

## Peer Review of Scientific Information Checklist

1. Title: Temporal patterns of legband retention in North American geese.
2. Description: This manuscript estimates retention probabilities of aluminum leg bands used for reward band studies of North American geese. We assess the influence of band type (reward versus standard), band age, goose size class, and goose species on band retention probabilities.
3. Estimated dissemination date of the final version of the document: January 2008.
4. Kind of peer review that will be conducted: Scientific and policy review of USGS; individual letters from the reviewers selected by the editor of the scientific journal to which manuscript will be submitted.
5. Anticipated number of reviewers: 6 (2 scientific reviewers and a policy reviewer for USGS; 2 anonymous peer reviews and 1 review from editor)
6. Reviewer selection method: USGS peer reviewers will be selected by a research manager at Patuxent Wildlife Research Center; policy review will be conducted by the USGS Eastern Regional Office; other peer reviewers will be selected by the Journal of Wildlife Management
7. Primary disciplines or expertise needed in the review: Reviewers should have expertise in population biology, mark-recovery techniques, and waterfowl ecology.
8. Estimated start date of the peer review: May 15, 2007
9. Opportunities for the public to comment on the work product to be peer reviewed: Public comment will not be sought, but the public may comment via letters to the editor of the journal or to the corresponding author.
10. Indicated whether the public, including scientific or professional organizations, will be asked to nominate potential peer reviewers: The public, including scientific and professional organizations, will not be asked to nominate potential peer reviewers. The peer reviewers will be selected by Patuxent Wildlife Research Center and the editor of the Journal.
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