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JOB COMPLETION REPORT INVESTIGATIONS PROJECT

STATE OF WYOMING

NAME: SMALL GAME, UPLAND GAME BIRD, MIGRATORY GAME BIRD, WILD TURKEY,
FURBEARER AND FALCONRY HARVEST SURVEYS

PROJECT NUMBER W-27-R-45

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Period Covered: June 1, 2014 to May 31, 2015

ABSTRACT:

This report summarizes harvests from the 2014-2015 hunting seasons for small game, upland game birds, migratory game birds, wild turkeys, and furbearers and harvest taken by falconers. Harvest estimates were obtained by surveying licensed hunters and trappers via the internet, mailed questionnaires or mandatory reporting. Significant changes to the number of management areas and species surveyed are also detailed in the report.

OBJECTIVES:

1. Estimate small game, upland game bird, migratory game bird, wild turkey, and furbearer harvests.
2. Estimate total days spent hunting each species; the average days expended per harvest (hunter effort); and hunter success.

PROCEDURES:

Prior to 1982 harvest and effort were reported based on counties. Beginning in 1982, data from all species except waterfowl, wild turkey and furbearers were reported based on 46 small and upland game management areas. Furbearer harvest was reported statewide through the 1999-2000 season. During the 2000-2001 season furbearer harvest was reported based on the 46 small and upland game management areas. Due to a very low response rate, only bobcat harvest was reported from the furbearer trapper survey from the 2001-2002 season through the 2004-2005 season. Bobcat harvest was reported based on six management areas. Beginning with the 2005-2006 season and until 2010-11, furbearer harvest other than bobcat was again reported based on the 46 management areas. Waterfowl harvest has been reported based on drainages and wild turkey harvest is reported based on wild turkey hunt areas.

Management area boundaries have changed through the years and some areas have been combined. In all instances the level of detail in the harvest survey has been much finer than the department's ability to manage hunters and harvest. In order to simplify harvest reporting by the hunter and present data at a scale more appropriate for management purposes, the 2010-2011 harvest survey was simplified as follows:

1. The 46 management areas were consolidated to match the six bobcat area boundaries for all species except migratory game birds, wild turkeys and sage-grouse (see table below).
2. Since the 2004 biological year (6/1/04 – 5/31/05) sage-grouse annual reports have been written for each Local Working Group (LWG) area. The boundaries of the LWGs were delineated in Wyoming's July 2003 sage-grouse conservation plan. In order to align harvest data collection with the way the harvest is reported in annual reports, sage-grouse harvest areas were modified to match LWG boundaries. For purposes of the harvest survey the LWG areas are indicated with letters rather than numbers to avoid confusion with the six areas used to report most other harvest. Areas closed to sage-grouse hunting by regulation are also shown on the survey instrument.
3. Migratory game bird management areas remain unchanged.
4. Coots, rail and snipe were removed from the migratory game bird survey. The Department defers to data collected by the USF&WS Harvest Information Program (HIP) at the state and flyway level for these species.

5. For wildlife defined by Wyoming Statute as a “Predatory Animal” (coyote, raccoon, red fox, skunk and others), the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission has no statutory authority to require a license or set seasons (harvest is legal year round), bag limits (unlimited take is allowed), or limit method of take. Previous surveys only reported take of predatory animals by persons holding a trapping license. Consequently, the reported harvest was only a subset of actual harvest as there was no means to estimate legal take by unlicensed hunters. However, the data did provide a useful index to population trends based on harvest effort. These species were dropped from the furbearer harvest survey.
6. Bobcats were also removed from the harvest survey. Bobcats are listed in Appendix II of the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species Treaty (CITES) due to their similarity of appearance to other endangered spotted cats. CITES requires that bobcats must be individually tagged to identify legal harvest for purposes of commerce. Under this provision all bobcat trappers have been required to present their pelts for mandatory tagging in Wyoming since July 1, 1990. Historically, the department has relied on both CITES tagging data and the harvest survey to fulfill our CITES reporting requirement. From 1977-1978 through 1991-1992, only harvest survey data were used. During those years, raw harvest survey data were not extrapolated to estimate harvest by nonrespondents. Beginning with the 1992-1993 season and through the 2002-2003 season the department reported data obtained from both the harvest survey and the CITES tagging records. Throughout this period the two survey methods produced differing estimates of bobcat harvest, trapping/hunting effort and trapper numbers. The CITES tagging data were obtained from all successful bobcat trappers whereas the furbearer harvest survey provided data from a sample of trappers who respond to the mail survey and included both successful and unsuccessful trappers/hunters. Because of declining response rates (only 26% of license holders surveyed responded to the 2010-2011 survey), the discrepancy in reported harvest between the two methods increased (i.e. the harvest reported through the harvest survey was an increasingly smaller proportion of the known harvest documented through mandatory CITES reporting. Since the 2003-2004 season, only the number of pelts tagged with CITES tags have been reported in the CITES report. Because the CITES report provides a more realistic harvest estimate (census), bobcats were dropped from the furbearer harvest survey.
7. Attempts to estimate trapper effort have been problematic because a trapping license allows the take of all wildlife defined by Wyoming Statute as a furbearing animal (badger, beaver, bobcat, marten, mink, muskrat and weasel). In addition, trap and snare sets are not species specific so it was impossible to allocate days of effort to individual species. Over the years various survey questions were devised to improve estimates of species-specific effort, but the more complex surveys produced questionable results and likely contributed to the decline in response rates. In some years no questions were asked regarding effort. The 2010-2011 survey reinstated effort questions with the goal of estimating statewide trap, snare and hunter effort for those holding a furbearer license.

The harvest survey for the 2014-15 season was conducted as follows: Emails containing the link to the online survey were sent to license holders who offered their email addresses during the license purchase process and hard copies were mailed to a random sample of daily, annual, pioneer and lifetime small game and game bird license holders who did not provide email contacts. All holders of fall and spring turkey licenses and furbearer licenses were surveyed. Samples were stratified according to license type and area as applicable. All holders of early crane hunting permits were surveyed. Some license holders were removed from the sample pools after NCOA and CASS mailing address cleansing programs were run to eliminate invalid addresses. A mandatory reporting requirement applies to holders of Light Goose Conservation Order permits and falconers. The extrapolation procedure used to estimate harvest statistics was similar for all species or species groups.

SMALL GAME, UPLAND GAME BIRD, FURBEARER MANAGEMENT AREAS	
NEW MANAGEMENT AREA (beginning 2010)	OLD MANAGEMENT AREAS (1982-2009)
1	1-2
2	11-13, 15-17, 19-21
3	32, 35-44, 46
4	3-7, 10, 25
5	22-24, 26-31, 34
6	8, 9, 14, 18, 33, 45

2014 FIVE-YEAR LICENSE SALES TREND FOR SMALL AND UPLAND GAME

SMALL AND UPLAND GAME LICENSE CATEGORIES	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	5-YEAR TOTAL	ANNUAL AVERAGE
Annual Game Bird							
Resident	7,727	7,430	7,596	6,945	6,792	36,490	7,298
Annual Small Game							
Resident	1,600	1,533	1,393	1,653	1,734	7,913	1,583
Annual Game Bird/Small Game							
Resident	8,198	7,953	8,603	8,891	9,617	43,262	8,652
Nonresident	1,777	1,738	1,893	1,898	2,111	9,417	1,883
Total	9,975	9,691	10,496	10,789	11,728	52,679	10,536
Daily Game Bird/Small Game							
Resident	938	927	884	1,073	932	4,754	951
Nonresident	4,937	4,977	4,925	4,186	4,687	23,712	4,742
Total	5,875	5,904	5,809	5,259	5,619	28,466	5,693
Resident Lifetime Licenses - Cumulative Sales¹							
Game Bird/Small Game/Cons Stamp ²	44	52	63	69	78		
Game Bird/Small Game ²	123	140	172	209	219		
Game Bird/Small Game/Fishing ³	1,171	1,250	1,332	1,425	1,478		
Game Bird/Small Game/Fish/Cons Stamp ⁴	6,203	6,541	6,915	7,351	7,723		
Pioneer Game Bird/Small Game/Fishing ⁵	17,616	19,057	20,806	22,473	24,066		
Veteran Pioneer Game Bird/Small Game/Fishing ⁶	1,056	1,209	1,456	1,702	1,976		

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SMALL GAME, UPLAND GAME BIRD, MIGRATORY GAME BIRD AND WILD TURKEY FIVE-YEAR HARVEST TREND BY SPECIES/SPECIES GROUP

SPECIES	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	5-YEAR TOTAL	ANNUAL AVERAGE
Geese	41,024	21,732	31,993	30,861	29,147	154,757	30,951
Crane	182	161	134	74	74	625	125
Duck	44,451	47,387	50,233	53,296	30,456	225,823	45,165
Pheasant	40,480	29,463	29,405	31,752	38,322	169,422	33,884
Chukar	6,744	4,658	5,429	3,199	6,223	26,253	5,251
Gray Partridge	5,245	6,019	5,779	1,741	2,461	21,245	4,249
Dusky (Blue) Grouse	7,818	7,669	10,837	8,741	9,419	44,484	8,897
Ruffed Grouse	3,540	3,140	7,259	4,472	6,623	25,034	5,007
Sage-Grouse	11,057	10,120	9,869	5,726	7,094	43,866	8,773
Sharp-tailed Grouse	2,428	3,315	2,192	1,182	1,535	10,652	2,130
Mourning Dove	28,906	23,607	28,402	23,485	27,791	132,191	26,438
Wild Turkey	4,512	6,406 ⁷	3035	2,778	2,958	13,283	2,657
Cottontail Rabbit	16,600	11,802	13,025	16,416	35,910	93,753	18,751
Snowshoe Hare	123	205	193	282	416	1,219	244
Squirrel	1,585	1,186	1,532	1,011	1,069	6,383	1,277

¹Lifetime license combination holders who have small and upland game privileges were included in this survey for the first time in 2005. The change in sampling strategy to include lifetime license holders may account for some significant changes in annual harvest reports.

²First sold in 2004

³First sold in 1996

⁴First sold in 1997

⁵First available in 1943 and first included in this survey in 2014

⁶First sold in 1997 and first included in this survey in 2014

⁷Beginning with the 2011 report, wild turkey is now reported by biological year (June through May). The 2011 turkey harvest number includes spring 2011 harvest (2,831), fall 2011 (1,108), and spring 2012 (2,467).

SMALL GAME & GAME BIRD
License Data Summary
2014-2015

	Valid Licenses*	Number Surveyed	Number Usable (hunters and nonhunters)	Response Rate (# Usable/# Surveyed)
Resident	29,903	13,219	5,490	41.5%
Nonresident	5,108	5,107	2,467	48.3%
Total	35,011	18,326	7,957	43.4%

*Includes lifetime, veteran and pioneer licenses

FALL WILD TURKEY
License Data Summary
2014

	Valid Licenses*	Number Surveyed	Number Usable (hunters and nonhunters)	Response Rate (# Usable/# Surveyed)
Resident	1,788	1,675	613	36.6%
Nonresident	183	178	74	41.6%
Total	1,971	1,853	687	37.1%

*Includes landowner, pioneer and heritage licenses

SPRING WILD TURKEY
License Data Summary
2015

	Valid Licenses*	Number Surveyed	Number Usable (hunters and nonhunters)	Response Rate (# Usable/# Surveyed)
Resident	4,190	4,190	1,581	37.7%
Nonresident	1,050	1,050	575	54.8%
Total	5,240	5,240	2,156	41.1%

*Includes landowner, pioneer and heritage licenses



WYOMING GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT
SMALL GAME, UPLAND GAME BIRD AND
MIGRATORY GAME BIRD HARVEST SURVEY

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Cheyenne, WY 82006

- Even if you did not hunt or were unsuccessful, we need to hear from you. Our biologists use the results of this survey to monitor populations and recommend hunting seasons.
- Please complete the survey **ONLINE**, as that saves us considerable expense for postage and data entry. Go to wgfd.wyo.gov/HarvestSurvey/ and use the **ONLINE Password** provided below to access your survey.
- If you are unable to complete your survey online, use the enclosed envelope to return this completed form.
- If you have questions or prefer to complete it over the phone, contact Gail Sheridan, Harvest Survey Coordinator, at 307-777-4567 or email: gail.sheridan@wyo.gov

Your **ONLINE Password** is:

Please respond online or by mail before April 1, 2015

Q1. Did you hunt Small Game, Upland Game Birds or Migratory Game Birds during the 2014 season that spanned from September 1, 2014 to March 1, 2015? (Check one box)

Yes

No (If "No," your survey is complete. Thank you.)

PRIVATE LANDS PUBLIC WILDLIFE ACCESS PROGRAM

Q2. During the 2014-2015 hunting season, did you use any of the Private Lands Public Wildlife (PLPW) walk-in areas? (Check one box)

Yes

No (If "No," skip to Q6.)

Q3. If "Yes," how many days did you spend hunting PLPW walk-in areas? (Enter number here)

Q4. How many PLPW walk-in areas did you hunt? (Enter number here)

Q5. Please rate your satisfaction with your PLPW walk-in area experience using the scale below:

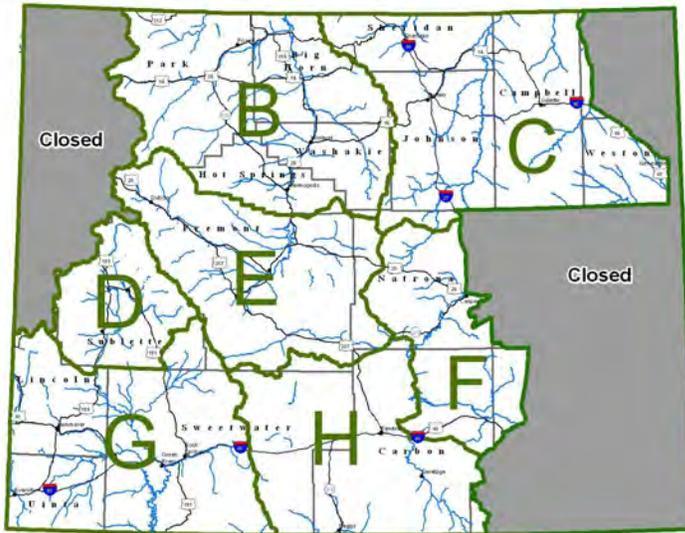
1=Very Dissatisfied 2=Dissatisfied 3=Neutral 4=Satisfied 5=Very Satisfied

(Enter number here)

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SAGE-GROUSE HUNTING

Sage-Grouse Management Areas



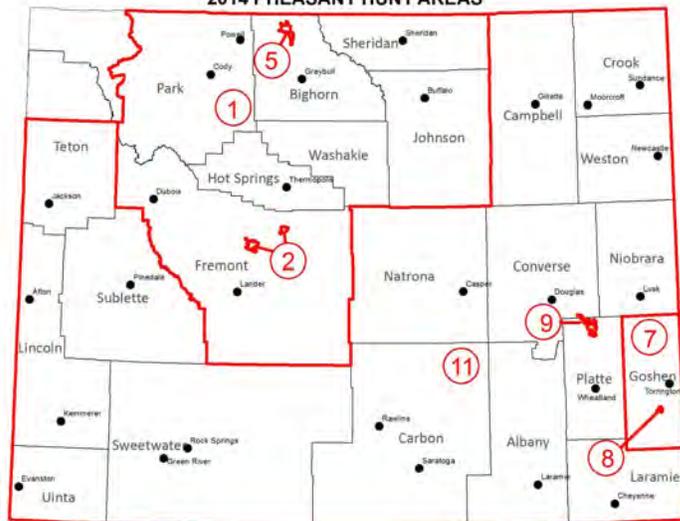
Q6 Did you hunt SAGE-GROUSE during the 2014 season? Yes No (If "No," skip to Q8.)

Q7 Referring to the sage-grouse map above, please enter the management areas you hunted most (B-H), number bagged, and number of days hunted for up to 3 areas.

Sage-grouse	1st Area Letter	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	2nd Area Letter	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	3rd Area Letter	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted

PHEASANT HUNTING

2014 PHEASANT HUNT AREAS



Q8 Did you hunt PHEASANT during the 2014 season? Yes No (If "No," skip to Q10.)

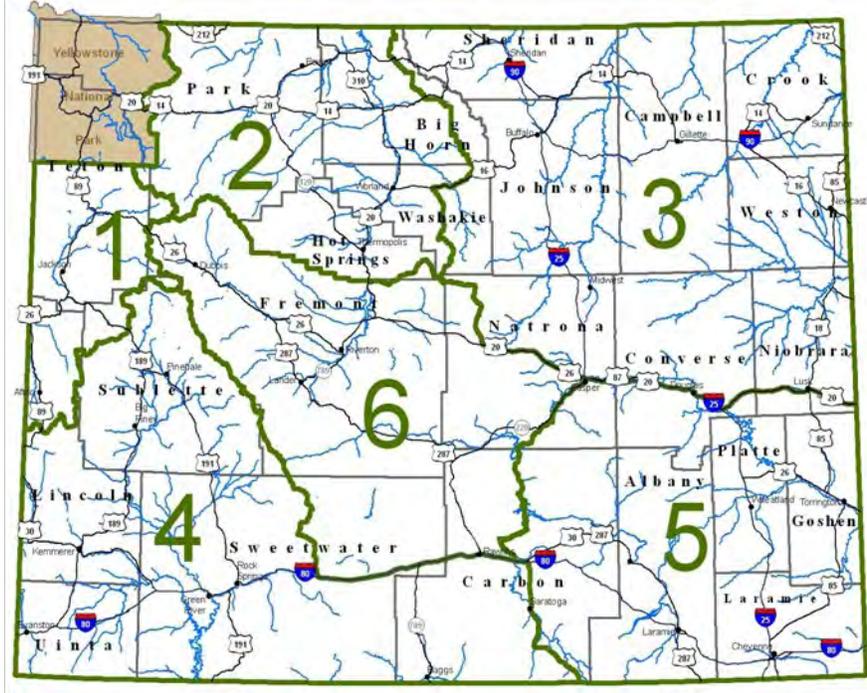
Q9 Referring to the pheasant map above, please enter the hunt areas you hunted most (1, 2, 5, 7, 8, 9, or 11), number bagged, and number of days hunted for up to 3 areas.

PLEASE DO NOT REPORT BIRDS HARVESTED AT PRIVATE BIRD FARMS

Pheasant	1st Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	2nd Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	3rd Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted

SMALL GAME, UPLAND GAME BIRDS & MOURNING DOVE HUNTING

Small Game, Upland Game Bird & Mourning Dove Management Areas



Q10 Did you hunt SMALL GAME, UPLAND GAME BIRDS, or MOURNING DOVES during the 2014 season?

Yes No (If "No," skip to Q12.)

