

Spring Wild Turkey Draw Fairbanks Landing Fish & Wildlife Area

This page includes information and instructions for those interested in or selected to participate in an Indiana Wild Turkey Hunt Draw. It is important to note that areas participating in reserved hunts are managed by various agencies and may have unique restrictions that each hunter must follow. Please read each area's information packet carefully before pursuing a hunt.

Restrictions:

Allowed Equipment:

- A 410 caliber and 10-, 12-, 16-, 20-, or 28-gauge shotgun loaded with pellets of size No. 4, 5, 6, 7, or 7½. Shot sizes smaller than size 7½ must be made of Tungsten Super Shot or equivalent pellet density only, such as Tungsten Super Shot 9 and 10.
- A muzzleloading shotgun not smaller than 20-gauge and not larger than 10-gauge, loaded with pellets of size 4, 5, 6, 7, 7½, and Tungsten Super Shot 9 and 10. Combination loads using shot sizes other than these are illegal.
- A bow and arrow or crossbow.

Bag Limit:

- The bag limit is one bearded or male turkey for the spring season.

Hunting Hours:

- All DNR properties managed by the Division of Fish & Wildlife have spring season hunting hours one-half hour before sunrise until noon for properties on CT and until 1 p.m. for properties on ET. All others are required to stay out of the field until after this time.

Hunt Information:

To claim your reservation, you must check in at the property booth before 5:30 a.m. ET (4:30 a.m. CT) on the first day of your hunt. You must have your successfully drawn letter with you at check in and keep this on your person when in the field. You may NOT bring a hunting partner with you during your hunt; however, you may bring a non-hunting observer or assistant. All non-hunting partners who assist in calling in turkeys must be properly licensed.

Hunters must stop hunting by 1 p.m. and be out of the field by 2 p.m.

Youth Hunt: April 19- 20, 2025

Youth hunting is available via self-service check-in. A youth hunter must be accompanied by an adult who is at least 18 years of age. The adult partner may not take a turkey and must not possess a firearm, bow and arrow, or crossbow while in the field, except for a handgun carried lawfully.

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Area Information:

Fairbanks Landing Fish & Wildlife Area (FWA) is a 8133 acre property composed of bottomland hardwoods, upland, and ephemeral wetland habitats. It is located west of Highway 63 approximately 3 miles west of Fairbanks, Indiana along the Wabash River.

The first five days of spring turkey season at Fairbanks Landing FWA are by draw only. When applying to the 2025 Wild Turkey Fairbanks Landing FWA hunt, you may choose from two hunt periods:

- Wednesday - Friday: April 23-25, 2025
- Saturday- Sunday: April 26-27, 2025

The property will draw 18 hunters to hunt for each period. If you are successful in drawing for a hunt at Fairbanks Landing FWA, you will receive notification and your hunt permit via email. If successful, you must take your hunt permit with you and check in each day of your hunt period at the self-service station on located at the intersection of 925 N. and 800 W. on Fairbanks Landing FWA. There is no standby drawing at Fairbanks Landing FWA.

Contact:

If you have further questions, please contact the Deer Creek property office at 765-653-0453.

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