

Migratory Game Bird

19.31.6 NMAC


May 15, 2014

**New Mexico State Game Commission Meeting
Albuquerque, NM**



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Public Comment**

- **14 public comments as of May 11, 2014**
- **4 suggestions to adjust seasons**
- **3 suggestions for new hunts**



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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
- Final frameworks published in Federal Register in August



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Proposed Amendments

- Sandhill crane allocation decrease from 248 last season to 217 for the upcoming season. Propose reduction in MRGV and SW hunt permits.
- Add authorization to cancel one or more hunts if the harvest is expected to exceed our federal allocation of greater sandhill cranes.



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season dates	hunt code	hunt location	no. of permits
October 26-27	SCR-0-101	MRGV	70
October 26- November 3	SCR-0-102	EV	65
November 16-17	SCR-0-103	MRGV	50
November 30-December 1	SCR-0-104	MRGV	45 <u>40</u>
October 26-November 3	SCR-0-105	SW	70 <u>60</u>
January 11-12, 2014	SCR-0-106	MRGV	45 <u>40</u>
January 4-5, 2014	SCR-0-107	SW	45
November 9	SCR-0-109	MRGV youth	24



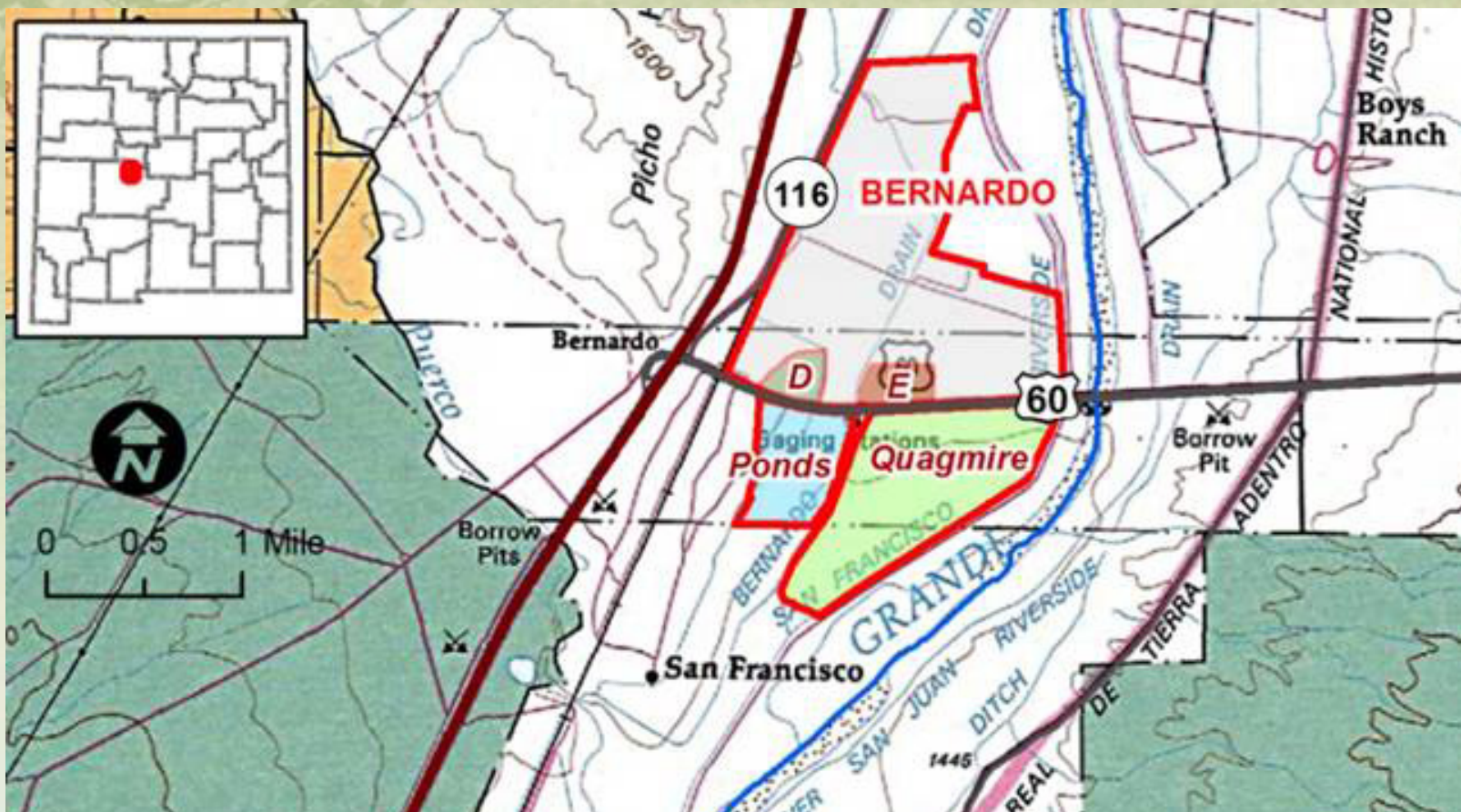
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- Adjust dove season in the south zone to allow for hunting on fall public school break.
- Adjust snipe season to allow for hunting after duck season ends.
- Add “ADJUSTMENT OF LICENSES, PERMITS, AUTHORIZATIONS, AND HARVEST LIMITS.



Questions?

Bernardo Wildlife Management Area





Migratory Game Bird Regulation Setting Timeline

- March:** Flyway Technical Committee and Council meetings; State Game Commission meeting
- May:** State Game Commission meeting
- June:** USFWS Service Regulations Committee (SRC) meeting
- July:** Flyway and SRC meetings
- August:** final early/late season frameworks; State Game Commission meeting