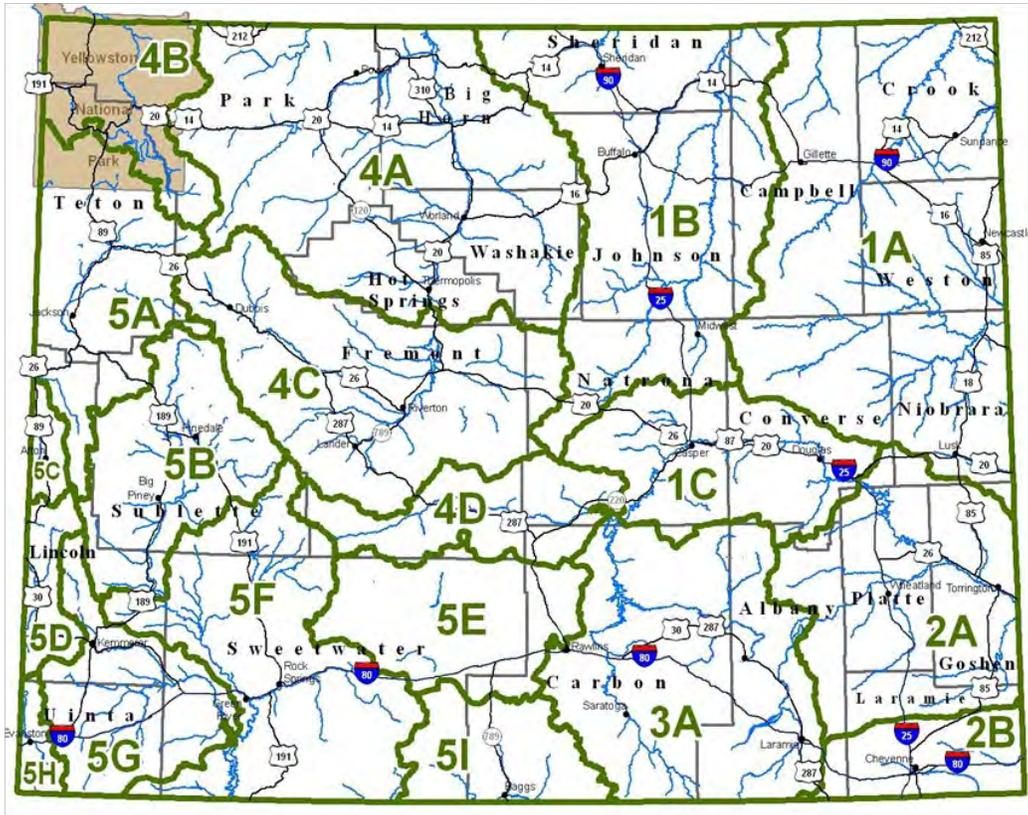
Q11 Referring to the management areas map above, please enter the management areas you hunted most (1-6), number bagged, and number of days hunted for up to 3 areas.

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	1st Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	2nd Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	3rd Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted
Cottontail Rabbit									
Snowshoe Hare									
Squirrel									
Blue Grouse									
Ruffed Grouse									
Sharp-tailed Grouse									
Chukar Partridge									
Gray Partridge									
Mourning Dove									

DUCK & GOOSE HUNTING

Waterfowl Management Areas



Q12 Did you hunt DUCKS or GEESE during the 2014 season? Yes No (If "No," your survey is complete.)

Q13 Referring to the waterfowl management areas map above, please enter the management areas you hunted most (1A-5I), number bagged, and number of days hunted for up to 3 areas.

Q13a	Ducks	1st Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	2nd Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	3rd Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted

Answer Q13b **only** if you hunted geese **between September 1 and September 8.**

Q13b	Early Goose Season (Sept 1 - Sept 8)	1st Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	2nd Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	3rd Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted

Answer Q13c **only** if you hunted geese during the regular season **beginning September 27 or October 4.**

Q13c	Regular Goose Season (beginning Sept 27 or Oct 4)	1st Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	2nd Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted	3rd Area Number	# Bagged	# of Days Hunted

Thank you for your help with this important survey!

Note: Individual responses to survey questions are confidential and are only used for WGFD harvest reports.

Comments: Feel free to attach a sheet of paper with any comments you would like to share with the Wyoming Game & Fish Dept. (WGFD). Please include the hunt area as well as the species hunted with your comments.



WYOMING FURBEARER/TRAPPER HUNTER SURVEY

We encourage you to respond online as it significantly reduces postage costs.

Please logon to wgfd.wyo.gov/harvestsurveys/
and use the following password:

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Q1. Did you trap or hunt badgers, beavers, martens, minks, muskrats, or weasels during the 2014-2015 season? (Check one box)

Yes (If "Yes," use the map below to answer the questions that follow.)

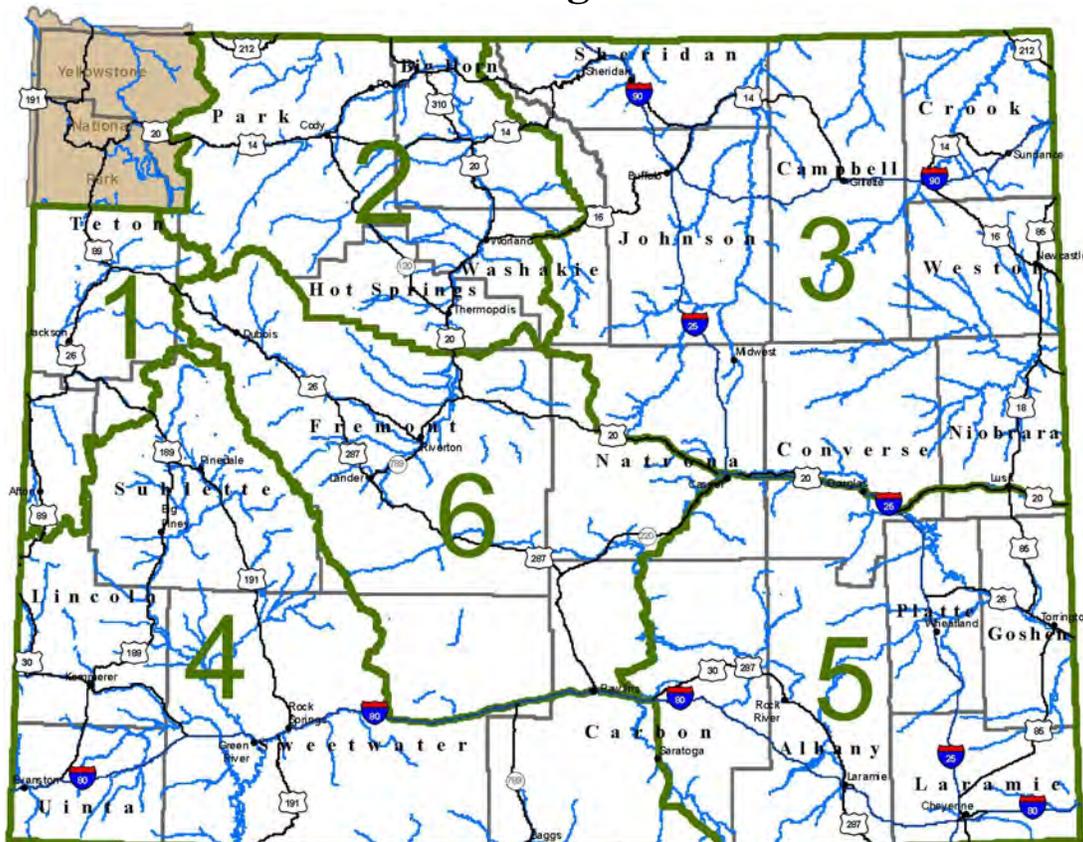
No (If "No," your survey is complete.)

Q2. How many trap sets were put out? (Enter number here)

Note: 2 or more traps in a single set are considered as 1 trap set.)

Q3. How many nights were the above number of trap sets out? (Enter number here)

Furbearer Management Areas



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Q4. How many snare sets were put out? (Enter number here)

Note: 2 or more snares in a single set are considered as 1 snare set.)

Q5. How many nights were the above number of snare sets out? (Enter number here)

Q6. Please tell us which of the following Furbearer Species you TRAPPED or SNARED during the 2014-2015 season. Referring to the Furbearer Management Areas map on the front, enter the areas (1-6), number TRAPPED, and number SNARED for the 3 areas you trapped most.

	1st Area Number	# Trapped	# Snared	2nd Area Number	# Trapped	# Snared	3rd Area Number	# Trapped	# Snared
Badger									
Beaver									
Marten									
Mink									
Muskrat									
Weasel									

Q7. Please tell us which of the following Furbearer Species you HUNTED WITH A FIREARM during the 2014-2015 season. Referring to the Furbearer Management Areas map on the front, enter the areas (1-6), number SHOT, and number days hunted for the 3 areas you hunted most.

	1st Area Number	# Shot	# Days Hunted	2nd Area Number	# Shot	# Days Hunted	3rd Area Number	# Shot	# Days Hunted
Badger									
Beaver									
Marten									
Mink									
Muskrat									
Weasel									

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WYOMING GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT SANDHILL CRANE HARVEST SURVEY

Please respond online or via mail by November 1, 2014.

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- Please complete the survey **ONLINE**, as that saves us considerable expense for postage and data entry. Go to wgfd.wyo.gov/HarvestSurvey/ and use the **ONLINE Password** provided above to access your survey.
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Dear Sandhill Crane License Holder,

Each year the Wyoming Game & Fish Department conducts harvest surveys to help set hunting seasons. Your participation provides key data we need to manage game populations. Your response is important even if you were unable to hunt this year.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

License Number: _____

Q1 Did you hunt the early crane season? _____ Yes _____ No

Q2 What area did you hunt? (Check One)

- | | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| _____ 1. Bear/Ham's Fork River | _____ 2. Salt River (Afton) | _____ 3. Farson/Eden |
| _____ 4. Riverton Area | _____ 5. Uinta | _____ 6. Big Horn Basin |

Q3. Number of days hunted: _____

Q4. Did you Harvest a crane? _____ Yes _____ No

Q5. If you hunted and harvested a crane during the season, was it: (Check One)

- _____ Adult (Bright red crown on top of head)
- _____ Juvenile (Top of head gray or reddish brown)

Q6. Indicate the number of cranes knocked down but not retrieved: _____

Comments:



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April 28, 2015

Dear Hunter:

Our records indicate you purchased a Light Goose Conservation Order Special Management Permit in 2015 and that you have not yet completed the online harvest survey. Chapter 48, Section 3(c) of the Wyoming Game and Fish Regulation requires that you accurately complete the survey **by April 24, 2015**. You are required to complete this survey even if you did not hunt or harvest any light geese. *Please complete this as soon as possible.*

Please go to wgfd.wyo.gov/harvestsurvey/ to complete your survey online. The online method is the most efficient and cost effective. You will need your *SPID number* and *2015 Conservation Order License number* to access the online survey.

Your SPID Number is:

Your 2015 Conservation Order License Number is:

If you are unable to complete this survey online, complete the questions on the back of this letter and return it in the postage-paid envelope provided.

The survey is required by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in order to closely monitor hunter participation and the number of light geese taken during the Conservation Order. The biological information we collect through this survey is essential to measure progress toward population goals for light geese.

Your participation is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Gail Sheridan
Harvest Survey Coordinator
(307) 777-4567

1. Did you hunt Light Geese with your Conservation Order Special Management Permit?

_____Yes _____No (if "No", your survey is complete)

2. Number of days you hunted: _____

3. Number of Light Geese you harvested: _____

4. Number of Light Geese knocked down but not retrieved: _____

5. Did you use an electronic caller?

_____Yes _____No (if "No", skip to question 7)

6. If yes, how many Light Geese were harvested while using a caller? _____

7. Did you hunt after sunset?

_____Yes _____No (If "No", skip to question 9)

8. If yes, how many Light Geese were harvested after sunset? _____

9. What is the name of the primary county you hunted? _____

Thank you for your help with this important study.



2014 Wyoming Fall Turkey Hunter Survey

We encourage you to respond online as this method significantly reduces survey costs. Please log on to wgfd.wyo.gov, select "Harvest Surveys" and use the following password:

Please respond by
January 15, 2015

Dear Wyoming Fall Wild Turkey License Holder,

Each year the Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) conducts a Fall Wild Turkey Hunter Survey to estimate harvest, hunter success, and hunter effort to help plan next year's hunting season. Even if you did not hunt or harvest this year, we need to hear from you, as hunter effort is an important part of our reports.

If you are unable to complete the survey online, please complete this form and return it in the postage-paid envelope enclosed. If you have questions about the survey or prefer to complete it over the phone, please contact Gail Sheridan, WGFD's Harvest Survey Coordinator at Gail.Sheridan@wyo.gov or (307) 777-4567.

WILD TURKEY HUNT AREAS FALL 2014, SPRING 2015



Over

Q1. Did you hunt wild turkey? Yes No If "NO" your survey is complete.

Q2. Did you have more than one license? Yes No

Q3. Did you hunt on Private Land National Forest Other

Q4. Please tell us about your first (or only) license:

Check which type of license: GENERAL or LIMITED QUOTA

Hunt areas you hunted. See Map	# of days hunted in this area	Did you harvest a turkey in this area?	Harvested	Weapon used to harvest	Date of harvest
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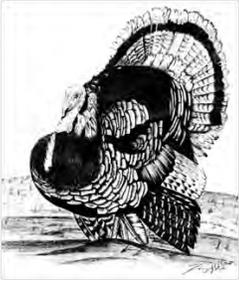
Q5. If you had a 2nd license, please use the set of questions below:

Check which type of license: GENERAL or LIMITED QUOTA

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Thank you for your help with this important study!

Wyoming Game and Fish Department
Biological Services
5400 Bishop Blvd
Cheyenne, WY 82006
(307) 777-4588



2015 Wyoming SPRING Turkey Hunter

We encourage you to respond online as this method significantly reduces survey costs. Please log on to wgfd.wyo.gov, select "Harvest Surveys" and use the following password:

GSH15002RTS

Gail Sheridan
5400 Bishop Blvd.
Cheyenne, WY 82006

Please respond by
June 15, 2015

Dear Wyoming Spring Wild Turkey License Holder,

Each year the Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) conducts a Spring Wild Turkey Hunter Survey to estimate harvest, hunter success, and hunter effort to help plan next year's hunting season. Even if you did not hunt or harvest this year, we need to hear from you, as hunter effort is an important part of our reports.

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WILD TURKEY HUNT AREAS FALL 2014, SPRING 2015



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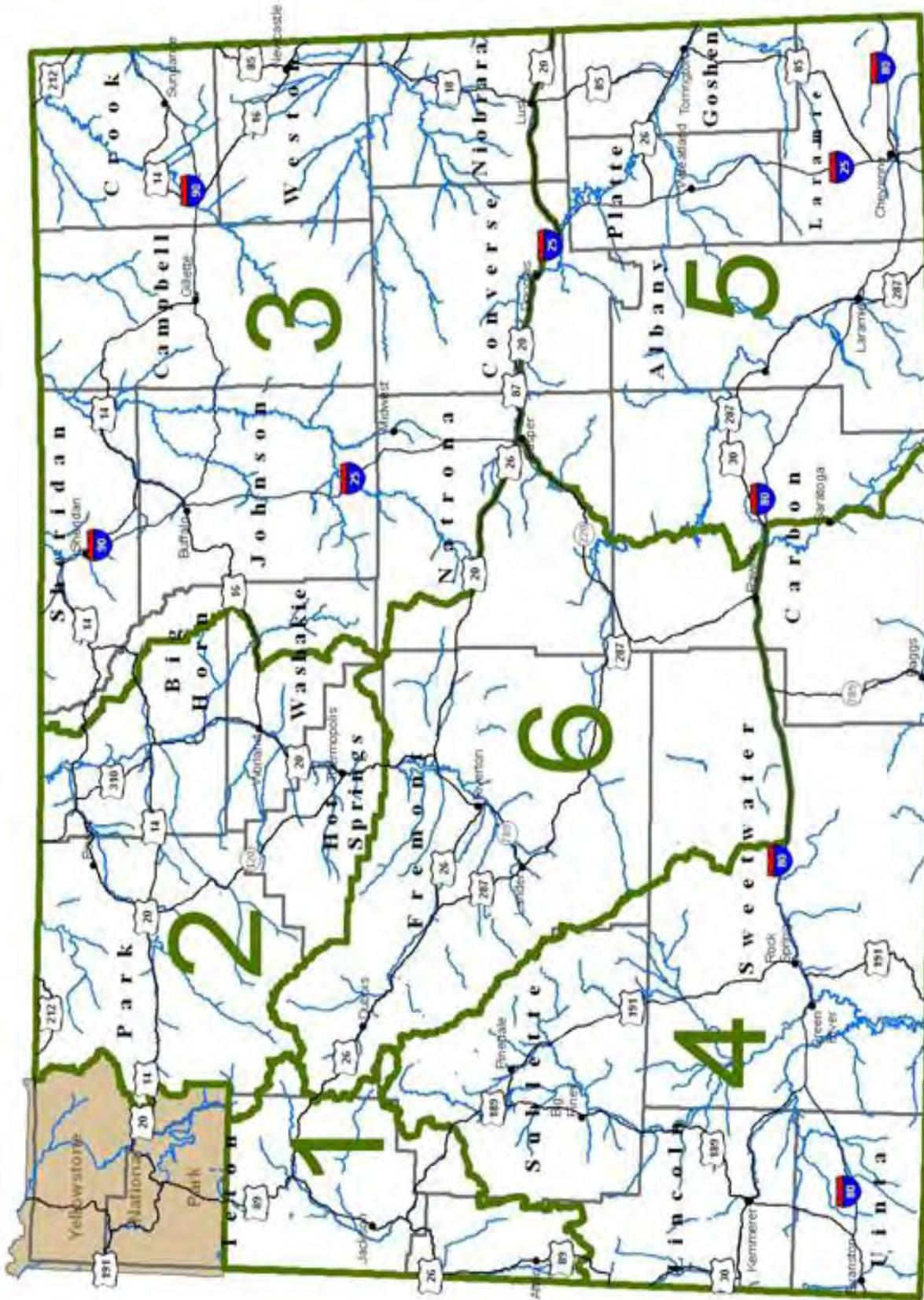
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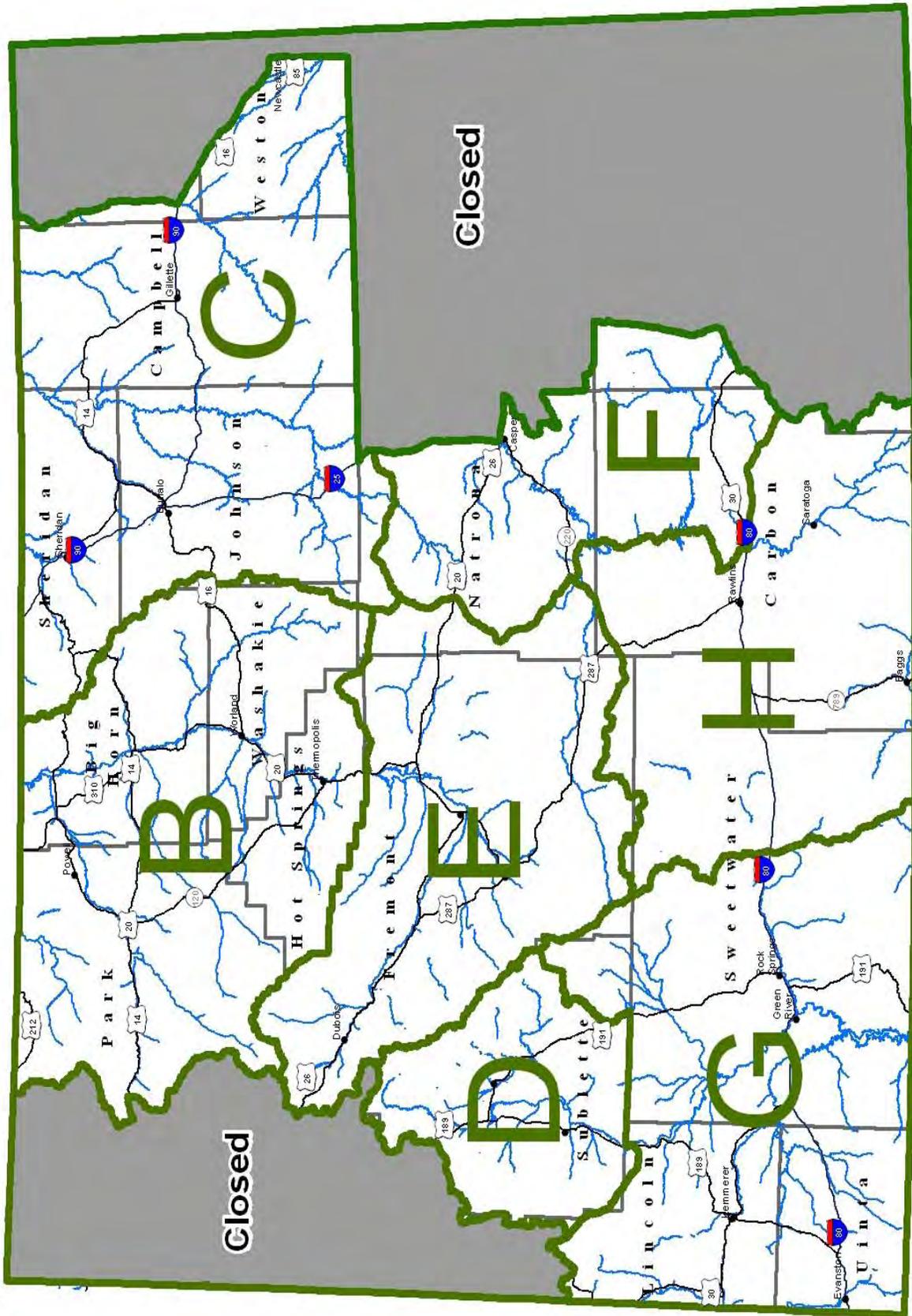
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SMALL GAME, UPLAND GAME BIRD, FURBEARER & BOBCAT MANAGEMENT AREAS



MANAGEMENT AREA MAP
SAGE-GROUSE



**ROCKY MOUNTAIN POPULATIONS OF GREATER SANDHILL CRANES HARVESTED
AND HUNTER ACTIVITY DURING THE LIMITED QUOTA SEASON
IN WYOMING 2014**

Projected estimates from harvest questionnaires.

