

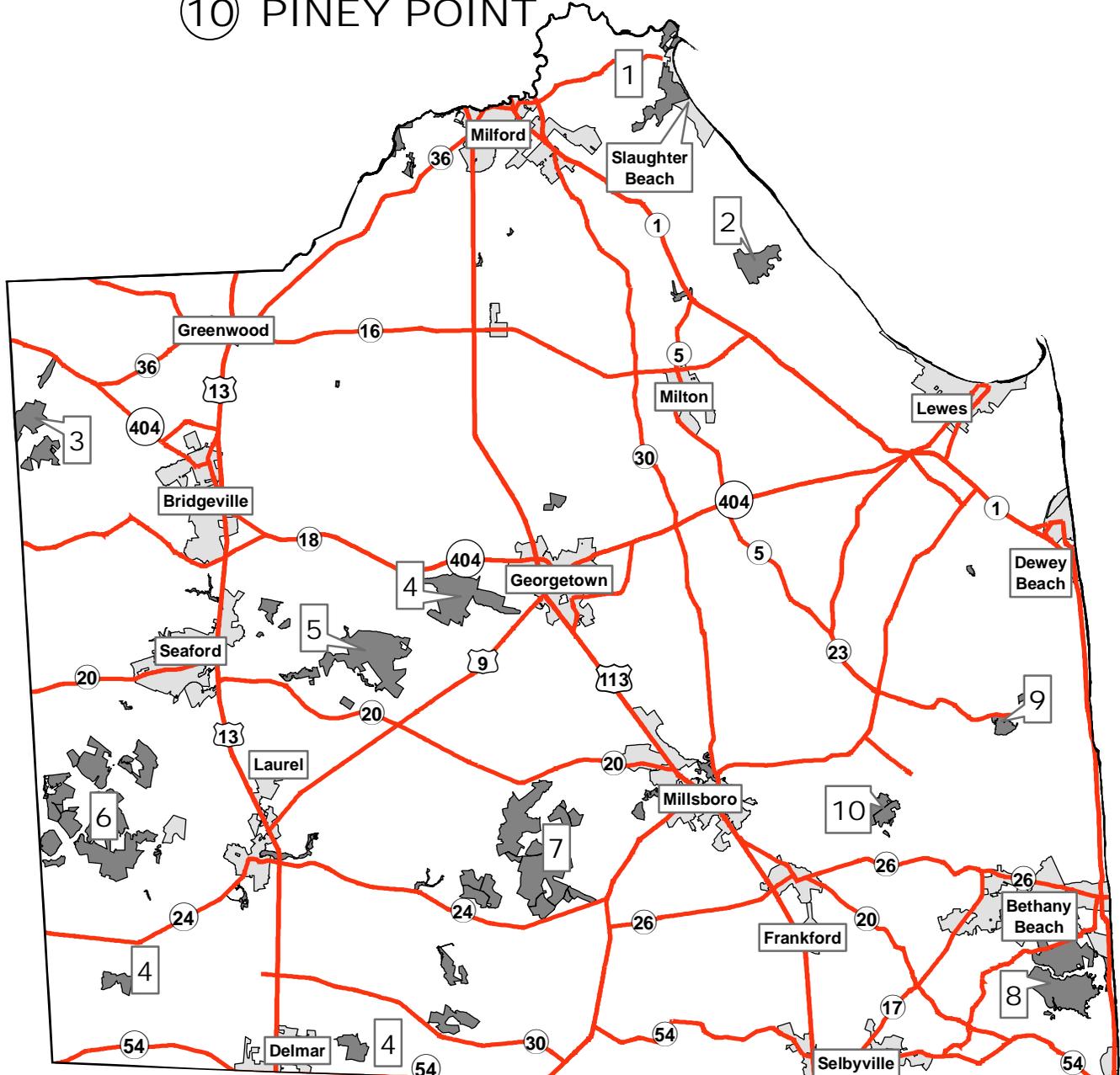
# STATE WILDLIFE AREAS IN SUSSEX COUNTY



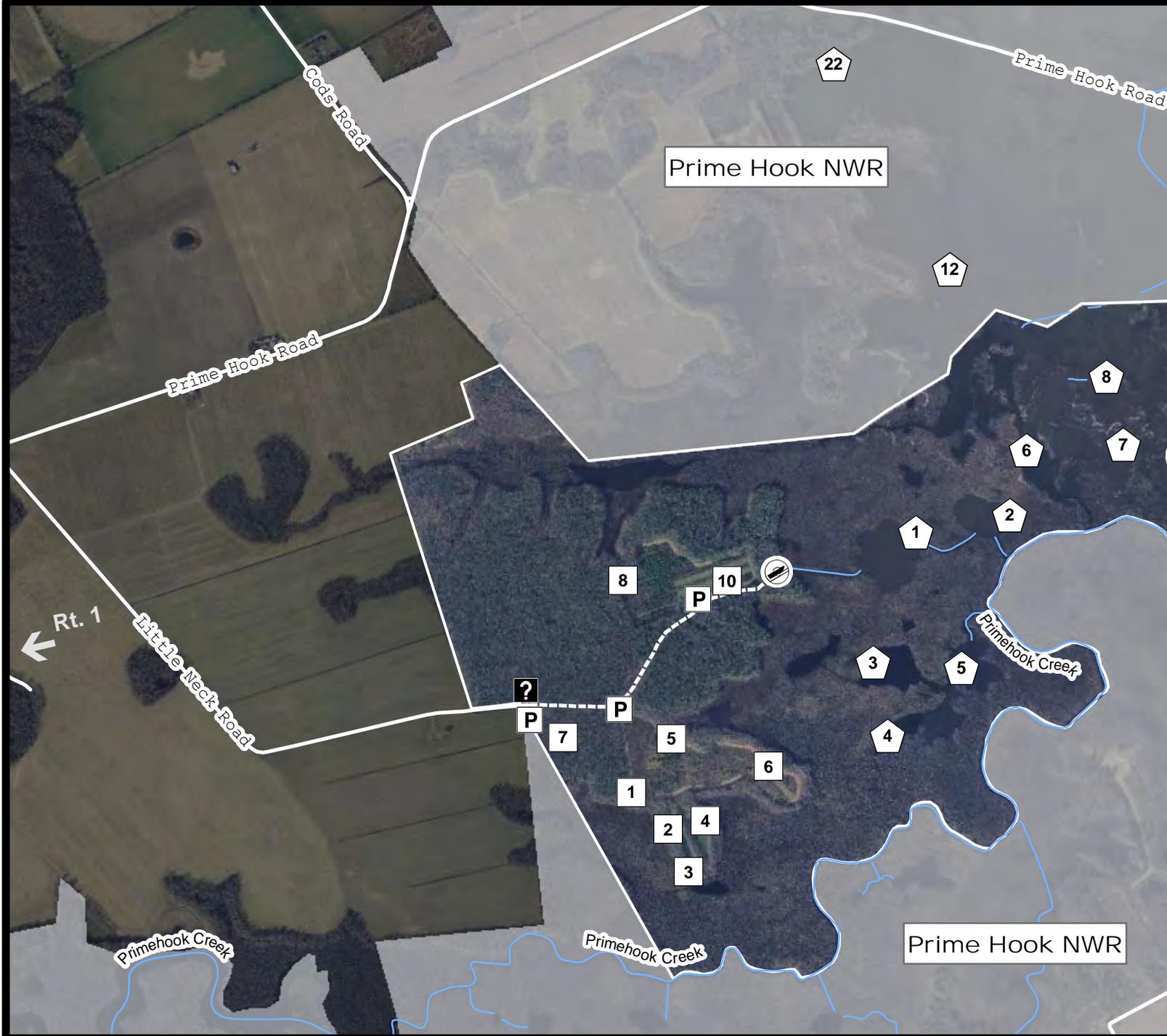
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Only Blinds #12 & 22 are open in the Lottery Hunt Area on Prime Hook NWR in 2015-2016.

	Wildlife Area		Maps & Info
	NWR Refuge		Boat Ramp
	Dirt Roads		Deer Stand
	Parking		Duck Blind

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# PRIME HOOK WILDLIFE AREA

## PRIME HOOK WILDLIFE AREA - HUNTING REGULATIONS

Persons may hunt on the Prime Hook Wildlife Area only as directed by these rules, which have been established by Regulation 25 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code.

**Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year.**

**NEW IN 2015** – Limited waterfowl hunting on federal areas during the marsh restoration project. Some state areas may be closed to allow mentored hunting opportunities.

#### A. PERMITS – Deer and Early Teal

1. A hunting permit is required for waterfowl and deer hunting. Harvest data cards (permits) are vital for proper wildlife management of the area.
2. All Deer and Early Teal permits can be obtained at the respective tagboards on a self-sign out basis.
3. After selecting a blind or stand each hunter/ hunting party must place a washer on the tagboard under the numbered hook corresponding to the blind or stand.
4. No one shall reserve more than one stand/blind at a time.
5. A permit card must be completely filled out with license and permit information prior to the hunt, and carried upon their person during the hunt.
6. After the hunt the card must be returned and the washer on the hook removed to indicate blind/stand is vacant.
7. Failure to return a card or reserving more than one stand or blind at a time will result in loss of hunting privileges.

#### WATERFOWL HUNTING

1. **Early Teal** - In 2015 state blinds will be open for the early teal season. Only state blinds will be open (1-8). State blinds for the early teal season will be checked out on a self-sign basis on-site only. Hunters will be asked to use the new waterfowl hunting tag board at the boat ramp. Early teal season hunting hours are ½ hour before sunrise to sunset. Hunt Days – **Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays**. Access to state blinds will be from state property only.
2. **Regular Seasons - state/federal permit is required to hunt.** At Prime Hook, State and Federal waterfowl blinds are managed as one unit. The Federal blind user system will also apply to state-owned blinds. Permits are issued on a lottery basis through the checking station on the Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge.
3. Prime Hook Wildlife Area is open for waterfowl hunting 4 days a week - **Mondays, Wednesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays**.
4. All hunting will be from government-maintained blinds only.
5. Permits may not be obtained earlier than 2 1/2 hours before sunrise on the day of the hunt and until 12:00 PM. Waterfowl hunting will stop at 3:00 PM. Hunters must be out by 4 p.m.
6. Permits will be surrendered at the federal check station by 4:00 p.m. or upon leaving the area. Failure to accurately report harvest and return permits will result in the loss of area hunting privileges. A blank card will be interpreted as zero harvest.
7. No more than three (3) persons will occupy a blind.
8. Permits must be retained with the party at all times.
9. During the waterfowl-hunting season, no boats are allowed at access ramps or in impoundments without a waterfowl hunting permit.

#### B. DEER HUNTING.

1. Eleven deer stands are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Use the deer hunting tag-board at the entrance while hunting.
2. **Deer drives permitted from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. by a maximum of 6 residents only.** Nonresidents may not participate in deer drives.
3. **Deer hunters must have a public lands stand permit to hunt.**

4. Portable deer stands may be used no closer than 100 yards from a permanent state stand. No permanent stands are allowed and all parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of each hunting day. No screw-in tree steps or stands may be used because they cause damage to the tree.

