

Proposals for Updating the Hunter Education Program

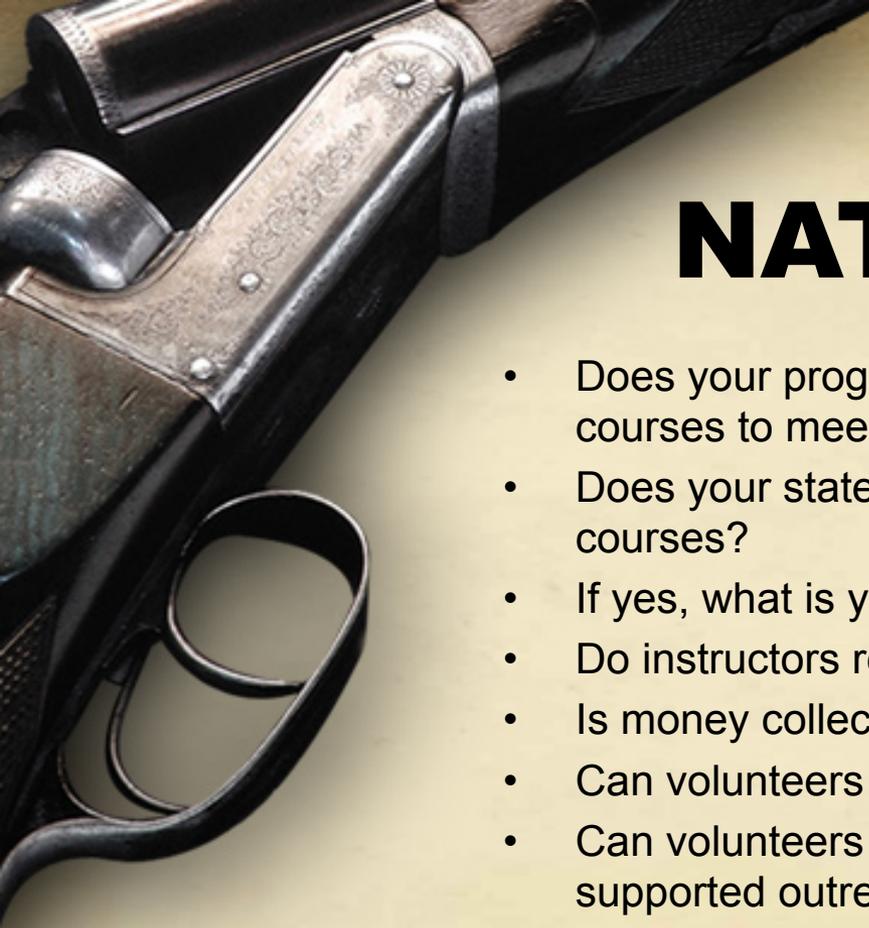


PROGRAM EVALUATION

KEY FOCUS AREAS:

- Enhance Volunteer Recruitment and Retention Efforts
 - Expand instructor training to university level, targeting Ag programs & county extension agents
 - Evaluate instructor incentives and potential for contract or paid course opportunities
 - Seek Public Education Department endorsement to reestablish in-school course opportunities
- Increase in Hunter Education Class Offerings
 - Potential for course fee to address convenience issues and reverse “no show” trends
 - Seek out opportunities for more mega classes
 - Continue development of online courses and field day courses
- Expand Partnerships to Reach Broader Audience
 - Continue efforts to include conservation organizations
 - Continue youth hunt camps and workshop opportunities





NATIONAL SURVEY

- Does your program contract or paid individuals to supplement HE courses to meet public demand?
- Does your state allow instructors to charge a fee to conduct courses?
- If yes, what is your standard fee?
- Do instructors retain the fee or any portion of the fee?
- Is money collected at registration or the day of the class?
- Can volunteers be reimbursed for expenses or collect per-diem?
- Can volunteers use agency vehicles to conduct Agency supported outreach functions?
- If so, what parameters are in place to allow them to do so?
- What has been the response from your existing volunteers?



RESPONSE TO DATE



- 22 states responded
- 50% charge for courses
- Fee range: \$5-\$10
- Focus on Large Metro Areas



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Armendaris Youth Upland Game Hunt Camp
Dec. 12-14 • Armendaris Ranch, San Antonio, NM



Partners Included:

- Turner Enterprises
- Wild Sheep Foundation
- NM Youth Conservation Foundation
- Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation



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Hunter Education Camp

April 17-19, 2015 • Philmont Scout Ranch, Cimarron NM

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