	AREA						AVERAGES/ TOTALS
	1 BEAR RIVER	2 SALT RIVER	3 FARSON	4 RIVERTON	5 UINTA	6 BIG HORN	
PERMITS AVAILABLE	10	10	35	50	5	50	160
PERMITS ISSUED	10	10	35	51	6	51	163
NUMBER HUNTING	7	10	30	47	6	44	144
DID NOT HUNT	3	0	5	4	0	7	19
DAYS HUNTED	13	20	54	106	11	73	276
AVG DAYS/HUNTER	2.0	2.0	1.8	2.2	1.8	1.7	1.9
ADULT CRANE HARVEST	5	3	14	20	2	29	74
JUVENILE CRANE HARVEST	0	3	5	7	1	4	21
CRANES KNOCKED DOWN BUT NOT RETRIEVED	0	0	0	7	0	0	7
TOTAL CRANE HARVEST	5	7	19	35	4	33	101
HUNTER SUCCESS %	75%	67%	63%	73%	60%	75%	70%
PERMIT SUCCESS %	50%	67%	55%	68%	60%	64%	62%

NOTE: Due to rounding of numbers during the derivation of the final estimates, area numbers may not equal totals.

**2014 MOURNING DOVE
HARVEST ESTIMATES**

MANAGEMENT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	42	192	59
2	411	4,711	1,433
3	333	3,009	1,041
4	167	1,154	465
5	969	15,578	3,090
6	313	3,147	769
SPECIES TOTAL	2,235	27,791	6,857

2014 DUCKS
HARVEST ESTIMATES

MANAGEMENT AREA		HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1A	Missouri - Little Powder River	215	1,497	914
1B	Tongue - Little Bighorn - Powder River	270	1,279	992
1C	Central North Platte River	852	4,485	4,091
2A	Lower Platte River	1,211	8,987	5,086
2B	South Platte River	106	373	266
3A	Upper North Platte River	404	2,920	1,537
4A	Big Horn River Basin	1,220	11,726	7,620
4B	Yellowstone River - YNP	11	95	21
4C	Wind River Basin	537	4,359	2,737
4D	Sweetwater River	28	89	130
5A	Snake River	229	1,300	1,367
5B	Upper Green River Basin	242	1,681	1,012
5C	Salt River	213	3,006	1,495
5D	Lower Bear River	80	628	473
5E	Great Divide Basin	4	18	18
5F	Lower Green River Basin	325	2,203	1,114
5G	Ham's Fork - Black Fork	181	1,413	999
5H	Upper Bear River	121	828	530
5I	Little Snake	26	102	54
SPECIES TOTALS		6,275	46,989	30,456

2014 EARLY GEESE
HARVEST ESTIMATES

MANAGEMENT AREA		HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1A	Missouri - Little Powder River	38	141	91
1B	Tongue - Little Bighorn - Powder River	9	0	47
1C	Central North Platte River	30	25	49
2A	Lower Platte River	108	322	268
2B	South Platte River	12	8	15
3A	Upper North Platte River	2	0	6
4A	Big Horn River Basin	46	389	189
4B	Yellowstone River - YNP	4	22	7
4C	Wind River Basin	46	140	113
4D	Sweetwater River	2	7	4
5A	Snake River	59	170	197
5B	Upper Green River Basin	71	173	145
5C	Salt River	86	174	218
5D	Lower Bear River	44	98	85
5E	Great Divide Basin	no data	no data	no data
5F	Lower Green River Basin	97	200	178
5G	Ham's Fork - Black Fork	80	174	230
5H	Upper Bear River	42	30	55
5I	Little Snake	4	7	4
SPECIES TOTALS		780	2,080	1,901

2014 REGULAR GEESE
HARVEST ESTIMATES

MANAGEMENT AREA		HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1A	Missouri - Little Powder River	171	566	585
1B	Tongue - Little Bighorn - Powder River	193	250	446
1C	Central North Platte River	480	1,233	2,351
2A	Lower Platte River	1,854	14,781	8,481
2B	South Platte River	56	276	312
3A	Upper North Platte River	143	295	615
4A	Big Horn River Basin	987	6,297	6,041
4B	Yellowstone River - YNP	2	2	2
4C	Wind River Basin	376	1,658	1,568
4D	Sweetwater River	4	4	4
5A	Snake River	95	180	631
5B	Upper Green River Basin	63	254	332
5C	Salt River	77	291	522
5D	Lower Bear River	37	247	180
5E	Great Divide Basin	2	0	4
5F	Lower Green River Basin	177	385	636
5G	Ham's Fork - Black Fork	92	213	869
5H	Upper Bear River	90	142	430
5I	Little Snake	12	27	19
SPECIES TOTALS		4,911	27,101	24,028

2014 ANNUAL COMBINED GEESE
HARVEST ESTIMATES

MANAGEMENT AREA		HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1A	Missouri - Little Powder River	209	707	676
1B	Tongue - Little Bighorn - Powder River	202	250	493
1C	Central North Platte River	510	1,258	2,400
2A	Lower Platte River	1,962	15,103	8,749
2B	South Platte River	68	284	327
3A	Upper North Platte River	145	295	621
4A	Big Horn River Basin	1,033	6,686	6,230
4B	Yellowstone River - YNP	6	24	9
4C	Wind River Basin	422	1,798	1,681
4D	Sweetwater River	6	11	8
5A	Snake River	154	350	828
5B	Upper Green River Basin	134	427	477
5C	Salt River	163	465	740
5D	Lower Bear River	81	345	265
5E	Great Divide Basin	2	0	4
5F	Lower Green River Basin	274	585	814
5G	Ham's Fork - Black Fork	172	387	1,099
5H	Upper Bear River	132	172	485
5I	Little Snake	16	34	23
SPECIES TOTALS		5,691	29,147	25,906

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

CHAPTER 39

EARLY MIGRATORY GAME BIRD HUNTING SEASONS

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. §23-1-302 and §23-2-105(d).

Section 2. Hunting Regulations.

(a) Federal Regulations. 16 USC 703-711 and 718a; 50 CFR 10, 50 CFR 20 revised as of October 1, 2013, which do not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter, governing the hunting, taking and possession of migratory birds and migratory game birds, the requirement for a valid migratory bird hunting and conservation stamp and the requirement for state participation in the National Harvest Information Program are adopted as regulations of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission. Violations of these federal statutes and regulations shall be violations of the Commission regulations. A copy of Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations can be viewed at Department Regional Offices.

(i) Automatic loading, pump, or repeating shotguns shall be plugged to admit no more than one (1) shell in the chamber and two (2) shells in the magazine.

(ii) Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp. A federal duck stamp is required for persons sixteen (16) years of age and older to hunt ducks, geese and mergansers, but a federal duck stamp is not required to hunt coots, sandhill cranes, crows, mourning doves, rail or snipe.

(iii) National Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program. Each licensed hunter who hunts migratory game birds shall complete a current Wyoming validation for the National Harvest Information Program (HIP) and shall obtain a Wyoming HIP permit. This requirement also applies to holders of pioneer and lifetime hunting licenses. Each licensed hunter engaged in the act of hunting doves, ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, rails, cranes or snipe shall be in possession of a Wyoming HIP permit. Each person obtaining a HIP permit for the purpose set forth in this section shall validate the permit by signing the person's name in ink across the face of the permit. HIP permits expire on June 30 each year. HIP permits are not transferrable to other states. A separate validation is required from each state in which you hunt. Wyoming HIP permits shall be available only on the Department's website at <http://wgfd.wyo.gov>.

(b) Evidence of Species. One fully-feathered wing or the feathered head shall remain naturally attached to the carcass as a means of identification of migratory game birds, except mourning doves, in the field and while the birds are being transported.

(c) Nontoxic Shot Restrictions.

(i) No person shall hunt cranes, ducks, geese, mergansers or coots while possessing shot shells loaded with shot other than nontoxic shot. Nontoxic shot shall also be required when hunting any game with a shotgun on all of the lands in the Springer and Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Areas and on all national wildlife refuges open for hunting.

(d) Limited Quota Sandhill Crane Permits. Persons may apply for limited quota sandhill crane permits on the Department's website at <http://wgfd.wyo.gov> between 8:00 a.m. July 1 and 12:00 midnight July 31, 2014. Party applications shall be accepted. Maximum party size shall be two (2). Party applications shall specify the same hunt area preference.

(e) General Sandhill Crane Permits. Beginning in 2014, permits to hunt in the general sandhill crane season (Hunt Area 7) shall be available only on the Department's website at <http://wgfd.wyo.gov>.

(f) Species, Hunt Areas and Limitations, Season Dates, Shooting Hours, Closed Areas, and Bag Limit.

(i) Mourning Dove, Rail and Snipe – Statewide

MOURNING DOVE, RAIL AND SNIPE						
Species, Hunt Areas and Limitations	Dates of Season		Shooting Hours	Closed Areas Section 3 Subsections	Bag Limit	
	Opens	Closes			Daily	Possession
MOURNING DOVE - STATEWIDE	Sep. 1	Nov. 9	See Sec. 4	b, d, e	15	45
SORA AND VIRGINIA RAIL - STATEWIDE	Sep. 1	Nov. 9	See Sec. 4	b, d, e	25	75
SNIPE – STATEWIDE	Sep. 1	Dec. 16	See Sec. 4	b, d, e a - after Nov. 21 c - after Nov. 14	8	24

(ii) Sandhill Crane – Central and Pacific Flyways (see Section 6 for hunt area descriptions)

LIMITED QUOTA SANDHILL CRANE SEASONS						
Species, Hunt Areas and Limitations	Permit Quota	Dates of Season		Shooting Hours	Closed Areas Section 3 Subsections	Season Bag Limit
		Opens	Closes			
Hunt Area 1 – Limited quota permits; any sandhill crane	10	Sep. 1	Sep. 8	See Sec. 4		1
Hunt Area 2 – Limited quota permits; any sandhill crane	10	Sep. 1	Sep. 8	See Sec. 4	e	1
Hunt Area 3 – Limited quota permits; any sandhill crane	35	Sep. 1	Sep. 8	See Sec. 4	d	1
Hunt Area 4 – Limited quota permits; any sandhill crane	50	Sep. 13	Oct. 5	See Sec. 4		1
Hunt Area 5 – Limited quota permits; any sandhill crane	5	Sep. 1	Sep. 8	See Sec. 4		1
Hunt Area 6 – Limited quota permits; any sandhill crane	50	Sep. 13	Oct. 5	See Sec. 4		1

GENERAL SANDHILL CRANE SEASON						
Species, Hunt Areas and Limitations	Dates of Season		Shooting Hours	Closed Areas Section 3 Subsections	Bag Limits	
	Opens	Closes			Daily	Possession
Hunt Area 7 – Permit required, any sandhill crane	Sep. 13	Nov. 9	See Sec. 4	b	3	9

(iii) Early Canada Goose – Pacific Flyway

EARLY CANADA GOOSE – ANY CANADA GOOSE OR CACKLING GOOSE						
Hunt Areas	Dates of Season		Shooting Hours	Closed Areas Section 3 Subsections	Bag Limit	
	Opens	Closes			Daily	Possession
Pacific Flyway – All counties except Teton County	Sep. 1	Sep. 8	See Sec. 4	d, e	2	6
Teton County	Sep. 1	Sep. 8	See Sec. 4		3	9

(g) Permits. All persons, regardless of age, hunting sandhill cranes shall possess a permit valid for the area in which they are hunting. No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) limited quota permit to hunt sandhill cranes. A person may also obtain a permit valid for the general sandhill crane season in Hunt Area 7.

(h) Tagging Sandhill Cranes. When a sandhill crane is killed under a limited quota permit, the permittee shall detach, sign and date the proper coupon and attach the coupon to the carcass before leaving the site of kill. The coupon shall remain on the crane carcass at all times until the meat undergoes processing, except that during transportation of the carcass the coupon may be removed to prevent its loss. If the coupon is removed for transportation of the carcass, it must be in possession of the person accompanying the carcass at all times. When dating a carcass coupon, the entire wedge or block shall be cut out for the date and the month of kill. The carcass coupon shall be attached to the carcass of a crane in such a manner as to be plainly visible. Sandhill cranes killed during the general crane season in Hunt Area 7 are not required to be tagged.

Section 3. Description of Closed Areas. The areas described in this Section shall be closed for the species and dates specified in the tables in Section 2.

(a) Goshen County

(i) Hawk Springs Reservoir. Beginning where the east fence of the Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way meets the south fence enclosing Hawk Springs Reservoir; due east along said fence to Goshen County Road 51; northerly along said road to the access road to the northeast dam of the reservoir; southwesterly along said road to the northeast dam and the fence enclosing the reservoir; northwesterly along said fence to the second gate; southwesterly from said gate to the northwest corner of the fence enclosing the reservoir; southerly along said fence to the beginning point.

(ii) Springer Reservoir. Beginning on U.S. Highway 85 at the George Marlatt farmhouse; westerly along the fence between the farm land and the pasture land to the west end of the west pump lake and Bump-Sullivan ditch; southerly along said ditch to the Wyoming Game and Fish Department's Springer Wildlife Habitat Management Area (WHMA); westerly then southerly along the Springer WHMA boundary to Parking Area 3; southeasterly along the reservoir access road to the Game and Fish Department buildings; due south from said buildings across the Whispering Wings LLC property

to the Fulmer family trust pasture fence; westerly along said fence to Goshen County Road 37; southerly along said road to Goshen County Road 42; easterly along said road to U.S. Highway 85; northerly along said highway to the George Marlatt farmhouse. Also that portion of the Springer WHMA south of Goshen County Road 42.

(iii) Pond No. 1 Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area. Pond No. 1 and adjacent lands as marked by colored signs and posts.

(iv) Miller Lake (Glomill Reservoir). Miller Lake and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of the normal high water line.

(v) North Platte River. That portion of the North Platte River and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of each bank of said river located between the two river crossings of Wyoming Highway 157.

(b) Platte County

(i) Festo Lake. Festo Lake and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of the normal high water line shall be closed to all migratory game bird hunting.

(ii) Wheatland Reservoir No. 1. Wheatland Reservoir No. 1 and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of the normal high water line and all Wheatland Irrigation District lands adjacent to the reservoir, in addition to those included in the three hundred (300) yard closure, shall be closed to hunting.

(c) Fremont County

(i) Ocean Lake. The waters of Ocean Lake and the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission lands within approximately one-half (1/2) mile of the aeration system on the north side of the lake shall be closed to migratory game bird hunting beginning November 15 through December 31 and January 1 through March 10 of each year. Beginning December 15 through March 10, the area shall be closed to all human presence, except for Wyoming Game and Fish Department administrative access, within one-half (1/2) mile of the aerator on the ice and as marked by signs on Commission lands around the aerator.

(d) Sweetwater County

(i) Eden Reservoir. Eden Reservoir and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of the normal high water line shall be closed to all migratory game bird hunting.

(ii) Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge. All lands within Seedskadee National Wildlife Refuge shall be closed to goose hunting during the early Canada goose season.

(e) Lincoln County

(i) Palisades Reservoir. Beginning at the junction of the McCoy Creek Road and U.S. Highway 89; northerly on U.S. Highway 89 for 1.6 miles to the Palisades Reservoir high water line; westerly along said high water line to the Wyoming-Idaho state line; southerly along said state line to the McCoy Creek Road; southeasterly along the McCoy Creek Road to U.S. Highway 89 shall be closed to all migratory game bird hunting.

Section 4. Shooting Hours. Shooting hours for the hunting of all migratory game birds shall be from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset as determined from the shooting hours table in this section.

(a) 2014 Shooting Hours Table. This table (including adjustments for daylight savings time) lists the official shooting hours (one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset) adopted by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission for the taking of migratory game birds. (Do not use tables from other sources.)

ST = Starting Time QT = Quitting Time

	AREA A		AREA B		AREA C		AREA D	
	ST	QT	ST	QT	ST	QT	ST	QT
September								
1-7	6:17	7:48	6:11	7:42	6:03	7:34	5:57	7:28
8-14	6:25	7:36	6:19	7:30	6:11	7:22	6:05	7:16
15-21	6:32	7:24	6:26	7:18	6:18	7:10	6:12	7:04
22-30	6:41	7:09	6:35	7:03	6:27	6:55	6:21	6:49
October								
1-7	6:50	6:55	6:44	6:49	6:36	6:41	6:30	6:35
8-14	6:58	6:43	6:52	6:37	6:44	6:29	6:38	6:23
15-21	7:06	6:32	7:00	6:26	6:52	6:18	6:46	6:12
22-31	7:17	6:19	7:11	6:13	7:03	6:05	6:57	5:59
November								
1	7:24	6:12	7:18	6:06	7:10	5:58	7:04	5:52
*2-7	6:28	5:07	6:22	5:01	6:14	4:53	6:08	4:47
8-14	6:36	5:00	6:30	4:54	6:22	4:46	6:16	4:40
15-21	6:45	4:53	6:39	4:47	6:31	4:39	6:25	4:33
22-30	6:55	4:48	6:49	4:42	6:41	4:34	6:35	4:28
December								
1-7	7:03	4:45	6:57	4:39	6:49	4:31	6:43	4:25
8-16	7:11	4:45	7:03	4:39	6:57	4:31	6:51	4:25

*Start Mountain Standard Time

AREA A - Lincoln, Sublette, Sweetwater, Teton, Uinta counties

AREA B - Big Horn, Fremont, Hot Springs, Park, Washakie counties

AREA C - Albany, Campbell, Carbon, Converse, Johnson, Natrona, Sheridan counties

AREA D - Crook, Goshen, Laramie, Niobrara, Platte, Weston counties

Section 5. Falconry Seasons. Migratory game birds may be taken by the use of falcons during the regular hunting season and special extended seasons in accordance with the limitations in this Section, 4, Section 3 and Section 2 (a), (b) and (g) and the closures identified in Section 2 (f). No person shall be in possession of any firearm while hunting with a falcon.

