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Mr. Bunyard,

Thank you for contacting LCRA regarding the use of metal detectors on LCRA property and the Highland Lakes.

LCRA's [Land and Water Use Regulations](#) prohibit the use of metal detectors on LCRA lands, which includes all LCRA parks. The prohibition does not apply to the use of metal detectors on LCRA Water, which includes the Highland Lakes.

Metal detectors can generally be used on LCRA Water, with certain exceptions spelled out in state law. Specifically, the [Texas Natural Resources Code](#) says historical artifacts and landmarks are the property of the state of Texas and may not be removed. Please see sections 191.091, 191.092 and 191.093, *Natural Resources Code*.

The provisions cited above specifically prohibit removing

1. sunken or abandoned pre-twentieth century ships and wrecks of the sea, and any part or the contents of them, and all treasure imbedded in the earth, located in, on, or under the surface of land belonging to the State of Texas, including its tidelands, submerged land, and the beds of its rivers and the sea within jurisdiction of the State of Texas (Section 191.092, *Natural Resources Code*); or
2. sites, objects, buildings, artifacts, implements, and locations of historical, archeological, scientific, or educational interest, including those pertaining to prehistoric and historical American Indians or aboriginal campsites, dwellings, and habitation sites, their artifacts and implements of culture, as well as archeological sites of every character that are located in, on, or under the surface of any land belonging to the State of Texas or to any county, city, or political subdivision of the state are state archeological landmarks (Section 191.092, *Natural Resources Code*)

Metal hunters also must adhere to Section 13 of the Land and Water Use Regulations, which states that, "No person shall anchor, construct or maintain any Watercraft or floating or fixed structure on or in LCRA Water that unreasonably prevents, impedes or interferes with safe navigation or access to the water by the public."

Best wishes,

Patrick Badgley
LCRA Communications

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Thank you for this information.

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Hot off the press. I received this clarification from LCRA regarding Kenny Hare's experience with LCRA Rangers at the Llano County Park. As you can see there is NO prohibition against metal detecting in the water adjacent to the Llano County Park. As I read this it is also ok to metal detect IN THE WATER adjacent to the Black Rock Park so long as you do not walk out onto the dry beach within the Black Rock Park but to keep the peace I recommend that we concentrate only the water that is off the Llano County Park. If you do want to detect in the water off the Black Rock Park beach I recommend that you stay at least out where the water is waist deep. Either way, print a copy of this response from LCRA and keep it with you any time you want to detect in any LCRA lake water within the Highland Lakes region. Keep in mind the other rules that Ms. Badgley cited.

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