



LIGHT GOOSE CONSERVATION ORDER

2026 HARVEST REPORT





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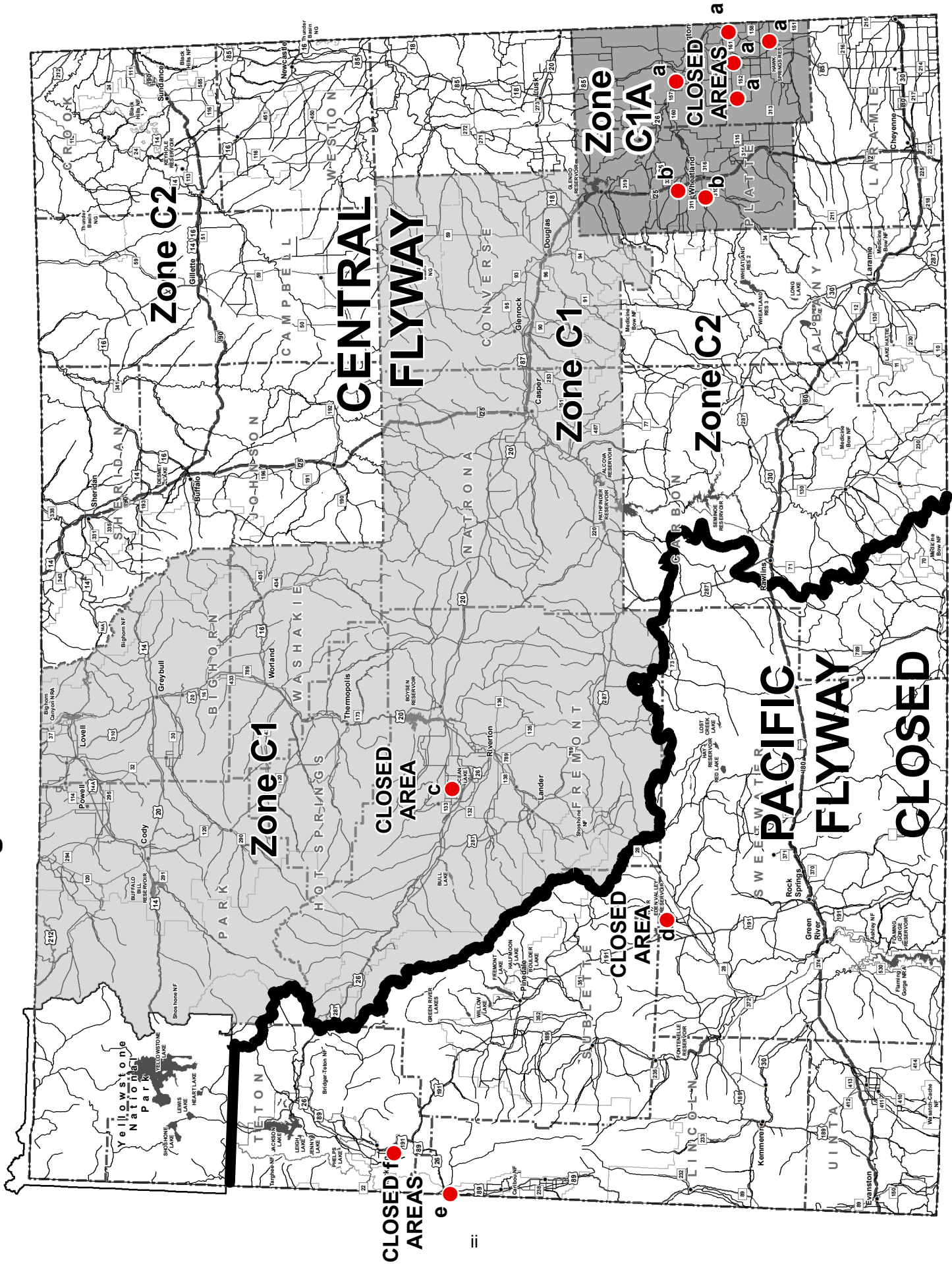
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Executive Summary

Each year the Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) surveys light goose conservation order hunters to quantify harvest, hunter success, and hunter effort. This information helps the Game and Fish manage light goose populations and plan next year's hunting seasons. The harvest statistics presented in this report were based on data collected from 49 responses to a voluntary harvest survey sent to 173 license holders. An estimated total of 558 light geese were harvested in Wyoming during the 2026 hunting season.

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● CLOSED AREAS SET FORTH IN SECTIONS 2 & 3
▬ THIS MAP IS FOR GENERAL REFERENCE ONLY. Please use the written boundary descriptions in this regulation for detailed boundary information

■ 48

▬ CENTRAL FLYWAY ZONE C1

▬ CENTRAL FLYWAY ZONE C1A

▬ CENTRAL FLYWAY ZONE C2

Table 1
Light Goose Conservation Order
 Wyoming
 Harvest and Hunter Activity
 2026

	2026 Season ^a
Permits Sold	173
Resident	125
Non-Resident	48
Unknown Residency	0
Total Responses	49
% Responded	28
Non-Response ^b	124
% Non-Response	72
Estimated Totals	
Active Hunters	117
Did Not Hunt	56
Total Days Hunted	466
Days/Hunter	4
Geese Harvested	505
Geese Unretrieved ^c	53
Total Harvest	558
Harvest/Hunter	5

^a February 16, 2026 - April 30, 2026

^b Includes non-respondents and incomplete survey responses

^c Geese knocked down, but not retrieved

Table 2
Light Goose Conservation Order
 Wyoming
 Ten Year Comparison
 2017-2026

Metric	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026
Permits Sold	178	211	98	189	175	225	166	179	212	173
Resident	134	154	74	138	129	157	126	149	157	125
Non-Resident	44	57	24	51	46	68	40	30	55	48
Unknown Residency	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Initial Responses	94	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
% Initial Responses	53	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Second Responses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
% Second Responses	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total Responses	94	111	44	77	51	61	60	53	60	49
% Responded	53	53	45	41	29	39	36	30	28	28
Non-Response	84	100	54	112	124	96	106	126	152	124
% Non-Response	47	47	55	59	71	61	64	70	72	72
Estimated Totals										
Active Hunters	135	169	65	140	134	178	124	142	159	117
Did Not Hunt	43	42	33	49	41	47	42	37	64	56
Total Days Hunted	438	527	189	407	471	712	423	726	530	466
Days/Hunter	3	6	7	7	7	4	3	5	3	4
Geese Harvested	1006	1023	149	805	805	2445	1345	1604	968	505
Geese Unretrieved	42	17	20	37	51	33	44	71	32	53
Total Harvest	1,108	1,040	169	842	1,312	2,478	1,389	1,675	1,000	558
Harvest/Hunter	8	6	3	6	10	14	11	12	6	5