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National Wildlife Refuge System



Carolina Sandhills National Wildlife Refuge

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Hunter Education Course at Carolina Sandhills National Wildlife Refuge

McBee, SC - Carolina Sandhills National Wildlife Refuge will host a Hunter Education Course on Saturday August 18, 2007 at the refuge office located on 23734 Hwy 1, 3 miles North of McBee, SC. The course begins at 8:00am. Please call Doug Mason at (843) 335-6027 for more information and to register. Seats are limited. Hunter education is not just for kids and not just for hunters. The program is for all folks who enjoy the outdoors and have an interest in conservation. The course is also an excellent refresher for veteran hunters.

Carolina Sandhills National Wildlife Refuge features 46,000 acres of rolling hills dominated by the longleaf pine-wiregrass ecosystem. The refuge is home to the red-cockaded woodpecker, a federally endangered species, and provides a mosaic of habitats for 190 species of birds, 42 species of mammals, 41 species of reptiles, and 25 species of amphibians. More than 800 species of plants have been identified on the refuge, including rare species of pitcher plants, Well's pixiemoss, and white-wicky. The refuge, located in Chesterfield County, is part of the National Wildlife Refuge System, a national network of lands more than 540 units strong. The US Fish and Wildlife Service manages this outstanding network of lands to conserve, protect and enhance fish, wildlife and plants and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.