

Migratory Game Bird

19.31.6 NMAC

May 7, 2015

New Mexico State Game Commission Meeting
Farmington, NM



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Public meetings

- April 13 meeting: NMDGF office, Las Cruces
- May 6 meeting: National Guard Armory, Farmington.
- May 14 meeting: NMDGF office, Albuquerque.

21 Comments received as of 5/5/2015



Proposed Amendments

- 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 August.

Regulations Schedule

Month	Current	New
Sept-Oct		Flyway Tech and Council
Oct-Nov		USFWS SRC
Nov-Dec		Fed. Reg-proposed
Dec.		State Game Commission
March	Flyways; State Game Commission	Fed.Reg-final
May	State Game Commission	State Game Commission
June	USFWS SRC	
July-Aug	Flyways, USFWS SRC Fed.Reg-proposed	
Aug-Sept	State Game Commission Fed.Reg-final	



Proposed Amendments

- Bag/possession limit increase for sandhill cranes in the Estancia Valley.
- Require free permit for band-tailed pigeon harvest.
- Expect decrease in band-tailed pigeon bag limit (5 to 2) and season length (30 to 14 days).
- Move regular Central Flyway duck season dates into late January.



Proposed Amendments:

Suggested 2015-16 Duck, Coot and Goose Seasons Central Flyway

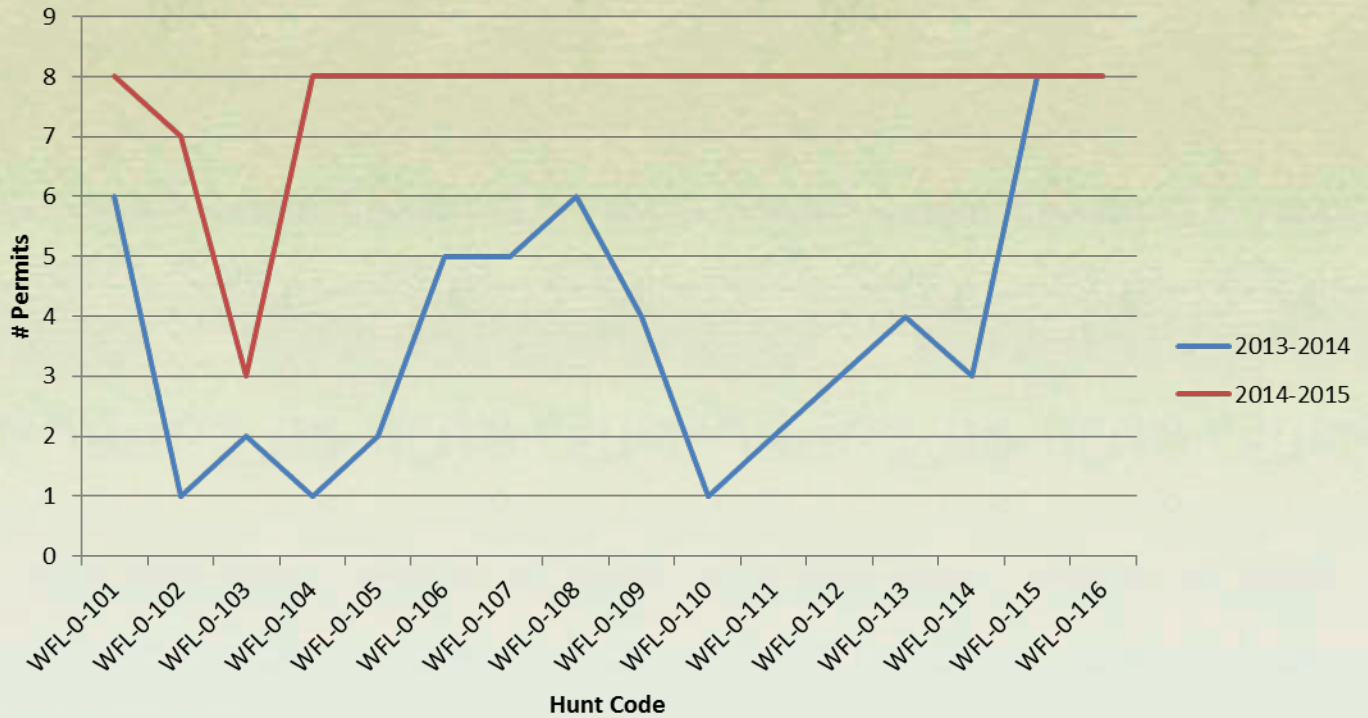
Based on 2014-15 frameworks; includes potential extended September teal and falconry

