



2016 Canada Goose Hunt

Las Vegas

National Wildlife Refuge

Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge is one of more than 560 national wildlife refuges located throughout the United States. The primary objective of a national wildlife refuge is to provide habitat for the conservation of wildlife. Carefully managed hunts maintain wildlife populations at a level compatible with available habitat and provide recreational opportunities.

Regulations

Season

A hunter is assigned one hunt date.

Shooting Hours

½ hour before legal sunrise to 1 p.m.

Daily Bag Limit

Two Canada Geese

Hunt Dates

Tuesday, November 22
Tuesday, November 29
Friday, December 2
Tuesday, December 6
Friday, December 9
Tuesday, December 13
Friday, December 16
Tuesday, December 20

Public hunting for Canada geese will be allowed by permit on Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge in the goose hunt area.

Each person in the hunt area must have a valid refuge goose hunt permit in their possession.

Only Canada goose hunting is permitted. No other species of wildlife may be taken.

Only the portion of the refuge shown on the Goose Hunt Map is open to goose hunting. All other areas are closed to hunting. Shooting is only allowed from assigned blinds except when collecting wounded birds.

Each hunter may only possess six shells containing approved nontoxic shot while in the hunt area.

We allow the use of hunting dogs for bird retrieval. You must keep dogs on a leash when not hunting. We prohibit hunters and dogs from entering closed areas to retrieve birds.

Goose plucking, gutting or littering of any kind is prohibited on the refuge.

Hunters must submit all harvested geese to refuge personnel for collection of biological data.

The use or possession of alcoholic beverages or other intoxicants while hunting is prohibited.

All State of New Mexico, federal and refuge specific regulations apply. Hunters must have a federal duck stamp, State of New Mexico hunting license with a management and access validation and a Migratory Bird Permit Number.

For additional information on licensing and regulations refer to the New Mexico Small Game & Waterfowl Rules & Information booklet or <http://www.wildlife.state.nm.us>.

Permit Process

Hunters are selected and assigned pit blinds by public drawing. Fill out and return the attached application. Up to three hunters may apply and hunt together from the same blind by placing all three applications in the same envelope. Each hunter may apply only once. Duplicate applications will be voided. We may issue up to 18 permits for each hunt day. Each permit is valid for one day from 5:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Permits may not be transferred or dates changed.

Applications must be postmarked by October 13, 2016. Hunters who are successfully drawn on October 20th will be notified by letter with further instructions. **Hunters are required to pay a \$15.00 user to receive their permit.** Do not send the fee with the application. You may call after October 20th for confirmation.

The refuge provides each hunt group with a blind. Hunters are assigned one of six blinds on October 20th. The blinds are four foot deep pits with a moveable camouflage cover. Occasionally pop-up blinds are substituted for management reasons.

Decoys

At 5:30 a.m. the day of their hunt, hunters can borrow two dozen goose shell decoys per blind from refuge staff at the visitor center. Hunters are encouraged to bring their own decoys. All decoys and other gear must be carried in on foot and packed back out by the end of your hunt.

Public Access

At 5:30 a.m. refuge staff are at the visitor center to orient hunters and loan out decoys.

Access to the goose hunt area is by permit only.

The refuge manager may close all or part of the hunt area including parking areas without notice to safeguard refuge resources or for safety reasons.

The refuge headquarters is located 6 miles southeast of the city of Las Vegas on Highway 281, at mile marker 4.

Accessibility

Hunt blinds are located a ¼ to ½ mile walk from the parking areas. Hunters possessing a Handicapped Hunting License or Mobility Impaired Card that require a reasonable accommodation in order to participate in the hunt should contact the refuge manager prior to arrival.

For Additional Information:

505/425-3581

<http://www.fws.gov/southwest/refuges/newmex/lasvegas/index.html>

Send Applications to:

Las Vegas NWR
Rt. 1, Box 399
Las Vegas, NM 87701

**U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
National Wildlife Refuge System**

Canada Goose Hunt Application

OMB Control Number
1018-0140
Expires 05/31/2018

Follow instructions in the refuge hunt publication; all fields may not be required.
Read and comply with all refuge regulations, including application deadlines.

1. Name of Refuge 2. Date of application

3. Legal Name Area Code/Phone No.

Mailing Address

City, State, ZIP e-mail

4. Method

5. Hunt Date Choice

1st Choice	<input type="text"/>	6. Hunt Location Choices 1st Choice	<input type="text"/>
2nd Choice	<input type="text"/>	2nd Choice	<input type="text"/>
3rd Choice	<input type="text"/>	3rd Choice	<input type="text"/>
4th Choice	<input type="text"/>	4th Choice	<input type="text"/>
5th Choice	<input type="text"/>	5th Choice	<input type="text"/>

7. Special Hunt 7A. Youth Hunt Only: Age at time of hunt

PRINT FORM

8. I have read and understand the refuge hunt regulations and agree to abide by the regulations governing hunting on the refuge.