#### C. UPLAND HUNTING.

- A. **No special permits required, except to hunt wild turkey.** Properly licensed hunters, including falconers may hunt during any other open season. Upland small game hunting closed during all deer firearms seasons. Fox and coyote hunting in season is allowed. Fox chasing is prohibited until 1 p.m. during the turkey season. Raccoon hunting is permitted from September 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons. Upland game hunters may not hunt waterfowl. No persons shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Area while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot.

**D. TRAPPING.** No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights are awarded through competitive bids. Call 739-9912 or 539-3160 for bidding information.

**E. VEHICLES/BOATS.** No off-highway vehicles, either registered or unregistered, permitted. Motorized vehicles are only permitted on established and maintained roads.

**F. FIREARMS.** No firearms on Division lands from March 1 – August 31 during legal hunting seasons or as authorized by the Division of Fish and Wildlife. Target shooting is prohibited. Call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at 323-5333.

**G. HOURS.** Entry limited from sunrise to sunset except to lawfully hunt and fish.

**H. CAMPING, SWIMMING.** No unauthorized camping or swimming.

**I. HORSE RIDING.** Horses may be used only on established roads open to vehicular traffic except for activities approved by the Division.

**J. DUMPING.** Dumping is expressly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

**K. ALCOHOL** - The consumption and use of alcohol or illegal drugs while hunting on State Wildlife Areas is prohibited.

For further information, contact the Division of Fish and Wildlife, Dover, Delaware, 19901, (739-9912) or the Regional Office at the Assawoman Wildlife Area at (302) 539-3160.

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# MARSHY HOPE WILDLIFE AREA

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Wildlife Area



Dirt Roads



Gates



Safety Zone



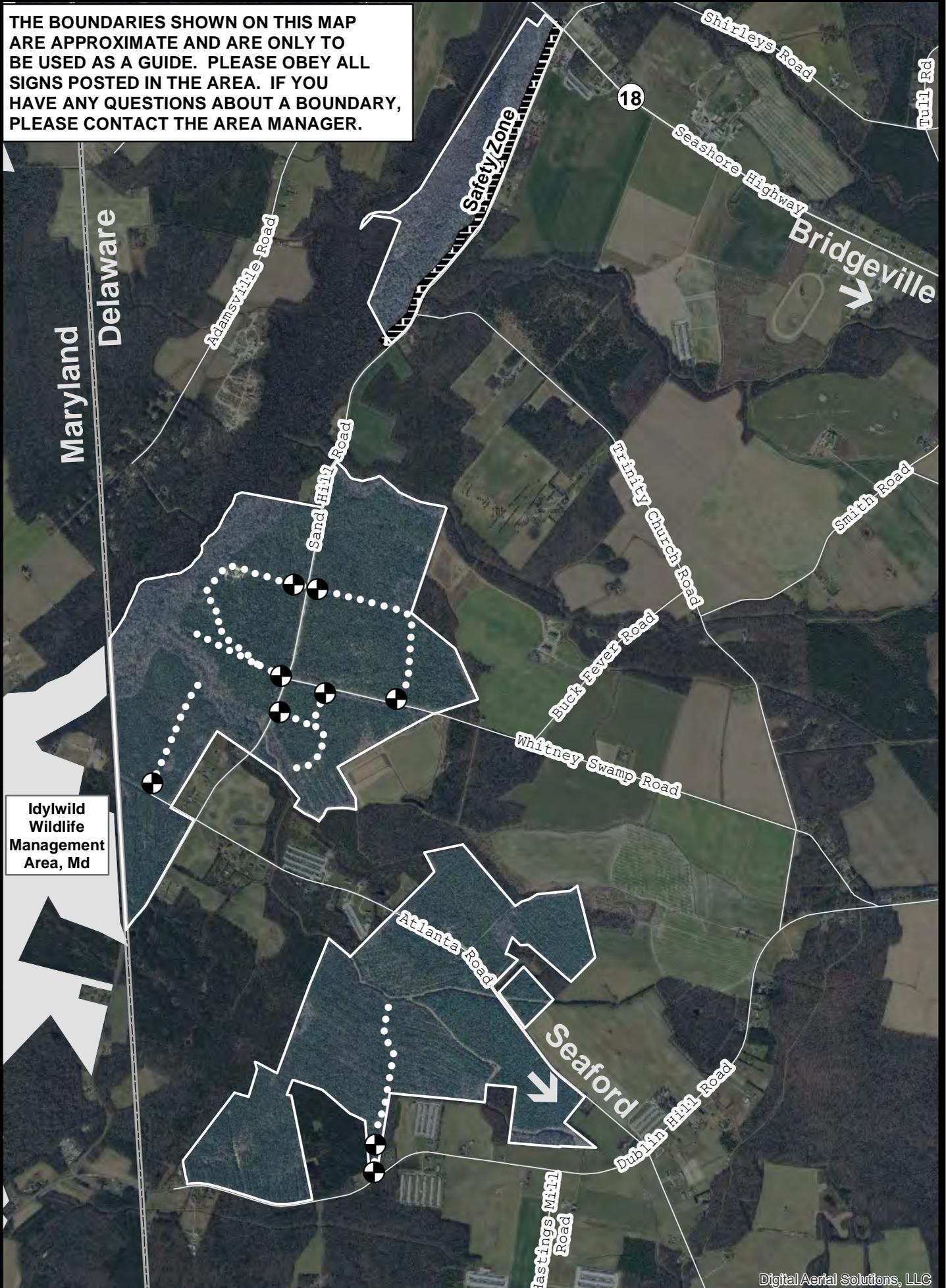
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2015 – 2016  
MARSHY HOPE WILDLIFE AREA

Persons may hunt on the Marshy Hope Wildlife Area only as directed by the following rules, which have been established by Regulation 25 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code.

**Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year.**

**NEW IN 2015** – Several roads have been cleared for easier deer retrieval. Coyote hunting is allowed in season. Some areas may be closed for mentored hunting opportunities.

**A. HUNTING.** No special permits required, except to hunt wild turkey. Properly licensed hunters, including falconers, may hunt during any other open season. Turkey hunters must obtain a permit to hunt on Marshy Hope Wildlife Area.

**B. DEER HUNTING** - No permanent stands are allowed and all parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of each hunting day. No screw-in tree steps or stands, which cause damage to the tree, may be used. **DEER DRIVES PERMITTED FROM 9:00 A.M. UNTIL 3:00 P.M. by a maximum of 6 residents ONLY.** Nonresidents may not participate in deer drives.

**C. UPLAND GAME HUNTING** - Upland game hunting closed during the December & January deer firearm seasons. Fox and coyote hunting in season while hunting other game species per these regulations. Fox chasing prohibited until 1 p.m. during the turkey season. Raccoon hunting is permitted from September 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons. No persons shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Area in September while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot.

**D. WATERFOWL HUNTING** – No special permit needed.

**E. TRAPPING.** No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights are awarded through competitive bids. Call 539-3160 or 739-9912 for bidding information.

**F. VEHICLES/BOATS.** No off-highway vehicles, either registered or unregistered, permitted. Motorized vehicles are only permitted on established and maintained roads.

**G. FIREARMS.** No firearms on Division lands from March 1 – August 31 except during legal hunting seasons or as authorized by the Division of Fish and Wildlife. Target shooting is prohibited. Call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at 323-5333.

**H. HOURS.** Entry limited from sunrise to sunset except to lawfully hunt and fish.

**I. CAMPING, SWIMMING.** No unauthorized camping or swimming.

**J. HORSE RIDING.** Horses may be used only on established roads open to vehicular traffic except for activities approved by the Division in writing.

**K. DUMPING.** Dumping is expressly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.

**L. TRESPASS.** Please be certain to remain within the posted boundaries.

**M. ALCOHOL** - The consumption and use of alcohol or illegal drugs while hunting on State Wildlife Areas is prohibited.

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# INDUSTRIAL FOREST LANDS

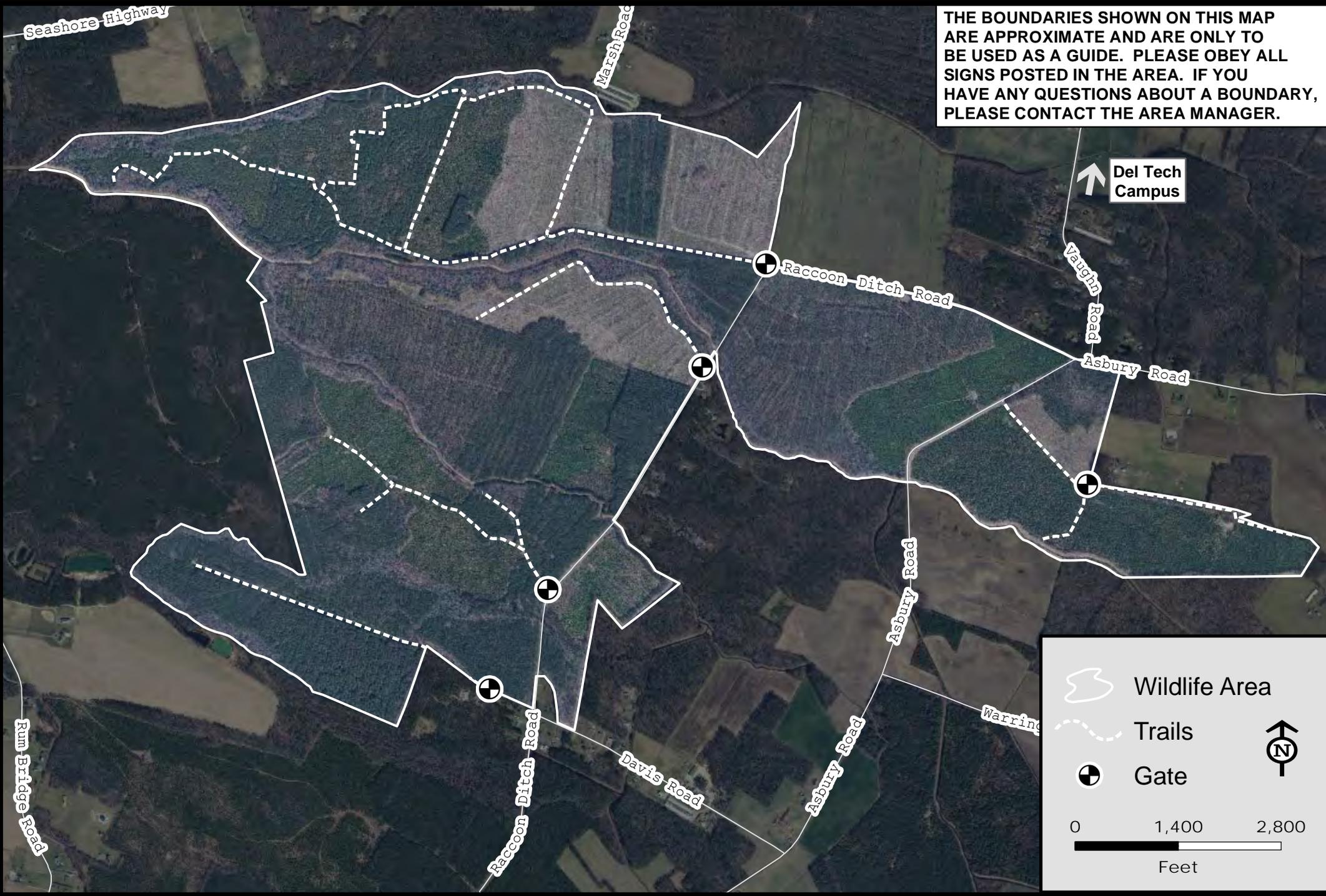
## BARR COMPLEX

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**2015 - 2016**  
**HUNTING REGULATIONS FOR INDUSTRIAL FOREST LANDS**  
**LEASED FOR PUBLIC HUNTING**

Persons may hunt on the Industrial Forest Lands tracts only as directed by these rules, which have been established by Regulation 25 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code.

**Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year.**

This public hunting program provides access to private industrial forestlands in Delaware through permanent hunting easements on lands owned by or previously owned by the Glatfelter Pulpwood Company. The State holds **perpetual hunting rights** to several tracts formerly leased annually (**Whitesville, Edwin Bell, and Ralph's Corner & Barr Tract**). The regulations on Industrial Forest Lands, Midlands, and Old Furnace are the same. All areas carry the full force of Wildlife Area Regulations.

**NEW IN 2015** – Turkey Permits for the Barr Complex will be separate category. They were lumped in with Redden State Forest in the past. Coyote hunting is allowed in season. Some areas may be closed to allow mentored hunting opportunities.

**Special Note** – The Barr Tract Complex is owned by Glatfelter Pulpwood Company and the hunting program is managed by the Division of Fish and Wildlife. The Day and Tunnell Tracts of the Redden State Forest are adjacent to the Barr Tract. Different rules apply on State Forest Lands. Call 856-2893 for State Forest hunting maps/rules.

#### **Special Use Rules**

1. No special permit required except to hunt turkey. Turkey hunters must obtain a permit through the pre-season lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for details.
2. Raccoon hunting is permitted from September 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. No persons shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Area in September while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot
4. Upland game hunting is closed during the December and January firearms deer season.
5. Fox and coyote hunting in season is allowed.
6. Fox chasing prohibited until 1 p.m. during the turkey season.
7. No vehicle access off paved roads. No off-highway vehicles, either registered or unregistered, permitted.
8. Deer drives permitted from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. by a maximum of 6 resident hunters only. Non-residents may not participate in deer drives.

9. No persons shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Area while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot.
10. The consumption and use of alcohol or illegal drugs while hunting on State Wildlife Areas is prohibited.

#### **General Use Rules**

1. No fires, no overnight camping, no littering or dumping.
2. No nailed deer stands.
3. No permanent stands are allowed and all parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of each hunting day. No screw-in tree steps or stands may be used because they cause damage to the tree.
4. Firearms are prohibited on this area except during legal seasons. Target shooting is prohibited. Call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at 323-5333.

Persons may hunt on these properties only as directed by the rules stated herein, which have been established by Regulation 25 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code.

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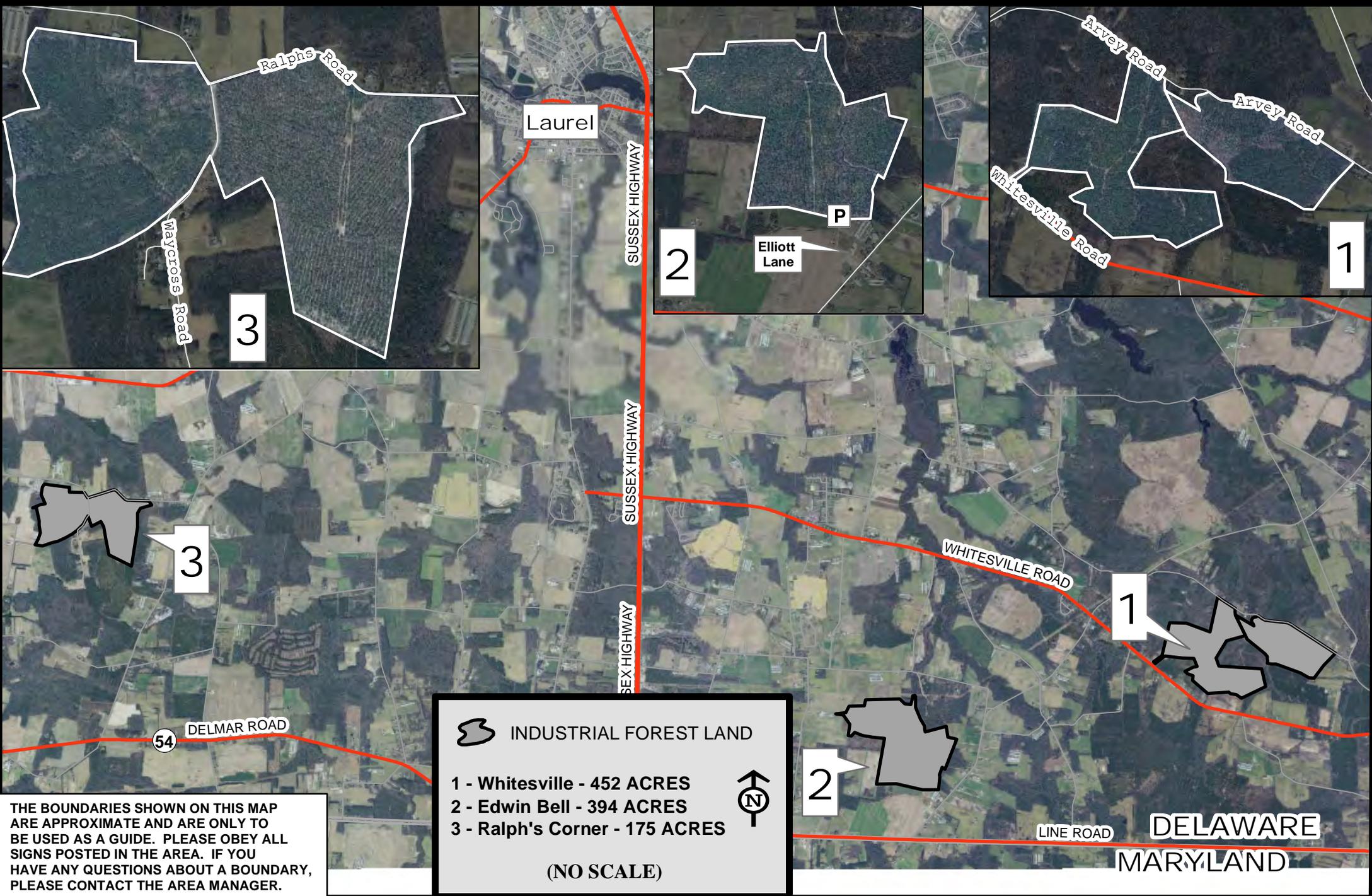


## LAUREL AREA



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### SHEET 2 OF 2



INDUSTRIAL FOREST LAND

- 1 - Whitesville - 452 ACRES
- 2 - Edwin Bell - 394 ACRES
- 3 - Ralph's Corner - 175 ACRES



(NO SCALE)

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**HUNTING REGULATIONS FOR INDUSTRIAL FOREST LANDS**  
**LEASED FOR PUBLIC HUNTING**

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#### **Special Use Rules**

1. No special permit required except to hunt turkey. Turkey hunters must obtain a permit through the pre-season lottery. See Delaware Hunting and Trapping Guide for details.
2. Raccoon hunting is permitted from September 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.
3. No persons shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Area in September while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot
4. Upland game hunting is closed during the December and January firearms deer season.
5. Fox and coyote hunting in season is allowed.
6. Fox chasing prohibited until 1 p.m. during the turkey season.
7. No vehicle access off paved roads. No off-highway vehicles, either registered or unregistered, permitted.
8. Deer drives permitted from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. by a maximum of 6 resident hunters only. Non-residents may not participate in deer drives.

9. No persons shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Area while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot.
10. The consumption and use of alcohol or illegal drugs while hunting on State Wildlife Areas is prohibited.

#### **General Use Rules**

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2. No nailed deer stands.
3. No permanent stands are allowed and all parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of each hunting day. No screw-in tree steps or stands may be used because they cause damage to the tree.
4. Firearms are prohibited on this area except during legal seasons. Target shooting is prohibited. Call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at 323-5333.

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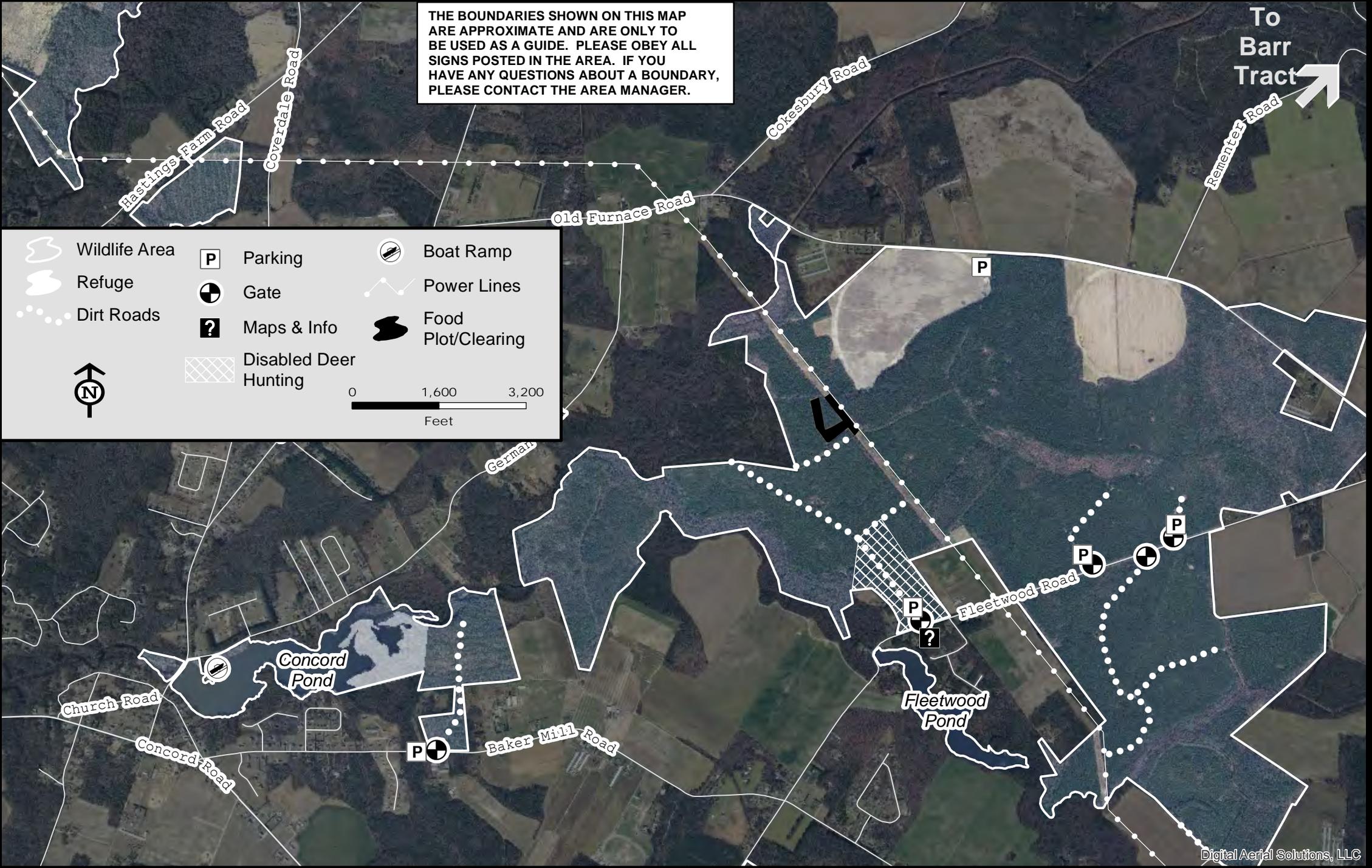
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	Wildlife Area		Parking		Boat Ramp
	Refuge		Gate		Power Lines
	Dirt Roads		Maps & Info		Food Plot/Clearing
			Disabled Deer Hunting		

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Feet

To Barr Tract



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# OLD FURNACE WILDLIFE AREA

**2015 - 2016  
OLD FURNACE WILDLIFE AREA**

Persons may hunt on the Old Furnace Wildlife Area only as directed by the following rules, which have been established by Regulation 25 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code.

**Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year.**

**NEW IN 2015 – two disabled deer stands were added along Fleetwood Pond Road.** Some areas may be closed to allow mentored hunting opportunities. Some trails were cut to provide better interior access.

- A. HUNTING.** No special permits required, except to hunt wild turkey. Turkey hunters must obtain a permit for Old Furnace Wildlife Area through a state lottery. Properly licensed hunters, including falconers, may hunt during any open season.
- B. DEER HUNTING** – All parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of each hunting day. No screw-in tree steps or stands may be used because they cause damage to the tree. Deer drives permitted from 9:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. by residents only. Nonresidents may not participate in deer drives. Access on designated roads for retrieving deer in mid-morning and after sunset hours only, except deer hunters using the disabled deer stands may access the road to park in the designated parking spot. **No hunting closer than 100 yards to the disabled deer stands during archery and no other hunters may hunt within the disabled zone during the firearms season.**
- C. DEER – DISABLED HUNTERS.** Two secondary disabled deer stands were added. Parking at designated lot only. Use on a first come, first served basis.
- D. UPLAND GAME HUNTING** - Small game hunting closed during the December and January firearm deer seasons. Fox and coyote hunting in season is allowed. Fox chasing prohibited until 1 p.m. during the turkey season. Raccoon hunting is permitted from September 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons. No persons shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Areas in September while possessing nontoxic shot other than approved nontoxic shot.
- E. WATERFOWL HUNTING** - No waterfowl hunting is permitted.
- E. TRAPPING.** No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights are awarded through competitive bids. Call 739-9912 for bidding information.

- F. VEHICLES/BOATS** - No off-highway vehicles, either registered or unregistered, permitted. Motorized vehicles are only permitted on established and maintained roads.
- G. FIREARMS.** Firearms are prohibited on state wildlife areas from March 1 through August 31 of each year, except during legal hunting seasons and special events authorized by the Division in writing. Target shooting is prohibited. Please call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at 323-5333.
- H. HOURS.** Entry limited from sunrise to sunset except to lawfully hunt and fish.
- I. TRESPASS.** Old Logging roads have been closed to vehicular travel to improve the quality of the hunt, provide more edge for wildlife and reduce littering. These roads are open for pedestrian travel, but off limits to all vehicular travel and horse riding. Violators will be prosecuted for trespassing. Be certain to stay within the boundaries of state-owned land.
- J. CAMPING, SWIMMING.** No unauthorized camping or swimming.
- K. HORSE RIDING.** Horses may be used only on established roads open to vehicular traffic except for activities approved by the Division in writing.
- L. DUMPING.** Dumping is expressly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
- M. ALCOHOL.** The consumption and use of alcohol or illegal drugs while hunting on State Wildlife Areas is prohibited.

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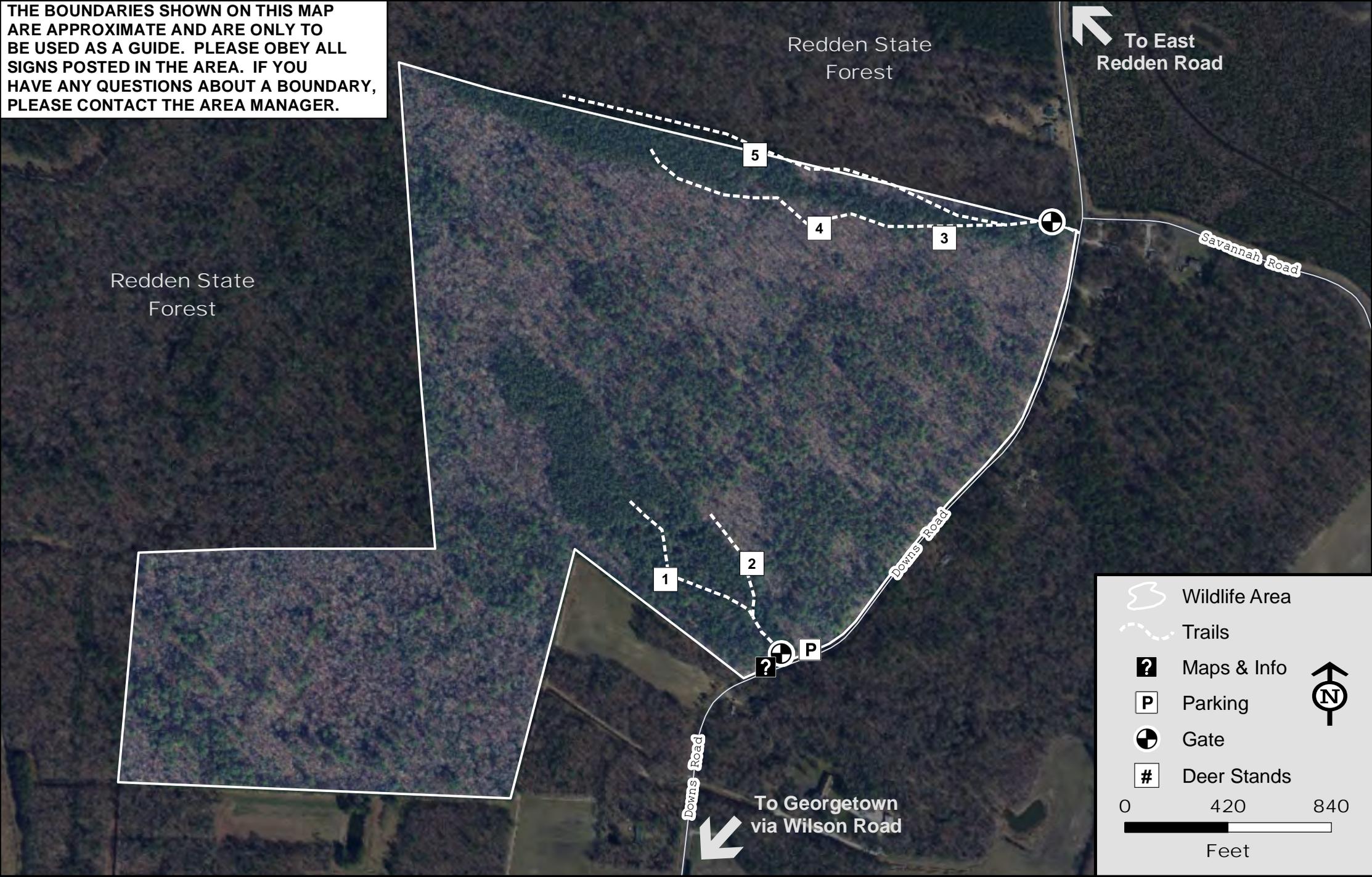
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Wildlife Area  
 Trails  
 Maps & Info  
 Parking  
 Gate  
 Deer Stands

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# OLD FURNACE WILDLIFE AREA LANG TRACT

2015 - 2016  
OLD FURNACE WILDLIFE AREA  
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**NEW IN 2015** – Area may be closed for mentored hunts in the future.

1. **HUNTING.** No special permits required, except to hunt wild turkey. Turkey hunters must obtain a permit to hunt on Redden State Forest. Properly licensed hunters, including falconers, may hunt during any other open season. No permanent stands are allowed and all parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of each hunting day. No screw-in tree steps or stands, which cause damage to the tree, may be used. **DEER DRIVES PERMITTED FROM 9:00 A.M. UNTIL 3:00 P.M. by a maximum of 6 resident hunters only.** Upland game hunting closed during the December & January deer firearm seasons. Fox hunting in season is allowed. Fox chasing prohibited until 1 p.m. during the turkey season. Raccoon hunting is permitted from September 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons. No persons shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Area in September while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot.

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**B. VEHICLES/BOATS.** No off-highway vehicles, either registered or unregistered, permitted.

**C. FIREARMS.** No firearms on Division lands from March 1 – August 31 except by permit during legal hunting seasons or authorized by the Division of Fish and Wildlife. Target shooting is prohibited. Call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at 323-5333.

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**E. TRESPASS.** Several roads have been closed to vehicular travel to improve the quality of the hunt, provide more edge for wildlife, and reduce littering.

These roads are open for pedestrian travel, but off limits to all vehicular travel and horseback riding. Violators will be prosecuted for trespassing. Be certain to stay within the boundaries of state-owned land.

