

MANAGED TURKEY HUNTING REGULATIONS
U.S. ARMY GARRISON ABERDEEN PROVING GROUND/ADELPHI LABORATORY CENTER
(USAG APG/ALC)
BLOSSOM POINT RESEARCH FACILITY (BPRF)

The following rules and regulations describe the policies and procedures that govern managed hunting during the 2020 Turkey Season at U.S. Army Garrison (USAG) Aberdeen Proving Ground (APG)/ Adelphi Laboratory Center (ALC) Blossom Point Research Facility (BPRF). All individuals entering APG/ALC BPRF under the authority of these rules and regulations are also subject to local, state and federal laws and regulations. All hunting activities on APG/ALC BPRF are authorized and controlled by the Garrison Commander in accordance with applicable federal, state, Charles County Laws and the Department of the Army Regulations. Violations of the laws and rules and regulations will be cause to bar violators from hunting at APG/ALC BPRF. Permanent barring for violations may occur at the Garrison Commander's decision. Criminal violations will be prosecuted in the U.S. Magistrates Court or by court martial, as appropriate. Hunting on APG/ALC BPRF is a privilege and not a right.

Managed hunts will take place on select Fridays starting in April 18, 2020 and will end on May 23, 2020 as the installation testing schedule allows. The hunter's assigned date will be scheduled on a first come first serve basis through the APG/ALC Environmental Division.

To be eligible to participate in the managed hunts at APG/ALC BPRF, hunters must possess or have accomplished the following:

1. Federal Common Access Card (CAC) for current or retired personnel.
2. APG/ALC Site Access Form submitted and cleared (renewed every year).
3. Maryland State Hunter's License.
4. Hunter Safety Education Certificate.
5. Shooter Qualification Card (must be renewed every three years).
6. APG/ALC BPRF Turkey Hunting Permit (\$25 per season).
7. Confirmation email from the APG/ALC Environmental Division.

The following rules and regulations must be followed by individuals participating in managed hunts:

1. Hunters must arrive at APG/ALC BPRF on the day they are scheduled to hunt at 7:00 a.m. Each hunter is required to provide the entrance items listed above to receive their hunting permit (if not previously received). Privately Owned Vehicles (POV) will be escorted to the hunting area by an APG/ALC BPRF Wildlife Conservation Officer (WCO). Weapons must be encased and unloaded while in a vehicle. Hunting will end at 12:00 p.m.
2. A WCO will give the hunter a safety, security and UXO briefing prior to the start of the hunt. The briefing will include information about the procedures to follow if a turkey is wounded. WCO's are the only persons authorized to track a wounded turkey. Hunters must stay in the assigned corridor and stay on the corridor's corresponding road and must contact a WCO if a turkey is wounded or harvested. Hunters must request permission to leave the assigned corridor for any reason as the Range might be active.
3. WCO's are authorized to conduct inspections of hunters and their property for the purpose of checking bag limits, type of game, and for any other wildlife conservation restriction. They are authorized to confiscate game animals if taken illegally, to revoke permits, and to ban hunters from the hunt.
4. Turkey taken during hunts on APG/ALC BPRF will count toward the hunter's State of Maryland season bag limit (which is a total of two). This year one turkey can be harvested during the APG/ALC BPRF Managed Turkey Hunt. Hunters will follow all other Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MDNR) Regulations for turkey hunting while on APG/ALC BPRF.

5. Hunting will be by shotgun loaded with #4 shot or smaller.
6. WCO's will check shotguns and ammunition prior to the hunter entering the assigned corridor. Any shotguns deemed unsafe shall not be allowed to be used. Hunters are responsible for their weapon. If a weapon is rejected by the WCO, the hunter shall forfeit their opportunity to hunt that day.
7. Hunters are required to wear a blaze orange hat and vest at all times when they are on the installation.
8. Using, possessing, or being under the influence of alcoholic beverages, illegal drugs, or controlled substances during or immediately prior to coming on the installation to hunt is prohibited. The permit of anyone found in violation will be immediately revoked, and he or she will be permanently barred from hunting at APG/ALC BPRF.
9. Hunting will be from established corridors. The hunter can proceed 30 feet off either side of the access roads in their assigned corridor. A map will be provided to the hunter for clarification. Hunters must remain in their assigned corridor or until removed by a WCO or been given permission to leave the corridor at the end of the hunt.
10. Weapons shall not be loaded until the hunter has entered the assigned corridor.
11. The procedures for checking turkey which have been instituted by the MDNR will be strictly enforced. Turkey taken at APG/ALC BPRF will not leave the facility until the hunter has completed, except for the confirmation number, the Maryland Big Game Harvest Record found on the back of their hunting license and the completed field tag is affixed to the turkey. **County Code for APG/ALC BPRF is 08 and the public land code is 408 (Blossom Point).** Please check the managed-hunt box when checking in the turkey.

