

Migratory Game Bird
19.31.6 NMAC

August 22, 2013

New Mexico State Game Commission Meeting
Grants, NM



**Amend:
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Species Amendments

- **Possession limits have increased from double to three times the bag limit for 2013-2014 season**
- **Cranes: decrease in bag limit to 2 birds**




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Species Amendments

Alternative Proposal: includes late season information from USFWS


- **Multiple changes to bag/possession limits and scaup season;**
- **Decrease in sandhill cranes bag limit to 2 birds per season.**



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**Bernardo and La Joya
Waterfowl Management
Areas**

- **Establish premium waterfowl hunts;**
- **Minimize hunter crowding and safety issues;**
- **Improve youth waterfowl hunting experience;**
- **Eliminate draw-up of salts north of Hwy 60;**
- **Alleviate road degradation caused by flooding north of Hwy 60.**

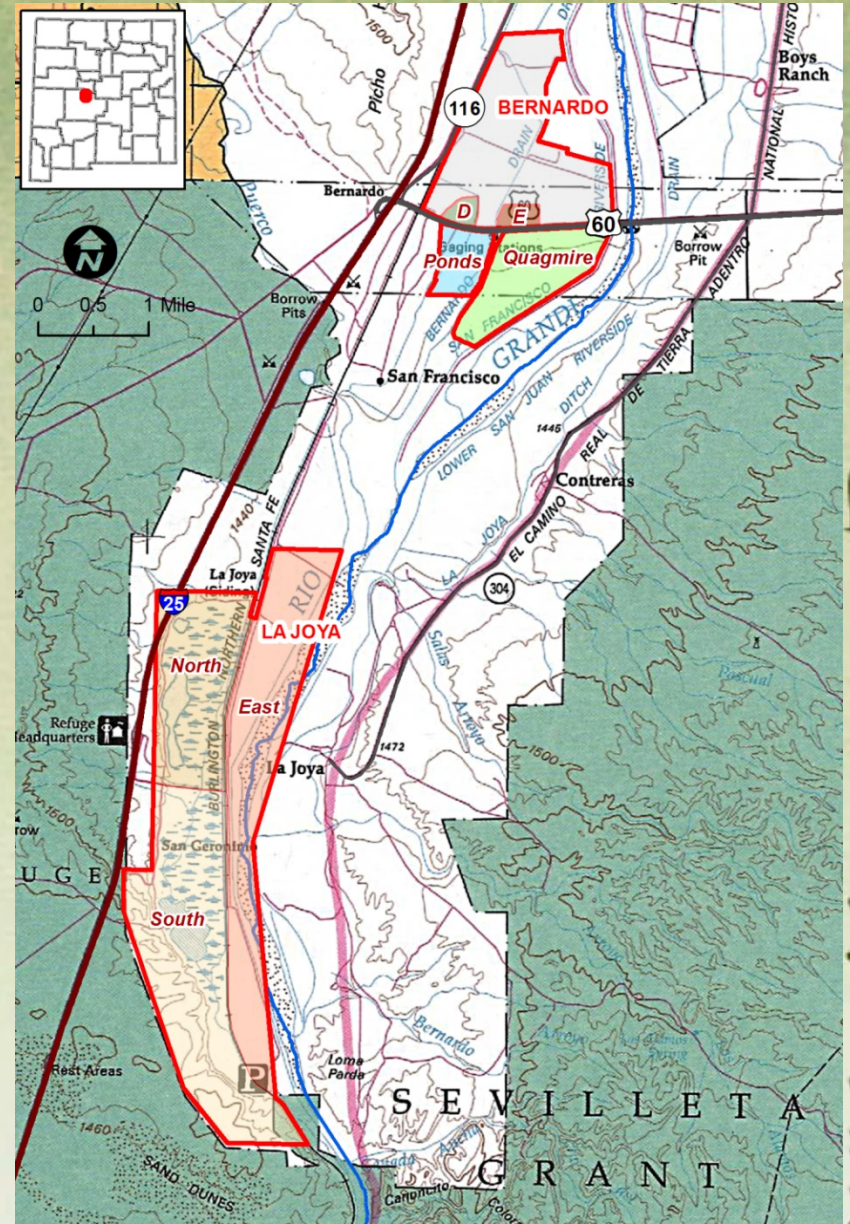
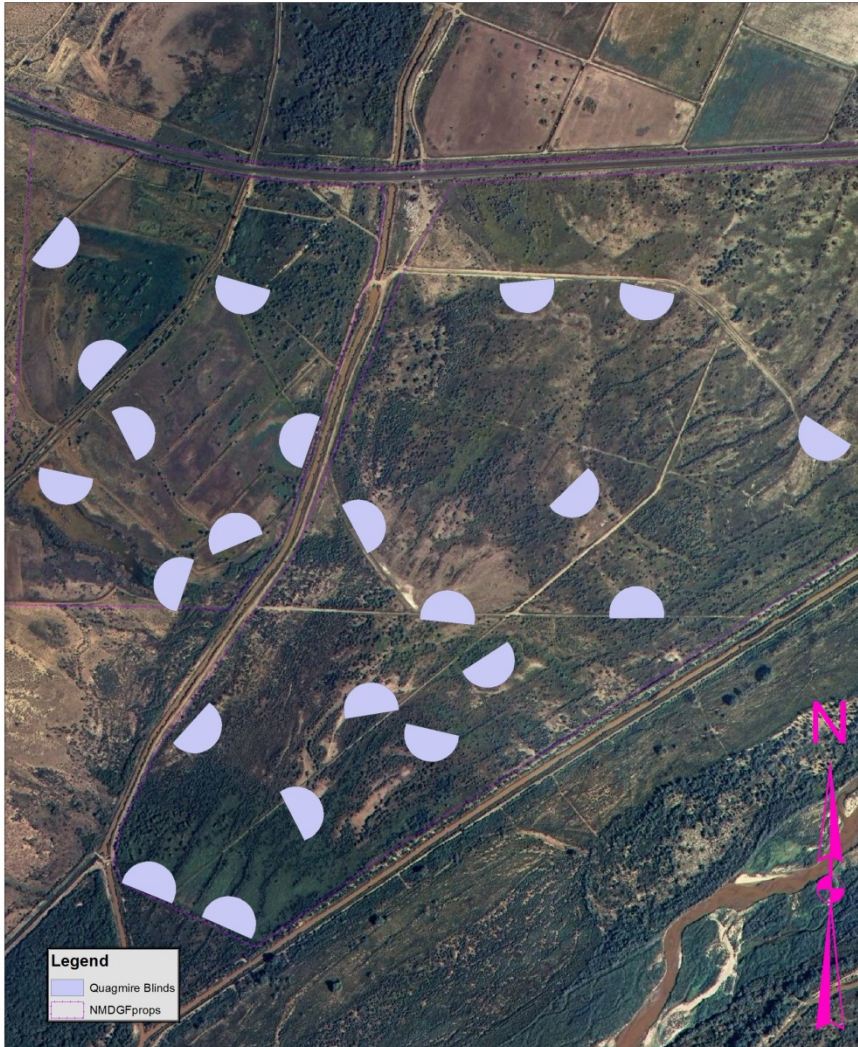


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**Bernardo Waterfowl
Management Area**


**Alternative Proposal: revisions based on
public comments**

- **Changes to youth waterfowl hunts;**
- **Eliminate prohibition on electronic motion decoys.**



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130 260 520 Meters



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Wildlife Management Division



Proposal

Move to accept the Department's proposal for the new Migratory Game Bird Rule 19.31.6 NMAC as presented.



Sandhill Cranes

Rocky Mountain Population (RMP)

	MRGV	SW	EV	TOTAL
No. permits available	234	115	65	414
No. permits sold	234	104	60	398
No. hunters	165	59	42	266
Harvest	217	114	68	399
No. not retrieved	46	8	5	59
Mean bag/hunter	1.3	1.9	1.6	1.5
Estimated <i>tabida</i> harvest	197	34	9	240