**F. CAMPING.** No unauthorized camping.

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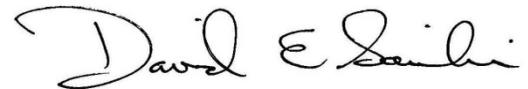
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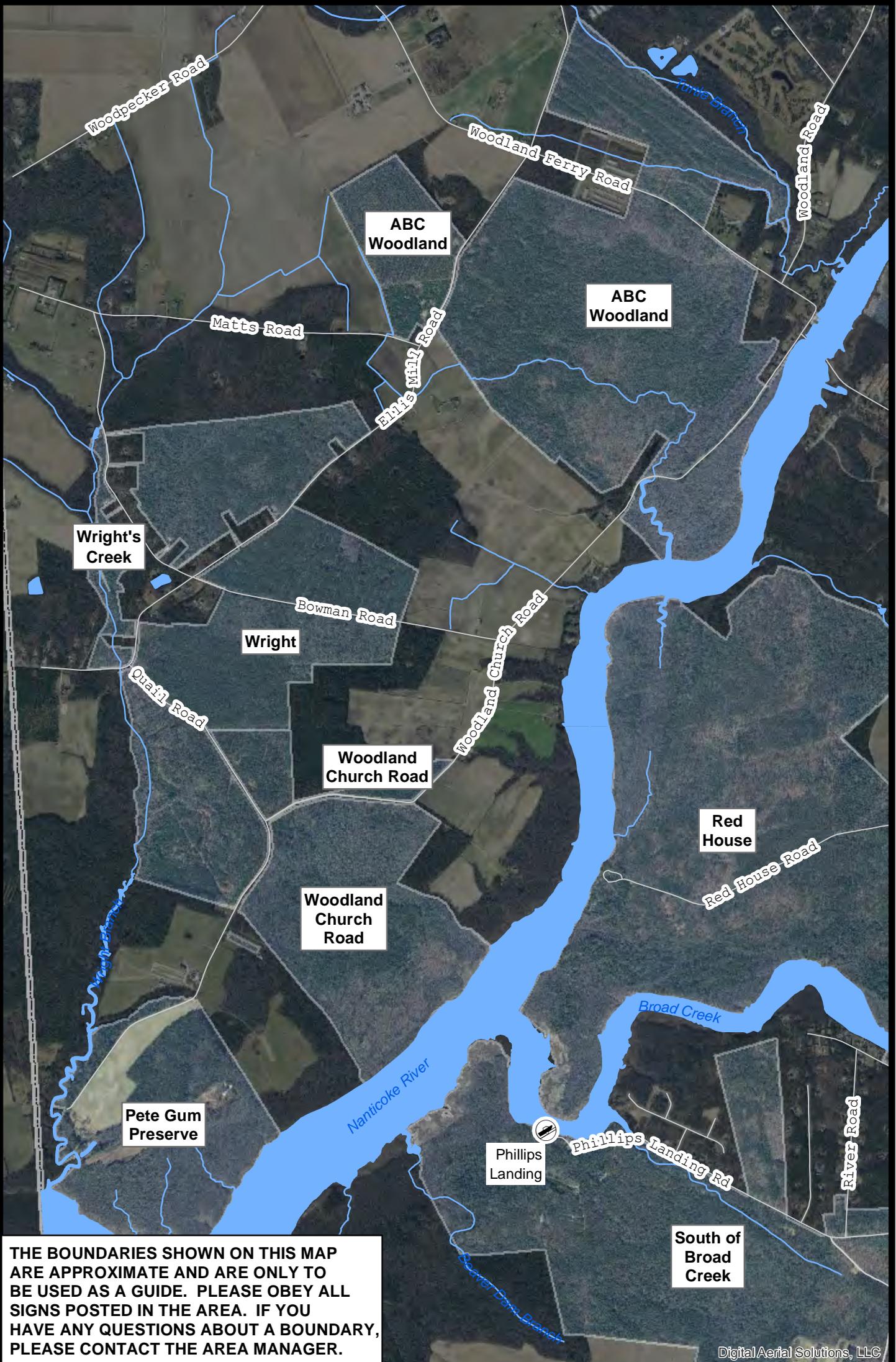
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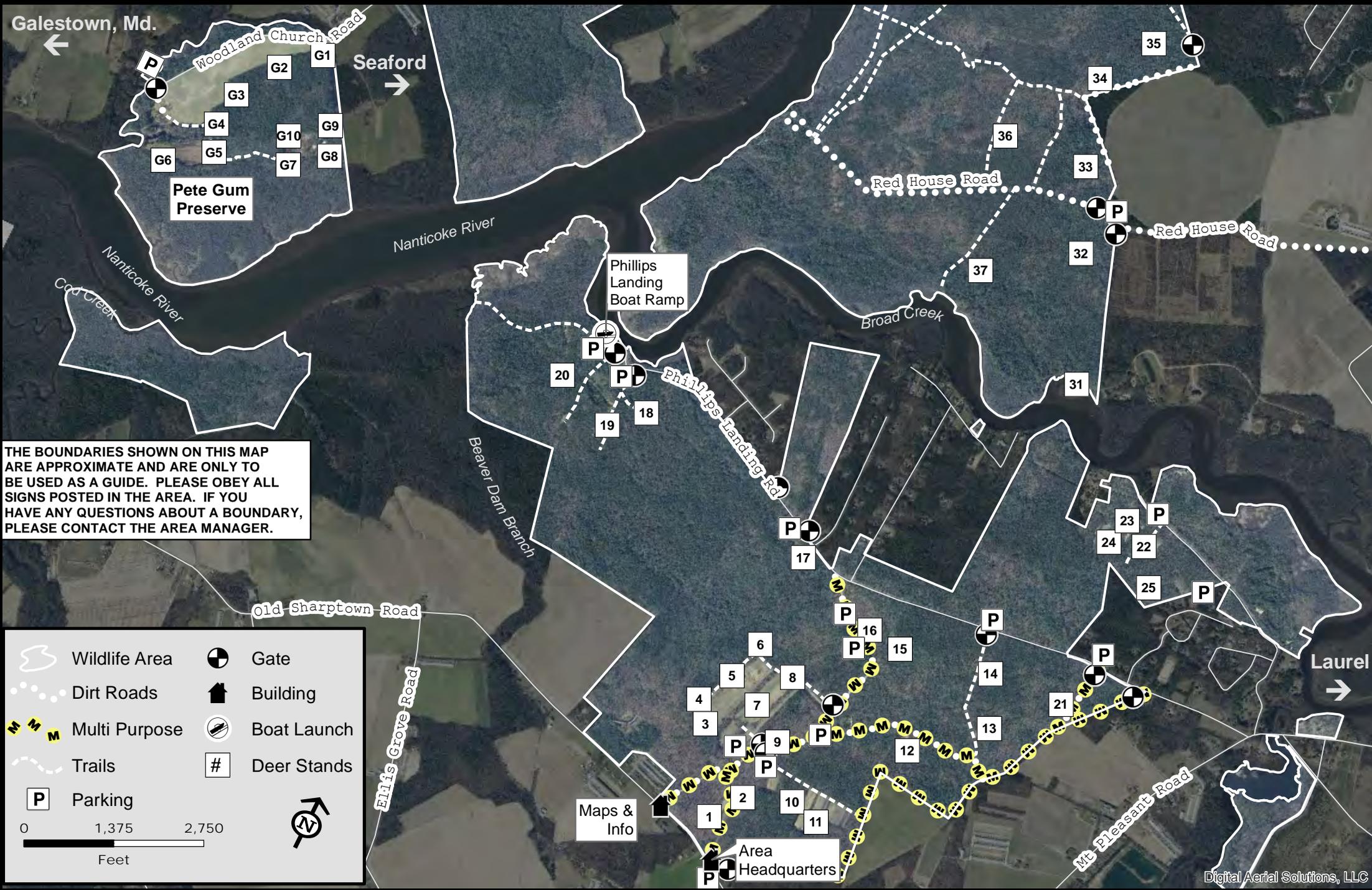
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	Wildlife Area		Gate
	Dirt Roads		Building
	Multi Purpose		Boat Launch
	Trails		Deer Stands
	Parking		

0 1,375 2,750  
Feet



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# NANTICOKE WILDLIFE AREA

## NANTICOKE SOUTH

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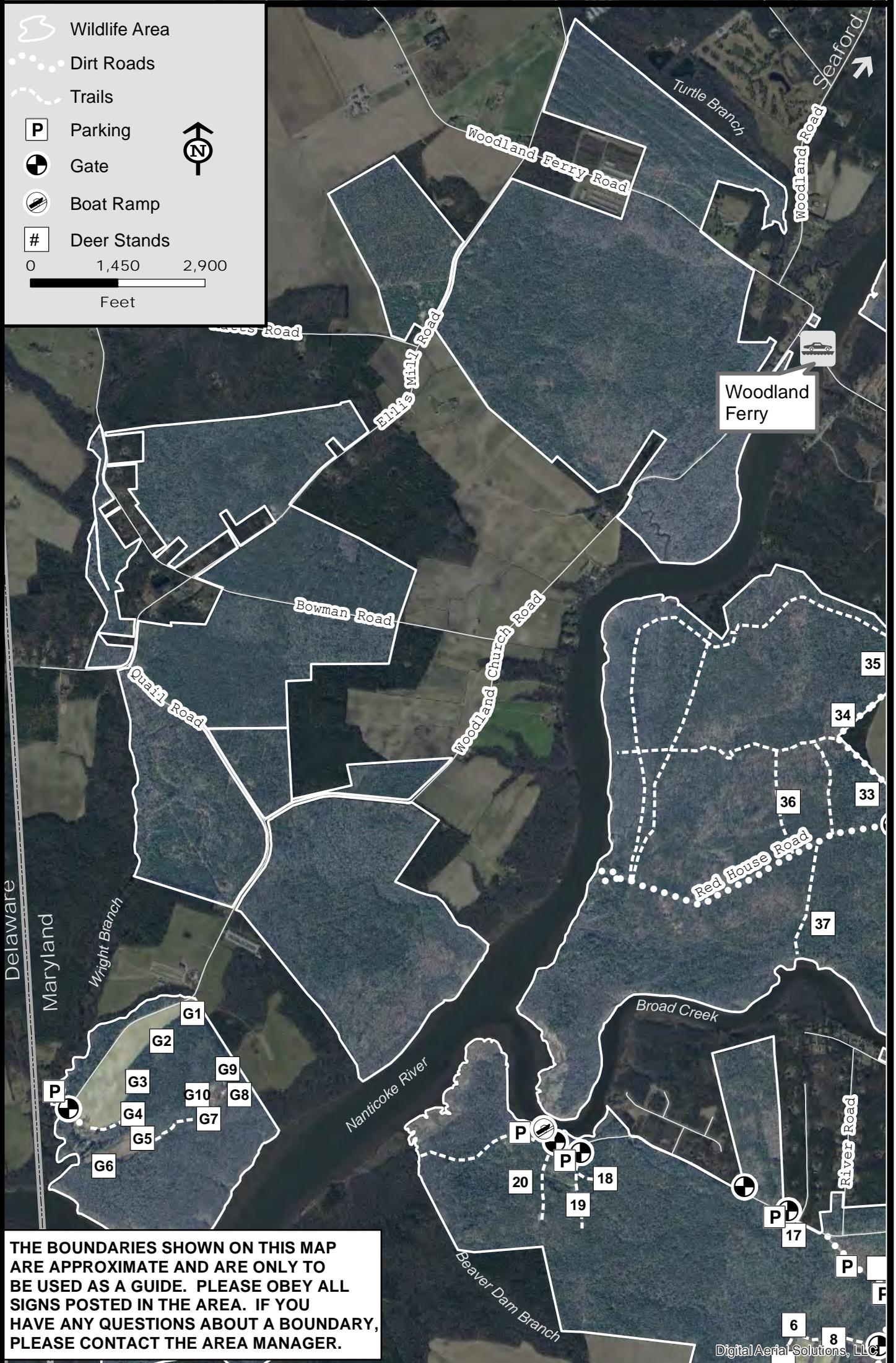
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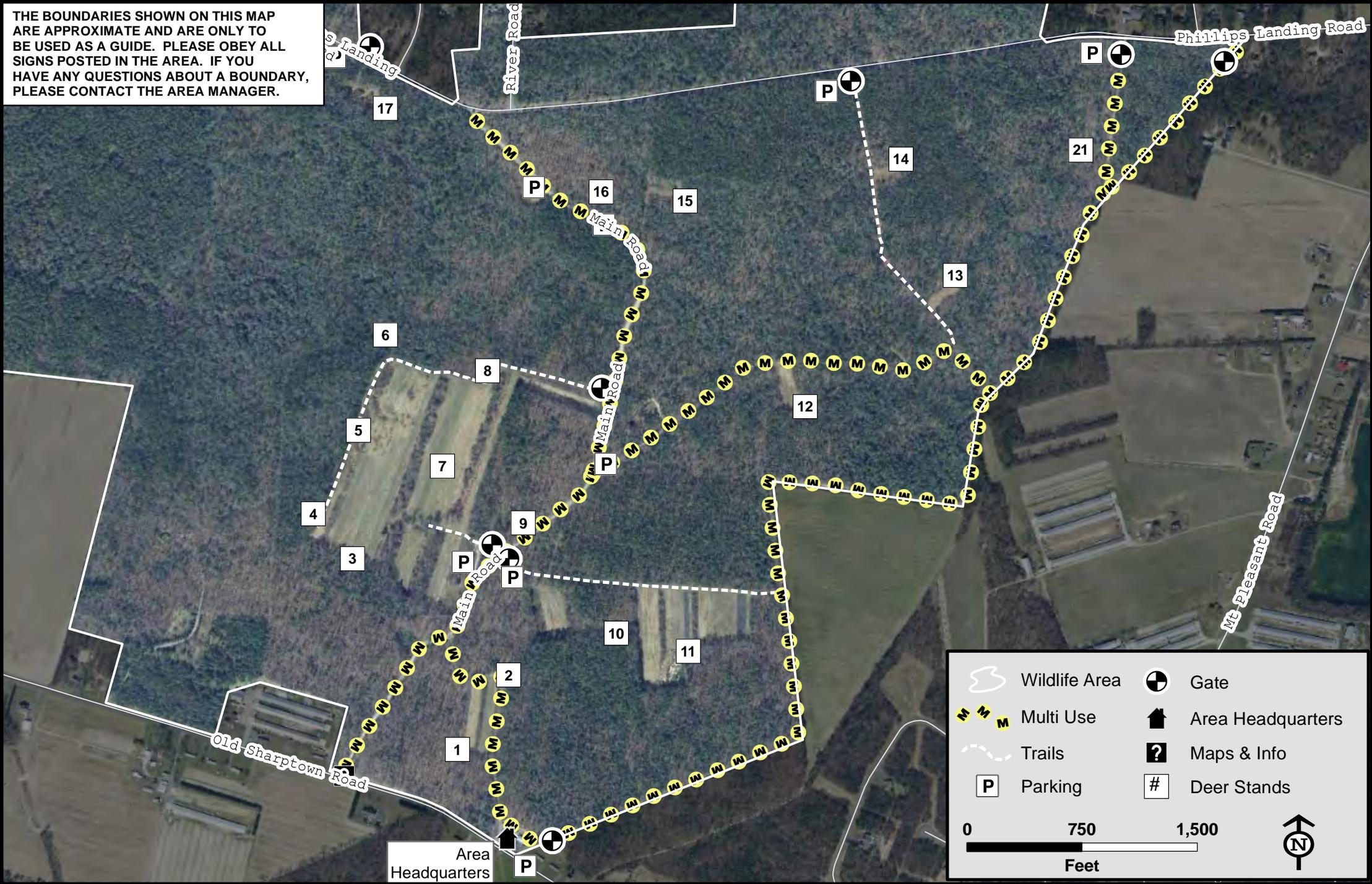
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	Multi Use		Area Headquarters
	Trails		Maps & Info
	Parking		Deer Stands

