2022
MUSKEGON COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTER
ARCHERY DEER, ARCHERY TURKEY, ARCHERY COYOTE HUNTING RULES

A B S O L U T E L Y N O F I R E A R M S A L L O W E D

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PROCEDURE

Permit Issuance

Applicants interested in hunting at the Wastewater facility should appear at the Administration Building located at 698 N. Maple Island Road between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. A pre-sale event will be held up to one week early for those who acquired permits in 2021 and are also either a Veteran or are over age 65. A valid annual permit is required prior to hunting on this site. **A valid 2022 -2023 MDNR Hunting License must be presented at the time of permit purchase. Each hunter must be present to purchase a permit** (exception: purchase for a minor).

Permits will be issued on a first-come, first-served basis and will be limited to a certain number of hunters in each of 8 (eight) zones as indicated on the provided map. Each hunter will choose ONE hunting zone from those available at the time of purchase. Permit holder may **ONLY** hunt in **the selected zone** for the entire season. **Permits purchased for minors must be in the same zone as the supervising hunter.** Hunting outside the assigned zone will result in permit revocation and possible prosecution.

Permit Fees: $75.00 for the period from October 1, 2022 continuous through January 2, 2023
Military Veterans w/ valid DD-214 or ID Card: No Charge

Turkey Season is from September 15 thru November 14.
Coyote Season is from October 1 thru April 15, 2023
NO REFUNDS!

Hours for hunting shall be one-half hour before sunrise until one-half hour after sunset, daily (one-half hour before sunset for Turkey). Hours of admittance shall include a reasonable amount of time before and after hunting hours to accommodate setup and takedown activities. Any judgment on admittance times shall be determined by law enforcement officials or county staff on a case-by-case basis.

Access will be from the gates on Apple Ave. and Maple Island Rd. Hunters are restricted to travel on existing main roads only (see attached map). Hunters **may not** drive across or around fields. Irrigation pivot roads and two tracks are for Wastewater operations. Public use is prohibited.

Parking is the hunter's liability and must be off, but within close proximity of, all roads, not disrupt Wastewater System operations, and not be in the way of irrigation rig towers and drop pipes (to avoid vehicle damage).

Scouting is allowed in advance of the season for hunters that have been issued permits, but 'shining' is prohibited. Scouting will only be permitted in your registered zone after October 1st.

GENERAL RULES

1. The **hunting areas** are depicted on the attached map. Hunting is **not** permitted in the restricted areas. Hunting shall be allowed in the designated areas by PERMIT only. No hunting is permitted on Wastewater property outside the fenced areas (such as north of the fence next to Mosquito Creek). Any questions

should be directed to County staff or the Sheriff's Deputy.

2. Archery hunting during the firearm season is subject to all state rules in effect during the firearm season and must be followed (e.g., must wear hunter orange).

3. All hunters shall possess and exhibit a valid and applicable Michigan hunting license, a valid Wastewater permit, and display the Wastewater tag in the window of their vehicle clearly visible from the outside. Each hunter must possess their own Wastewater hunting permit.

4. Hunters' equipment and tag shall be subject to inspection at all times by County staff.

5. No permanent blinds or permanent tree stands will be allowed; however, temporary portable blinds or portable stands will be permitted. **All temporary blinds and stands must be removed every day.**

6. No target practice will be permitted within the hunting areas.

7. No arrows shall be discharged within **50** feet of the fenced boundaries of the site.

8. No arrows shall be discharged within 500 feet of any building or mechanical structure, including, but not limited to, exposed pipes, spray irrigation rigs, pumps, etc.

9. No hunting is permitted in areas where harvest or construction activities are in progress.

10. All hunting shall be subject to all applicable laws of the State of Michigan, which shall be strictly enforced.

11. Any person who damages any County property shall be liable for such damage.

12. Violation of these rules by any hunter shall result in the immediate revocation of the permit, and the hunter shall be subject to expulsion from the area as a trespasser as well as prosecution for violating the same or other applicable laws. Revocation of one's permit may result in ineligibility for hunting access in subsequent years.

