U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service

DeSoto

National Wildlife Refuge

IOWA – December Deer Hunt

Muzzleloader Antlerless Deer Access Permit and Regulations

Hunt Dates: December 20-21, 2014
Scout Day: Saturday-Decembe13, 2014

This permit must be signed below and carried at all times during this special hunt at DeSoto NWR.

I have read and understand the regulations for this special hunt at DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge.

_____ _____
Hunter's signature Date

For more information:
DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge
1434 316th Lane
Missouri Valley, IA 51555
712/388-4802
402/679-9020 (Emergency after hours)

REGULATIONS

That portion of the DeSoto Refuge indicated on the map on the back of this permit, is open to antlerless deer hunting subject to the following conditions:

1. To access the hunt area, hunters must possess:
   - Iowa Season 2 Shotgun license
   - Harrison or Pottawattamie Anterless permit if desired for a second deer.
   - Iowa small game hunting license and habitat fee
   - DeSoto NWR Muzzleloader Access Permit (this permit)
   - DeSoto Entrance Fee (see # 16)

2. Only antlerless deer may be harvested.

3. Hunters must follow all state and federal deer hunting regulations for the permit they hold, this includes; hours, hunting methods, tagging requirements and permit requirements.

4. **SEASON: December 20-21, 2014**
   Scout day: Saturday-December 13, 2014
Stands/blinds can only be left on the refuge from 12/13/14 to 12/21/14.

5. Legal Weapons: All weapons and scopes allowed under the state requirements of a muzzleloader may be used.

6. All firearms must be 1) unloaded and 2) entirely cased or broken down while in vehicles on refuge roads. Shooting on or over any refuge road open to vehicle traffic within 30 feet of the centerline is prohibited.

7. Only legal hunters holding this permit may enter and hunt during this time. No companions, unless required, such as a youth hunter.

8. You may not field dress any game within 100 feet of the centerline of any refuge road.

9. Participation in organized deer drives is prohibited.

10. The use of two-way mobile radio transmitters to communicate the location of game or to coordinate the movement of other hunters is prohibited.

11. Hunters are allowed in the designated hunting area two (2) hours before legal sunrise until one hour after legal sunset.

12. STAND/BLIND POLICY: Only portable tree stands and blinds may be placed on the refuge from December 13-21, 2014. In complying with refuge specific regulations:
- Hunters must remove all stands, blinds, and other property from the refuge by December 21, 2014.
- Do not bolt or screw your stand to the tree.
- You cannot use screw in steps or drive spikes/nails in the trees.
- No cutting of live or dead trees or branches or any other vegetation.
- Unattended stands and blinds must be plainly labeled on durable material with: (1) full name and (2) full address or hunting license number of the owner.
- Hunters in ground blinds must display a 12 inch by 12 inch patch of solid blaze orange material visible in all directions
- Stands and blinds not in full compliance with these regulations are subject to removal.

13. If you wound a deer and it enters a closed area, contact a refuge officer for assistance. Entry into a closed area without authorization is prohibited.

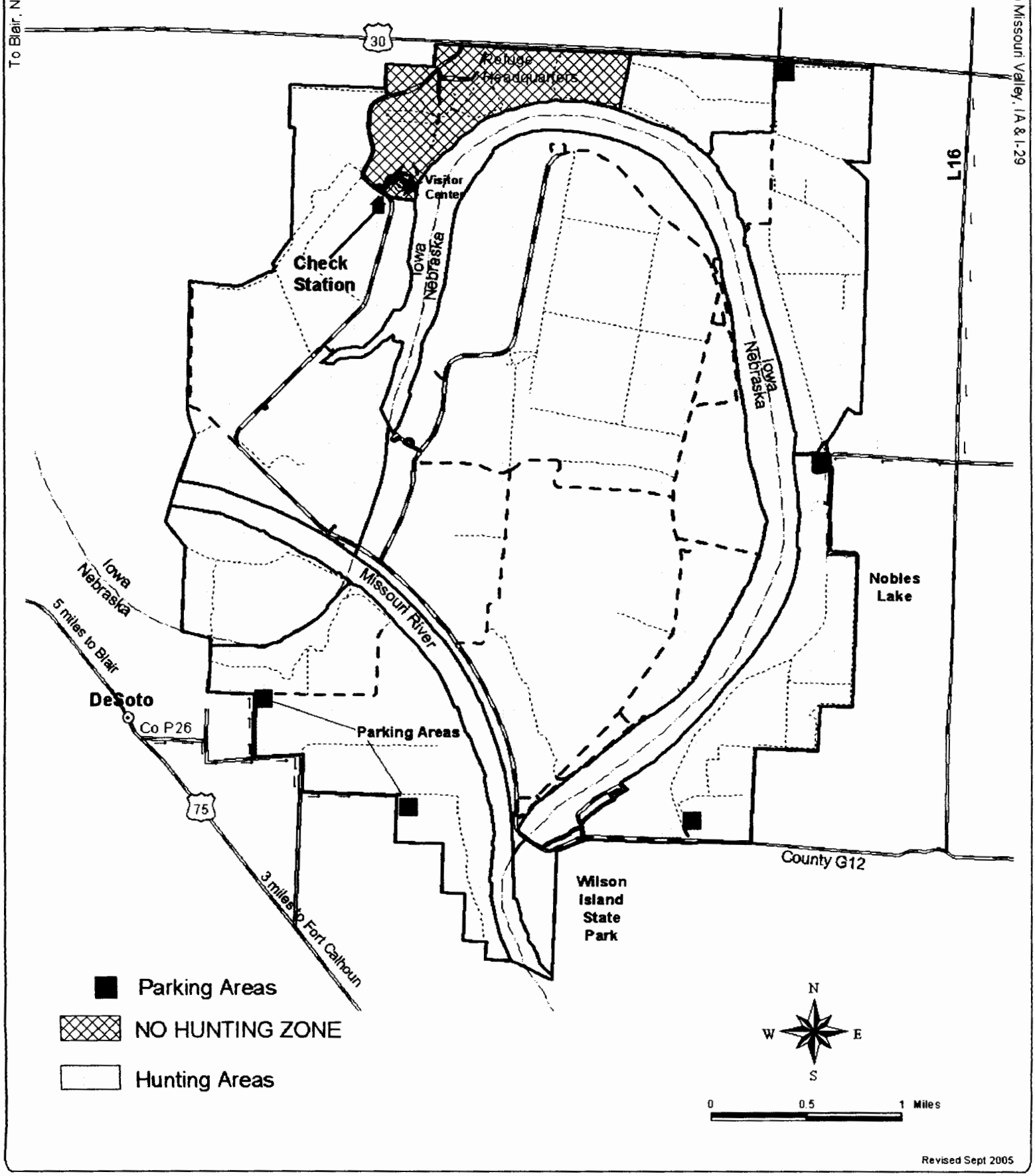
14. Parking is allowed along the roads. Do not block access gates or the roadways.

15. DeSoto has reciprocity between Nebraska and Iowa. Residents of either state may access all areas open to this hunt. Hunters holding non-resident licenses may only hunt on that state's ground.

16. DeSoto Refuge is a Federal Fee Area. Hunters may enter the refuge only if they have a Daily Entrance Permit ($3.00), Federal Duck Stamp ($15.00), Annual DeSoto Pass ($15.00), or other US Golden Permit.

17. Possession or use of alcohol is prohibited.

DeSoto National Wildlife Refuge
White-tailed Deer Hunt Areas



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