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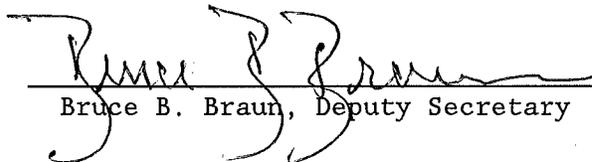
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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETINGS:

I, Bruce B. Braun, Deputy Secretary of the Department of Natural Resources and custodian of the official records of said Department, do hereby certify that the annexed copy of Natural Resources Board Order No. FR-16-92 was duly approved and adopted by this Department on April 23, 1992. I further certify that said copy has been compared by me with the original on file in this Department and that the same is a true copy thereof, and of the whole of such original.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have here-
unto set my hand and affixed the
official seal of the Department at
the Natural Resources Building in
the City of Madison, this 8th
day of June, 1992.


Bruce B. Braun, Deputy Secretary

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ORDER OF THE STATE OF WISCONSIN NATURAL RESOURCES BOARD
REPEALING, RENUMBERING, AMENDING AND REPEALING AND RECREATING RULES

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IN THE MATTER of repealing ss. NR 10.01(1)(g)i. and j., and 10.31(4) and (5); renumbering ss. NR 10.01(1)(g)k. to i.; amending s. NR 10.12(4); repealing and recreating ss. NR 10.125 and 10.31(3) (map) of the Wisconsin Administrative Code pertaining to the Canada goose hunting regulations. WM-3-92
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Analysis Prepared by Department of Natural Resources

Statutory authority: ss. 29.174(3) and 227.11(2)(a), Stats.

Statutes interpreted: ss. 29.085, 29.174(1) and (2), Stats.

The proposed rules:

1. Eliminate the Pine Island and Theresa zones and incorporate these areas into the Horicon Zone.
2. Establish permit issuance procedures and liberalized hunting authorizations if Wisconsin's federally-assigned harvest quota for Canada geese exceeds 160,000 and 210,000.
3. Increases the maximum number of hunters allowed per time period at Collins wildlife area.
4. Add Grand River and Eldorado wildlife areas to the list of properties where waterfowl hunting may be restricted to certain blind locations.

SECTION 1. NR 10.01(1)(g)1.i. and j. are repealed:

SECTION 2. NR 10.01(1)(g)1.k. is renumbered 10.01(1)(g)1.i.

SECTION 3. NR 10.12(4)(intro.) is amended to read:

NR 10.12(4) SPECIAL BLIND RESTRICTIONS. The department may restrict hunters to certain blind locations within the Collins, Eldorado, Grand River, Pine Island and Theresa state wildlife areas by posted notice. If posted, maps shall be provided by the department indicating where blind sites are located. The

following blind restrictions apply to goose hunting in the
Collins, Horicon and ~~Theresa~~ zones zone:

SECTION 4. NR 10.125 is repealed and recreated to read:

NR 10.125 Canada goose hunting. (1) PERMIT REQUIREMENTS.

(a) Permit possession required. No person may hunt Canada geese in any area of the state without having on his or her person a valid Canada goose hunting permit.

(b) Maximum allowable harvest. The total number of Canada goose permits and carcass tags issued by the department annually under this section and under s. NR 19.84 shall be based upon the maximum allowable harvest assigned by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The assigned harvest shall be distributed within established zones and by time periods based upon historical data on the distribution of geese within the state and hunter success rates.

(c) Validity. All permits are valid only in the zones and for the time periods specified on the permit during the open season established for Canada geese. The department shall use the following procedure when specifying the permit zones:

1. If the maximum allowable harvest is 160,000 birds or less, all permits shall be restricted to one zone .

2. If the maximum allowable harvest is between 160,000 and 210,000 birds, the department may:

a. Issue Horicon and Collins zone permits that are also valid for the exterior zone during a time period specified by the department.

b. Issue exterior zone permits that are also valid for the Horicon zone during a time period specified by the department.

c. Establish a permit processing deadline for exterior zone permits receiving the two zone authorization described under subpar. b.

3. If the maximum allowable harvest exceeds 210,000 birds, all permits shall be valid in any zone.

(d) Permit validation procedures. When a Canada goose is killed and before it is carried by hand or transported in any manner, the hunter shall validate the permit by slitting, tearing or punching holes in the permit in the manner indicated by the department. Failure to follow the validation procedure invalidates the permit and renders any goose in the person's possession illegal.

(2) APPLICATION AND ISSUANCE REQUIREMENTS (a) Forms.

Applications shall be on forms supplied by the department.

(b) Deadlines. 1. All applications for the Horicon and Collins zones and the early goose hunt subzone shall be postmarked no later than the deadline dates indicated on the forms or received by the department license section no later than 4:30 p.m. on that date to be considered for selection. The annual application deadlines may not be sooner than July 1.

Note: The department conducts extensive publicity on the application deadlines beginning several months prior to any deadline. Application deadline dates are published in news releases, license outlet handouts, and pertinent regulation

pamphlets. The license section address is 101 South Webster, Box 7924, Madison, WI 53707.

2. Exterior zone permit applications may be obtained by mail or in person at department district and area offices during normal office hours throughout the open season.

Note: Normal office hours are 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

(c) Application limitations. 1. No person may submit more than one application per year except that:

a. Persons who submitted an invalid permit application for the Collins or Horicon zones may reapply, provided the goose season is open, for an Exterior zone permit.

b. Persons applying for an early goose hunt subzone permit may also apply for a Collins, Horicon, or Exterior zone permit.

2. Group applications. If 2 or more persons wish to hunt together in the Collins or Horicon zones, each shall fill out an application form and submit them together in one envelope clearly marked "group application" on the outside. A group application shall be considered one application.