(a) Falconry Bag and Possession Limits. The daily bag limit shall not exceed three (3) migratory game birds in the aggregate nor shall the possession limit exceed nine (9) migratory game birds in the aggregate for falconry during the open hunting season or special extended falconry season. The falconry bag and possession limits are not in addition to the bag and possession limits listed in Section 2, Hunting Regulations.

FALCONRY						
Species and Hunt Areas	Dates of Season		Open Hours	Closed Areas Section 3 Subsections	AGGREGATE Bag Limit	
	Opens	Closes			Daily	Possession
Mourning Doves - Statewide	Sep. 1	Nov. 9	See Sec. 4	Limitations in effect in Sections 2 and 3 shall apply	3**	9**
Sora Rail, Virginia Rail and Snipe - Statewide	Sep. 1	Dec. 16				
Dark Geese - Pacific Flyway	Sep. 1	Sep. 8				

**The daily bag and possession limits, singly or in the aggregate, may include any species and sex of ducks, geese, coots, mergansers, rail, snipe and mourning doves when seasons for those species are open.

Section 6. Hunt Area Descriptions.

General and Limited Quota Sandhill Crane Areas.

- (i) Area 1. All of the Bear River and Ham’s Fork River drainages in Lincoln County.
- (ii) Area 2. All of the Salt River drainage in Lincoln County south of the McCoy Creek Road.
- (iii) Area 3. All lands within the Bureau of Reclamation’s Eden Project in Sweetwater County.
- (iv) Area 4. All lands within the Bureau of Reclamation’s Riverton and Boysen Unit boundaries; those lands within Boysen State Park south of Cottonwood Creek, west of Boysen Reservoir, and south of U.S. Highway 20-26; and all non-Indian owned fee title lands within the exterior boundaries of the Wind River Reservation, excluding those lands within Hot Springs County.
- (v) Area 5. All of Uinta County.
- (vi) Area 6. All of Big Horn, Hot Springs, Park and Washakie counties.
- (vii) Area 7. All of Campbell, Converse, Crook, Goshen, Laramie, Niobrara, Platte and Weston counties.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

By: _____
Richard Klouda, President

Dated: April 22, 2014

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

CHAPTER 14

LATE MIGRATORY GAME BIRD HUNTING SEASONS

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. § 23-1-302 and § 23-2-105(d).

Section 2. Hunting Regulations.

(a) Federal Regulations. 16 USC 703-711 and 718a; 50 CFR 10 and 50 CFR 20, revised as of October 1, 2013, which do not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter, governing the hunting, taking and possession of migratory birds and migratory game birds, the requirement for a valid federal migratory bird hunting and conservation stamp and the requirement for state participation in the National Harvest Information Program, are adopted as regulations of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission. Violations of these federal statutes and regulations shall be violations of the Commission regulations. A copy of Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations can be viewed at Department Regional Offices.

(i) Automatic loading, pump, or repeating shotguns shall be plugged to admit no more than one (1) shell in the chamber and two (2) shells in the magazine.

(ii) Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp. A federal duck stamp is required for persons sixteen (16) years of age and older to hunt ducks, geese and mergansers, but a federal duck stamp is not required to hunt coots, sandhill cranes, crows, mourning doves, rail or snipe. Federal duck stamps shall be signed in ink across the face of the stamp and shall be in possession of the hunter while in the field.

(iii) National Migratory Bird Harvest Information Program. Each licensed hunter who hunts migratory game birds shall complete a current Wyoming validation for the National Harvest Information Program (HIP) and shall obtain a Wyoming HIP permit. This requirement also applies to holders of pioneer and lifetime hunting licenses. Each licensed hunter engaged in the act of hunting doves, ducks, geese, mergansers, coots, rails, cranes or snipe shall be in possession of a Wyoming HIP permit. Each person obtaining a HIP permit for the purpose set forth in this section shall validate the permit by signing the person's name in ink across the face of the permit. HIP permits expire on June 30 each year. HIP permits are not transferrable to other states. A separate validation is required from each state in which you hunt. Wyoming HIP permits shall be available only on the Department's website at <http://wgfd.wyo.gov>.

(b) Evidence of Species. One fully-feathered wing or the feathered head shall remain naturally attached to the carcass as a means of identification of migratory game birds, except mourning doves, in the field and while the birds are being transported.

(c) Nontoxic Shot Restrictions.

(i) No person shall hunt cranes, ducks, geese, mergansers or coots while possessing shot shells loaded with shot other than nontoxic shot. Nontoxic shot shall also be required when hunting any game with a shotgun on all of the lands in the Springer and Table Mountain Wildlife Management Areas and on all national wildlife refuges open for hunting.

(d) Species and Hunt Areas, Season Dates, Bag Limit and Limitations.

(i) For information regarding rail, snipe, sandhill crane and early Canada goose seasons, refer to Chapter 39, Early Migratory Game Bird Hunting Seasons.

(ii) Pacific Flyway

Species and Hunt Areas	Dates of Season		Closed Areas Section 3 Subsections	Bag Limit	
	Opens	Closes		Daily	Possession
<u>PACIFIC FLYWAY</u>					
DUCKS and MERGANSERS*	Sep. 27	Jan. 9	d, e	7**	21**
COOTS	Sep. 27	Jan. 9	d, e	15	45
DARK GEESE	Sep. 27	Jan. 1	d, e	3	9

* In the Pacific Flyway, the scaup season shall be closed except on the Special Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days and during the period September 27 through December 21 when the daily bag for scaup ducks shall be three (3) and shall be counted as part of the aggregate bag limit for ducks.

** The daily bag limit of seven (7) ducks and mergansers may include any combination of species with the following restrictions:

- no more than two (2) hen mallards;
- no more than two (2) pintails;
- no more than one (1) canvasback;
- no more than two (2) redheads; and,
- no more than three (3) scaup during the dates scaup may be taken.

(iii) Central Flyway Zones. The Central Flyway is divided into two (2) zones for the 2014-2015 season. Refer to the season dates for the zone in which you are hunting.

(A) ZONE C1 shall include Big Horn, Converse, Goshen, Hot Springs, Natrona, Park, Platte and Washakie counties, and Fremont County excluding those portions south or west of the Continental Divide.

(B) ZONE C2 shall include Albany, Campbell, Crook, Johnson, Laramie, Niobrara, Sheridan and Weston counties; and that portion of Carbon County east of the Continental Divide.

(iv) Central Flyway

Species and Hunt Areas	Dates of Season		Closed Areas Section 3 Subsections	Bag Limit	
	Opens	Closes		Daily	Possession
LIGHT GEESE	Oct. 4	Dec. 31	b a after Nov. 21 c after Nov. 14	10	30
	Jan. 31	Feb. 15	a, b, c	10	30
<u>ZONE C1</u>					
DUCKS	Oct. 4	Oct. 22	b	6**	18**
	Nov. 1	Jan. 17	b a after Nov. 21 c after Nov. 14	6**	18**
MERGANSERS	Oct. 4	Oct. 22	b	5**	15**
	Nov. 1	Jan. 17	b a after Nov. 21 c after Nov. 14	5**	15**
COOTS	Oct. 4	Oct. 22	b	15	45
	Nov. 1	Jan. 17	b a after Nov. 21 c after Nov. 14	15	45
DARK GEESE All counties in Zone C1 except Goshen and Platte counties	Oct. 4	Oct. 22		5	15
	Nov. 1	Nov. 30	c after Nov. 14	5	15
	Dec. 6	Jan. 30	c	5	15
DARK GEESE Goshen and Platte counties*	Oct. 4	Oct. 22	b	2	6
	Nov. 22	Feb. 15	a, b	4	12

*For Bump-Sullivan Managed Goose Hunt information, see Section 6.

Species and Hunt Areas	Dates of Season		Closed Areas Section 3 Subsections	Bag Limit	
	Opens	Closes		Daily	Possession
<u>ZONE C2</u>					
DUCKS	Sep. 27	Dec. 7		6**	18**
	Dec. 13	Jan. 6		6**	18**
MERGANSERS	Sep. 27	Dec. 7		5**	15**
	Dec. 13	Jan. 6		5**	15**
COOTS	Sep. 27	Dec. 7		15	45
	Dec. 13	Jan. 6		15	45
DARK GEESE	Sep. 27	Dec. 7		5	15
	Dec. 13	Jan. 14		5	15

**The daily bag limit of six (6) ducks may include any combination of species with the following restrictions:

- no more than five (5) mallards of which not more than two (2) shall be hens;
- no more than two (2) pintails;
- no more than three (3) wood ducks;
- no more than one (1) canvasback;
- no more than two (2) redheads; and,
- no more than three (3) scaup.
- two (2) blue-winged teal may be taken in addition to the regular limit of six (6) ducks during the following dates:
 - Zone C1: October 4 – October 19
 - Zone C2: September 27 – October 12

The daily bag limit of five (5) mergansers shall not include more than two (2) hooded mergansers.

(e) Special Youth Waterfowl Hunting Days. In the Pacific Flyway and in Zone C2 of the Central Flyway, the special youth waterfowl hunting days are September 20-21, 2014. In Zone C1 of the Central Flyway, the special youth waterfowl hunting days are September 27-28, 2014. Only persons fifteen (15) years of age and younger may take ducks, mergansers, coots and geese (light geese cannot be taken in the Pacific Flyway) on the special youth waterfowl hunting days, subject to the following conditions:

(i) All youth hunters shall be accompanied in the field by an adult at least eighteen (18) years of age.

(ii) No more than four (4) youths shall be supervised by any one (1) adult.

(iii) The adult shall not take ducks, coots, mergansers or geese, but may participate in other open seasons.

(iv) All license and stamp requirements, daily bag limits, species and sex restrictions, shooting hours and other regulations that apply to the regular duck and goose seasons, as defined for each flyway, shall apply during the special youth hunting days. Exception: The additional blue-winged teal limit does not apply on the youth hunt days. In Goshen and Platte counties, the daily bag limit for dark geese shall be four (4) on the youth hunting days.

(v) The areas described in Section 3(b), (d) and (e) shall be closed to hunting during youth days.

Section 3. Description of Closed Areas. The areas described in this Section shall be closed for the species and dates specified in the tables in Section 2.

(a) Goshen County

(i) Hawk Springs Reservoir. Beginning where the east fence of the Union Pacific Railroad right-of-way meets the south fence enclosing Hawk Springs Reservoir; due east along said fence to Goshen County Road 51; northerly along said road to the access road to the northeast dam of the reservoir; southwesterly along said road to the northeast dam and the fence enclosing the reservoir; northwesterly along said fence to the second gate; southwesterly from said gate to the northwest corner of the fence enclosing the reservoir; southerly along said fence to the beginning point.

(ii) Springer Reservoir. Beginning on U.S. Highway 85 at the George Marlatt farmhouse; westerly along the fence between the farm land and the pasture land to the west end of the west pump lake and Bump-Sullivan Ditch; southerly along said ditch to the Wyoming Game and Fish Department's Springer Wildlife Habitat Management Area (WHMA); westerly then southerly along the Springer WHMA boundary to Parking Area 3; southeasterly along the reservoir access road to the Game and Fish Department buildings; due south from said buildings across the Whispering Wings LLC property to the Fullmer Family Trust pasture fence; westerly along said fence to Goshen County Road 37; southerly along said road to Goshen County Road 42; easterly along said road to U.S. Highway 85; northerly along said highway to the George Marlatt farmhouse. See Section 6 regarding portions of the Springer WHMA that are outside the area described above.

(iii) Pond No. 1 Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area. Pond No. 1 and adjacent lands as marked by colored signs and posts.

(iv) Miller Lake (Glomill Reservoir). Miller Lake and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of the normal high water line.

(v) North Platte River. That portion of the North Platte River and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of each bank of said river located between the two river crossings of Wyoming Highway 157.

(b) Platte County

(i) Festo Lake. Festo Lake and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of the normal high water line shall be closed to all migratory game bird hunting.

(ii) Wheatland Reservoir No. 1. Wheatland Reservoir No. 1 and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of the normal high water line and all Wheatland Irrigation District lands adjacent to the reservoir, in addition to those included in the three hundred (300) yard closure, shall be closed to hunting.

(c) Fremont County

(i) Ocean Lake. The waters of Ocean Lake and the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission lands within approximately one-half (1/2) mile of the aeration system on the north side of the lake shall be closed to migratory game bird hunting beginning November 15 through December 31 and January 1 through March 10 of each year. Beginning December 15 through March 10, the area shall be closed to all human presence, except for Wyoming Game and Fish Department administrative access, within one-half (1/2) mile of the aerator on the ice and as marked by signs on Wyoming Game and Fish Commission lands around the aerator.

(d) Sweetwater County

(i) Eden Reservoir. Eden Reservoir and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of the normal high water line shall be closed to all migratory game bird hunting.

(e) Lincoln County

(i) Palisades Reservoir. Beginning at the junction of the McCoy Creek Road and U.S. Highway 89; northerly on U.S. Highway 89 for one and six-tenths (1.6) miles to the Palisades Reservoir high water line; westerly along said high water line to the Wyoming - Idaho state line; south along said state line to the McCoy Creek Road; southeasterly along the McCoy Creek Road to U.S. Highway 89 shall be closed to all migratory game bird hunting.

Section 4. Shooting Hours. Except as provided in Section 4(a), shooting hours for all migratory game birds shall be from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset as determined from the shooting hours table in Section 4(b).

(a) Within the following areas: Goshen County north of Wyoming Highway 313 and County Road 28; that portion of Platte County west of Interstate Highway 25; and that portion of Platte County south of Wyoming Highway 160 (Gray Rocks Road) and Riverview Road (Platte County Road 271). Shooting hours for dark geese shall be from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to 1:00 p.m., except on the dates listed in subsections (i), (ii) and (iii), when shooting hours shall be from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset as determined from the shooting hours table in subsection 4(b) – Area D.

(i) October 4 through October 22.

(ii) All Saturdays and Wednesdays from November 22 through December 31.

(iii) All Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays from January 1 through the close of the dark goose season.

(b) 2014-2015 Shooting Hours Table. This table (including adjustments for daylight savings time) lists the official shooting hours one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to sunset adopted by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission for migratory game bird hunting. (Do not use tables from other sources.)

ST = Starting Time QT = Quitting Time

	AREA A		AREA B		AREA C		AREA D	
	ST	QT	ST	QT	ST	QT	ST	QT
September								
1-7	6:17	7:48	6:11	7:42	6:03	7:34	5:57	7:28
8-14	6:25	7:36	6:19	7:30	6:11	7:22	6:05	7:16
15-21	6:32	7:24	6:26	7:18	6:18	7:10	6:12	7:04
22-30	6:41	7:09	6:35	7:03	6:27	6:55	6:21	6:49
October								
1-7	6:50	6:55	6:44	6:49	6:36	6:41	6:30	6:35
8-14	6:58	6:43	6:52	6:37	6:44	6:29	6:38	6:23
15-21	7:06	6:32	7:00	6:26	6:52	6:18	6:46	6:12
22-31	7:17	6:19	7:11	6:13	7:03	6:05	6:57	5:59
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22-31	7:19	4:52	7:13	4:46	7:05	4:38	6:59	4:32
January								
1-7	7:20	4:59	7:14	4:53	7:06	4:45	7:00	4:39
8-14	7:19	5:06	7:13	5:00	7:05	4:52	6:59	4:46
15-21	7:16	5:14	7:10	5:08	7:02	5:00	6:56	4:54
22-31	7:09	5:25	7:03	5:19	6:55	5:11	6:49	5:05
February								
1-7	7:01	5:36	6:55	5:30	6:47	5:22	6:41	5:16
8-14	6:52	5:45	6:46	5:39	6:38	5:31	6:32	5:25
15	6:47	5:51	6:41	5:45	6:33	5:37	6:27	5:31

*Start Mountain Standard Time

AREA A - Lincoln, Sublette, Sweetwater, Teton, Uinta counties

AREA B - Big Horn, Fremont, Hot Springs, Park, Washakie counties

AREA C - Albany, Campbell, Carbon, Converse, Johnson, Natrona, Sheridan counties

AREA D - Crook, Goshen, Laramie, Niobrara, Platte, Weston counties

Section 5. Falconry Seasons. Migratory game birds may be taken by the use of falcons in the possession of properly licensed falconers during the regular hunting season set forth in Section 2 and special extended seasons in accordance with the limitations in this Section, Section 4, Section 3 and Section 2(a) and (b) and the closures identified in Section 2(d).

(a) Falconry Bag and Possession Limits. The daily bag limit shall not exceed three (3) migratory game birds in the aggregate nor shall the possession limit exceed nine (9) migratory game birds in the

aggregate for falconry during the regular hunting season or special extended falconry seasons. The falconry bag and possession limits are not in addition to the bag and possession limits listed in Section 2(d) and (e).

Species and Hunt Areas	Dates of Season		Closed Areas Section 3 Subsections	AGGREGATE Bag Limit	
	Opens	Closes		Daily	Possession
<u>ZONE C1</u> Central Flyway, Ducks, Mergansers and Coots	Sep.27	Sep. 28	Limitations in effect in Sections 2 and 3 shall apply	3**	9**
	Oct. 23	Oct. 30			
<u>ZONE C2</u> Central Flyway, Ducks, Mergansers and Coots	Sep. 20	Sep. 26			
	Dec. 8	Dec. 10			
Pacific Flyway, Ducks, Mergansers and Coots	Sep. 20	Sep. 21			

**The daily bag and possession limits, singly or in the aggregate, may include any species and sex of ducks, geese, coots, mergansers, rail, snipe and mourning doves when seasons for these species are open.

Section 6. Bump-Sullivan Managed Goose Hunt. Nineteen (19) numbered pits/blinds shall be available each day during the dark goose hunting season and shall be occupied on a first-come, first-served basis within the Bump-Sullivan Managed Goose Hunt Area in Goshen County. From November 22, 2014, through February 15, 2015, hunting during dark goose shooting hours shall only be allowed from pits/blinds except as noted below. Maps of pits/blinds shall be posted at the Springer Check Station one and one-quarter (1-1/4) miles west of Highway 85 on Goshen County Road 42, and at the established parking areas. The check station shall not be operated during the 2014-2015 goose hunting season. Hunters shall not be required to register or obtain a goose special management permit to participate in the Bump-Sullivan Managed Goose Hunt. If the Department determines the water level in Bump-Sullivan Reservoir has receded beyond ethical shooting distances from blinds 1-12, hunters shall be allowed to hunt from any location between the blind they have occupied and the water's edge. In such an event, the Department shall post signs at the parking spot for each pit/blind.

(a) Selection of pits/blinds. Hunters and hunting parties shall occupy pits/blinds by parking one vehicle directly in front of the post that is marked with the corresponding number of the pit/blind. Vehicles shall not be parked overnight to reserve a pit/blind. Vehicles shall also not be parked in front of the numbered post of a pit/blind other than the one the hunting party is occupying.

(b) Access to pits/blinds. Hunters shall only park in the established parking areas. No more than two (2) vehicles per pit/blind shall be allowed in the parking lots. No person shall drive a vehicle beyond the established parking areas during the goose and duck hunting seasons, except for Department administrative access. Hunters may use a non-motorized cart, watercraft or toboggan to transport decoys and other gear to and from the pit/blind. Hunters shall not change pits/blinds except by returning to the parking area and moving their vehicle to the numbered post corresponding to the new pit/blind.

