DOVE HUNTING PERMITTED ON SOME USIBWC LANDS IN EL PASO AND HUDSPETH COUNTIES

The United States Section of the International Boundary and Water Commission (USIBWC) has clarified its policy for dove hunters in El Paso and Hudspeth Counties, Texas based on consultations with Texas Parks and Wildlife, the U.S. Border Patrol, and U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS). For the 2010 season, dove hunting will only be allowed on USIBWC lands in rural areas away from residential or commercial buildings so as to minimize risk to the public.

The USIBWC manages lands along the international reach of the Rio Grande in El Paso and Hudspeth Counties that are popular with dove hunters. Hunting along USIBWC lands is not allowed in the City of El Paso. However, hunting is permitted in some areas downstream from the city limits, provided no buildings are nearby. Using the numbering system for the DHS Border Security Initiative (BSI) markers on the border fence and corresponding markers in adjacent areas in Mexico, the USIBWC has prepared a list of areas where hunting is permitted and where it is prohibited. The markers are blue signs approximately two feet square with bright yellow numbers. The list is available at: http://www.ibwc.gov/Files/HuntingList.pdf The USIBWC continues to prohibit hunting on its property along the Rio Grande upstream from the El Paso city limits. See Image Map

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