

ROCKY MOUNTAIN RECREATION AND PUBLIC FISHING AREA

HUNTING INFORMATION

2026 – 2027 Seasons

Deer/Bear - Archery only (Either Sex): September 12, 2026 – January 10, 2027; **Sign-in:** All Archery Deer Hunters must sign in online at gooutdoorsgeorgia.com, or on the Outdoors GA App during the 2026 - 2027 Season.

Turkey - Archery only: April 3 - May 15, 2027; **Sign-in:** All archery turkey hunters must sign in online at gooutdoorsgeorgia.com, or on the Outdoors GA App when they hunt for turkey at Rocky Mountain during the 2027 season.

Small Game - Archery only: any small game with an open state season between August 16, 2026 – February 28, 2027 may be taken. **No Sign-in.**

Waterfowl – Teal Season

Heath Lake (Anglers Haven Rd.); State Season; September 12-20, 2026. **No Sign-in.**

Waterfowl - Canada Goose Season

Heath Lake (Anglers Haven Rd.); State Season; September 5-27, 2026; October 10-25, 2026; November 21-29, 2026; December 12, 2026 - January 31, 2027. **No Sign-in.**

Antioch Lake January 1, 2027 to January 30, 2027

Waterfowl - Duck

Antioch Lake (East & West) (Mountain View Dr.); January 1-2, 4-9, 11-16, 18-23, 25-30 2027 (OPEN: Monday-Saturday: CLOSED to hunting on Sundays. **No Sign-in.**

Heath Lake (Anglers Haven Rd.); State Season; November 21-29, 2026; December 12, 2026 - January 31, 2027; Shooting hours begin 1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset. **No Sign-in.**

Special Regulations:

The Oglethorpe Power chain link main gate on Mountain View Drive is closed to all public vehicles. Foot traffic is allowed inside this gate anytime between the posted area opening and closing times. There is no public access to cross the bridge in front of the powerhouse. Foot traffic is allowed from Fouché Gap and Sand Springs Road. No parking along Fouché Gap, Sand Springs Road or Big Texas Valley Road.

Crossbows are legal archery equipment that may be used on this area. No possession and/or use of explosives, firearms, other weapons, and fireworks is permitted, except that legal hunting weapons may be possessed and used following applicable hunting regulations during legal hunting seasons if the firearm is unloaded and stored in a motor vehicle so as not to be readily accessible. Firearms may only be used during designated waterfowl hunting seasons.

Daily or annual parking permit required for all vehicles. Daily permits can be purchased at each entrance, annual pass available by mail.

Gates open SUNRISE TO SUNSET. Waterfowl hunters may enter early through roped gates. All non-campers must be off the area by SUNSET. All boats must be off the water by sunset.

Deer, bear and turkey hunters report all harvest information on gooutdoorsgeorgia.com

ATVs are not allowed on the area. Vehicles must park only in designated areas. No vehicles allowed off maintained roads. Bicycles are allowed on designated bike trails after 10am during hunting season. Do not block or drive around gates or cables.

No alcohol possession or consumption on the area.

Know and observe safety zones and areas off limit to any public use.

Boats may be used to access areas that are open to hunting, with the exception of the upper and lower reservoir. No wake and idle speed required regardless of boat or motor size. All boats must be off the water by sunset.

Hunter orange clothing, though not required to hunt on the area, is recommended to all persons using trails and woods during hunting season.

Valid hunting license and applicable stamps required.

Hunting and shooting prohibited from across a public road, buildings, towers, fences, power poles, etc., or platforms attached to same.

