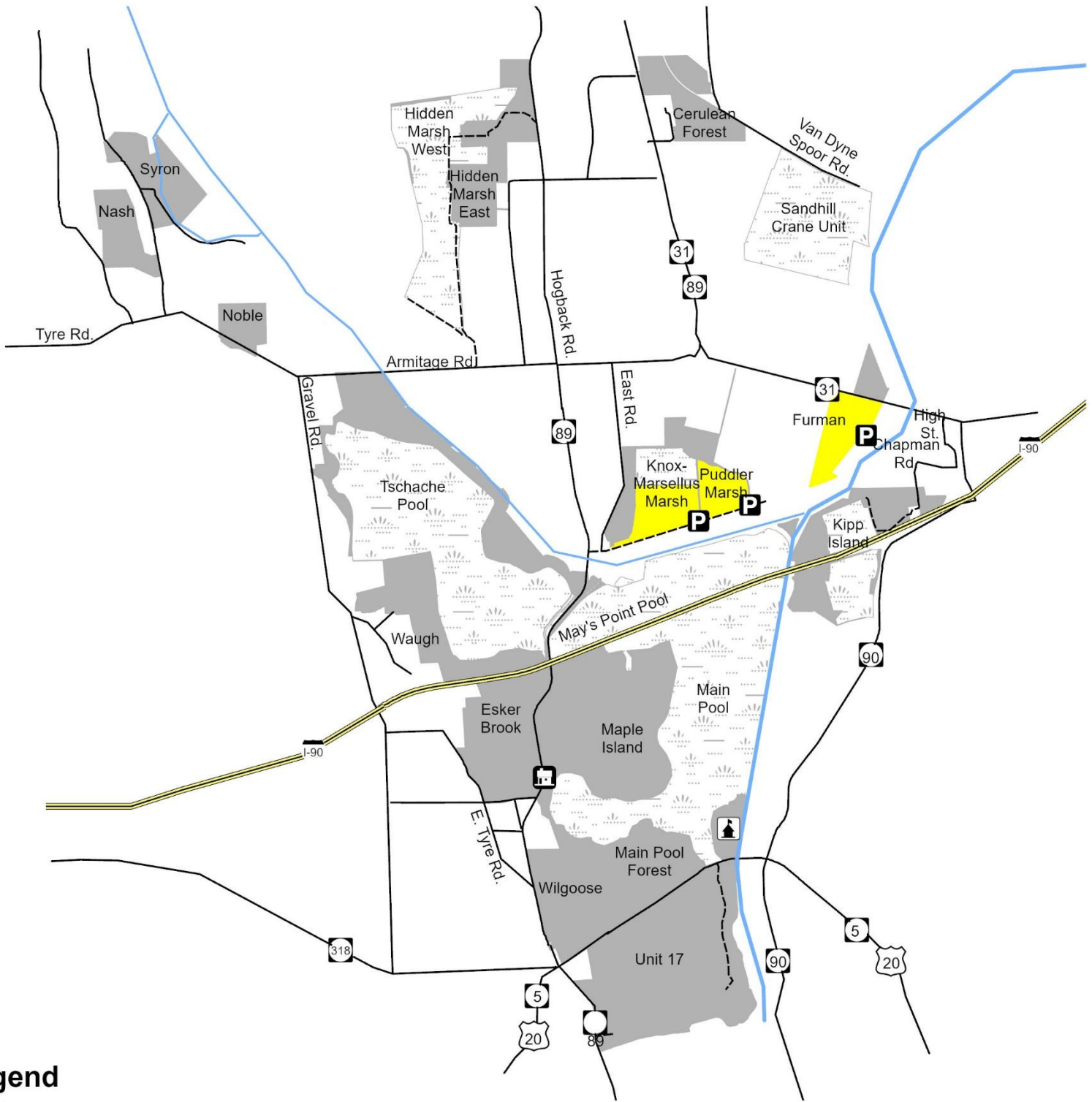




Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge

Snow Goose Hunt Map



Legend

- Refuge Headquarters Area
- Hunter Check Station
- Suggested Parking

- Open Snow Goose Hunting
- No Snow Goose Hunting - Open Water/Emergent Marsh
- No Snow Goose Hunting





NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SYSTEM

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Snow Goose Hunting Regulations 2023 – 2024

Hunt Information

Snow Goose hunting is permitted seven days per week during the limited Refuge Season (**11/01/2023 – 04/15/2024**) within the New York State Snow Goose Hunting Season. All New York State Snow Goose Hunting regulations apply on the Refuge, including hunting hours.

One group will be permitted to hunt the **Knox-Marsellus Marsh** Unit; one group will be permitted to hunt the **Puddler Marsh** Unit; one group will be permitted to hunt the **Furman South** Unit. **YOU MAY ONLY HARVEST SNOW GEESE WHILE HUNTING IN THESE AREAS.**

Group Size

A group is five or less people; all hunters in the group must stay together in the designated hunting area noted on their permit.

Permit Information

- **ENTRY ONTO THE REFUGE TO OBTAIN A PERMIT IS AUTHORIZED NO EARLIER THAN 4 HOURS BEFORE LEGAL SUNRISE.**
- Permits & parking passes must be picked up **DAILY** at the Route 89 Hunter Check Station. Permits will be available each hunt day on a first-come, first-served basis.
- You must carry your permit on your person and parking passes must be displayed on vehicle dashboards when afield.
- Your permit and hunt report must be returned to the Hunter Check Station by the end of the day.
- One person from each party must sign out the permit using the sign-out sheet provided in the permit box. At the end of the hunt, **REPLACE PERMIT IN THE PERMIT BOX**, making it available for the next day's hunt, and note the time of return on the sign-out sheet.
- **IF PERMITS ARE NOT RETURNED AT THE END OF THE HUNT DAY, THERE WILL BE NO HUNTING IN THAT AREA THE NEXT DAY.**
- Once you return the permit to the permit box, take and fill out a Harvest Report, FWS Form 3-2542. Leave this filled out form in the slot provided.

Personal Property

By Federal Regulation: Hunters may not leave any personal property to include game cameras, within the refuge. All personal property must be removed at the conclusion of each hunt day. The hunting out of a tree stand or blind that has been left over night is prohibited.

Firearms

Persons possessing, transporting, or carrying firearms on National Wildlife Refuge System lands must comply with all provisions of State and local law. Persons may only use (discharge) firearms in accordance with refuge regulations (50 CFR 27.42 and specific regulations in 50 CFR Part 32).

Vehicles

Licensed motor vehicles are permitted only on public use roads as shown on the map. ATVs and UTVs are prohibited.

Welcome

Montezuma National Wildlife Refuge was established in 1938 as a refuge and breeding ground for migratory birds and other wildlife. Part of the Montezuma Wetlands Complex, this 10,000+ acre refuge provides essential habitat for many species of resident and migratory birds. A popular destination for outdoor recreation, Montezuma NWR allows September Canada goose hunting in accordance with New York State laws and refuge-specific regulations.

NOTICE

- Use or possession of alcoholic beverages and illegal substances while hunting is prohibited.
- Vehicles blocking gates or roads will result in a citation, a fine, and possible towing.
- Respect adjacent landowners' property; please do not trespass.

Accessibility Information

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