(c) Leaving pits/blinds. Hunters may arrive at and depart from pits/blinds at any time, but while hunting, hunters shall remain at the pit/blind at all times except hunters may leave to arrange decoys, retrieve downed birds or to return to the parking lot.

(d) Condition of pits/blinds. Hunters shall not damage or modify pits/blinds or use staples or nails to attach objects. It is permissible to move natural cover such as driftwood around or against the outside of a blind or pit. At the end of the hunt, all doors and lids shall be closed.

(e) Commercial operations. No person shall conduct a commercially guided or outfitted hunt on the Bump-Sullivan Managed Goose Hunt area.

(f) Trash removal. Hunters shall remove all trash or litter, including spent shell casings.

(g) The Bump-Sullivan Managed Goose Hunt Area is open to light goose hunting during the Light Goose Conservation Order. Only the Bump-Sullivan Managed Goose Hunt Area including the portion of the Springer Wildlife Habitat Management Area south of Goshen County Road 42 is open to light goose hunting. Participants shall be required to park only in the established parking locations. Pits/blinds shall be occupied on a first-come, first-served basis, however participants are not required to hunt from the established pits or blinds. There shall be no registration requirement. Participants shall comply with all requirements set forth in Chapter 48, Light Goose Conservation Order.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

By: _____
Richard Klouda, President

Dated: November 13, 2014

2015 LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER

Harvest and hunter activity during the 2015 Light Goose Conservation Order in Wyoming.

	Season
	February 23 - April 12
Permits Sold (excludes known collector purchases)	139
Resident	101
Non-resident	38
Unknown residency	0
Initial Responses	81
% Initial Response	58.3
Second Responses	14
% Second Response	10.1
No Response ^a	44
% No Response	31.6
Total Survey Responses (completed surveys)	95
Percent Responded	68.4

PROJECTED TOTAL	
Active Hunters	90
Did Not Hunt	49
Total Days Hunted	352
Days/Hunter	3.9
Geese Harvested	534
Geese Knocked Down, but not retrieved	27
Total Harvest	561
Harvest/Hunter	6.2

Hunters using Electronic Callers	58
Harvest by Hunters using Electronic Callers	362
Average Harvest of Hunters using Callers	6.2

Hunters Hunting After Sunset	21
Harvest by Hunters Hunting After Sunset	22
Average Harvest of After Sunset Hunters	1.0

Hunters Using Callers and Hunting After Sunset	21
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% of Hunters Hunting in Goshen County	96%
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^a Includes non-respondents, incomplete survey responses, and responses received after due date.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

CHAPTER 48

LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. §23-1-302(xxii).

Section 2. Definitions. For the purpose of this regulation, definitions shall be as set forth in Title 23, Wyoming Statutes, and the Commission also adopts the following definitions:

(a) "Conservation Order" means an action to reduce the mid-continent population of light geese, which is promulgated in accordance with 50 CFR 20.21 and 50 CFR 21.60, revised as of October 1, 2013, which does not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter. A copy of Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations can be viewed at Department Regional Offices.

(b) "Dark geese" means Canada goose, cackling goose, white-fronted goose and brant.

(c) "Light geese" means snow goose, blue goose and Ross' goose.

Section 3. Licensing, Permitting and Reporting Requirements.

(a) Wyoming Game Bird License and Conservation Stamp Requirement. Each person who takes or attempts to take any light geese under the authority of this regulation shall have in possession a valid Wyoming game bird license and a valid Wyoming conservation stamp (except as otherwise exempted by State statute).

(b) Conservation Order Special Management Permit. A Conservation Order Special Management Permit shall be in possession of any person participating in the light goose conservation order and shall be immediately produced for inspection upon request of any authorized Department representative. The Conservation Order Special Management Permit shall be validated by signing the person's name in ink across the face of the permit. Conservation Order Special Management Permits may be purchased online from the Department's website at <http://wgfd.wyo.gov>.

(c) Reporting Requirements. Any person who obtains a Conservation Order Special Management Permit shall accurately complete the online survey at the web address provided on the permit no later than April 24, 2015. The survey shall be completed whether the person participated in the conservation order or not. Persons without Internet access shall be sent a postage-paid survey card by mail to the address the person provides at the time the Conservation Order Special Management Permit is purchased. The card shall be completed and returned to the Headquarters Office in Cheyenne no later than April 24, 2015.

(d) Persons are not required to possess a Federal Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp (duck stamp) or Harvest Information Program (HIP) Permit in order to participate in the light goose conservation order.

Section 4. Conservation Order Regulations.

(a) Federal Regulations. 16 U.S.C. 703-712; 16 U.C. 742 a-j; Pub. L. 106-108; Pub. L. 95-616; 92 Stat. 3112 (16 U.S.C. 712(2)); and 50 CFR 20 and 21, revised as of October 1, 2013, which do not include any later amendments or editions of the incorporated matter, governing the taking and possession of migratory birds and migratory game birds, and the conservation order for mid-continent light geese, are adopted as regulations of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission; except, those portions of 50 CFR 20 and 21, revised as of October 1, 2013, which allow the use of unplugged shotguns during the conservation

order are not adopted as regulations of the Commission. Violations of these federal statutes and regulations shall be violations of the Commission regulations. A copy of Title 50 of the Code of Federal Regulations can be viewed at Department Regional Offices.

(i) Shotguns shall be the only weapons that can be used to take light geese. Shotguns larger than ten (10) gauge shall not be legal for the take of light geese in Wyoming during the conservation order for mid-continent light geese. Automatic loading, pump, or repeating shotguns shall be plugged to admit no more than one (1) shell in the chamber and two (2) shells in the magazine.

(ii) Recorded or electrically amplified bird calls or sounds, or imitations thereof may be used to take light geese during the dates of the light goose conservation order.

(b) Evidence of Species. One fully feathered wing or the feathered head shall remain naturally attached to the carcass as a means of identification of all light geese in the field and while the birds are being transported.

(c) Nontoxic Shot Restrictions.

(i) No person shall take light geese while possessing shot shells loaded with shot other than nontoxic shot. Nontoxic shot shall also be required when hunting any game with a shotgun on all of the lands in the Springer and Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Areas and on all national wildlife refuges open for hunting.

(d) Species and Hunt Areas, Conservation Order Dates, Shooting Hours, Closed Areas, Bag Limit.

(i) The Central Flyway portion of Wyoming, excluding the closed areas listed in Section 5, is open during the conservation order for mid-continent light geese. The Central Flyway is that portion of Wyoming east of the Continental Divide, excluding the Great Divide Basin. Please refer to the Wyoming Waterfowl Flyway Areas Map in Chapter 14, Late Migratory Game Bird Hunting Seasons.

LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER, CENTRAL FLYWAY						
Species and Hunt Areas	Dates of Conservation Order		Shooting Hours	Closed Areas Section 5 Subsections	Bag Limit	
	Opens	Closes			Daily	Possession
LIGHT GEESE Central Flyway	Feb. 23	Apr. 12	See Sec. 6	a(i), a(ii), b, c, d a(iii) after March 20	20	Unrestricted

(ii) Those areas within the boundaries of the Bump-Sullivan Managed Goose Hunt, including Bump-Sullivan Reservoir, shall be open to the taking of light geese during the light goose conservation order. Pits/blinds shall be occupied on a first-come, first-served basis and shall not be claimed or reserved by leaving personal belongings, including decoys, unattended at the pit/blind at any time. Conservation order participants are not required to possess a Bump-Sullivan managed goose hunt permit or a goose special management registration nor are they required to hunt from a pit/blind during the light goose conservation order.

Section 5. Description of Closed Areas. Except as otherwise noted, the areas described in this Section shall be closed for the species and dates specified in the table in Section 4.

(a) Goshen County

(i) Springer Reservoir. Beginning on U.S. Highway 85 at the George Marlatt farmhouse; westerly along the fence between the farm land and the pasture land to the west end of the west pump lake and Bump-Sullivan ditch; southerly along said ditch to the Wyoming Game and Fish Department's Springer Wildlife Habitat Management Area (WHMA); westerly then southerly along the Springer WHMA boundary to Parking Area 3; southeasterly along the reservoir access road to the Game and Fish Department buildings; due south from said buildings across the Whispering Wings LLC property to the Fulmer family trust pasture fence; westerly along said fence to Goshen County Road 37; southerly along said road to Goshen County Road 42; easterly along said road to U.S. Highway 85; northerly along said highway to the George Marlatt farmhouse.

(ii) Pond No. 1 Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area. Pond No. 1 and adjacent lands as marked by colored signs and posts.

(iii) Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area. All of Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area shall be closed to the taking of light geese after March 20.

(b) Platte County

(i) Festo Lake. Festo Lake and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of the normal high water line shall be closed to all migratory game bird hunting.

(ii) Wheatland Reservoir No. 1. Wheatland Reservoir No. 1 and all lands within three hundred (300) yards of the normal high water line. All Wheatland Irrigation District lands adjacent to the reservoir, in addition to those included in the three hundred (300) yard closure, shall be closed to hunting.

(c) Fremont County

(i) Ocean Lake. The waters of Ocean Lake and the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission lands within approximately one-half (1/2) mile of the aeration system on the north side of the lake shall be closed to migratory game bird hunting beginning November 15 through December 31 and January 1 through March 10 of each year. Beginning December 15 through March 10, the area shall be closed to all human presence, except for Wyoming Game and Fish Department administrative access, within one-half (1/2) mile of the aerator on the ice and as marked by signs on Commission lands around the aerator.

(d) Pacific Flyway

(i) The entire Pacific Flyway portion of Wyoming shall be closed to the taking of light geese during the conservation order for light geese. The Pacific Flyway is that portion of Wyoming west of the Continental Divide, including the Great Divide Basin. Please refer to the Wyoming Waterfowl Flyway Areas Map in Chapter 14, Late Migratory Game Bird Hunting Seasons.

Section 6. Conservation Order Shooting Hours. Shooting hours for taking light geese during the light goose conservation order shall be from one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset as determined from the shooting hours table in this section.

2015 Conservation Order Shooting Hours Table. This table (including adjustments for daylight savings time) lists the official shooting hours (one-half (1/2) hour before sunrise to one-half (1/2) hour after sunset) adopted by the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission for taking light geese during the light goose conservation order. (Do not use tables from other sources.)

ST = Starting Time QT = Quitting Time

	AREA B		AREA C		AREA D	
	ST	QT	ST	QT	ST	QT
February						
23-28	6:25	6:28	6:17	6:20	6:11	6:14
March						
1-7	6:14	6:36	6:06	6:28	6:00	6:22
*8-14	7:03	7:45	6:55	7:37	6:49	7:31
15-21	6:50	7:53	6:42	7:45	6:36	7:39
22-31	6:35	8:03	6:27	7:55	6:21	7:49
April						
1- 7	6:21	8:13	6:13	8:05	6:07	7:59
8-12	6:10	8:20	6:02	8:12	5:56	8:06

*Start Daylight Savings Time

AREA B – Big Horn, Fremont, Hot Springs, Park, Washakie Counties

AREA C – Albany, Campbell, Carbon, Converse, Johnson, Natrona, Sheridan Counties

AREA D – Crook, Goshen, Laramie, Niobrara, Platte, Weston Counties

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2014 PHEASANT HARVEST ESTIMATES			
HUNT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	2,997	12,251	14,209
2	1,016	3,640	3,758
5	1,285	5,867	4,614
7	1,387	4,840	3,904
8	1,677	5,509	2,959
9	1,028	3,650	2,164
11	881	2,565	1,934
SPECIES TOTAL	10,271	38,322	33,542

2014-2015 CHUKAR PARTRIDGE HARVEST ESTIMATES			
MANAGEMENT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
2	1,047	4,291	4,196
3	200	470	587
4	45	128	188
5	26	43	46
6	364	1,291	1,144
SPECIES TOTAL	1,682	6,223	6,161

2014-2015 GRAY PARTRIDGE HARVEST ESTIMATES			
MANAGEMENT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	13	9	35
2	457	1,310	1,529
3	298	697	1,192
4	2	4	13
5	56	206	122
6	117	235	216
SPECIES TOTAL	943	2,461	3,107

2014 RUFFED GROUSE HARVEST ESTIMATES			
MANAGEMENT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	808	3,966	5,638
2	188	441	709
3	183	152	568
4	498	1,424	2,458
6	300	640	1,301
SPECIES TOTAL	1,977	6,623	10,674

2014 DUSKY (BLUE) GROUSE HARVEST ESTIMATES			
MANAGEMENT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	505	1,156	3,151
2	452	1,378	1,677
3	685	1,637	1,827
4	738	2,220	3,326
5	958	2,309	4,066
6	356	719	1,455
SPECIES TOTAL	3,694	9,419	15,502

2014 SAGE-GROUSE HARVEST ESTIMATES			
MANAGEMENT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
B	303	524	708
C	137	123	242
D	406	1,056	1,266
E	772	1,546	1,853
F	352	588	804
G	1,165	2,645	2,835
H	391	612	934
SPECIES TOTAL	3,526	7,094	8,642

2014 SHARP-TAIL GROUSE HARVEST ESTIMATES			
MANAGEMENT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
3	626	1,254	1,996
5	203	277	808
6	15	4	48
SPECIES TOTAL	844	1,535	2,852

2014-2015 COTTONTAIL RABBIT HARVEST ESTIMATES			
MANAGEMENT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	95	342	216
2	975	7140	2886
3	807	4790	2259
4	1450	11764	5200
5	933	5401	3382
6	858	6473	2714
SPECIES TOTAL	5,118	35,910	16,657

2014-2015 SNOWSHOE HARE HARVEST ESTIMATES			
MANAGEMENT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	28	20	45
2	53	17	141
3	40	29	117
4	54	129	250
5	104	88	695
6	64	133	254
SPECIES TOTAL	343	416	1,502

2014-2015 SQUIRREL HARVEST ESTIMATES			
MANAGEMENT AREA	HUNTERS	HARVEST	DAYS
1	33	98	54
2	49	69	96
3	122	270	301
4	76	154	354
5	146	417	781
6	19	61	58
SPECIES TOTAL	445	1,069	1,644

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CHAPTER 11

UPLAND GAME BIRD AND SMALL GAME HUNTING SEASONS

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. §23-1-302 and §23-2-105(d).

Section 2. Hunting Regulations.

(a) Bag and Possession Limit. Only one (1) daily bag limit of upland game birds and small game may be taken per day regardless of the number of hunt areas hunted in a single day. When hunting more than one (1) hunt area, a person’s daily and possession limits shall be equal to, but shall not exceed, the largest daily and possession limit prescribed for any one (1) of the specified hunt areas in which the hunting and possession occurs.

(b) Evidence of Sex and Species. Excluding pheasants, one fully-feathered wing shall remain naturally attached to the carcass of any upland game bird in the field and during transportation. Evidence of sex and species shall be retained on each pheasant harvested. The feathered head, feathered wing or foot shall remain naturally attached to the carcass of a pheasant in the field and during transportation.

(c) Nontoxic Shot. Nontoxic shot shall be required for hunting upland game birds and small game on all of the lands in the Springer and Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Areas and on all national wildlife refuges open for hunting. No person shall possess shot shells loaded with shot other than nontoxic shot while hunting upland game birds or small game on all lands in the Springer and Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Areas, and on national wildlife refuges.

(d) Required Clothing. Any person hunting pheasants within the boundaries of any Wyoming Game and Fish Commission Wildlife Habitat Management Area, or on Bureau of Reclamation Withdrawal lands bordering and including Glendo State Park, shall wear in a visible manner at least one (1) outer garment of fluorescent orange color which shall include a hat, shirt, jacket, coat, vest or sweater.

Section 3. Upland Game Bird Hunting Seasons.

(a) Sage Grouse Hunt Areas, Season Dates, Bag Limits and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Dates of Seasons		Bag Limit		Limitations
	Opens	Closes	Daily	Possession	
1	Sep. 20	Sep. 30	2	4	Any sage grouse
2, 3					CLOSED
4	Sep. 20	Sep. 22	2	4	Any sage grouse

(i) Sage Grouse Hunt Area Descriptions.

Area 1. Includes all of Big Horn, Fremont, Hot Springs, Park, Sweetwater, Uinta and Washakie counties, as well as that portion of Albany County north of U.S. Highway 30-287 and west of the Fetterman Road (Albany County Road 61), that portion of Converse County south and west of the Balsh Road (U.S.F.S. Road 660), all of Carbon County except that portion east of the Medicine Bow River and South of U.S. Highway 30-287, all of Lincoln and Sublette counties except those portions of the Snake River drainage, and all of Natrona County except that portion east of Interstate Highway 25. Area 1 also excludes that portion of Natrona County south of I-25 in the Muddy Creek drainage.

Area 2. The entire state of Wyoming excluding the lands described in Areas 1, 3 and 4.

Area 3. All lands in the Snake River drainage within Lincoln, Sublette and Teton counties.

Area 4. Beginning at the intersection of the Sheridan-Big Horn County line with the Wyoming-Montana state line; easterly along said state line to the Rocky Point Road in Crook County; southerly along said road to the “D” Road; southerly along said road to Interstate Highway 90; easterly along said highway to U.S. Highway 16 at Moorcroft; southeasterly along said highway to U.S. Highway 85 at Newcastle; southerly along said highway to the Weston-Niobrara-Campbell-Converse-Natrona-Johnson County lines; westerly along said county lines to the Washakie-Johnson-Big-Horn-Sheridan County lines; northerly then northwesterly along said county lines to the Wyoming-Montana state line.

(b) Blue Grouse Hunt Areas, Season Dates, Bag Limit and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Date of Seasons		Bag Limit		Limitations
	Opens	Closes	Daily	Possession	
1	Sep. 1	Nov. 30	3	9	Any blue grouse

(i) Blue Grouse Hunt Area Description.

Area 1. The entire state of Wyoming.

(c) Ruffed Grouse Hunt Areas, Season Dates, Bag Limits and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Date of Seasons		Bag Limit		Limitations
	Opens	Closes	Daily	Possession	
1	Sep. 1	Nov. 30	3	9	Any ruffed grouse

(i) Ruffed Grouse Hunt Area Description.

Area 1. The entire state of Wyoming.

(d) Partridge Hunt Areas, Season Dates, Bag Limit and Limitations.

CHUKAR PARTRIDGE					
Hunt Area	Dates of Seasons		Bag Limit		Limitations
	Opens	Closes	Daily	Possession	
1	Oct. 1	Jan. 31	5 chukar partridge	15 chukar partridge	Any chukar partridge

GRAY PARTRIDGE					
Hunt Area	Dates of Seasons		Bag Limit		Limitations
	Opens	Closes	Daily	Possession	
1	Oct. 1	Jan. 31	5 gray partridge	15 gray partridge	Any gray partridge

(i) Partridge Hunt Area Description.

Area 1. The entire state of Wyoming.

(e) Sharp-Tailed Grouse Hunt Areas, Season Dates, Bag Limit and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Dates of Seasons		Bag Limit		Limitations
	Opens	Closes	Daily	Possession	
1	Sep. 1	Dec. 31	3	9	Any sharp-tailed grouse

(i) Sharp-Tailed Grouse Hunt Area Description.

Area 1. That portion of Wyoming east of the Continental Divide.

