

Frequently Asked Questions

Is it legal to harvest other species with the proper tags? (E.g., cougar, bear, squirrel, etc.)

Hunting is prohibited for predators, upland game birds, or any animal other than the one associated with the specific hunt indicated on your permission letter.

Can I set up a trail camera?

Currently, OSU Research Forest allows for trail cameras, but hunters must use at your own risk. OSU Research Forest is not responsible for vandalization or theft.

Am I allowed to set up a tree stand?

Temporary tree stands, such as ladder stands and self-climbing stands, are allowed as long as no damage is done to any living tree in erecting, maintaining, using, or accessing the stand.

- Climbing spikes are prohibited.
- Tree stands may remain in place during the hunting season. Stands must be removed within one week of the end of the season. Any tree stands found outside of hunting season will be considered abandoned.

I have a letter of permission to hunt on the Dunn Forest. Can I take another hunter in with me?

You are welcome to bring another person with you, but they cannot carry a firearm or hunt on the forest without a letter of permission in their name as well. Only individuals drawn who have an ODFW tag and Dunn Forest letter of permission can hunt and harvest the animal.

Can I access the Dunn Forest to scout prior to the season opening?

Yes, you can access the Dunn Forest prior to the season, but cannot hunt. The Dunn Forest is open to the public for non-motorized use 5am to 9pm year-round.

Am I allowed to park at the 100 gate and walk through the College of Ag Lands with my rifle/bow as long as I don't hunt until I'm through that area?

OSU Research Forest has a road easement with the College of Agriculture for the 100 Road. Hunters are allowed to walk along the 100 road with your rifle/bow, but will not be able to shoot or harvest until they get onto Dunn Forest property. Similarly, hunters can walk the 400 road with their rifle/bow, but can only hunt on the side of the road that is OSU Research Forest property.

Is there a KML or GPX file available of the hunting boundary that I could import into my GPS/navigation device?

We have a georeferenced map of the Dunn Forest that can be used in apps such as Avenza for navigation. Map is located [here](#).

If I draw a hunt permit for the Dunn Forest, does it allow me to hunt on surrounding properties, such as OSU Ag Lands as well?

No. The OSU Dunn Forest and OSU College of Agriculture hunts are separate so hunters need a permit for each location if they want to access the full area.

If I draw a hunt permit on OSU College of Agriculture Lands, does it allow me to hunt on the Dunn Forest as well?

No. You can only hunt on the Dunn Forest if you have the proper ODFW tag and were successfully drawn to hunt on the Dunn Forest.

How can I get permission to hunt on OSU College of Agriculture Soap Creek and Berry Creek properties?

Information about OSU College of Agriculture hunt by reservation program is located here: <https://myodfw.com/HBR>.

Can I hunt on other Research Forest properties?

Non-motorized recreation including hunting is allowed on the following satellite Research Forests: Matteson, Rams Dell, Blodgett and the Oberteufer Forest. Hunting is absolutely prohibited on the McDonald Forest.

I applied for the Dunn Forest hunt and have not heard back yet. How will I know if my name was drawn?

Individuals selected for the hunt through a random drawing will receive a letter in the mail and an email granting access to hunt on the property

OSU Research Forest updates the [hunt webpage](#) when the letters have been sent out. If you did not receive a letter in the mail or via email, you were not drawn and need to apply next year. See example from our webpage below.

Spring turkey hunt

- Draw Conducted by: OSU Research Forests
- Application Submission Dates: January 1-January 31, 2022 **Now closed**
 - **180 people applied for the spring turkey hunt on the Dunn Forest for 2022!**
 - **50 people were randomly drawn and have been notified via email and letter in the mail.**
 - **If you did NOT get an email, we encourage you to apply again next year. Good luck!**

I missed the application window to apply. Can I still put my name in?

No. Once the application window has closed, people are no longer able to submit their names. Try again next year!