

## **Spring Wild Turkey Draw Hovey Lake 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 office before 4:30 a.m. CT on the first day of your hunt. The Hovey Lake FWA office is located at 8401 Hwy 69 S Mount Vernon, IN 47620. If you do not claim your reservation by the times indicated above, your spot will be given to another hunter or forfeited entirely.

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 noon CT.

### **Youth Hunt:**

Hovey Lake FWA is open for hunting during youth spring turkey season, April 19-20, 2025. There is no drawing for youth turkey season. Hunters must sign in on the day of their hunt and keep a turkey hunting card with them while in the field. Hunting hours are one-half hour before sunrise until noon. All other property regulations apply to youth season.

### **Area Information:**

Hovey Lake Fish & Wildlife Area (FWA), located 8 miles Southwest of Mount Vernon, IN, is located at the southernmost point in Indiana near the confluence of the Ohio River and Wabash River. The 7,400 acre property is comprised of bottomland hardwood forests, open agricultural fields, fallow farm fields, low-lying marsh habitats, and upland habitat on higher elevation parts of the property.

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

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

**Contact:**

If you have further questions, please contact the Hovey Lake FWA property office at (812) 838- 2927 or [HoveyLakeFWA@dnr.IN.gov](mailto:HoveyLakeFWA@dnr.IN.gov).

Office Located at  
8401 HWY 69 S

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