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Group Waterfowl Hunting Blind Available at Lake Shelbyville

Lake Shelbyville: November 2007 – A group waterfowl hunting blind is now available at the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Okaw Bluff Wetland Complex during the 2007-2008 waterfowl hunting season. A group of up to four people can be accommodated in this blind.

Due to the limited size of the hunting area, all hunting within the wetland complex will be strictly controlled during the entire waterfowl hunting season. Hunters using the area are required to have a special use permit in their possession and reserve a hunting blind.

When making a reservation for a hunting blind, hunters may choose from the nine blinds in the area, depending on current availability. The hunting blinds are numbered 2 thru 10. Blind number 3 is designed for hunters with disabilities. Two hunters and an observer can be accommodated in this blind. Blind number 10 is the group hunting blind that will accommodate up to four hunters. The other seven hunting blinds in the area will accommodate two hunters and one observer.

A \$30, non-refundable permit issuance fee will be collected between the time a reservation is made and the time the special use permit is actually issued. The preferred method of payment is by credit card. The permit will allow the use of a hunting blind for a two-day period. All permits are non-transferable, which means the person obtaining the permit must be in the hunting blind while the blind is in use.

Waterfowl hunting blind special use permits can be obtained and reservations made by contacting the Lake Shelbyville Project Office at 217-774-3951 Monday thru Friday 9 am to 4 pm.