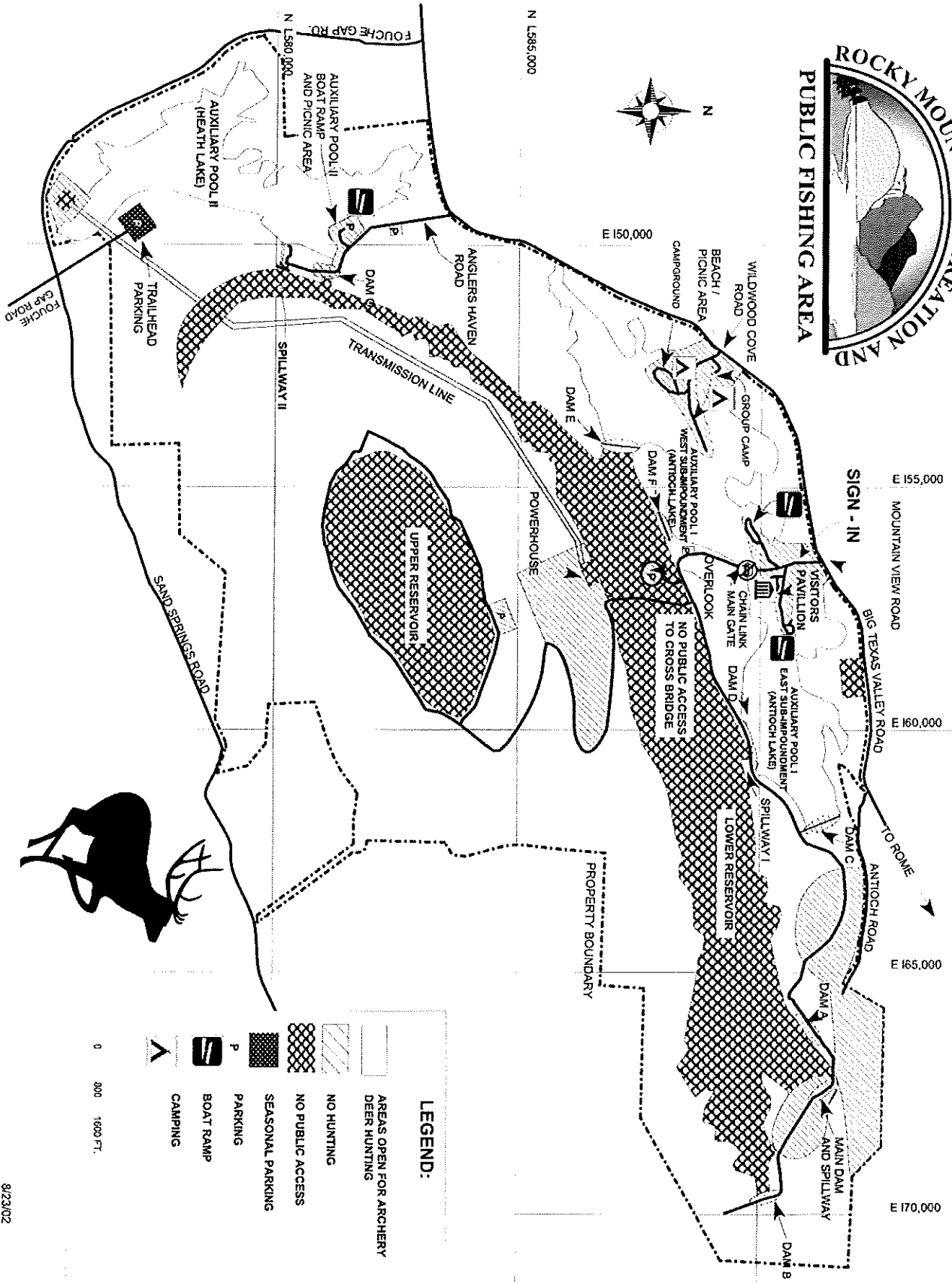
No permanent tree stands allowed. Portable stands allowed and may be left overnight at own risk. Do not mark, carve, drive nails, or in any other way deface any tree or structure.

Dogs must always be kenneled or kept on a 6-foot leash and attended, except that a dog being used for legitimate hunting activities is not required to be leashed while actively being used for hunting.

Feeding, baiting, trapping, or enticing with food of any wildlife is prohibited.

See WRD Hunting Season and Regulation Pamphlets for additional information.

Directions from Rome: Take U.S. Highway 27 north 10.4 miles; left on Sike Storey Road 0.4 miles; left on Big Texas Valley Road 5.4 miles to main entrance.



LEGEND:

- AREAS OPEN FOR ARCHERY
- DEER HUNTING
- NO HUNTING
- NO PUBLIC ACCESS
- SEASONAL PARKING
- PARKING
- BOAT RAMP
- CAMPING

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