(d) Selection preference. When applications exceed the number of permits available, successful applicants shall be randomly selected with first preference given to persons who unsuccessfully applied for a permit during the previous year.

(e) Undersubscribed zones. If the number of permit applications is less than the number of permits available for any time period, the department may issue the remaining permits to successful applicants by random selection.

(f). Permit limits. The department may not issue more than 425 permits for any time period for the Collins zone.

(3) SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS. Unless otherwise directed by the department, the following requirements apply to the Horicon and Collins zones:

(a) Tagging. When a Canada goose is killed within Horicon and Collins zones, the hunter shall:

1. completely attach and seal the permit, utilizing its own adhesive, to the neck of the goose before it is carried by hand or transported in any manner.

2. Keep the permit attached to the goose until the meat has been processed for cold storage or human consumption.

(b). Possession. No person may possess or transport a dead wild Canada goose unless it is tagged with a validated permit.

(c) Transportation restrictions. The hunter shall transport any tagged goose in a motor vehicle so that the permit attached to the goose cannot be handled or manipulated by any occupant of the vehicle.

(4) REPORTS. (a) Harvest reports. 1. The department may require each successful applicant to complete and submit a harvest report on forms supplied by the department within 48 hours of harvesting a goose.

2. Each Early goose hunt subzone permittee shall complete and submit a department harvest report form to the department within 48 hours of the close of the season.

Note: The Canada goose harvest reports are used to calculate total harvest estimates in those zones where hunter participation is unlimited.

(b) Season reports. The department may require any permit holder to provide the department a goose hunting report. The selected hunter shall be required to complete the report and mail it within 48 hours of receipt.

Note: The hunting report forms will be mailed to certain hunters only.

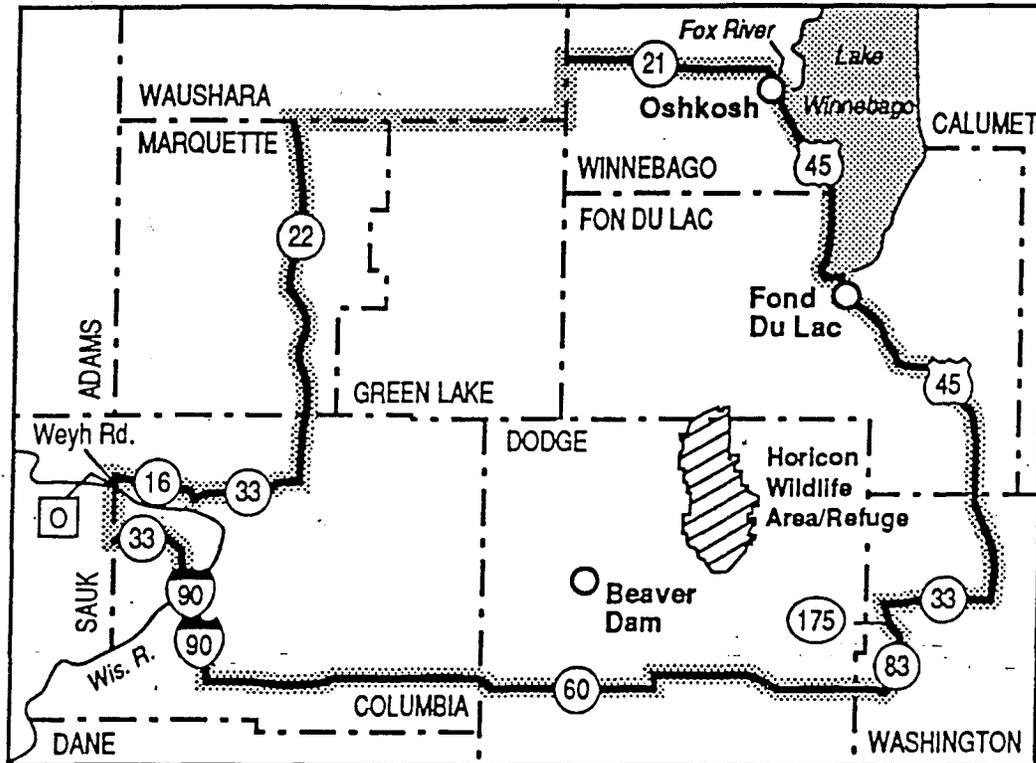
(5) BAG AND POSSESSION LIMITS. (a) Bag limit. The aggregate daily bag limit for persons hunting in both the exterior zone and a subzone within the exterior zone in the same day is equal to the larger of the respective daily bag limits established in s. NR 10.01(1)(g).

(b) Daily possession limit. No person may possess or transport more than the daily bag limit or aggregate daily limit, whichever applies, of migratory game birds, tagged or not tagged, at or between the place where taken and either the person's permanent abode or temporary or transient place of lodging; or a commercial preservation facility.

(6) SEASON CLOSURE. The secretary of the department may close a portion or all of any Canada goose season established in NR 10.01(1)(g) upon a finding by the department that the harvest for that season will exceed the level authorized by U.S. fish and wildlife service. Closure shall become effective upon issuance of an order and publication in the official state newspaper.

SECTION 4. NR 10.31(3) (map) is repealed and recreated to read.

HORICON ZONE



SECTION 5. NR 10.31(4) and (5) are repealed.

The foregoing rules are approved and adopted by the Natural Resources Board on March 26, 1992, 1991.

The rules shall take effect on the first day of the month following publication in the Wisconsin administrative register as provided in s. 227.22(2)(intro.), Stats.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin

June 8, 1992

STATE OF WISCONSIN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

By

Carroll D. Besadny
Carroll D. Besadny, Secretary

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