(f) Pheasant Hunt Areas, Season Dates, Bag Limit and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Dates of Seasons		Bag Limit		Limitations	Shooting Hours	
	Opens	Closes	Daily Possession			Start	End
1	Nov. 1	Dec. 31	3	9	Male pheasant only	½ hour before Sunrise	Sunset
2	Nov. 1	Dec. 7	2	6	Any pheasant (Youth Hunt-Refer to Section 7)	8:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.
2	Dec. 8	Dec. 31	2	6	Male pheasant only	8:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.
5	Nov. 1	Dec. 31	3	9	Male pheasant only except that portion of Area 5 north of the Shoshone River and west of the Yellowtail Reservoir shall be open for any pheasant (Youth Hunt-Refer to Section 7)	Veterans Day (State Observed Holiday), Thanksgiving Day, Christmas Day, and Weekend Days ½ hour before Sunrise	Sunset
						Week Days 11:00 a.m.	Sunset
7	Nov. 1	Dec. 31	3	9	Male pheasant only	½ hour before Sunrise	Sunset
						Table Mountain HMA ½ hour before Sunrise	4:00 p.m.
8	Oct. 16	Oct. 31	3	Season Limit 3	Any pheasant (Springer permits) Refer to Section 5	8:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.
8	Nov. 1	Nov. 21	3	9	Any pheasant	8:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.
9	Nov. 1	Dec. 31	3	9	Any pheasant (Glendo permits) Refer to Section 6	8:00 a.m.	4:00 p.m.
11	Nov. 1	Dec. 31	3	9	Any pheasant	½ hour before Sunrise	Sunset

(i) Pheasant Hunt Area Descriptions.

Area 1. All of Fremont County, excluding the Ocean Lake Wildlife Habitat Management Area surrounding Ocean Lake and excluding the Sand Mesa Wildlife Habitat Management Area east of the Bass Lake Road. All of Sheridan, Johnson, Park, Washakie and Hot Springs counties, and all of Big Horn County excluding lands in the Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area north of U.S. Highway 14A.

Area 2. All lands included in the Ocean Lake Wildlife Habitat Management Area surrounding Ocean Lake and all lands included in the Sand Mesa Wildlife Habitat Management Area east of the Bass Lake Road.

Area 5. All of the lands included in the Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area north of U.S. Highway 14A.

Area 7. All of Goshen County excluding Hunt Area 8.

Area 8. All of the lands included in the Springer/Bump-Sullivan Wildlife Habitat Management Area.

Area 9. All Bureau of Reclamation Withdrawal lands bordering and including Glendo State Park and the adjoining Department Private Lands/Public Wildlife Walk-in Area.

Area 11. The entire State of Wyoming excluding the lands described in Areas 1, 2, 5, 7, 8 and 9.

(ii) Closed Areas.

(A) The Ocean Lake Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Fremont County shall be closed during the period of December 15 through March 10 to all human presence within one-half (1/2) mile of the aerator on the ice and as marked by signs on Wyoming Game and Fish Commission lands around the aerator. Wyoming Game and Fish Department administrative access shall be allowed during this period.

(B) The Downar Bird Farm and Springer Headquarters in Goshen County shall be closed to pheasant hunting as marked by signs.

(C) Pond Number 1 and adjacent lands on the Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Goshen County, as marked by colored signs and posts, shall be closed to pheasant hunting beginning November 21.

(D) The Sheridan Bird Farm in Sheridan County shall be closed to pheasant hunting, except during hunts sponsored and supervised by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

Section 4. Pheasant Special Management Permit. A pheasant special management permit shall be required of any person, except those exempted in this section, who participates in the hunting of pheasants in those areas listed in subsection (a) of this section. Owners of lands enrolled in the Private Lands/Public Wildlife Walk-In Access Program, and members of their immediate families (landowner's spouse, parents, grandparents, or lineal descendants and their spouses) are exempt from the requirement to obtain a pheasant special management permit when they are hunting pheasants on the deeded land of the landowner. The pheasant special management permit shall be in possession of any person while hunting pheasants, and shall be immediately produced for inspection upon request from any authorized Department representative. Any person purchasing a pheasant special management permit for the purpose set forth in this section shall validate the permit by signing that person's name in ink across the face of the permit. Hunters who acquire a pheasant special management permit through the Electronic Licensing Service (ELS) shall not be required to meet the signature provision of this section. The permit shall be available at Headquarters, Department Regional Offices and designated license selling agents.

(a) Special Management Permit Areas. A pheasant special management permit shall be required to hunt pheasants in the areas listed in this subsection:

(i) Bud Love Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Johnson County.

(ii) Glendo State Park; including all Bureau of Reclamation Withdrawal lands bordering the Park and the adjoining Department Private Lands/Public Wildlife Walk-In Area in Platte County.

(iii) Ocean lake Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Fremont County.

(iv) Springer Wildlife Habitat Management Area, excluding any private lands included within the Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area, in Bighorn County.

(v) Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Goshen County.

(vi) Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area, excluding any private lands included within the Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area, in Bighorn County.

(vii) All lands in the Sand Mesa Wildlife Habitat Management Area east of the Bass Lake Road in Fremont County.

(viii) All lands opened to the hunting of pheasants that are enrolled in the Department's Private Lands/Public Wildlife Walk-In Access Program, excluding Walk-In Access Areas in Big Horn, Fremont, Hot Springs, Park and Washakie counties on which pheasants are not released by the Department.

(ix) All State lands in Johnson and Sheridan counties.

Section 5. Springer Permit Pheasant Season. In order to participate in this season, a person shall possess and present upon request a valid Springer permit, a valid bird license and conservation stamp (unless otherwise exempted by state statute) and a pheasant special management permit. Persons born on or after January 1, 1966, shall possess and present upon request a hunter safety certificate. The Springer permit shall only be valid for the day printed on the permit by the Department. There shall be a Springer permit pheasant season in Hunt Area 8 beginning October 16 through October 31.

(a) Application for Springer Permits. Applications shall be submitted through the ELS beginning August 15 and shall be accepted until 12:00 midnight September 15. A drawing shall be utilized to determine successful applicants. Only youths may apply for Springer permits for youth only hunt days as set forth in Section 5 (c) of this Chapter. A drawing shall be utilized to determine successful applicants. A person shall only submit a single application. Successful applicants shall be notified by mail of their hunting date and furnished a set of special instructions.

(b) Issuance of Springer Permits. A maximum of one hundred twenty (120) permits shall be issued to successful applicants in the drawing for each day of the Springer permit pheasant season. A maximum of one hundred twenty (120) hunters shall be allowed to hunt at any one time during the Springer permit pheasant season. When a hunter checks out of the Springer Check Station, the Department may issue a permit to another person at the check station. If all one hundred twenty (120) permits for a single day have not been issued by the Department, or if the check station attendants are advised that a permitted hunter will not participate, the Department may issue a permit to another person at the check station on a first-come, first-served basis, not to exceed a maximum of one hundred twenty (120) permitted hunters. Permitted hunters may begin hunting at 8:00 a.m. Hunters who are issued permits through the drawing must check in at the check station by 9:00 a.m. on the date their permit is valid. Permits that are unclaimed after 9:00 a.m. shall be issued to other hunters on a first-come, first-served basis.

(c) Youth Only Hunt Days. Only youths shall be allowed to take pheasants on the youth hunt days. Youths under the age of fourteen (14) shall be accompanied by an adult. No adult shall take any pheasant during the youth only hunt days. The youth only hunt days are October 18 and October 26.

(d) Springer Check Station. The Springer Check Station is located one and one-quarter (1-1/4) miles west of U.S. Highway 85 on the south boundary of the Springer Wildlife Habitat Management Area. The hours of operation of the check station shall be from 7:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily during the Springer permit pheasant season. Persons participating in the Springer permit pheasant season shall check in at the check station prior to hunting. Prior to leaving the Springer permit pheasant area, each hunter shall check out at the check station by 4:30 p.m. on the same day that the hunter registered and shall accurately report all harvested pheasants and return all special hunt materials to the check station.

(e) Parking Assignment. Parking lot assignments and tags shall be issued by the Department for each vehicle utilized by hunters. Parking lot tags shall be displayed in a visible manner in each vehicle. All vehicles shall be parked in assigned parking lots.

Section 6. Glendo Permit Pheasant Season. Glendo permits shall be required to hunt pheasants in Hunt Area 9 on each Friday, Saturday and Monday during the open season in November. Glendo permits are not required to hunt pheasants in Hunt Area 9 on other days during the open season. A person shall possess and present upon request a valid Glendo permit (on those days required), a valid bird license, a pheasant special management permit and conservation stamp (unless otherwise exempted by state statute).

(a) Youth Only Hunt Days. Youth only hunt days shall be November 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30. Only youths shall be allowed to take pheasants on youth hunt days. Youths under the age of fourteen (14) shall be accompanied by an adult. No adult shall take any pheasant during the youth only hunt days. No Glendo permit is required for youths to hunt on youth only hunt days.

(b) Application for Glendo Permits. Applications shall be submitted through the ELS beginning August 15 and shall be accepted until 12:00 midnight September 15. A drawing shall be utilized to determine successful applicants. A person shall only submit a single application. No person shall apply for and receive more than one (1) Glendo permit in a calendar year. Successful applicants shall be notified by mail of their hunting date and furnished a set of special instructions.

(c) Issuance of Glendo Permits. A maximum of sixty (60) permits shall be issued in the drawing for each day a permit is required. The Glendo permit shall only be valid for the day printed on the permit by the Department.

Section 7. Sand Mesa and Yellowtail Habitat Areas Youth Pheasant Hunt. The youth only hunt day is November 15. Only youths shall be allowed to take pheasants on this date. Youths under the age of fourteen (14) shall be accompanied by an adult. No adults shall take any pheasant during the youth only hunt day, except as provided in this section. The youth hunt shall take place on all lands included in the Sand Mesa Wildlife Habitat Area east of the Bass Lake Road, and all lands included in the Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Area north of the Shoshone River.

Section 8. Small Game Hunting Seasons. Small Game Species, Seasons Dates, Bag Limits and Limitations.

Species	Dates of Seasons		Bag Limit		Limitations
	Opens	Closes	Daily	Possession	
Cottontail Rabbit	Sep. 1	Mar. 1	10	20	Any cottontail rabbit
Snowshoe Hare	Sep. 1	Mar. 1	4	8	Any snowshoe hare
Red, Gray and Fox Squirrel	Sep. 1	Mar. 1	10	20	Any red, gray or fox squirrel

(i) Small Game Hunt Area Description.

Area 1. The entire state of Wyoming.

Section 9. Archery Regulations. Upland game birds and small game may be taken with archery equipment in accordance with Section 3 and Section 8 of this Chapter.

Section 10. Upland Game Bird and Small Game Falconry Seasons.

(a) Upland Game Birds may be taken with falcons in accordance with Section 3 of this Chapter. Persons hunting with falcons may take any pheasant.

(b) The falconry season shall open September 1 and close March 1 in those hunt areas listed in Section 3 of this Chapter and Subsection 10(c) of this Chapter.

(c) Closed Areas.

Pheasant Hunt Area	Limitations
8, 9	Closed to falconry hunting

(d) The upland game bird daily and possession limit, except for sage grouse, shall be as set forth in Section 3 of this Chapter. The daily bag limit shall be one (1) sage grouse and the possession limit shall be two (2) sage grouse.

(e) Persons taking sage grouse with falcons shall respond to Wyoming Game and Fish Department surveys requesting harvest information.

(f) Small game animals may be taken with falcons in accordance with the open seasons in the table below.

Species	Dates of Seasons		Bag Limit		Limitations
	Opens	Closes	Daily	Possession	
Cottontail Rabbit	Sep. 1	Mar. 1	10	20	Any cottontail rabbit
	Mar. 2	Aug. 31	1	2	Any cottontail rabbit
Snowshoe Hare	Sep. 1	Mar. 1	10	20	Any snowshoe hare
	Mar. 2	Aug. 31	1	2	Any snowshoe hare
Red, Gray and Fox Squirrel	Sep. 1	Mar. 1	10	20	Any red, gray or fox squirrel
	Mar. 2	Aug. 31	1	2	Any red, gray or fox squirrel

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**WILD TURKEY
HARVEST STATEWIDE**
(June 1, 2014 through May 31, 2015)

	LICENSES SOLD	NUMBER ACTIVE HUNTERS	HARVEST			TOTAL HUNTER DAYS	HUNTER SUCCESS	DAYS/ HARVEST
			TOM	HENS	TOTAL			
2014 FALL								
RESIDENT	1787	1466	448	390	838	4672	57.2%	5.6
NONRESIDENT	182	153	72	40	112	321	73.2%	2.9
TOTAL	1969	1619	520	430	950	4993	58.7%	5.3
2015 SPRING								
RESIDENT	4330	3471	1386	14	1400	12545	40.3%	9.0
NONRESIDENT	1080	989	604	4	608	2867	61.5%	4.7
TOTAL	5410	4460	1990	18	2008	15412	45.0%	7.7
ANNUAL TOTALS								
RESIDENT	6117	4937	1834	404	2238	17217	45.3%	7.7
NONRESIDENT	1262	1142	676	44	720	3188	63.0%	4.4
TOTAL	7379	6079	2510	448	2958	20405	48.7%	6.9

FALL WILD TURKEY
HARVEST, HUNTING PRESSURE, HUNTER SUCCESS
 BY HUNT AREA
2014

AREA	TYPE	ACTIVE LICS/HTRS	HARVEST			HUNTER SUCCESS	HUNTER DAYS	DAYS/ HARVEST	SOLD
			TOM	HEN	TOTAL				
1 Black Hills	General								
	Resident	443	123	132	255	57.6%	1557	6.11	1583
	Nonresident	56	14	14	28	50.0%	150	5.36	169
	Area Total	499	137	146	283	56.7%	1707	6.03	1752
2 Central	Type 3								
	Resident	41	8	11	19	46.3%	322	16.95	44
	Nonresident	2	0	0	0	0.0%	2	0.00	2
	General								
	Resident	258	79	59	138	53.5%	752	5.45	1583
	Nonresident	28	12	12	24	85.7%	44	1.83	169
	Area Total	329	99	82	181	55.0%	796	4.40	1798
3 Powder River	Type 3								
	Resident	142	70	50	120	84.5%	270	2.25	160
	Nonresident	11	11	0	11	100.0%	11	1.00	11
	General								
	Resident	285	100	76	176	61.8%	623	3.54	1583
	Nonresident	37	30	5	35	94.6%	72	2.06	169
	Area Total	527	236	149	385	73.1%	1076	2.79	1923
4 Bighorn Basin - Closed									
5 South Central	General								
	Resident	297	68	62	130	43.8%	1148	8.83	1583
	Nonresident	19	5	9	14	73.7%	42	3.00	169
	Area Total	316	73	71	144	45.6%	1192	8.28	1752

SPRING WILD TURKEY
HARVEST, HUNTING PRESSURE, HUNTER SUCCESS
 BY HUNT AREA
2015

AREA	TYPE	ACTIVE	HARVEST			HUNTER SUCCESS	HUNTER DAYS	DAYS/ HARVEST	SOLD
		LICS/HTRS	TOM	HEN	TOTAL				
1 Black Hills	General								
	Resident	984	331	3	334	33.9%	3041	9.1	3999
	Nonresident	578	332	2	334	57.7%	1691	5.1	967
	Area Total	1562	663	5	668	42.8%	4732	7.1	4966
2 Central	Type 3								
	Resident	49	18	2	20	40.8%	233	11.7	74
	Nonresident	26	13	0	13	50.0%	115	8.8	26
	General								
	Resident	457	173	0	173	37.9%	1952	11.3	3999
	Nonresident	77	38	0	38	49.4%	205	5.4	967
Area Total	609	242	2	244	40.1%	2157	8.8	5066	
3 Powder River	Type 3								
	Resident	183	104	0	104	56.8%	616	5.9	220
	Nonresident	66	49	0	49	74.2%	211	4.3	75
	General								
	Resident	417	210	3	213	51.1%	1406	6.6	3999
	Nonresident	108	71	0	71	65.7%	284	4.0	967
Area Total	527	236	149	385	73.1%	1076	2.8	1923	
4 Bighorn Basin	Type 1								
	Resident	32	10	0	10	30.8%	138	13.8	37
	Nonresident	12	11	0	11	88.9%	43	4.0	12
	General								
	Resident	701	270	3	273	39.0%	2952	10.8	3999
	Nonresident	55	45	0	45	81.3%	141	3.2	967
Area Total	800	336	3	339	42.4%	3274	3.2	5015	
5 South Central	General								
	Resident	648	270	3	273	42.1%	2207	8.1	3999
	Nonresident	67	45	2	47	70.1%	177	3.8	967
	Area Total	316	315	5	320	101.3%	1192	3.7	1752

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

CHAPTER 20

WILD TURKEY FALL AND SPRING HUNTING SEASONS

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. §23-1-302.

Section 2. Hunting Regulations.

(a) No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) license for a wild turkey during any one (1) season, except as otherwise provided in this regulation. The maximum bag limit for wild turkey for any person with the proper license shall not exceed one (1) wild turkey per license.

(b) Issuance of Licenses. No person shall apply for or receive more than one (1) fall wild turkey license and one (1) spring wild turkey license in any calendar year. After the initial drawing is completed, a person may apply for and receive up to three (3) wild turkey licenses valid for each season, provided that at least two (2) of those licenses are Limited Quota Type 3 licenses. However, no person shall apply for and receive more than a total of three (3) wild turkey licenses valid for the fall season and no more than a total of three (3) wild turkey licenses valid for the spring season.

(c) Nontoxic Shot. Nontoxic shot shall be required for hunting wild turkeys on all of the lands in the Springer and Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Areas and on all national wildlife refuges open for hunting. No person shall possess shot shells loaded with shot other than nontoxic shot while hunting wild turkey on all lands in the Springer and Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Areas, and on national wildlife refuges.

(d) Evidence of Sex. During the spring season in those hunt areas limited to the taking of male wild turkeys or any wild turkey with a visible beard, a visible beard shall remain naturally attached to the carcass as a means of identification in the field and while the wild turkey is being transported.

(e) 2014 Fall Season. Hunt Areas, Season Dates and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Type	Dates of Seasons		Quota	License	Limitations
		Opens	Closes			
1		Nov. 1	Nov. 30		General	Any wild turkey
2		Oct. 1	Dec. 31		General	Any wild turkey
2	3	Oct. 1	Dec. 31	100	Limited quota	Any wild turkey valid in Natrona County
3		Oct. 1	Dec. 31		General	Any wild turkey
3	3	Oct. 1	Dec. 31	250	Limited quota	Any wild turkey
4						CLOSED
5		Oct. 1	Dec. 31		General	Any wild turkey

(f) 2015 Spring Season. Hunt Areas, Season Dates and Limitations.

Hunt Area	Type	Dates of Seasons		Quota	License	Limitations
		Opens	Closes			
1		Apr. 11	May 20		General	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard
2		Apr. 1	May 20		General	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard
2	3	Apr. 1	May 20	100	Limited quota	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard valid in Natrona County
3		Apr. 1	May 20		General	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard
3	3	Apr. 1	May 20	300	Limited quota	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard
4		Apr. 11	May 20		General	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard, except the lands of the Wyoming Game and Fish Commission's Yellowtail Wildlife Habitat Management Area shall be closed
4	1	Apr. 11	May 20	50	Limited quota	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard
5		Apr. 1	May 20		General	Any male wild turkey or any wild turkey with a visible beard

Section 3. Archery Regulations.

Wild turkey may be taken with archery equipment in accordance with Section 2 of this Chapter.

Section 4. Hunt Area Descriptions.

Area and Number.

