4. Hunters may possess lead-rifled slugs while deer hunting on the refuge (see § 32.2(k)).

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D. Sport Fishing. * * *

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8. We prohibit use or possession of alcoholic beverages while fishing on refuge lands and waters (see § 32.2(j)).

Reelfoot National Wildlife Refuge

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B. Upland Game Hunting. * * *

1. The refuge is a day-use area only. We close the refuge from legal sunset to legal sunrise, with the exception of legal hunting/fishing activities.

2. We prohibit the use of all motorized off-road vehicles (e.g., ATVs, UTVs) on the refuge (see § 27.31(f) of this chapter).

3. We set season dates and bag limits annually and publish them in the refuge brochure available at the refuge office.

4. You must possess and carry a signed refuge permit (signed refuge brochure) and comply with all permit provisions and other applicable State and Federal law.

5. We allow hunters to access the refuge no earlier than 2 hours before legal sunrise to no later than 2 hours after legal sunset, with the exception of raccoon and opossum hunters. We will allow access to those hunters from legal sunset to legal sunrise.

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9. We prohibit use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting on refuge lands (see § 32.2(j)).

10. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while hunting with a shotgun (see § 32.2(k)).

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13. We prohibit cutting of holes, lanes, or other manipulation of vegetation (e.g., cutting bushes and trees, mowing, herbicide use, and other actions) or hunting from manipulated areas (see § 27.51 of this chapter).

14. We prohibit hunting over or the placement of bait (see § 32.2(h)). Baiting means the direct or indirect placing, exposing, depositing, or scattering of any salt, grain, powder, liquid, or other feed substance to attract game.

15. We do not open for spring squirrel season on the refuge.

16. We prohibit trapping.

C. Big Game Hunting. * * *

1. Conditions B1 through B6 and B8 through B14 apply.

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4. Hunters may possess lead-rifled slugs while deer hunting on the refuge (see § 32.2(k)).

5. We allow the use of only portable blinds and tree stands on the refuge. You must remove blinds, tree stands, and all other personal equipment (see § 27.93 of this chapter) from the refuge at the end of each day's hunt.

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D. Sport Fishing. We allow sport fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

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5. We allow fishing only with pole and line or rod and reel.

6. We prohibit possession of unauthorized fishing gear, including trotlines, limblines, juglines, yo-yos, nets, spears, and snag hooks while fishing on the refuge.

7. We allow use of a bow and arrow or a gig to take nongame fish on refuge water.

8. We prohibit use or possession of alcoholic beverages while fishing on refuge lands and waters (see § 32.2(j)).

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■ 34. Amend § 32.63 Texas by:

■ a. Revising paragraph C.1. and adding paragraph C.11. under Balcones Canyonlands National Wildlife Refuge; and

■ b. Revising the entry under Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge; and

■ c. Revising paragraphs C.6. and C.8. under Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge.

These revisions and additions read as follows:

§ 32.63 Texas.

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Balcones Canyonlands National Wildlife Refuge

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C. Big Game Hunting. * * *

1. Conditions A1, A4, A5, and A8 through A11 apply.

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11. Hunters must be at least age 12. A Texas-licensed adult (age 21 or older), who has successfully completed a Hunter Education Training Course, must accompany hunters between ages 12 and 17 (inclusive). We exempt those persons born prior to September 2, 1971, from the Hunter Education Training Course requirement. We define accompanied as being within normal voice contact of an adult. This adult may supervise no more than two hunters.

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Hagerman National Wildlife Refuge

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of mourning dove in the month of September on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. You must possess and carry a signed refuge brochure (which serves as your Migratory Game Bird/Upland Game permit). The permit is available free of charge at the refuge headquarters.

2. We require the hunter to self check-in and check out.

3. We allow only shotguns for hunting.

4. You may possess shot for hunting no larger than #4 in the hunting area.

5. Hunters may possess only approved nontoxic shot while in the field (see § 32.2(k)).

6. We prohibit hunting within 150 feet (45 m) of any Day Use Area or walking trail.

7. We prohibit target practice or any nonhunting discharge of firearms.

8. We prohibit falconry.

9. We allow retriever dogs, but the dogs must be under the control of the handler at all times (see § 26.21(b) of this chapter).

10. We prohibit airboats, hovercraft, and personal watercraft (jet skis, wave runner, jet boats, etc.) year-round on refuge waters.

11. We prohibit building or hunting from permanent blinds.

12. We prohibit blocking of gates and roads (see § 27.31(h) of this chapter).

13. We prohibit ATVs.

14. We prohibit horses.

15. We prohibit glass containers.

16. We prohibit use or possession of alcoholic beverages while hunting (see § 32.2(j)).

17. We prohibit hunting over feeders or feed (see § 32.2(h)).

B. Upland Game Hunting. We allow hunting of squirrel and rabbit in the months of February and September on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions: Conditions A1 through A17 apply.

C. Big Game Hunting. We allow hunting of white-tailed deer, feral hog, and turkey on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We require a limited hunt permit (Big/Upland Game Hunting Application, FWS Form 3–2356) for archery deer, feral hog, and spring turkey hunts. For additional information on how to apply, contact the refuge headquarters at 903–786–2826.

2. Conditions A2, A5 through A7, and A11 through A17 apply.

3. We restrict hunt participants for quota hunts to those drawn for and in possession of a limited hunt permit. The permits are nontransferable. Hunt dates and application procedures will be available annually at the refuge headquarters.

4. We allow limited hunts for feral hog (March), archery deer (November, December), and spring turkey (April). We allow muzzleloaders, bow and arrow, and shotguns for feral hog and spring turkey hunts. You may possess and use only lead free, nontoxic (steel, bismuth, copper, or tungsten) bullets, slugs, and shot (00 buck for hogs, no shell larger than No. 4 shot size for turkey).

