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News Release

Subject: Waterfowl Learn to Hunt

Location: Horicon Marsh
DNR - Horicon Marsh Education Center
N7725 Highway 28
Horicon, WI 53032

Classroom Dates: a) Saturday, 09/14/13 - 11:00am – 3:00pm
b) Sunday, 10/06/13 - 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Hunt Dates: 1) Saturday, 09/14/13 2) Sunday, 09/15/13
3) Saturday, 10/12/13 4) Sunday, 10/13/13
5) Saturday, 10/19/13 6) Sunday, 10/20/13
Rain Date: Saturday, 10/26/13 and Sunday, 10/27/13

Thirty young hunters, from ages 12-17 will have the unique opportunity to experience a once in a lifetime duck hunt on the Horicon National Wildlife Refuge (HNWR). In addition, select hunting areas on the Horicon State Wildlife Area, which is operated by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR), will be opened this year for twelve hunters ages 10 and up, including adults.

A drawing of the applications will be held on September 7th, 2013 to determine successful and eligible candidates. First time applicants will be given priority.

Prior to the hunt, successful applicants must also complete a mandatory four hour orientation and training session, which will be hosted by the Wisconsin Waterfowl Association (WWA), Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR), and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). This class will include waterfowl identification, gun safety, water safety, duck calling, range estimation and hunting tactics. Lunch will be provided to all that attend.

The hunts will be mentored by experienced waterfowl hunters. There will be one mentor per hunter and only the successful applicant will be allowed to hunt.

The Learn to Hunt application may be downloaded from the WWA website at www.wisducks.org and then typing in “Horicon National Wildlife Refuge Learn to Hunt Program”. If you have any questions please call the HNWR at (920)387-2658 ext. 112.

**You must then submit the application to the following address:
Horicon National Wildlife Refuge – Learn to Hunt Application
W4279 Headquarters Road
Mayville, WI 53050**

Successful USFWS Learn to Hunt applicants will be notified by phone by September 9th, 2013. There will be a 15.00 registration fee for successful applicants.