Migratory Game Bird 19.31.6 NMAC

January 27, 2023 New Mexico State Game Commission Meeting Santa Fe, 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
- Proposed frameworks to be published in Federal Register in February. Final frameworks publication to follow.



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- Changes to regular migratory game bird season dates TBD, based on public comment
- Pintail bag limit to remain at one
- Adjust sandhill crane permits based on changes in allocation
- Hybrid public meeting will be held in March

Sandhill Crane Permits

- Greater sandhill crane harvest allotment increased for 2022–23 based on population surveys and crane management plan
- 2022-23 allocation: 988, 2023-24 allocation: TBD



Central Flyway

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



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Proposed 2023–24 Duck and Goose Seasons

Species	Zone	Open	Close
Ducks and Mergansers:			
	North Zone	Oct. 7	Jan. 10
	South Zone	Oct. 28	Jan. 31
Geese:			
Dark Geese	MRGV	Dec. 19	Jan. 31
	Rest of State	Oct. 17	Jan. 31
Light Geese		Oct. 17	Jan. 31

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Proposed 2023–24 Duck and Goose Seasons

Species Zone Open Close **Ducks and Mergansers:** North and South Zones Oct. 19 Jan. 31 North and South Scaup Zones Oct. 19 Jan. 12 All Geese: North 1 Sept. 23 Oct. 8 Nov. 2 North 2 Jan. 31 South Oct. 17 Jan. 31

Pacific Flyway

Includes falconry, and youth waterfowl days



Questions?