0      750      1,500  
 Feet

2014 - 2015  
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REGULATIONS FOR THE USE OF THE MULTIPLE USE TRAIL

**This map shows the location of the Multiple Use Trails and roads open to horse riding on the Area.** Horse-riding is permitted on all roads open to vehicular traffic on State Wildlife Areas. Designated trails are laid out to **avoid**: 1) **habitats critical** to the perpetuation of several known species of **rare and endangered plants** (e.g., *box huckleberry*, *wild lupine*) and animals (e.g., *frosted elfin*, *Hessel's hairstreak*, *mud salamander*, *Delmarva Fox Squirrels*), 2) **dove hunting fields**, 3) **deer stands**, and 4) **wildlife food and cover plots**.

It is hoped that these regulations will protect the natural resources and provide you with an enjoyable ride.

- A. The **Multi-Use Trail** allows **hikers, bicyclists, and horse-riders to travel together** along designated trails, generally routed around the perimeter of the public land.
- B. The **Multiple Use Trail is laid out to provide a loop between the Phillips Landing and Old Sharptown Roads.**
- C. The **Main Road is open to both traffic and horse riding.**
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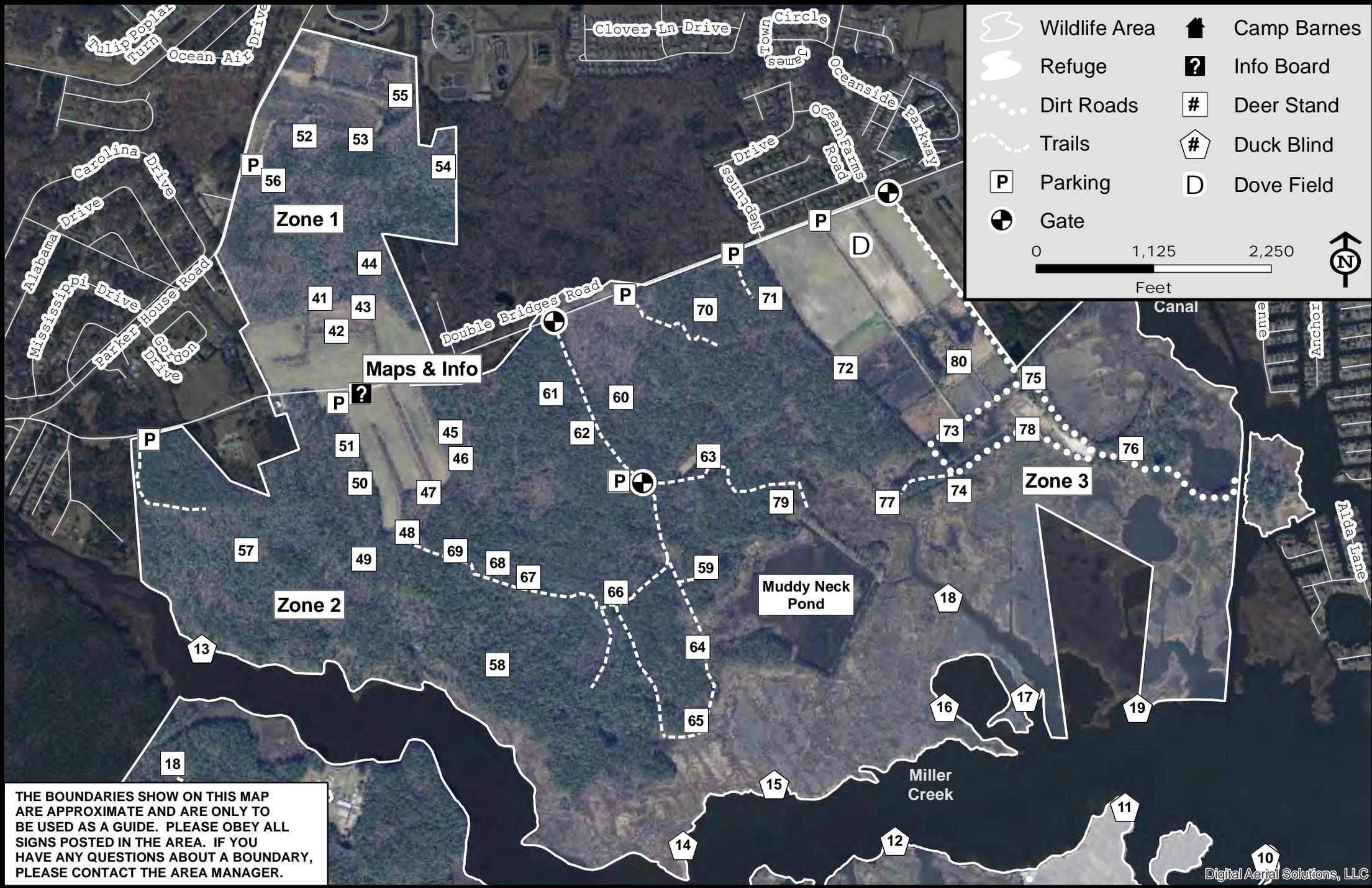
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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

## MUDDY NECK

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ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA – Miller and Muddy Neck**

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**A. GENERAL**

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**B. PERMITS**

1. A hunting permit is required to hunt all species. Harvest data cards (permits) are vital to proper wildlife management of the area. Permits are issued at the Assawoman Checking Station located at the main gate. Permits are awarded on a daily lottery basis for waterfowl and firearms deer hunting. Vacant blinds/stands will be available after the lottery on a self sign-out procedure. All permits for deer archery and upland hunting are self sign-out. During archery season only, permits available at Muddy Neck tagboard on a self-sign-out basis.
2. Lottery procedures are posted at the Assawoman Checking Station. All members of the hunting party must be present for the drawing. Hunters' names may appear on only one card. No names will be added after the drawing has begun. The certified card will serve as the permit.
3. Permits must be returned to the checking station or drop box upon leaving the area.
4. Failure to return your harvest data card (permit) will result in a revocation of hunting privileges, as harvest data is vital to management of the area. A blank card will be interpreted as zero harvest.
5. **Drawing times: deer firearms – 1 1/2 hours, and waterfowl – 2 hours (except during the Nov. shotgun deer season when the drawing will be 2 hours) prior to sunrise.**
6. **A Deer Stand/Waterfowl Blind Annual Permit number must be entered onto the register to obtain a daily hunting permit during all deer firearms and waterfowl seasons.**

**C. WATERFOWL**

1. After the daily drawing permits are available on a self-signup basis until 1:00 p.m. **No permits issued after 1:00 p.m.**
2. No more than three (3) hunters shall occupy a blind. All hunting from state built stands only.

**D. DEER HUNTING REGULATIONS**

Deer drives permitted only on Tuesdays through Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. by a maximum of 6 residents only, provided they do not enter posted refuge areas or disturb resting waterfowl.

**E. DEER HUNTING- ARCHERY.**

1. Archery hunters must register for an archery zone at the tagboard (Muddy Neck or Assawoman) closest to their selected spot. Archers can check out a deer stand or elect to hunt within a zone. Hunters may hunt anywhere within the zone except the refuge, safety zones and upon impoundment dikes.
2. Archers may select a state-built stand and either hunt from the stand or hunt within a 100 yards of the stand.
3. Archers **only** may use portable stands within a zone or a 100-yard radius of a state stand.

**F. DEER - FIREARMS**

1. Firearms deer hunters must use state stands. During deer firearms seasons hunters must use

stands before 9 a.m., and after 3 p.m. No portable stands are allowed during the firearms seasons, including archers electing to bow hunt during a gun season. All permits issued from Assawoman Check Station only during the firearms seasons. **Four stands modified to allow an adult and one child are available for Youth Deer Hunting Day. The Adult/Youth stands are 18, 24, 26 and 40.** They are wider than the standard stand. Archery hunting is closed on Miller Neck during the Youth Deer Hunting Day. **Handguns may be used in place of a shotgun during any deer shotgun season when a shotgun is a legal weapon.**

2. **Refuge stands (R1-R10) are open on Mondays and Fridays of the each shotgun season segment beginning on the first Monday of November Shotgun Season.** Stands HD 1 – 4 will be closed on Refuge Hunt Days.

