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Lake Shelbyville Dove Hunt Applications Available

Lake Shelbyville – The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers at Lake Shelbyville will be conducting a dove hunt on Saturday, September 1, 2018 at West Wilborn Creek Dove Field. On September 1, two hunts will take place, one in the morning (6:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.) and one in the afternoon (2 p.m. - 7 p.m.). A permit is required to participate in the hunt. Permit applications can be picked up at the Lake Shelbyville Project Office Monday through Friday 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., or obtained online at <http://www.mvs.usace.army.mil/Missions/Recreation/Lake-Shelbyville/Recreation/Hunting/>.

Applicants will be able to indicate their preference for the hunt (a.m., p.m., or either). Permit applications must be received at the Lake Shelbyville Project Office no later than 4 p.m. on August 10, 2018. A \$30.00 permit issuance fee will be assessed per blind (good for two hunters), payable at the time of application. One permit will allow two hunters the use of a designated hunting blind. The public drawing for permits will take place on August 13, 2018 at 8 a.m. at the Lake Shelbyville Project Office. Applicants do not have to be present for the drawing; successful applicants will be notified by phone no later than August 15th. Hunting blinds for both hunts will be drawn at the field before each hunt on September 1, 2018.

The youth hunt is limited to children sixteen years old and under. A hunting assistant who is a parent, legal guardian, or family member of at least eighteen years of age must accompany each youth. The hunting assistant will be able to hunt with the youth they accompany. Youth hunters and their guardians will only be allowed to hunt one of the time slots to ensure maximum amount of participation.

Beginning September 2nd, and throughout the remainder of the 2018 Illinois dove season, hunting will be on a first-come, first-serve basis. Hunting will only be allowed from designated blinds and

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statewide shooting hours will be in effect (sunrise to sunset). For additional information concerning dove hunting at Lake Shelbyville, contact Natural Resource Specialist Cory Donnel at (217) 774-3951 Ext: 7001.

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