Species	Zone	Open	Close
Ducks and Mergansers:			
	North Zone	Oct. 27	Jan. 25
	South Zone	Oct. 27	Jan. 25
Coots		Same as for Ducks	
Geese:			
Dark Geese	MRGV	Oct. 11	Jan. 25
	Rest of State	Oct. 11	Jan. 25
Light Geese		Oct. 11	Jan. 25



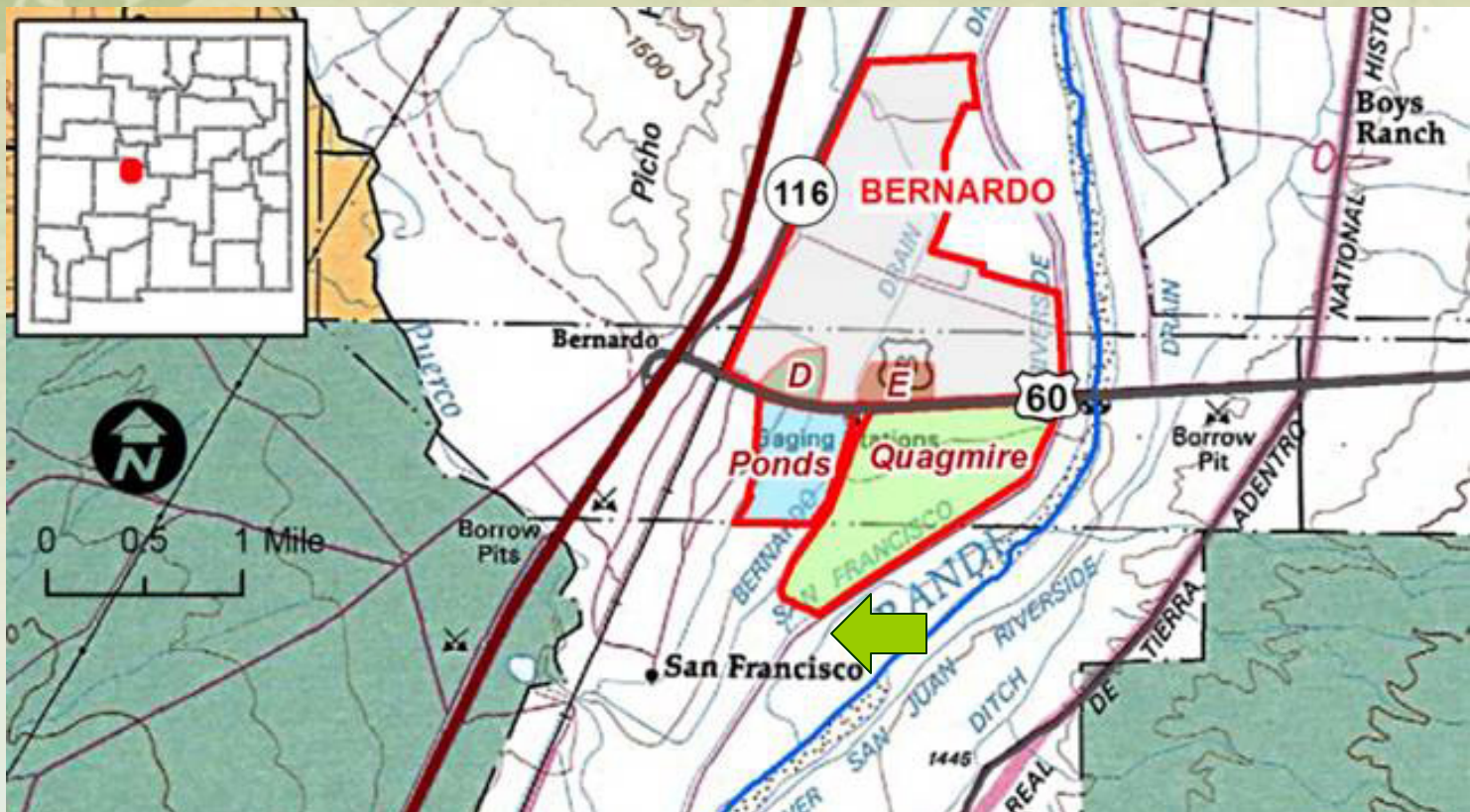
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