**DEER - DISABLED HUNTERS**

1. Four sites within the refuge are available to disabled non-ambulatory deer hunters who wish to hunt from a vehicle. Severely disabled hunters must qualify & obtain a permit to hunt from a vehicle from the Director of the Division of Fish and Wildlife. An assistant must accompany disabled hunters.
2. Disabled hunters with less severe limitations may use secondary disabled deer stands equipped with stairs. Four stands are designated for this purpose – DS 4, 16, 33, and 56. If no disabled hunter is present for the daily lottery, others can use these stands.
3. Disabled hunters may obtain a reservation by calling Rob Gano (539-3160) prior to the day of the hunt and to check on stand availability.
4. Stands HD 1 – 4 will be closed on refuge hunt days for everyone's safety.

**E. UPLAND HUNTING–Doves, Turkey, Rabbit, Quail, Woodcock, Gray Squirrel, Raccoon, Opossum, and Red Fox.**

1. Upland game hunting, including falconry, will be allowed in season by permit only.
2. Turkey hunters must obtain a permit through a state lottery to hunt turkey at Assawoman.
3. Red fox and coyote hunting in season are allowed, but hunters must obtain an Upland Hunting permit.
4. Fox chasing is prohibited until 1 p.m. during the turkey season.
5. Dove hunting on Saturdays only during the September season from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. Permits issued at 12:00 p.m. on opening day of the dove season.
6. No person shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Area in September while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot.
7. Small game hunting is closed during all deer firearm seasons.
8. Raccoon hunting is permitted from Sept. 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.



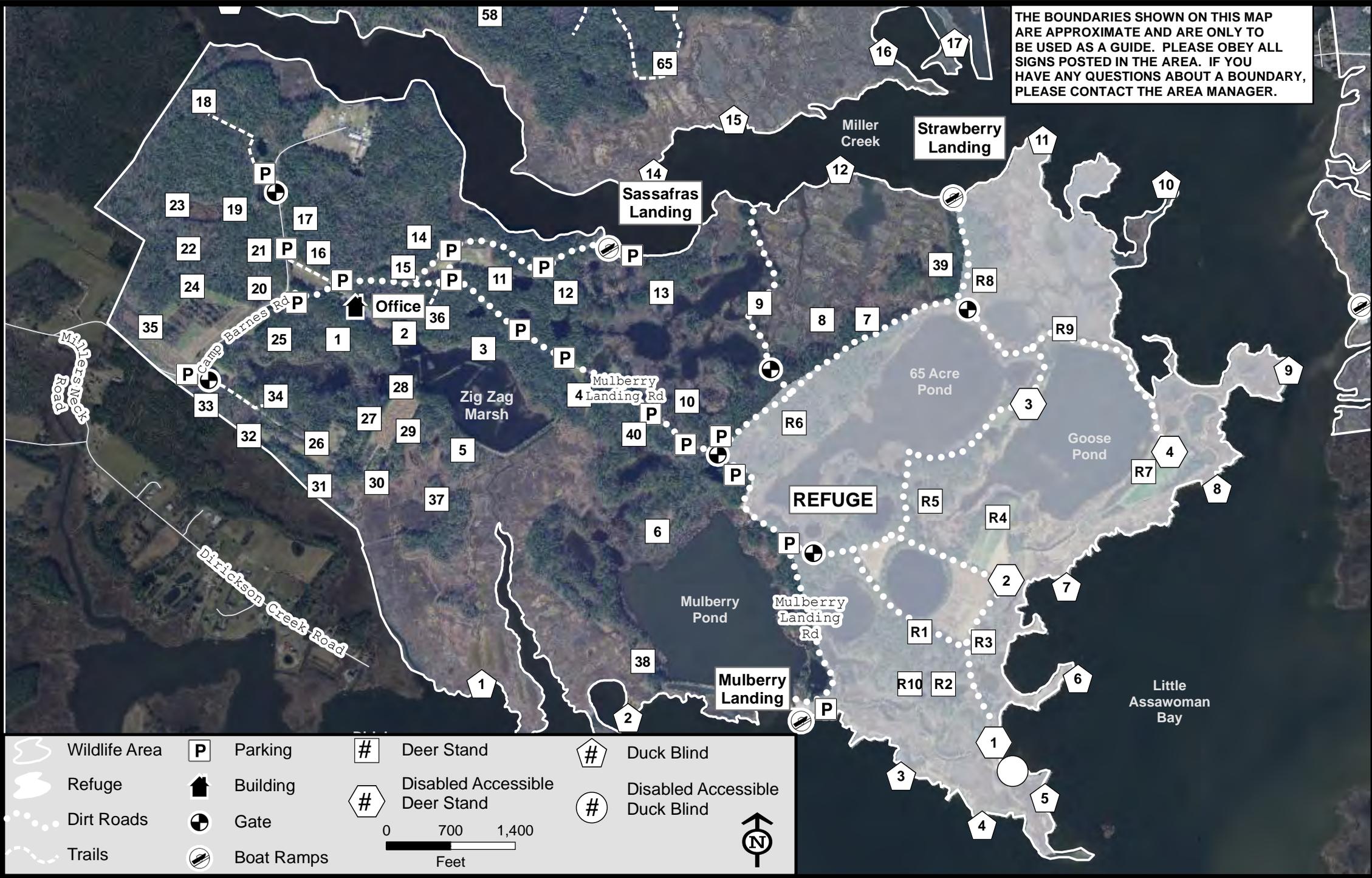
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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

## Miller Neck Tract

**2015 - 2016  
ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA – Miller and Muddy Neck**

Persons may hunt on the Assawoman Wildlife Area only as directed by the above rules, which have been established by Regulation 25 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code.

**Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year.**

**NEW IN 2015** – Assawoman will again be closed for the October segment of the Special Antlerless Season. Deer drives only on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday of each firearms season segment.

**A. GENERAL**

1. Horse riders may use the trails marked with horse-riding signs only.
2. The consumption and use of alcohol or illegal drugs while hunting on state wildlife areas is prohibited.
3. **All fish caught at Memorial Pond must be released back into that pond immediately.**

**B. PERMITS**

1. A hunting permit is required to hunt all species. Harvest data cards (permits) are vital to proper wildlife management of the area. Permits are issued at the Assawoman Checking Station located at the main gate. Permits are awarded on a daily lottery basis for waterfowl and firearms deer hunting. Vacant blinds/stands will be available after the lottery on a self sign-out procedure. All permits for deer archery and upland hunting are self sign-out. During archery season only, permits available at Muddy Neck tagboard on a self-sign-out basis.
2. Lottery procedures are posted at the Assawoman Checking Station. All members of the hunting party must be present for the drawing. Hunters' names may appear on only one card. No names will be added after the drawing has begun. The certified card will serve as the permit.
3. Permits must be returned to the checking station or drop box upon leaving the area.
4. Failure to return your harvest data card (permit) will result in a revocation of hunting privileges, as harvest data is vital to management of the area. A blank card will be interpreted as zero harvest.
5. **Drawing times: deer firearms – 1 1/2 hours, and waterfowl – 2 hours (except during the Nov. shotgun deer season when the drawing will be 2 hours) prior to sunrise.**
6. **A Deer Stand/Waterfowl Blind Annual Permit number must be entered onto the register to obtain a daily hunting permit during all deer firearms and waterfowl seasons.**

**C. WATERFOWL**

1. After the daily drawing permits are available on a self-signup basis until 1:00 p.m. **No permits issued after 1:00 p.m.**
2. No more than three (3) hunters shall occupy a blind. All hunting from state built stands only.

**D. DEER HUNTING REGULATIONS**

Deer drives permitted only on Tuesdays through Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. by a maximum of 6 residents only, provided they do not enter posted refuge areas or disturb resting waterfowl.

**E. DEER HUNTING- ARCHERY.**

1. Archery hunters must register for an archery zone at the tagboard (Muddy Neck or Assawoman) closest to their selected spot. Archers can check out a deer stand or elect to hunt within a zone. Hunters may hunt anywhere within the zone except the refuge, safety zones and upon impoundment dikes.
2. Archers may select a state-built stand and either hunt from the stand or hunt within a 100 yards of the stand.
3. Archers **only** may use portable stands within a zone or a 100-yard radius of a state stand.

**F. DEER - FIREARMS**

1. Firearms deer hunters must use state stands. During deer firearms seasons hunters must use

stands before 9 a.m., and after 3 p.m. No portable stands are allowed during the firearms seasons, including archers electing to bow hunt during a gun season. All permits issued from Assawoman Check Station only during the firearms seasons. **Four stands modified to allow an adult and one child are available for Youth Deer Hunting Day. The Adult/Youth stands are 18, 24, 26 and 40.** They are wider than the standard stand. Archery hunting is closed on Miller Neck during the Youth Deer Hunting Day. **Handguns may be used in place of a shotgun during any deer shotgun season when a shotgun is a legal weapon.**

2. **Refuge stands (R1-R10) are open on Mondays and Fridays of the each shotgun season segment beginning on the first Monday of November Shotgun Season.** Stands HD 1 – 4 will be closed on Refuge Hunt Days.

**DEER - DISABLED HUNTERS**

1. Four sites within the refuge are available to disabled non-ambulatory deer hunters who wish to hunt from a vehicle. Severely disabled hunters must qualify & obtain a permit to hunt from a vehicle from the Director of the Division of Fish and Wildlife. An assistant must accompany disabled hunters.
2. Disabled hunters with less severe limitations may use secondary disabled deer stands equipped with stairs. Four stands are designated for this purpose – DS 4, 16, 33, and 56. If no disabled hunter is present for the daily lottery, others can use these stands.
3. Disabled hunters may obtain a reservation by calling Rob Gano (539-3160) prior to the day of the hunt and to check on stand availability.
4. Stands HD 1 – 4 will be closed on refuge hunt days for everyone's safety.

**E. UPLAND HUNTING—Doves, Turkey, Rabbit, Quail, Woodcock, Gray Squirrel, Raccoon, Opossum, and Red Fox.**

1. Upland game hunting, including falconry, will be allowed in season by permit only.
2. Turkey hunters must obtain a permit through a state lottery to hunt turkey at Assawoman.
3. Red fox and coyote hunting in season are allowed, but hunters must obtain an Upland Hunting permit.
4. Fox chasing is prohibited until 1 p.m. during the turkey season.
5. Dove hunting on Saturdays only during the September season from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. Permits issued at 12:00 p.m. on opening day of the dove season.
6. No person shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Area in September while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot.
7. Small game hunting is closed during all deer firearm seasons.
8. Raccoon hunting is permitted from Sept. 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons.



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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

## PINEY POINT TRACT

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- Wildlife Area
- Dirt Roads
- Trails
- Parking
- Gate
- Info Board
- Deer Stands
- Duck Blinds

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Feet

↑ To Rosedale Beach Boat Ramp



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**ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA - PINEY POINT TRACT**

Persons may hunt on the Assawoman Wildlife Area - Piney Point Tract only as directed by these rules, which have been established by Regulation 25 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code.

**Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year.**

**NEW IN 2015 – No daily hunting permits required.**

Area is closed for special October antlerless firearms seasons, but open for handgun deer hunting. Coyote hunting is allowed in season. Some areas may be closed to allow mentored hunting opportunities.

