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Dove Hunt for Sportsmen with Disabilities

Carlyle Lake – Disabled sportsman can now reserve access to handicapped-accessible dove blinds for September 1 and September 2, 2011 from 12:00 p.m. to sunset. The blinds are located among bountiful sunflowers at Stein's Field Access. Stein's Field will reopen to all other hunters on September 3, 2011 from 12:00 p.m. to sunset.

The use of each blind is by reservation only and will be limited to permanently non-ambulatory or semi-ambulatory hunters. An assistant—who will be allowed to hunt—must accompany each disabled hunter. Hunters are also encouraged to bring a dog to retrieve harvested birds. Each hunter must possess a valid 2011 Illinois Hunting License, a State Habitat Stamp, and a Firearms Owners Identification Card (FOID). Out of state hunters are not required to have an Illinois FOID card. Harvest Information Program (HIP) numbers can be obtained by calling 1-800-WETLAND. Refer to the back of your hunting license for more information regarding your HIP number.

Each hunter may request a specific day or both days and a lottery will be held for the competing slots. Requests for reservations are taken by phone or in writing. The deadline is 4:00 p.m. on August 31, 2011. For more information, or to place a request, contact the Carlyle Lake Project Office by phone at (618) 594-2484. Request in writing at: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Carlyle Lake Project Office, 801 Lake Road, Carlyle, IL 62231.

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