

Article - Natural Resources

10-601.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) "Blind site" means a specific location in the water where a person may hunt wild waterfowl from any boat or raft which is tied to or anchored at a stake and is not a permanent structure.

(h) "Stationary blind" means a permanent offshore structure built on piling or stakes and used for hunting wild waterfowl.

10-612.1.

IN EACH COUNTY OF THE STATE WHERE WILD WATERFOWL ARE ADEQUATE AND HUNTING IS ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, TO PROVIDE GREATER PUBLIC ACCESS AND USE OF STATIONARY BLENDS-AND BLIND SITES IN ON PUBLIC LANDS THAT BORDER PUBLIC WATERS OR PONDS AND IN THE PUBLIC WATERS OF THE STATE THAT ARE ADJACENT TO PUBLIC LANDS, THE DEPARTMENT SHALL:

(1) CONSTRUCT--AND--MAINTAIN LOCATE AND DESIGNATE STATIONARY BLENDS-AND BLIND SITES IN ON PUBLIC LANDS THAT BORDER PUBLIC WATERS OR PONDS AND IN THE PUBLIC WATERS OF EACH COUNTY OF THE STATE WHERE HUNTING WILD WATERFOWL IS ADEQUATE AND ALLOWED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; AND

(2) PROVIDE FOR USE BY THE PUBLIC OF THE STATIONARY BLENDS-AND BLIND SITES ON A LOTTERY BASIS, IF NEEDED.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect upon or application to any stationary blind or blind site that was constructed and maintained for the use of the public before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

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