunt.

- Guide service providers must obtain a Special Use Permit from the refuge on which they provide services.
- No fires
- No camping
- No falconry
- Air-cooled outboard motors (surface-drive) are allowed, but all air-thrust boats including floating aircraft are prohibited.

Closed Areas (as shown on the map)

Topock Marsh

Entry into the Topock Marsh closed area is prohibited from October 1 through the last day of the state waterfowl season (including the juniors-only hunt). The only exception is through traffic on the Levee Road and the entrance to the Bermuda goose observation tower parking lot.

Topock Gorge

Topock Gorge (from Blankenship Bend north to Interstate 40)

Hunting is prohibited in Topock Gorge, including those refuge lands within $\frac{1}{4}$ mile of the waters of the Colorado River.

Open Areas (as shown on the map)

Topock Marsh

Designated portions of Topock Marsh are open to hunting.

Pintail Slough

Pintail Slough is covered by specific regulations detailed in a separate leaflet.

Other Refuge Lands

Refuge lands and waters south of Blankenship Bend to the north boundary of the Lake Havasu City limits.

Big Game

Hunting of desert bighorn sheep is allowed by permit only. Permits are issued by the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Migratory Birds

Dates, daily bag, and possession limits will be in accordance with respective federal and state regulations.

Quail & Rabbit Hunting

Dates, daily bag, and possession limits will be in accordance with respective federal and state regulations, except in the Pintail Slough Quota Hunt permit area, where the hunting of cottontail and quail is permitted only by quota hunt permit during the state waterfowl hunt season.

Dove Hunting

Dates, daily bag, and possession limits will be in accordance with respective federal and state regulations, except in the Pintail Slough Quota Hunt permit area, where the hunting of dove is permitted only by quota hunt permit during the state waterfowl hunt season.

Accidents or Injury

Accidents involving damage to property, injury to the public or injury to wildlife that occur within the boundaries of any national wildlife refuge are to be reported as soon as possible. To report incidents after hours and weekends call 1-800/637-9152

Injuries or accidents occurring on the refuge during normal duty hours, must be reported immediately to the Refuge Manager at 760/326-3853 ext 123.

For Additional Information:

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317 Mesquite Avenue

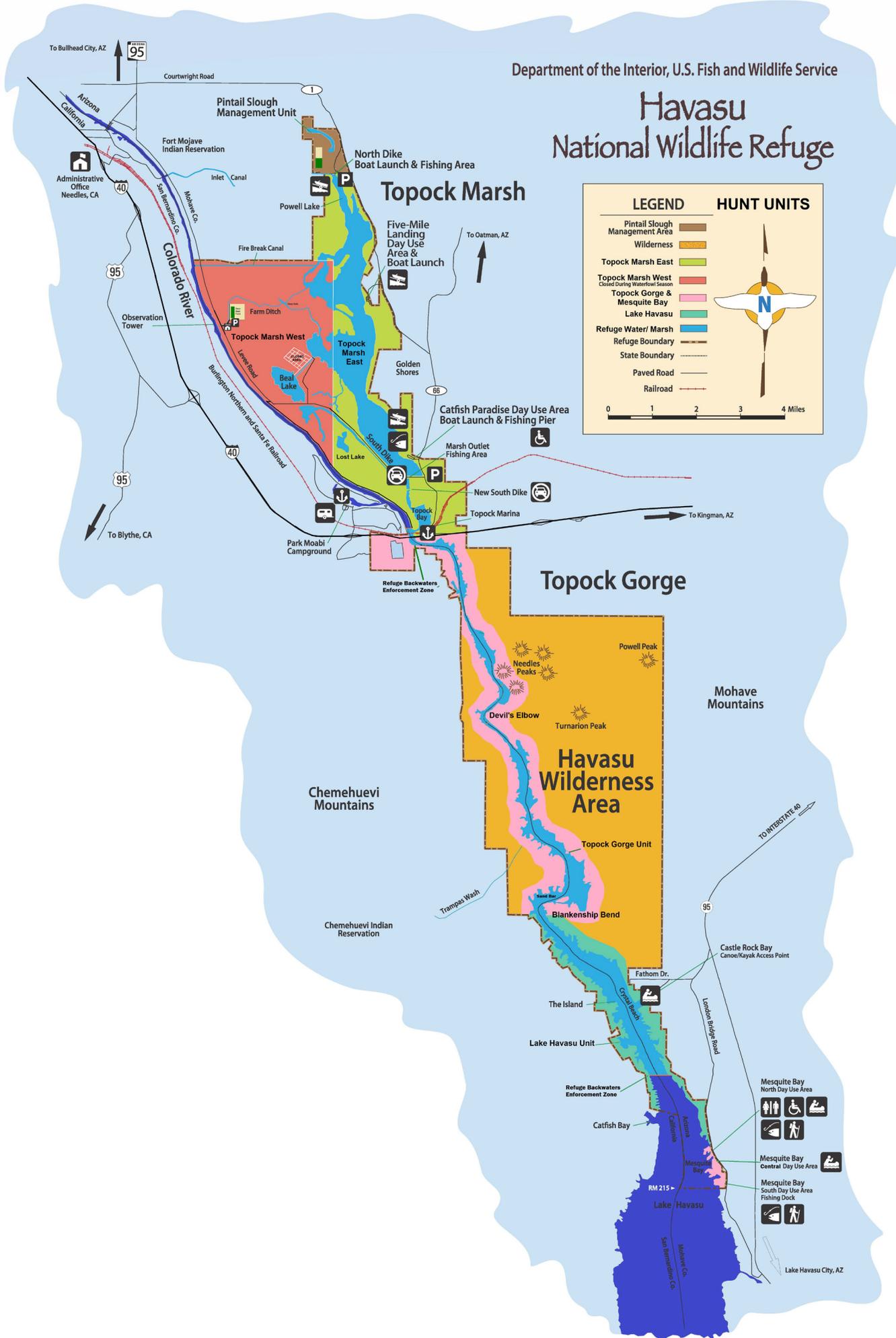
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LEGEND		HUNT UNITS	
	Pintail Slough Management Area		Wilderness
	Topock Marsh East		Topock Marsh West <small>Closed During Waterfowl Season</small>
	Topock Gorge & Mesquite Bay		Lake Havasu
	Refuge Water/ Marsh		Refuge Boundary
	State Boundary		Paved Road
	Railroad		

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- Mesquite Bay North Day Use Area
- Mesquite Bay Central Day Use Area
- Mesquite Bay South Day Use Area Fishing Dock