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## Thurmond Lake sets primitive weapon deer hunt dates

**SAVANNAH, Ga.** – The U. S. Army Corps of Engineers' [J. Strom Thurmond Project Office](#) will conduct primitive weapon deer hunts in Bussey Point, located in Lincoln County, Ga. These annual hunts help maintain the deer population within the carrying capacity for the area and to improve the quality of the herd.

The 2,545-acre peninsula will be open for scheduled hunts on six dates.

<u>Dates</u>	<u>Hunts</u>
Sept. 16-17	Archery only
Oct. 14	Archery only
Oct. 15	Muzzleloader and archery
Nov. 18-19	Muzzleloader and archery

Hunters will be checked at a station located at the entrance gate to Bussey Point. Hours of operation begin one hour before sunrise and end one hour after sundown. Camping will be limited to the camping area adjacent to the check station during the hunts.

The bag limit is two does and one quality buck each day of each hunt. Quality bucks are those with racks having four points or better on at least one side, or a 15-inch or greater outside spread.

Muzzleloader hunts are limited to 100 hunters per day. The muzzleloader hunters will be registered on a first-come, first-served basis.

Hunters must be licensed in accordance with existing Georgia Game and Fish Regulations. A Wildlife Management Area (WMA) license is not required for these hunts. Park rangers will inspect licenses during check-in. All state regulations and bag limits will be strictly enforced.

Park visitors who are not hunting are encouraged to find other recreation areas during the scheduled hunts. The area will also be closed two days before each hunt except to hunters scouting or placing deer stands. No weapons are allowed in Bussey Point on scouting days.

For more information, contact Ken Boyd at the J. Strom Thurmond Office toll free at 1-800-533-3478, ext. 1159, or at (864) 333-1159.

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