13. No littering shall be permitted. No bottles or cans will be allowed in the area. No alcoholic beverages are permitted on site at any time.

14. No driving of deer is permitted by any means or method. This includes individuals or groups on foot or in vehicles.

15. No "Road Hunting" is permitted. All hunting shall occur from a **fixed location, such as a blind or stand**. Stalking is prohibited.

16. No firearms on person or in the vehicle shall be permitted at any time.

17. No Off-Road Vehicles are permitted on site. Those requiring additional access due to physical disability must contact staff at 231-724-3441, for special permissions and arrangements.

WILD TURKEY HUNTING

Archery hunting of wild turkey will be permitted during the fall season under these rules at no extra fee. The taking of wild turkey shall be subject to all state and county regulations. All archery deer hunting regulations stated in these rules shall also apply. **The hunter must possess appropriate public land permit valid for this zone.**

ARCHERY COYOTE HUNTING

Archery hunting of coyote will be permitted under these rules at no extra fee. The taking of coyote shall

be subject to all state and county regulations. In addition **NO DOGS WILL BE PERMITTED FOR COYOTE HUNTING.** Hunting hours shall be one half hour before sunrise to one half hour after sunset. All archery deer hunting regulations stated in these rules shall also apply. **The hunter must possess appropriate licenses.**

CONDITIONS

Each hunter shall be liable for any injury or death to persons or damage to property. The County shall not be liable for the recklessness or carelessness of other hunters. Every person shall use reasonable care for his or her own safety.

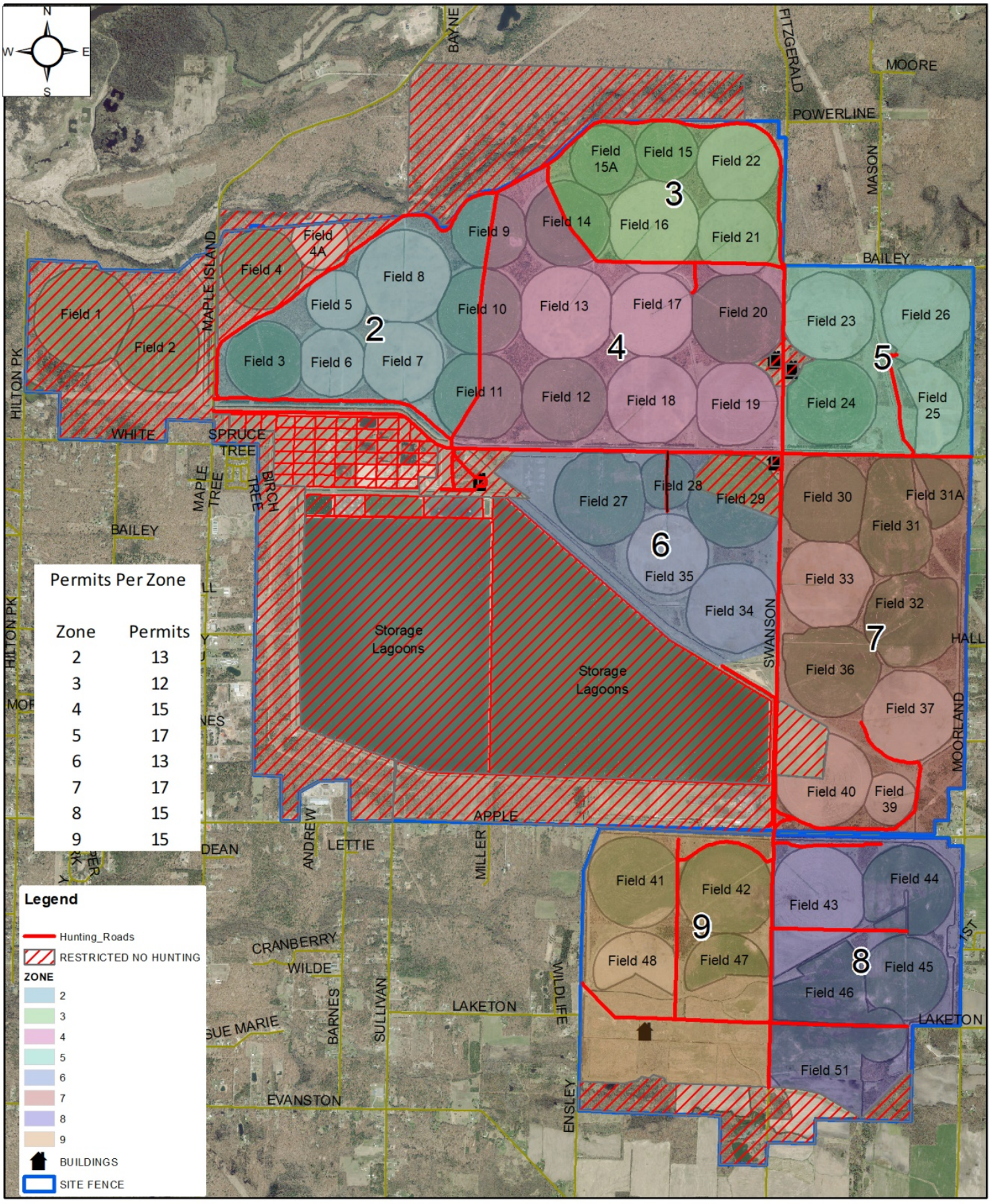
The County does not represent or guarantee that any game taken from the Wastewater Site is fit for human consumption. Each hunter should carefully examine the game for evidence of illness or disease in the same manner as game from other areas would be examined if used for human consumption.