Area 1. Black Hills. All of Crook County and that portion of Weston County north of U.S. Highway 16 or east of U.S. Highway 85.

Area 2. Central. That portion of Weston County south of U.S. Highway 16 and west of U.S. Highway 85; and all of Converse, Natrona and Niobrara counties.

Area 3. Powder River. All of Campbell, Johnson and Sheridan counties.

Area 4. Bighorn Basin. All of Big Horn, Hot Springs, Park and Washakie counties.

Area 5. South Central. All of Albany, Carbon, Fremont, Goshen, Laramie and Platte counties.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

By: _____

Richard Klouda, President

Dated: April 22, 2014

Table I
**FURBEARER 10-YEAR LICENSE SALES SUMMARY
 2005-2015**

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015 (through April 30)
Final Audited License Sales Figures ¹	1,496	1,623	1,844	1,850	1,902	1,880	1,948	2,340	2,560	2,404	1,556

¹License sales figures reported for the current calendar year reflect sales through April 30 that year. Since furbearer season spans two license years, i.e. 2014 and 2015, licenses sold through April 30 are used to estimate harvest for the 2015 portion of the season.

Table II
**FURBEARER 10-YEAR SURVEY RESPONSE RATE AND EFFORT DATA SUMMARY
 2005-2015**

	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
# of Unique Individuals Holding a Trapping License ¹	1,496	1,623	1,844	1,850	1,901	1,878	1,920	1,625	2,454	2,397
# Surveyed	1,457	1,600	1,844	1,840	1,879	1,417	1,411	1,625	2,454	2,397
Percent Useable Responses Rate	--	--	--	--	44.5%	24.6%	29.6%	27.0%	31.4%	32.0%
Traps Set	--	--	--	--	--	14,440	7,420	15,440	13,878	12,102
Trap Nights	--	--	--	--	--	21,790	14,085	30,305	25,662	25,773
Snares Set	--	--	--	--	--	6,510	2,120	7,150	3,546	4,950
Snare Nights	--	--	--	--	--	11,925	6,365	14,640	11,142	11,283
Firearm Days	--	--	--	--	--	5,395	4,405	2,015	2,691	1,809
Total Days Effort	--	--	--	--	--	39,110	24,855	46,960	39,495	38,865

¹Number of unique trappers/hunters. Furbearer season spans two license years, i.e. 2014 and 2015. Many trappers/hunters buy a license in both years. The number of unique trappers/hunters represented in this column only reflects an individual once. For example, if an individual purchases a license in 2014 and 2015, the individual is only counted once.

Table III
**FURBEARER 10-YEAR HUNTER AND HARVEST SUMMARY
 2005-2014**

	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
BADGER										
Total Hunters	238	437	383	575	684	700	454	611	499	408
Total Harvest	756	1638	1633	1414	1603	1003	795	896	563	721
BEAVER										
Total Hunters	239	296	296	377	437	416	503	479	622	532
Total Harvest	4632	3712	3093	2910	3329	2814	3306	2709	3184	4626
MARTEN										
Total Hunters	56	109	74	179	248	184	100	120	294	158
Total Harvest	1413	2072	2059	1287	996	1268	1170	1237	2988	1596
MINK										
Total Hunters	83	106	124	157	282	254	180	274	312	206
Total Harvest	267	480	530	253	288	244	615	728	563	485
MUSKRAT										
Total Hunters	242	238	188	271	398	326	297	383	392	374
Total Harvest	5246	4844	2920	2595	4034	3825	4987	4837	5242	7354
WEASEL										
Total Hunters	25	72	91	87	209	151	76	123	161	93
Total Harvest	148	252	233	19	155	41	56	98	288	168

Table IV
FURBEARER 10-YEAR LICENSE SALES SUMMARY - BOBCAT ONLY
2005-2015

	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015 (through March 1)
Final Audited License Sales Figures ¹	1,496	1,623	1,844	1,850	1,902	1,880	1,948	2,340	2,560	2,404	1,441

¹ License sales figures reported for the current calendar year reflect sales through March 1 that year which is the date the bobcat season closes.

Table V
BOBCAT 10-YEAR HARVEST SUMMARY
2005-2014

	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15
Trapper Harvest	2,944	3,373	2,751	2,691	1,428	1,411	1,673	1,651	1,423	1,060
Trap Nights	1,158,645	772,971	673,170	771,279	463,860	515,114	598,298	620,935	505,696	400,404
Trapper Effort (Nights/Harvest)	393.6	229.1	244.7	286.6	324.8	365.1	357.6	376.1	355.4	377.7
Hunter Harvest	218	229	264	272	165	182	184	209	128	70
Hunter Days	985	835	1107	1087	862	770	641	1171	687	315
Hunter Effort (Days/Harvest)	4.52	3.65	4.2	4	5.2	4.2	3.5	8.1	7.9	5.8
Total Trapper/Hunter Harvest	3,162	3,602	3,015	2,963	1,593	1,593	1,857	1,860	1,555	1,130
Total Trapper/Hunter Days Afield	1,159,630	773,806	674,277	772,366	464,722	515,884	598,939	622,106	506,383	400,719
Overall Effort (Nights + Days)/Total Harvest	366.7	214.8	223.6	260.6	291.7	323.8	322.5	332.3	322.3	354.6
Miscellaneous Bobcats Tagged	17	15	21	15	16	13	18	12	16	10
Total Bobcats Tagged	3,179	3,617	3,036	2,978	1,609	1,606	1,875	1,872	1,571	1,140

Table VI
BADGER
 Harvest Estimates
 2014-2015

AREA	FEETYPE	TRAPPERS	TRAP HARVEST	SNARERS	SNARE HARVEST	HUNTERS	FIREARM		TOTAL TRAPPERS, SNARERS & HUNTERS	TOTAL HARVEST
							HARVEST	DAYS		
1	RESIDENT	10	17	3	0	10	17	28	23	34
	AREA TOTALS	10	17	3	0	10	17	28	23	34
2	RESIDENT	17	21	3	0	3	0	7	23	21
	AREA TOTALS	17	21	3	0	3	0	7	23	21
3	RESIDENT	35	80	7	10	21	10	146	63	100
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	0	0	0	7	0	73	10	0
	AREA TOTALS	38	80	7	10	28	10	219	73	100
4	RESIDENT	62	187	28	17	42	42	413	132	246
	NONRESIDENT	8	31	6	4	0	0	0	14	35
	AREA TOTALS	70	218	34	21	42	42	413	146	281
5	RESIDENT	28	76	7	0	45	52	403	80	128
	NONRESIDENT	0	0	0	0	2	2	12	2	2
	AREA TOTALS	28	76	7	0	47	54	415	82	130
6	RESIDENT	24	66	7	24	21	17	115	52	107
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	14	3	3	3	31	3	9	48
	AREA TOTALS	27	80	10	27	24	48	118	61	155
	SPECIES TOTALS	190	492	64	58	154	171	1,200	408	721

Table VII
BEAVER
 Harvest Estimates
 2014-2015

AREA	FEETYPE	TRAPPERS	TRAP HARVEST	SNARERS	SNARE HARVEST	HUNTERS	FIREARM		TOTAL TRAPPERS, SNARERS & HUNTERS	TOTAL HARVEST
							HARVEST	DAYS		
1	RESIDENT	42	427	17	38	7	7	17	66	472
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	3	0	0	3	3	7	6	6
	NONRESIDENT	2	21	0	0	0	0	0	2	21
	AREA TOTALS	47	451	17	38	10	10	24	74	499
2	RESIDENT	21	194	17	149	7	24	14	45	367
	AREA TOTALS	21	194	17	149	7	24	14	45	367
3	RESIDENT	45	652	10	38	0	0	0	55	690
	AREA TOTALS	45	652	10	38	0	0	0	55	690
4	RESIDENT	80	933	10	31	17	42	111	107	1,006
	NONRESIDENT	10	200	2	0	0	0	0	12	200
	AREA TOTALS	90	1,133	12	31	17	42	111	119	1,206
5	RESIDENT	90	1,131	28	87	7	28	24	125	1,246
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	42	0	0	0	0	0	3	42
	NONRESIDENT	4	112	0	0	0	0	0	4	112
	AREA TOTALS	97	1,285	28	87	7	28	24	132	1,400
6	RESIDENT	49	371	21	42	17	10	90	87	423
	RESIDENT YOUTH	10	17	7	10	3	14	14	20	41
	AREA TOTALS	59	388	28	52	20	24	104	107	464
	SPECIES TOTALS	359	4,103	112	395	61	128	277	532	4,626

Table VIII
MARTEN
 Harvest Estimates
 2014-2015

AREA	FEETYPE	TRAPPERS	TRAP HARVEST	SNARERS	SNARE HARVEST	HUNTERS	FIREARM		TOTAL TRAPPERS, SNARERS & HUNTERS	TOTAL HARVEST
							HARVEST	DAYS		
1	RESIDENT	35	590	7	0	0	0	0	42	590
	NONRESIDENT	4	17	0	0	0	0	0	4	17
	AREA TOTALS	39	607	7	0	0	0	0	46	607
2	RESIDENT	21	489	7	0	0	0	0	28	489
	NONRESIDENT	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	AREA TOTALS	23	491	7	0	0	0	0	30	491
3	RESIDENT	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
	AREA TOTALS	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
4	RESIDENT	21	194	7	0	3	0	52	31	194
	NONRESIDENT	6	48	0	0	0	0	0	6	48
	AREA TOTALS	27	242	7	0	3	0	52	37	242
5	RESIDENT	14	76	3	0	0	0	0	17	76
	AREA TOTALS	14	76	3	0	0	0	0	17	76
6	RESIDENT	14	104	3	0	0	0	0	17	104
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	3	3	0	0	0	0	6	3
	NONRESIDENT	2	73	0	0	0	0	0	2	73
	AREA TOTALS	19	180	6	0	0	0	0	25	180
SPECIES TOTALS		125	1,596	30	0	3	0	52	158	1,596

Table IX
MINK
 Harvest Estimates
 2014-2015

AREA	FEETYPE	TRAPPERS	TRAP HARVEST	SNARERS	SNARE HARVEST	HUNTERS	FIREARM		TOTAL TRAPPERS, SNARERS & HUNTERS	TOTAL HARVEST
							HARVEST	DAYS		
1	RESIDENT	28	73	14	0	0	0	0	42	73
	NONRESIDENT	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	AREA TOTALS	30	75	14	0	0	0	0	44	75
2	RESIDENT	21	35	10	0	0	0	0	31	35
	AREA TOTALS	21	35	10	0	0	0	0	31	35
3	RESIDENT	21	111	3	0	0	0	0	24	111
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
	AREA TOTALS	24	114	3	0	0	0	0	27	114
4	RESIDENT	14	87	7	17	7	3	260	28	107
	NONRESIDENT	4	4	2	0	0	0	0	6	4
	AREA TOTALS	18	91	9	17	7	3	260	34	111
5	RESIDENT	38	104	7	0	0	0	0	45	104
	NONRESIDENT	2	4	0	0	0	0	0	2	4
	AREA TOTALS	40	108	7	0	0	0	0	47	108
6	RESIDENT	17	35	0	0	0	0	0	17	35
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	7	3	0	0	0	0	6	7
	AREA TOTALS	20	42	3	0	0	0	0	23	42
SPECIES TOTALS		153	465	46	17	7	3	260	206	485

Table X
MUSKRAT
 Harvest Estimates
 2014-2015

AREA	FEETYPE	TRAPPERS	TRAP HARVEST	SNARERS	SNARE HARVEST	HUNTERS	FIREARM		TOTAL TRAPPERS, SNARERS & HUNTERS	TOTAL HARVEST
							HARVEST	DAYS		
1	RESIDENT	35	2,249	14	0	0	0	0	49	2,249
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	104	0	0	0	0	0	3	104
	NONRESIDENT	2	12	0	0	0	0	0	2	12
	AREA TOTALS	40	2,365	14	0	0	0	0	54	2,365
2	RESIDENT	24	1,364	17	38	3	52	10	44	1,454
	AREA TOTALS	24	1,364	17	38	3	52	10	44	1,454
3	RESIDENT	42	656	3	0	0	0	0	45	656
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	3
	AREA TOTALS	45	659	3	0	0	0	0	48	659
4	RESIDENT	52	507	3	0	7	21	260	62	528
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	24	0	0	0	0	0	3	24
	NONRESIDENT	10	337	2	0	0	0	0	12	337
	AREA TOTALS	65	868	5	0	7	21	260	77	889
5	RESIDENT	66	985	10	0	7	17	14	83	1,002
	NONRESIDENT	4	171	0	0	0	0	0	4	171
	AREA TOTALS	70	1,156	10	0	7	17	14	87	1,173
6	RESIDENT	35	697	0	0	3	0	10	38	697
	RESIDENT YOUTH	17	115	7	0	0	0	0	24	115
	NONRESIDENT	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	AREA TOTALS	54	814	7	0	3	0	10	64	814
SPECIES TOTALS		298	7,226	56	38	20	90	294	374	7,354

Table XI
WEASEL
 Harvest Estimates
 2014 -2015

AREA	FEETYPE	TRAPPERS	TRAP HARVEST	SNARERS	SNARE HARVEST	HUNTERS	FIREARM		TOTAL TRAPPERS, SNARERS & HUNTERS	TOTAL HARVEST
							HARVEST	DAYS		
1	RESIDENT	17	49	3	0	0	0	0	20	49
	AREA TOTALS	17	49	3	0	0	0	0	20	49
2	RESIDENT	17	14	7	0	0	0	0	24	14
	AREA TOTALS	17	14	7	0	0	0	0	24	14
3	RESIDENT	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
	AREA TOTALS	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
4	RESIDENT	14	10	3	0	0	0	0	17	10
	NONRESIDENT	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
	AREA TOTALS	16	12	3	0	0	0	0	19	12
5	RESIDENT	3	7	3	0	0	0	0	6	7
	AREA TOTALS	3	7	3	0	0	0	0	6	7
6	RESIDENT	10	35	3	0	0	0	0	13	35
	RESIDENT YOUTH	3	14	3	31	0	0	0	6	45
	NONRESIDENT	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	2	6
	AREA TOTALS	15	55	6	31	0	0	0	21	86
SPECIES TOTALS		71	137	22	31	0	0	0	93	168

Table XII
FURBEARER STATEWIDE
 Harvest Effort Estimates
 2014-2015

Survey Questions	State Totals
Q2. Traps Set	12,102
Q3. Trap Nights	25,773
Q4. Snares Set	4,950
Q5. Snare Nights	11,283
Q6. Total Firearm Days:	1,809

Table XIII
Furbearer
 License Data Summary
 2014-2015

	2014 Licenses Sold	2015 Licenses Sold Through April 30, 2015*	Licenses Sold**	# of Unique Trapper/ Hunters***	Number Surveyed****	Number Usable (hunters and nonhunters)	Response Rate (# Usable/ # Surveyed)
Resident	2189	1452	3,641	2,302	2,302	718	31.2%
Resident Youth	165	90	255	45	45	25	55.6%
Nonresident	50	14	64	50	50	24	48.0%
Total	2404	1556	3,960	2,397	2,397	767	32.0%

*The furbearer harvest survey process begins on this date.

**Cumulative licenses sold

*** Number of unique trappers/hunters. Furbearer season spans two license years, i.e. 2014 and 2015. Many trappers/hunters buy a license in both years. The number of unique trappers/hunters represented in this column only reflects an individual once. For example, if an individual purchases a license in 2014 and 2015, the individual is only counted once.

****Furbearer Harvest Survey does not ask questions related to bobcat or predator species (coyote, raccoon, red fox, striped skunk)

Table XIV
**2014-2015 CITES TAGGING/BOBCAT
 HARVEST STATISTICS**

OVERVIEW	RESIDENT	NONRESIDENT	TOTAL
LICENSES SOLD*	3,783	62	3,845
SUCCESSFUL LICENSE HOLDERS	324	10	334
PERCENT WHO REPORTED BOBCATS	8.6%	16.1%	8.7%
TOTAL BOBCATS TAGGED	1,085	55	1,140

*Furbearer licenses sold in 2014 plus furbearer licenses sold through March 1, 2015, which is the end of bobcat season.

TRAPPING ACTIVITY	RESIDENT	NONRESIDENT	TOTAL
BOBCAT TRAPPERS	278	9	287
TRAP HARVEST	1,006	54	1,060
AVERAGE HARVEST PER TRAPPER	3.6	6.0	3.7
TRAP NIGHTS (# traps * nights traps active)	375,457	24,947	400,404
AVERAGE TRAP DAYS PER TRAPPER	1,350.6	2,771.9	1,395.1
AVERAGE TRAP DAYS PER HARVEST	373.2	462.0	377.7

HUNTING ACTIVITY	RESIDENT	NONRESIDENT	TOTAL
BOBCAT HUNTERS	48	6	54
FIREARM HARVEST	69	1	70
AVERAGE HARVEST PER HUNTER	1.4	0.167	1.3
HUNT DAYS	309	6	315
AVERAGE HUNT DAYS PER HUNTER	6.4	1	5.8
AVERAGE HUNT DAYS PER HARVEST	4.5	6	4.5
MISCELLANEOUS BOBCATS TAGGED	9	1	10

Table XV
**2014-2015 BOBCAT HARVEST BY
 AREA AND METHOD OF TAKE**

AREA	TRAP	FIREARM	MISC	TOTAL
1	3	0	0	3
2	119	7	1	127
3	485	40	5	530
4	170	6	1	177
5	216	13	2	231
6	67	4	1	72
TOTAL	1,060	70	10	1,140

Table XVI
**2014-2015 BOBCAT
 HARVEST BY AGE AND GENDER**

AGE CLASS	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
JUVENILE	75	89	164
ADULT	583	393	976
TOTAL	658	482	1,140

Table XVII
Bobcat
License Data Summary
2014-2015

	2014 Licenses Sold	2015 Licenses Sold Through March 1, 2015*	Licenses Sold**	# of Trapper/ Hunters That Reported Harvest
Resident	2189	1353	3,542	322
Resident Youth	165	76	241	2
Nonresident	50	12	62	10
Total	2404	1441	3,845	334

*Bobcat season closes on March 1

** Cumulative licenses sold

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

CHAPTER 4

FURBEARING ANIMAL HUNTING OR TRAPPING SEASONS

Section 1. Authority. This regulation is promulgated by authority of W.S. §23-1-302, W.S. §23-2-303, W.S. §23-2-305 and W.S. §23-3-109.

Section 2. Definitions. Definitions shall be as set forth in Title 23, Wyoming Statutes, Commission regulations, and the Commission also adopts the following definitions:

(a) "Drainage" means all lands within the watershed of a named river or stream, including all tributaries and standing waters which drain into that river or stream.

(b) "Green pelt" means the untanned hide or skin of a furbearing animal.

(c) "Owner" means the person who physically sets any trap or snare in any fashion that may result in the take of any furbearing or predatory animal.

(d) "Quick-kill Body-grip Trap" means a device that closes around the body or head of the animal in such a manner as to almost immediately kill the animal caught.

(e) "Snare" means a device consisting of a loop with no mechanical trigger for capturing furbearing or predatory animals.

(f) "Leg-hold Trap" means any device using a mechanical trigger that springs the jaws or loop shut for capturing furbearing or predatory animals.

(g) "Live Trap" means any device designed to capture or trap a live animal inside a cage or structure. Such traps include, but are not limited to box traps and cage traps.

(h) "Trapping" or "trap" means the taking of a furbearing or predatory animal by trap, snare or with a firearm or archery equipment.

(i) "Trap Identification Number" means an identification number assigned to the owner of traps or snares by the Department.