5. We require all hunters to check-in, show proof of personal identification, and produce a valid limited hunt permit (see C1) prior to the hunt.

6. We limit each hunter to one stand which the hunter may place on the refuge during the day preceding each hunt. Hunters must remove all stands by legal sunset on the last day of each hunt (see §§ 27.93 and 27.94 of this chapter).

7. We prohibit the use of nonbiodegradable flagging, blazing, tacks, nails, or other trail marking devices to locate stands or for any other purpose.

8. Hunters must check all game harvested during limited hunts at the refuge check station the same day of the kill and prior to leaving the refuge for the day.

9. We prohibit crossbows except by special permit (General Special Use Application and Permit FWS Form 3–1383–G) issued on a case-by-case basis by the refuge manager to accommodate hunter accessibility needs.

10. We divide the refuge into six hunting units, and we may rotate areas open to hunting annually. We allow hunting only on designated days and only on areas identified annually by the refuge.

11. We require proof of completion of a bow hunter education course for all archery hunting.

12. We require annual successful completion of an archery proficiency test with a score of 80 percent or higher for all deer and turkey hunt permit holders.

13. Hunting is from stands, blinds, or by stalking only.

14. We prohibit cutting of trees or limbs greater than 1 inch (2.5 cm).

15. We will close the hunt units to public entry the day prior to each hunt segment.

16. We will allow hunters with valid limited permits to place hunt stands on trees the day before their hunt segment begins, but they must first check-in at the hunter check station. They may not enter any hunt unit until 8 a.m., and they must leave the unit by 2 p.m. We will disqualify anyone in violation from hunting.

17. There is no bag or size limit on the harvesting of feral hogs.

18. We prohibit scouting the day prior to and during each hunt segment.

19. We require hunters to wear a safety harness while hunting in elevated stands.

D. Sport Fishing. We allow fishing on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. Lake Texoma and connected streams are open to fishing year-round. We require a valid State of Texas or Lake Texoma fishing license as per State regulations.

2. Conditions A10, and A12 through A15 apply.

3. You may bank and wade fish with pole and line, rod and reel, or hand line year-round in all areas open to public fishing.

4. We allow fishing in refuge ponds March 15 through September 30 annually. We require a valid State of Texas or Lake Texoma fishing license as per State regulations.

5. Anglers may not use any glass containers, plastic jugs, or plastic bottles as floats.

6. We prohibit discarding any type of fishing line.

7. You may take bait only for personal use while fishing in refuge waters in accordance with Texas State law. We prohibit removal of bait from the refuge for commercial sales or use.

8. We prohibit fishing from bridges.

9. We allow the use of bow and arrow to take nongame fish on refuge waters.

10. We prohibit limb lines, throw lines, jug lines, seine nets, and yo-yos.

11. We prohibit taking frog, turtle, and mussel from refuge lands and waters (see § 27.21 of this chapter).

12. We prohibit entry into refuge impoundments and ponds by any means (i.e., foot, boat, other floating device), for any purpose, year-round.

13. We prohibit boats and all other floating devices on all open waters of Lake Texoma, except Big Mineral Creek from October 1 through March 14 annually.

14. At the point where Big Mineral Creek joins Lake Texoma, Big Mineral Creek becomes a year-round no-wake zone to the end of upstream navigable waters.

15. From October 1 through March 14, we allow only nonmotorized boats in Big Mineral Creek from the point where it joins Lake Texoma to the upstream end of navigable waters. This includes any type of gas or electric motor that is onboard and capable of use. We allow launching only from L Pad Road or by hand at the Big Mineral Day Use Area.

Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge

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C. Big Game Hunting. * * *

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6. We define youth hunters as ages 9 through 16. A Texas-licensed adult hunter, age 21 or older who has successfully completed a Hunter Education Training Course or is exempt, must accompany the youth hunter. We exempt those persons born prior to September 2, 1971, from the Hunter Education Training course requirement. We define accompanied as being within normal voice contact of the adult. Each adult hunter may supervise only one youth hunter.

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8. We allow a scouting period prior to the commencement of the refuge deer hunting season. A permitted hunter and a limit of two nonpermitted individuals may enter the hunt units during the scouting period. We allow access to the units during the scouting period from 1½ hours before legal sunrise to legal sunset. You must clearly display the refuge-issued Hunter Vehicle Validation Tag/Scouting Permit (available from the refuge office) face up on the vehicle dashboard when hunting and scouting.

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■ 35. Amend § 32.64 Utah by:

■ a. Revising paragraphs A. and B., and adding paragraphs D.2. through D.4. under Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge; and

■ b. Revising paragraph B.3., adding paragraph B.4., revising paragraphs C.3., C.4., C.6., and C.7., and adding paragraphs C.8. and C.9. under Ouray National Wildlife Refuge.

These additions and revisions read as follows:

§ 32.64 Utah.

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Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge

A. Migratory Game Bird Hunting. We allow hunting of goose, duck, coot, and tundra swan on designated areas of the refuge in accordance with State regulations subject to the following conditions:

1. We prohibit hunting or shooting within 100 yards (90 m) of refuge roads, parking areas, and observation platforms.

2. You may possess only approved nontoxic shot while in the field (see § 32.2(k)).

3. We allow only portable blinds and blinds made from natural vegetation. We prohibit the construction or use of permanent blinds and/or pits for blinds (see § 27.92 of this chapter).

4. You must remove boats, decoys, portable blinds, and other personal property from the refuge at the end of