The permit is granted for archery deer hunting, archery turkey hunting, and archery coyote hunting (as set forth above) purposes only. No other game hunting is permitted by these rules.

The County reserves the right to alter or amend these rules and regulations at any time if circumstances so require. No refunds of permit or other fees will be given.

The County will have a Sheriff's Deputy assigned to monitor the bow hunt again this year. Please report any observance of violations to the Deputy or County staff.

Muskegon County Resource Recovery Hunting Map 2022



APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL USE HUNTING PERMIT
AT MUSKEGON COUNTY RESOURCE RECOVERY CENTER

_____
Name of Applicant (PRINT)

_____
Address

_____
City, State, Zip

(____)_____
Telephone Number

Archery Permit	$75)☐
Veteran with valid DD-214 or Active Duty Military w/ID	($0)☐
Muskegon County Veteran ID card also valid	

Vehicle:
Make_____ Model_____ Plate#_____

hereby makes application for a **SPECIAL USE HUNTING PERMIT** on Muskegon County Resource Recovery System property. By signature, affixed hereto, applicant expressly agrees to comply with all Special Use and Hunting Rules as applicable to the issuance of such permit; applicant further, as a condition to issuance of such permit, acknowledges receipt of copies of said Rules, and applicant furthermore represents that he/she shall comply with all State law requirements regarding the issuance of State licenses, etc., as may be required for undertaking such hunting.

WAIVER AND INDEMNITY

Provided further, applicant acknowledges and agrees, as a further condition to issuance of Permit, that applicant agrees to indemnity and hold harmless the County of Muskegon, its agents, employees, and instrumentalities against any and all claims, demands, suits, loss, including all costs connected therewith, by reason of personal injury, including bodily injury or death and/or property damage including use thereof, which arises out of or is in any way connected with or associated with activities undertaken by applicant under Permit issued on the basis of this application.

_____ _____
Signature of Applicant or Signature for Minor Child — Date

Were you successful here last year? (Circle) Buck Doe None

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