

Spring Wild Turkey Draw Pigeon River 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 between 4:30 - 5:30 a.m. ET (3:30 - 4:30 a.m. CT) on each day of your hunt. If you do not claim your reservation during 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.

Hunt dates are as follows: 4/23-4/25, 4/26-4/27, 4/28-4/30, 5/1-5/3, 5/4-5/6, 5/7-5/9 and 5/10-5/11.

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 season will be an online reserved draw and will follow the same guidelines and procedures as the regular season draw. A no-show drawing will be conducted at the property both Saturday and Sunday of youth season, held at 5:30 a.m. ET (4:30 a.m. CT). The no-show drawing is conducted at the property office. Office doors open at 4:30 a.m. ET (3:30 a.m. CT).

Area Information:

Pigeon River Fish & Wildlife Area (FWA), located in Mongo, Indiana, provides quality outdoor recreational opportunities while maintaining 11,794 acres of land, 529 acres of lakes and impoundments and 17 miles of free-flowing river. The property contains a mix of habitat, including hardwoods, wetlands, and upland fields. It is home to many endangered species of plants and animals.

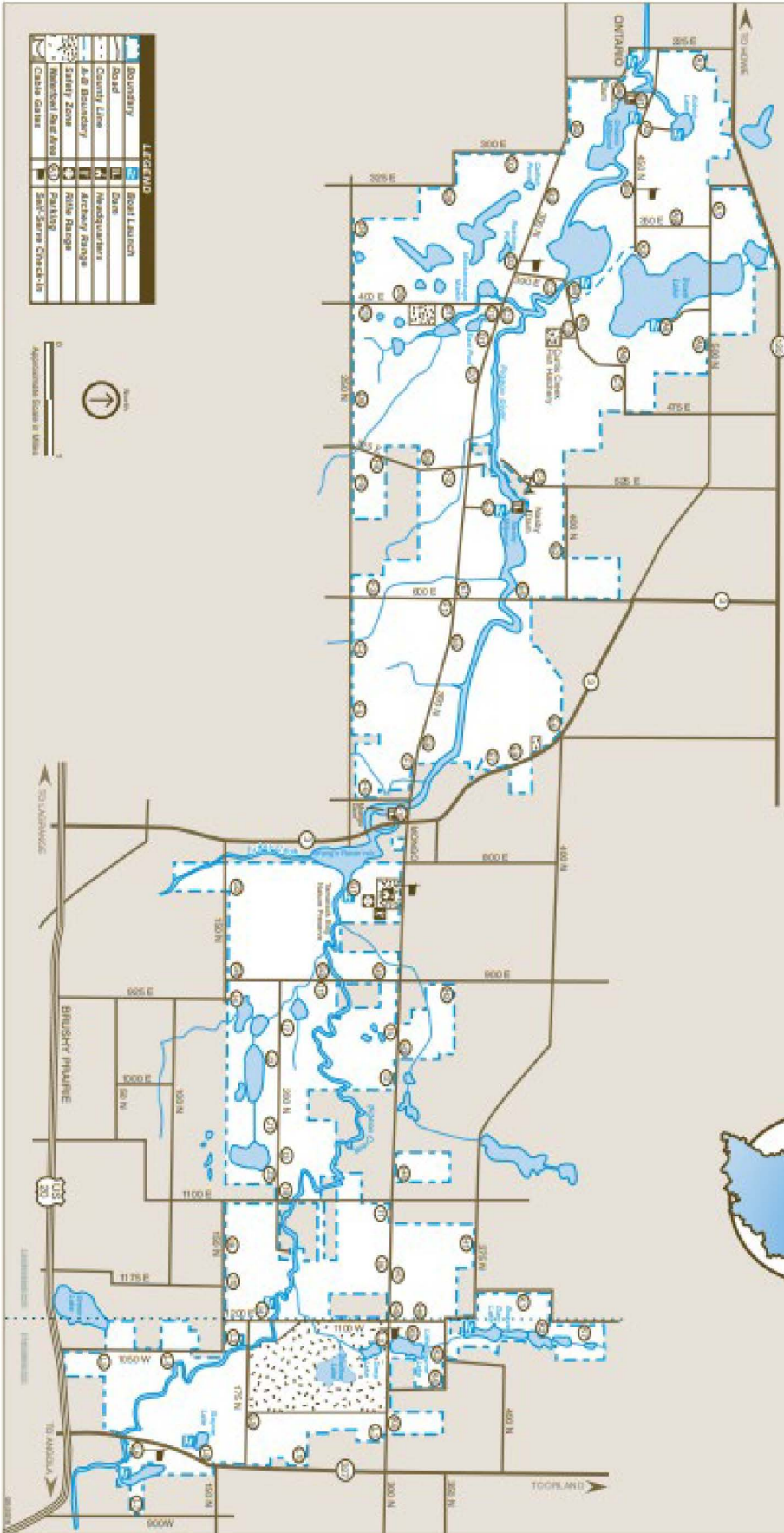
Spring turkey season at Pigeon River FWA is done by a reserved draw system online prior to the spring season. If you are successful in drawing for a reserved hunt at Pigeon River FWA, you must check in at the property office (located at 8310 E. 300 N, Howe, IN 46746) between 4:30 - 5:30 a.m. ET (3:30 - 4:30 a.m. CT) on each day of your hunt to claim your reservation. If you do not claim your reservation during the times indicated above, your spot will be given to another hunter or forfeited entirely. Once you have claimed your reservation at the property office, you may proceed to the field. All areas on the property are open to turkey hunting aside from the WRA. If you are not successful in drawing to hunt at Pigeon River through the online reserved draw, you may still attend the no-show drawing held at 5:30 a.m. ET (4:30 a.m. CT) every morning of the season. The no-show drawing is conducted at the property office. Office doors open at 4:30 a.m. ET (3:30 a.m. CT). Call the office for information on the reserved draw system for Cedar Swamp WCA and Marsh Lake WCA.

Contact:

If you have further questions, please contact the Pigeon River FWA property office at 260-367-2164.

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County Line	Shoreline
A & B Boundary	Archery Range
Safety Zone	Range
Managed Wetland	Pausing
Cabin Gate	Salt-Sens Check-In

