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Registration open for assisted deer hunt

MANHATTAN, Kan.,— Youth and disabled hunters have until July 31 to apply for a limited 2014 assisted deer hunt at Tuttle Creek Lake.

The Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, Riley County Fish and Game Association, and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Tuttle Creek Lake are still accepting applications for the 2014 Tuttle Creek Youth/Disabled Assisted Deer Hunt, September 6 and 7. This hunt, which is offered free of charge, is open to resident youth age 11-16 and those with a certified disability interested in hunting Kansas whitetails. Applications are due July 31.

Participants will need a Kansas hunting license, deer permit, and, if required by Kansas law, must have completed an approved hunter education course. Assistance meeting these requirements, including scholarship assistance to purchase a hunting license and deer permit, can be provided.

If needed, rifles and ammunition will also be available to hunters. Each participant will be guided by an experienced hunter, and arrangements have been made with area lockers to provide basic processing of harvested deer free of charge. Other items provided for this hunt include accessible hunting blinds, hunting locations, hunter orange hats and vests, and transportation to the field.

Participants will be required to attend a firearm safety presentation and sight-in at the Fancy Creek Shooting Range at 4 p.m., Sunday, August 17.

For more information, or to obtain an application, contact U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Natural Resource Specialist Steve Prockish at (785) 539-8511, ext. 3167, or by e-mail at Stephen.E.Prockish@usace.army.mil.

This event is made possible by Friends of Fancy Creek Range, Kansas City Chapter of Safari Club International, Kansas State Rifle Association and the Tuttle Creek Lake Association.

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Dear Prospective Hunter,

Plans are underway for the 12th annual youth/handicap assisted deer hunt at Tuttle Creek Lake. The event is sponsored by the Riley County Fish & Game Association, Kansas Department of Wildlife, Parks and Tourism, and the Corps of Engineers at Tuttle Creek Lake.

Participants wishing to qualify for this hunt as a disabled hunter are required to have a handicap identification card or similar proof of their permanent disability. Youth 11 through 16 years of age are also eligible to participate in this hunt.

The hunt itself will be held on September 6th & 7th, 2014 for 25 lucky applicants. Prior to the hunt we will hold a rifle sight-in at the Fancy Creek Range near Randolph on Sunday, August 17th at 4:00p.m. The sight-in is **mandatory** for all participants. We will be providing a meal that evening so bring your rifle, ammo (a rifle and ammo will be provided if you don't have your own) and your appetite. During the sight-in, all participants will need to qualify for the hunt by demonstrating the ability to hit a "pie-sized" target (provided) 3 out of 5 shots at 50 yards. Prospective hunters that are unable to attend the sight-in or who fail to qualify will not be able to participate in this hunt. But don't worry, you will have plenty of time to warm up before qualifying.

On the evening of the sight-in we will also be addressing the hunting license and deer permit needs of each participant. Limited scholarships are available for those that need this assistance.

In order to hunt, hunters will need to wear a hunter orange hat and jacket or vest. These items will be provided if you don't already have them.

On September 6th & 7th, to begin the hunt, we will meet at 5:00 a.m. at the Tuttle Creek Lake Visitor Center for breakfast. After breakfast, all hunters and their guides will disperse to their predestinated hunting blinds. All hunters will have a guide and a hunt location assigned to them well before the hunt. Guides will know the assigned hunting locations. Hunters that are unsuccessful during the morning hunts can make arrangements with their guides for afternoon/evening hunts on these days.

Hopefully everybody will have the opportunity to harvest a deer. We have made arrangements to have the deer processed free of charge at some area lockers for those participants that need these services. We also have made arrangements for the deer to be transported to these lockers by other individuals helping with this hunt.

If you would like to participate in this hunt, please fill out the attached application and send it back to me no later than July 31st. Applications will be prioritized shortly thereafter and all applicants will be notified of their status.

If you have any questions about this event please contact me at 785-539-8511, ext. 3167, or at Stephen.E.Prockish@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

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