(j) "Week" means the seven-day period starting on Monday through the following Sunday.

Section 3. Hunting or Trapping Seasons.

Species, hunting or trapping areas, season dates and limitations.

Species	Trapping Area	Date of Seasons		Limitations
		Opens	Closes	
Mink	1	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	Any mink
Bobcat	1	Nov. 15	Mar. 1	Any bobcat
Muskrat	1	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	Any muskrat
Weasel	1	Oct. 1	Mar. 31	Any weasel
Badger	1	Jan. 1	Dec. 31	Any badger

Species	Trapping Area	Date of Seasons		Limitations
		Opens	Closes	
Marten	1	Oct. 1	Mar. 1	Any marten
	2	Dec. 1	Mar. 1	Any marten
	602	Oct. 1	Mar. 1	5 trappers; 100 marten
Beaver	1	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	Any beaver
	101	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 5 beaver
	102	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 20 beaver
	103	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 10 beaver
	104	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 25 beaver
	301	CLOSED		
	302	CLOSED		
	303	CLOSED		
	304	CLOSED		
	305	CLOSED		
	401	CLOSED		
	404	CLOSED		
	405	CLOSED		
	406	CLOSED		
	407	CLOSED		
	408	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver
	409	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver
	410	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver
	411	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 35 beaver
	412	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 15 beaver
	413	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver
	414	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver
	501	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 10 beaver
	502	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 10 beaver
	601	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver
	602	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver
	603	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	2 trappers; 60 beaver
	604	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 30 beaver
605	Oct. 1	Apr. 30	1 trapper; 5 beaver	
606	CLOSED			

Section 4. Furbearing Animal Hunting or Trapping Area Descriptions.

(a) Area and number.

(i) All furbearing animals, excluding marten and beaver.

Area 1. The entire State of Wyoming, excluding those areas closed in Section 5(b).

(ii) Marten.

Area 1. The entire State of Wyoming, excluding Area 2 and Limited Quota Area 602 as listed in this subsection and those areas closed in Section 5(b).

Area 2. Snowy Range. Beginning at the junction of Interstate Highway 80 and U.S. Highway 287 in the city of Laramie; southerly along U.S. Highway 287 to the Wyoming-Colorado state line; westerly along said line to Wyoming Highway 230 in Carbon County; northerly along said highway to Wyoming Highway 130; northerly along said highway to Interstate Highway 80; easterly along said highway to its junction with U.S. Highway 287.

Area 602. Little Popo Agie. All U.S. Forest Service lands within the Little Popo Agie River drainage (including Cherry Creek and Snow Creek) and the Sawmill Creek drainage in Fremont County.

(iii) Beaver.

Area 1. The entire State of Wyoming, excluding those limited quota trapping areas listed in this subsection and those areas closed in Section 5(b).

Area 101. Ditch Creek. Ditch Creek drainage in Teton County.

Area 102. Willow Creek. Willow Creek drainage in Teton and Lincoln Counties.

Area 103. Game Creek and Little Horse Creek. Game Creek and Little Horse Creek drainages in Teton County.

Area 104. Fall Creek. All of the Fall Creek, Mosquito Creek and Dog Creek drainages on U.S. Forest Service lands in Teton and Lincoln Counties.

Area 301. North Tongue River. North Tongue River drainage in Sheridan County.

Area 302. South Tongue River. South Tongue River drainage in Sheridan County.

Area 303. East Fork of Big Goose Creek. East Fork of Big Goose Creek drainage upstream of Park Reservoir in Johnson County.

Area 304. Clear Creek. Clear Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands in Johnson County.

Area 305. Crazy Woman Creek. Crazy Woman Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands in Johnson County.

Area 401. South Rock Springs. That portion of Sweetwater County south of I-80 between the Green River, Flaming Gorge Reservoir and Wyoming Highway 430.

Area 404. Henrys Fork. Henrys Fork River, Louse Creek and Sage Creek drainages on the Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Uinta County.

Area 405. Cottonwood Creek. Cottonwood Creek drainage on the Wasatch-Cache National Forest in Uinta County.

Area 406. East Fork of Smiths Fork. Drainages of Gilbert Creek and East Fork of Smiths Fork River upstream from Wasatch-Cache National Forest boundary in Uinta County.

Area 407. West Fork of Smiths Fork. West Fork of the Smiths Fork River and Willow Creek drainages upstream from Wasatch-Cache National Forest boundary in Uinta County.

Area 408. Salt Creek. Salt Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands, Salt Creek Proper and Raymond Creek drainage on public lands in Lincoln County.

Area 409. Upper Smiths Fork. Smiths Fork drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands in Lincoln County.

Area 410. Hobble Creek. Hobble Creek drainage on U.S. Forest Service lands, Coal Creek, and Saw Mill Creek drainages in Lincoln County.

Area 411. Hams Fork River (Hams Fork). Beginning where the Hams Fork River crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to where the river crosses U.S. Forest Service Road 062 and all tributaries lying east of the Hams Fork River in Lincoln County.

Area 412. South Fork Fontenelle Creek. Beginning where the South Fork of Fontenelle Creek crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to its headwaters and all tributaries in Lincoln County, including all of the drainages of the South Fork of Fontenelle Creek upstream from the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary within Lincoln County.

Area 413. Fontenelle Creek. Beginning where Fontenelle Creek crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to the confluence of Camp Fire Creek and all tributaries in Lincoln County, including all of the drainages of Fontenelle Creek between the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary and Camp Fire Creek within Lincoln County.

Area 414. LaBarge Creek and South LaBarge Creek (main streams). Beginning where LaBarge Creek crosses the Bridger-Teton National Forest boundary to its headwaters and the main channel of South LaBarge Creek in Lincoln County. LaBarge Creek Proper will be closed one (1) mile each direction from the confluence of Nameless Creek and LaBarge Creek in Lincoln County.

Area 501. North Pole Mountain. All of the drainages of Brush Creek, Crow Creek, Lodgepole (Pole) Creek, McKechnie Creek and Horse Creek within the boundaries of the Pole Mountain Division of the Medicine Bow National Forest and north of the Happy Jack Road (Wyoming Secondary Highway 210-U.S.F.S. 722) in Albany County.

Area 502. South Pole Mountain. All of the drainages of Brush Creek, Lodgepole (Pole) Creek, Crow Creek and Dale Creek within the boundaries of the Pole Mountain Division of the Medicine Bow National Forest and south of the Happy Jack Road (Wyoming Secondary Highway 210-U.S.F.S. 722) in Albany County.

Area 601. Beaver Creek. All public lands within the Twin Creek and Beaver Creek drainages south of U.S. Highway 287 in Fremont County.

Area 602. Little Popo Agie. All U.S. Forest Service lands within the Little Popo Agie River drainage (including Cherry Creek and Snow Creek) and all U.S. Forest Service lands within the Sawmill Creek drainage in Fremont County.

Area 603. Upper Sweetwater. All public lands within the Sweetwater River drainage above Phelps-Dodge Bridge in Fremont and Sublette Counties.

Area 604. Sweetwater. All public lands within the Rock Creek, Strawberry Creek and Deep Creek drainages and along the Sweetwater River proper between Phelps-Dodge Bridge and Sweetwater Station in Fremont County.

Area 605. Green Mountain. All public lands within the Crooks Creek, Cottonwood Creek, Cooper Creek and Willow Creek drainages on Green Mountain in Fremont County.

Area 606. East Fork Wind River. All lands within the Spence and Moriarity Wildlife Management Area and the Kirk Inberg/Kevin Roy Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Fremont County.

(b) Closed areas.

(i) The following areas shall be closed to the taking of all furbearing animals.

(A) Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area in Bighorn County;

(B) Grand Teton National Park in Teton County;

(C) John D. Rockefeller Jr. Memorial Parkway in Teton County;

(D) National Elk Refuge in Teton County; and,

(E) Rawhide Wildlife Management Area, Springer Wildlife Habitat Management Area and the Table Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Goshen County shall be closed October 1 through February 15.

(ii) The following areas shall be closed to the taking of beaver.

(A) Beaver Creek drainage from Wyoming Highway 70 downstream to its confluence with the North Fork of the Encampment River in Carbon County;

(B) Cache Creek drainage in Teton County;

(C) Cliff Creek drainage in Sublette County;

(D) Granite Creek drainage from the Granite Hot Springs swimming pool downstream to the confluence with the Hoback River in Teton and Sublette Counties;

(E) Nameless Creek proper in Lincoln County;

(F) Nash Fork drainage south of Wyoming Highway 130 from the Snowy Range Ski Area Road downstream to its confluence with the North Fork of the Little Laramie River in Albany County;

(G) South Fork Hog Park Creek drainage from the Colorado/Wyoming state line downstream to its confluence with Hog Park Creek in Carbon County;

(H) South Fork Lake Creek and Goetze Creek drainages on the Pennock Mountain Wildlife Habitat Management Area in Carbon County; and,

(I) The head of the Rock Creek drainage north and east of the Sand Lake Road (U.S.F.S. Road 101) downstream to its confluence with the South Fork of Rock Creek in Carbon County.

(iii) The following areas shall be closed to the taking of Marten.

(A) All lands within the Pole Mountain Unit of the Medicine Bow National Forest in Albany County.

Section 5. Common Season Boundary. Wherever a stream or river forms a boundary between two (2) trapping areas with differing seasons for the same furbearing animal, the stream or river channel proper shall open for trapping on the earliest opening date and close on the latest closing date of the two (2) seasons involved.

Section 6. Limited Quota Furbearing Animal Trapping Area Permits. Limited quota trapping areas shall be open only to the person(s) who possesses a furbearing animal trapping permit for the limited quota trapping area and a furbearing animal trapping license. Only the holder of a permit for a limited quota trapping area(s) shall be allowed to trap the limited quota area for the designated species

during the trapping season for which the permit is valid. Permit holders shall be determined by a random computer selection.

(a) Application for Limited Quota Furbearing Animal Trapping Permits. Applications shall be available from Wyoming Game and Fish Department Regional Offices, the Cheyenne Headquarters Office and game wardens. Any qualified person may submit one (1) application for a limited quota trapping area drawing and may list as many as three (3) choices.

(b) When trapping, each permit holder shall present his permit and a valid Wyoming furbearing animal trapping license for inspection upon request to any law enforcement officer empowered to enforce these regulations.

(c) Application Date. Applications shall be submitted on a form provided by the Department to the Headquarters Office from July 1 through September 1.

(d) Drawing. Only correct and complete applications received in the Headquarters Office during the application dates shall be entered in the random computer selection. Successful applicants shall be notified by mail.

(e) Leftover Limited Quota Trapping Area Permits. After the regular drawing, applicants may apply for limited quota trapping area permits not issued in the drawing for limited quota furbearing animal trapping areas. Applicants shall apply to the Headquarters Office. Permits shall be issued in the order the applications are processed or until quotas are reached. Submission of an application either through the mail or hand delivered shall not guarantee a permit

Section 7. Authorization to Trap.

(a) Any person holding a valid Wyoming furbearing animal trapping license shall be authorized to trap furbearing animals in any trapping area specified in the current trapping regulations, excluding those species within limited quota furbearing animal trapping areas requiring a limited quota furbearing animal trapping permit as specified in this regulation and excluding closed areas in Section 5(b) of this regulation.

(b) Individuals issued limited quota furbearing animal trapping permits shall contact the game warden listed on the notice for instructions prior to taking furbearing animals authorized by this permit in the limited quota furbearing animal trapping areas.

Section 8. Snare Specifications.

(a) All snares used for furbearing or predatory animals shall be equipped with a break-away device located at the point of the snare lock;

(b) Break-away devices shall release at two hundred ninety-five (295) pounds of pressure or less;

(c) Snare capture loop size shall not exceed twelve (12) inches in diameter measured from side to side;

(d) Snares shall be solidly anchored to ensure the break-away device properly functions to release at two hundred ninety-five (295) pounds of pressure or less, and;

(i) Snares shall not be anchored to any wire of a fence.

(ii) Snares shall not be anchored to any moveable object such as a drag.

Section 9. Check Period for Leg-Hold Traps, Live Traps, Snares and Quick-Kill Body-Grip Traps.

- (a) All leg-hold traps and live traps shall be checked by the owner a minimum of once during each seventy-two (72) hour period.
- (b) All snares and quick-kill body-grip traps shall be checked by the owner a minimum of one time each week, except during the initial week the snares or quick-kill body-grip traps were set.

Section 10. Mandatory Bobcat Registration. All bobcats harvested in Wyoming shall be registered with the Department by the person taking the bobcat, regardless of the final disposition of the pelt or unskinned carcass. Bobcat pelts may be registered throughout the bobcat season, but registration of pelts shall end at 5:00 p.m. on March 11 of each year. If the registration deadline date occurs on a weekend when the Department Regional Offices are closed, bobcat pelts may be registered on the next business day until 5:00 p.m. Mountain Standard Time. The properly licensed trapper shall present the pelt or unskinned carcass in an untagged condition to a game warden or a Department Regional Office. It shall be unlawful to possess an untagged green bobcat pelt after the registration period expires. Before a Wyoming bobcat tag shall be issued, the person taking a bobcat shall provide to the Department at the time of registration, the age and sex of the bobcat, the number of the Department's bobcat management area in which the bobcat was taken, the date the bobcat was taken, the number of traps that were set, and the number of days traps were set or days hunted with a firearm (i.e. trapping or harvest effort). A Wyoming bobcat tag shall be attached to the pelt or unskinned carcass by an employee of the Department. Wyoming bobcat tags shall be issued free of charge.

Section 11. Trapping of Non-target Wildlife; Disposition of Furbearing Animals at the Trap Site. All non-target wildlife, including but not necessarily limited to game animals, game birds, furbearing animals, protected animals or protected birds that are trapped shall be released unharmed. If a big or trophy game animal, game bird, protected animal or raptor caught has been injured to the extent that the injury may result in death of the animal or if the animal has been killed, the trapper shall immediately notify a Department law enforcement officer. Furbearing animals legally taken shall be either killed at the trap site or immediately released to the wild. If the trapper holds both a furbearing animal trapping license and a license to capture furbearing animals for domestication, the furbearing animals do not have to be killed at the trap site.

Section 12. Use of Dogs. Persons possessing a valid furbearing animal trapping license may use dogs to take bobcats during the bobcat hunting or trapping season.

Section 13. Trap Identification Numbers. All traps and snares used for furbearing or predatory animals shall be permanently marked or tagged with the name and address of the owner or the trap identification number assigned to the owner by the Department.

(a) A person may apply for a trap identification number from the Department. Each individual shall be issued only one (1) trap identification number for the life of the trapper. Trap identification numbers shall be transferable from one (1) person to another only upon completion of an application and approval by the Department.

(b) Trap identification numbers shall consist of the prefix WY, followed by the last two (2) digits of the calendar year in which the number is issued, followed by a number generated by the Department. A hyphen shall separate the three (3) portions of the number. For example, the first trap identification number issued in calendar year 2001 shall be WY-01-001. Numbers shall be legible, at least one-eighth (1/8) inch in height and affixed to traps in such a manner as to read left to right. The trap identification number shall be stamped on the trap or on a metal tag that is affixed to the trap.

(c) Application for a trap identification number shall include the full name and complete home address of the applicant and shall be submitted on a form provided by the Department. Applications shall be submitted to the Wildlife Division, at the Headquarters Office of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department.

(d) Any person who has obtained a trap identification number shall notify the Department by telephoning (307) 777-4686 within thirty (30) days of any change in address.

WYOMING GAME AND FISH COMMISSION

By: _____
Mike Healy, President

Dated: January 22, 2014

RESIDENT FALCON HARVEST 2014-2015

CHUKAR

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest												
Fremont			2	0	3	0								
TOTALS	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		

Days Hunted	5
Harvest	0
Hunters	1

SAGE-GROUSE

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest												
Fremont	6	0	20	0	22	0	12	0						
Hot Springs			5	0	15	0	15	0						
Johnson	5	2												
Natrona			9	4										
Sublette			13	5	10	4	15	2						
Sweetwater	18	2	5	2	5	1	5	0						
TOTALS	29	4	52	11	52	5	47	2	0	0	0	0	0	0

Days Hunted	180
Harvest	22
Hunters	9

GRAY PARTRIDGE

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest												
Sheridan			10	0			20	1	1	1				
TOTALS	0	0	10	0	0	0	20	1	1	1	0	0	0	0

Days Hunted	31
Harvest	2
Hunters	2

PHEASANT

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest												
Sheridan	6	3	14	6	4	3	24	3						
TOTALS	6	3	14	6	4	3	24	3	0	0	0	0	0	0

Days Hunted	48
Harvest	15
Hunters	2

MOURNING DOVE

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest												
Unknown	20	8												
TOTALS	20	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Days Hunted	20
Harvest	8
Hunters	1

RESIDENT FALCONRY - continued

SHARP-TAILED GROUSE

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest
Sheridan	12	4	10	2	15	2	5	1	18	1	10	1		
TOTALS	12	4	10	2	15	2	5	1	18	1	10	1	0	0

Days Hunted	70
Harvest	11
Hunters	3

COTTONTAIL RABBIT

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest
Carbon	15	7	20	3	18	2			5	1	9	3		
Fremont			3	1	2	1					2	1		
Laramie											2	0		
Natrona							10	6	6	2	3	1		
Sweetwater	16	6	12	4	16	5	15	5	7	1	10	4		
TOTALS	31	13	35	8	36	8	25	11	18	4	26	9	0	0

Days Hunted	171
Harvest	53
Hunters	6

DUCKS

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest
Converse			20	1	20	1								
Fremont			12	0	6	0	3	0						
Goshen			25	1	6	1								
Johnson	5	2	27	20	9	5								
Sheridan	1	1	39	27	29	15	19	8	4	2				
Uinta			5	2	5	0								
Unknown			6	3	15	10	6	2						
TOTALS	6	3	134	54	90	32	28	10	4	2	0	0	0	0

Days Hunted	262
Harvest	101
Hunters	9

Total Surveys Mailed	74
Total Responded	50
% Response	68%

NONRESIDENT FALCON HARVEST 2014-2015

PHEASANT

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest												
Sheridan			8	1	1	0	2	1						
TOTALS	0	0	8	1	1	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

Days Hunted	11
Harvest	2
Hunters	2

RUFFED GROUSE

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest												
Sublette	3	1	1	1										
TOTALS	3	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Days Hunted	4
Harvest	2
Hunters	1

SAGE-GROUSE

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest												
Fremont	21	2	28	2	17	0								
Johnson	10	2												
Lincoln	3	0	6	0	12	0	11	0	8	0				
Sheridan			1	0										
Sublette	44	7	95	24	7	0								
Sweetwater	72	20	90	18	27	7	10	2	10	2				
Unknown			10	2										
TOTALS	150	31	230	46	63	7	21	2	18	2	0	0	0	0

Days Hunted	482
Harvest	88
Hunters	24

COTTONTAIL RABBIT

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest												
Sweetwater	3	1	13	6	4	2								
Sublette	1	1												
TOTALS	4	2	13	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Days Hunted	21
Harvest	10
Hunters	3

NONRESIDENT FALCONRY - continued

DUCKS

County	Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec		Jan		Feb		Mar	
	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest	Days	Harvest
Carbon	2	2												
Fremont					5	3								
Sheridan			9	4										
Sublette	13	2	44	25										
Sweetwater	7	1	44	15	3	3								
Uinta			2	2										
TOTALS	22	5	99	46	8	6	0							

Days Hunted	129
Harvest	57
Hunters	11

Total Surveys Mailed	44
Total Responded	34
% Response	77%