- A. DEER HUNTING.** Permits NOT required to hunt deer. The tag board should be used to avoid confusion on which stands are being used.
1. Firearms - Firearm deer hunters must use state deer stands. Deer stand use on a first-come, first serve basis. No portable stand use during the firearms season. DEER DRIVES ON THE LAST SATURDAY OF EACH FIREARM SEASON SEGMENT FROM 9:00 AM UNTIL 3:00 PM by a maximum of 6 residents only. Nonresidents may not participate in deer drives.
  2. Archery – **Portable deer stands may not be used within 100 yards from an occupied permanent stand.** No permanent stands are allowed and all parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of each hunting day. No screw-in tree steps or stands, which cause damage to the tree, may be used.
- B. WATERFOWL HUNTING.** Waterfowl hunting is allowed without special permit. All waterfowl hunting must occur from the designated blind sites only. **NO JUMP SHOOTING.** Building a blind at the designated blind site does not constitute ownership. All blind materials become the property of the State. Use of blinds on a first-come, first serve basis. **Resting waterfowl within the coves near the blind sites must be left undisturbed.**
- C. UPLAND HUNTING.** No permit( except for turkey) is required. **Turkey hunters must obtain a permit through the state lottery for the Assawoman Wildlife Area.** Fox and coyote hunting in season is allowed. Upland game hunting is closed during all deer firearm seasons. Fox chasing prohibited until 1 p.m. during the turkey season. Falconry hunting allowed during all legal seasons. Upland hunters may not hunt waterfowl. Raccoon hunting is permitted from September 1 – March 31 during legal raccoon hunting seasons. No persons shall hunt doves on any State Wildlife Area while possessing shot other than approved nontoxic shot.
- D. TRAPPING.** No trapping except by valid contract holders. Trapping rights are awarded through competitive bids. Call 539-3160 or 739-9912 for bidding information.

- E. VEHICLES/BOATS.** No off-highway vehicles, either registered or unregistered, permitted. Motorized vehicles are only permitted on established and maintained roads.
- F. FIREARMS.** Firearms are prohibited on state wildlife areas from March 1 through August 31 of each year, except during legal hunting seasons and special events authorized by the Division in writing. Call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at 323-5333.
- G. HOURS.** Entry limited from sunrise to sunset except to lawfully hunt and fish.
- H. TRESPASS.** The roads have been closed to vehicular travel to improve the quality of the hunt, provide more edge for wildlife, and reduce littering. These roads are open for pedestrian travel, but off limits to all vehicular travel and horse riding. Violators will be prosecuted for trespassing.
- I. CAMPING.** No unauthorized camping.
- J. HORSE RIDING.** No horse-riding permitted on this tract.
- K. DUMPING.** Dumping is expressly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
- L. ALCOHOL.** The consumption and use of alcohol or illegal drugs while hunting on State Wildlife Areas is prohibited.

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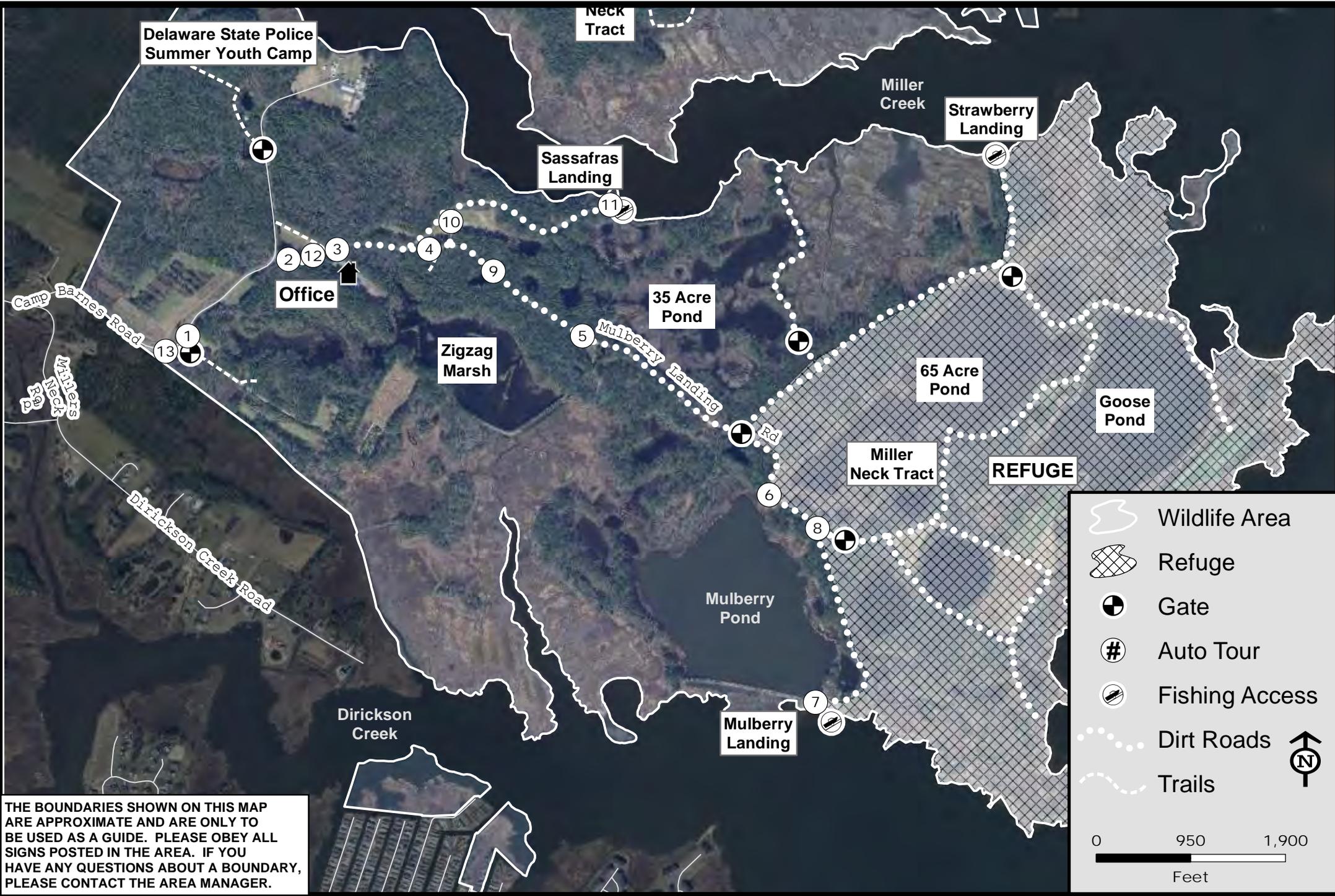
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# ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

## AUTOMOBILE TOUR

## ASSAWOMAN WILDLIFE AREA

Welcome to one of the busiest Wildlife Areas in Delaware. Here on the **Assawoman Wildlife Area** the needs of the animals and plants come first, human outdoor recreation comes second. Unlike a State Park, no daily use fee is charged. There is no entrance fee because federal tax dollars derived from excise taxes on guns, ammunition, archery, fishing, and boating equipment is returned to the Division of Fish and Wildlife to manage fish and wildlife habitat and to provide boating access.

**Wildlife areas are managed for the needs of native plants and animals.** Most management efforts relate to habitat protection and enhancement. Several rare plants grow in the wet woods. The ponds are managed for waterbirds, such as waterfowl, wading birds, and shorebirds. Ospreys and bald eagles live along the Little Assawoman Bay. These diverse groups of animals and their habitats have one thing in common – the need of critical habitat protection. That's called putting the "wild" back into "Wildlife Area".

An interpretive tour was developed to help explain management techniques on **Assawoman Wildlife Area**. Brochures are available at the starting point 300 yards south of this dirt road near the main entrance sign.

Please respect our efforts and abide by the rules. Enjoy your visit.

**Special Note:** The road may be closed without notice on days with precipitation in excess of one inch (1"). When the road is dry enough to prevent the pothole formation, the road is opened as soon as possible. During a temporary road closure you are free to hike the roads. Thanks for your patience.

### REGULATIONS

1. State regulations **prohibit the use of non-registered vehicles** on any wildlife area. All other vehicles must use only designated roads, not exceed 20 M.P.H., and not make excessive noise.
2. No person may **trespass into areas closed** by the Division.
3. **Area is closed from sunset to 7 a.m.** You must leave promptly at sunset, and not wait until last light.
4. **Firearms are prohibited** on state wildlife areas from March 1 through August 31 except for special events approved by the Division Director. Target shooting is prohibited. Call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-round target shooting information at 302-323-5333.
5. **No dumping or littering.** State Wildlife Areas are **Designated Carry In-Carry out Trash Disposal Areas**. Please take your refuse home with you.
6. Horses may be used **only on established roads open to vehicular traffic**.
7. **No camping or swimming** without special authorization.
8. **Dogs must be properly licensed and kept under control.** Please remove your dog's feces from the ground and dispose of it properly.
9. Pavilion use is first come, first served. No reservations are accepted. Call 539-3160 for information on the pavilions.
10. Geocaches and letterboxes must be registered with the Area Manager on a new form.
11. **All fish caught from Memorial Pond must be released to that pond immediately.**

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# OKIE PRESERVE POPLAR THICKET FARM



**2015 - 2016**  
**MARIAN R. OKIE MEMORIAL PRESERVE WILDLIFE AREA**

Persons may hunt on the Poplar Thicket/ Okie Preserve Wildlife Area only as directed by the following rules, which have been established by Regulation 25 of the Division of Fish and Wildlife, pursuant to Section 103, 7 Delaware Code.

**Violators of wildlife area regulations may be subject to fines and/or revocation of their hunting privilege on state wildlife areas for up to one year.**

**NEW IN 2015** – This parcel was donated to the State of Delaware in the Fall of 2008. We honor the previous owner's wish to manage the area as a bird sanctuary. The gate was moved inland to a new parking lot in 2014. Trees were planted within fenced deer exclosures to improve wildlife habitat. You will see more improvements such as shoreline stabilization, tree plantings, and wetland improvements in the near future. The habitat on this tract will be managed to increase the plant and animal diversity while providing limited passive recreational opportunities. Deer densities will be managed at levels compatible with this goal. No other hunting will be allowed. Some areas may be closed to allow mentored hunting opportunities.

- A. HUNTING.** No special permits are needed. Hunting will be restricted to archery deer hunts. round target shooting information at 323-5333.
- B. DEER HUNTING – Archery hunting only.** No permanent stands are allowed and all parts of a portable stand must be removed at the end of each hunting day. No screw-in tree steps or stands may be used because they cause damage to the tree. **No deer drives will be permitted.**
- C. VEHICLES/BOATS.** No off-highway vehicles, either registered or unregistered, permitted. Motorized vehicles are only permitted on established and maintained roads.
- D. FIREARMS.** Firearms are prohibited on state wildlife areas from March 1 through August 31 of each year, except during legal hunting seasons and special events authorized by the Division in writing. Target shooting is prohibited. Call Ommelanden Shooting Range for year-
- H. HOURS.** Entry limited from sunrise to sunset except to lawfully hunt and fish.
- I. TRESPASS.** These roads are open for pedestrian travel, but off limits to all vehicular travel and horse riding. Violators will be prosecuted for trespassing. Be certain to stay within the boundaries of state-owned land.
- J. CAMPING, SWIMMING.** No unauthorized camping or swimming.
- K. HORSE RIDING.** No horse-riding is permitted on this tract.
- L. DUMPING.** Dumping is expressly prohibited. Violators will be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law.
- M. ALCOHOL.** The consumption and use of alcohol or illegal drugs while hunting on State Wildlife Areas is prohibited.

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