Within 24 hours of recovering a turkey harvest, hunters must:

1. Register their game with the MDNR using one of the following:
 - o the COMPASS portal at compass.dnr.maryland.gov/
 - o the Maryland Big Game Registration Phone Line 888-800-0121
 - o The MDNR official mobile app (AccessDNR)
2. Make a permanent record of their deer or turkey registration by either:
 - o Recording the confirmation number on a Big Game Harvest Record (provided with a hunting license) or creating a hard copy record of their own, or;
 - o Maintaining an electronic record of the confirmation number on a mobile device.

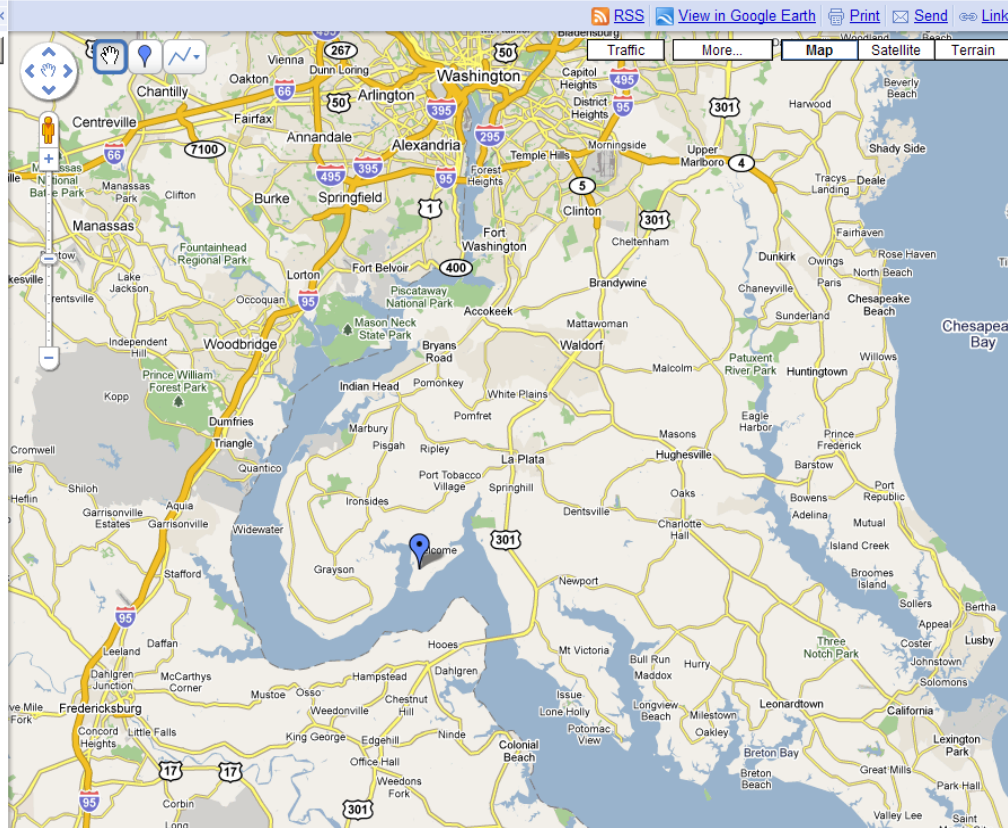
Harvest records, whether recorded electronically or in hard copy format, must be furnished upon request and remain in possession of the hunter.

Field tags are available in the Maryland Guide to Hunting and Trapping or a tag can be made by the hunter with the appropriate information (hunter name, DNRid number, county of harvest and date of harvest, or a Confirmation Number with the hunter's name when the animal has been checked in).

11. Any individual who does not abide by these rules and regulations will have their hunting permit revoked and will be permanently barred from hunting at APG/ALC BPRF.

13. When you are ready to leave the assigned corridor, have harvested a turkey or in case of emergency, call for assistance on the walkie-talkie, or 301-394-1675 or 301-394-1534, or 911 if it is an emergency and are unable to reach APG/ALC BPRF personnel.

Blossom Point Research Facility (BPRF) Vicinity Map ↑ North



Address:

15000 Blossom Point Rd
Welcome, MD 20693

General Driving Directions:

- * Travel along Highway 301 (Blue Star Memorial/Crain Highway) either north or south,
- * turn west on Route 6 (Port Tobacco Road) and travel for approximately 6 miles,
- * turn south on Blossom Point Road and travel for approximately 5 miles,
- * Stop at the front gate of BPRF

Blossom Point Site Map Cedar Point Neck in Southern Charles County, MD

