




# **Migratory Game Bird 19.31.6 NMAC**


**May 11, 2017**

**New Mexico State Game Commission Meeting  
Clayton, NM**




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- **Adjust season dates according to calendar and US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) frameworks**
- **Adjust bag/possession limits according to USFWS frameworks**
- **Final frameworks published in Federal Register in May, 2017**



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## **Public Comment**

- **37 comments received as of May 8, 2017**
- **Public meetings: Farmington (9), Las Vegas (1), La Joya (8), Roswell (4)**
- **Comments Received:**
  - **Goose season dates and limits**
  - **Duck season dates and limits**
  - **Sandhill crane hunt dates**

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## Proposed 2017-18 Duck, Goose, and Dove Seasons

Species	Zone	Open	Close	
<b>Ducks and Mergansers:</b>	North Zone	Oct. 14	Jan. 17	
	South Zone	Oct. 25	Jan. 28	
<b>Geese:</b>	<b>Dark Geese</b>	MRGV	Dec. 23	Jan. 16
		Rest of State	Oct. 14	Jan. 28
	<b>Light Geese</b>	Statewide	Oct. 14	Jan. 28
<b>Mourning Dove</b>	North Zone	Sep. 1	Nov. 29	
	South Zone- 1	Sep. 1	Oct. 29	
	South Zone- 2	Dec. 2	Jan. 1	

### Central Flyway

Includes falconry, youth waterfowl days, and a 9-day September teal season.

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## Proposed 2017-18 Crane Seasons

Area	Hunt	Open	Close	Bag	Possession	Permits
<b>Middle Rio</b>	SCR-0-102	Nov. 11	Nov. 12	3	6	75
<b>Grand Valley</b>	SCR-0-103	Nov. 25	Nov. 26	3	6	60
	SCR-0-104	Dec. 16	Dec. 17	3	6	60
	SCR-0-105	Jan. 6	Jan. 7	3	6	60
	SCR-0-106	Jan. 13	Jan. 14	3	6	60
	SCR-0-107	Nov. 4	Nov. 4	3	3	24
<b>Southwest</b>	SCR-0-108	Oct. 28	Nov. 5	3	6	70
	SCR-0-109	Jan. 6	Jan. 7	3	6	60
<b>Estancia Valley</b>	SCR-0-101	Oct. 28	Oct. 31	3	6	65
	SCR-0-101	Nov. 2	Nov. 5			
<b>Regular Season</b>		Oct. 28	Jan. 28	3	6	N/A

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<b>Scaup</b>	North Zone	Oct. 16	Jan. 9
<b>All Geese:</b>	North 1	Sept. 23	Oct. 8
	North 2	Oct. 30	Jan. 28
	South	Oct. 14	Jan. 28
<b>Mourning Dove</b>	North Zone	Sep. 1	Nov. 29
	South Zone- 1	Sep. 1	Oct. 29
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***Questions?***





**“Move to repeal and replace 19.31.6 NMAC, as presented by the Department and allow the Department to make minor corrections to comply with filing this rule with State Records and Archives.”**