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**LDWF Confirms Alligator Harvest Season Opening
Sept. 1 in East Zone, Sept. 5 in West Zone**

Aug. 30, 2012 -- The Louisiana Department of Wildlife and Fisheries has confirmed the Saturday, Sept. 1 east zone opening of the 2012 Wild Alligator Harvest Season and the Wednesday, Sept. 5 west zone opening.

Due to storm impacts created by Hurricane Isaac, hunters in some areas may not be able to harvest alligators until floodwaters recede and power is restored. Prior to beginning any harvest effort, alligator hunters are advised to verify that their selected buyer will be open to buy harvested alligators. Hunters should also use extreme caution when returning to flooded wetland areas to harvest alligators.

For a zone map and complete list of parishes within the east and west zones go to:

<http://www.wlf.louisiana.gov/wildlife/alligator-hunting>. For more information on alligator season, contact Noel Kinler at 337-373-0032 or nkinler@wlf.la.gov.

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