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## Special Junior Turkey Hunt Event

Excitement is in the air for a special junior turkey hunt event that will be held on Saturday, March 21, 2015 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Sacramento River National Wildlife Refuge. The Sacramento NWR Complex and the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTF) are hosting a barbeque and activities for junior hunters at the newly remodeled parking area of the Sul Norte/Codora Units. The parking area is located on the north side of the Butte City Bridge, off Highway 162 in Glenn County.

This free event will include a barbeque, hunting strategies and ethics activities, conservation and habitat restoration activities, a turkey calling demonstration (11 a.m. to 12 p.m.), giveaways, and more. The activities, led by Sacramento River NWR and NWTF staff and volunteers, are intended to educate junior hunters on ethical hunting strategies, behaviors, and the importance of conservation. The event celebrates the opening of the Codora Unit and all the partners who contributed to habitat restoration and facility improvements including: NWTF, California State Parks, California Department of Fish and Wildlife, The Nature Conservancy, and the California Wildlife Conservation Board.

The event also kicks off the California annual junior spring turkey hunt which takes place March 21-22. The weekend hunt is open to those with a junior hunting license at all Sacramento River NWR units that permit turkey hunting. Non-toxic shot is required for hunting on all units of the refuge. Refuge units with vehicle access that will be open for the junior hunt include: Capay, Sul Norte, Codora, Drumheller North, Drumheller Slough, and Bogg's Bend. The Codora Unit is open only to junior hunters on weekends only. Many additional units are open but are boat access only. Other local public hunting areas include: California Department of Fish and Wildlife's Princeton North, Princeton East, Princeton Southeast units, and the Site 21 Unit.

For a complete list of all refuge units open for hunting, brochures, maps, and refuge-specific hunting regulations visit <a href="http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Sacramento\_River">http://www.fws.gov/refuge/Sacramento\_River</a> or call (530)934-2801.

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