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Feral Pig Hunting Opens on Sacramento River NWR

Beginning September 1, 2014, the Sacramento River National Wildlife Refuge (SRNWR) will allow feral pig hunting in authorized areas. This decision will improve consistency of the refuge hunt plan with the regulations on adjacent state managed wildlife areas and provide additional hunting opportunities.

In recent years, feral pig populations have increased along the Sacramento River. As a result, they are causing severe damage to restored and remnant riparian habitats by uprooting plants and disturbing soil which results in erosion and invasive plants on the refuge. Feral pigs also damage agricultural fields, irrigation lines and walking trails.

The hunting season will be open from September 1 through March 15 on SRNWR units that authorize hunting. This limited season is concurrent with existing hunt seasons on the refuge. Shotgun and archery hunting only and the use of dogs are not permitted for feral pig hunting.

For a complete list of all units open to public uses, brochures, maps and refuge-specific hunting regulations, visit our website at www.fws.gov/refuge/Sacramento_River.

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