Hunter signature

Print Guardian name and signature here (required for hunters less than 18 years of age)

For Office Use only:

Payment Exempt/No fee Payment required

Payment Type: Amount:

Personal Check Cashiers Check

Money Order Other

Date Received

Notes

Notice

In accordance with the Privacy Act (5 U.S.C. 552a) and the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501), please note the following information:

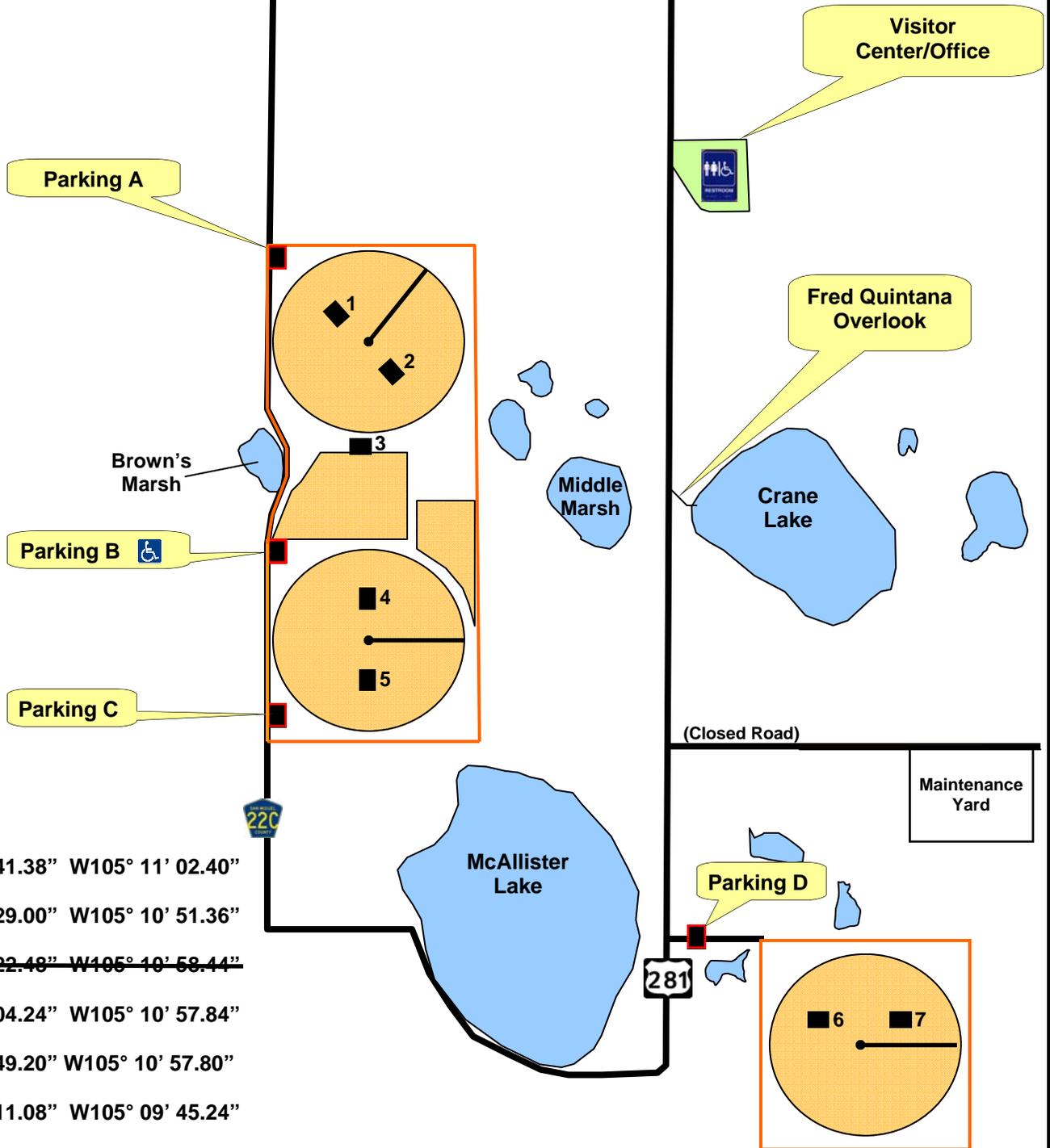
- The issuance of a permit and collection of fees on lands of the National Wildlife Refuge System is authorized by the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act (16 U.S.C. 668dd-ee) as amended, and the Refuge Recreation Act (16 U.S.C. 460k-460k-4).
- The information that you provide is voluntary; however submission of requested information is required to evaluate the qualifications, determine eligibility, and document permit applicants under the above Acts. It is our policy not to use your name or email for any other purpose. The information is maintained in accordance with the Privacy Act. All information you provide will be considered in reviewing this application. False, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or representations made in the application may be grounds for revocation of the permit and may be punishable by fine or imprisonment (18 U.S.C. 1001). Failure to provide all required information is sufficient cause for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to deny a permit.
- We estimate the public reporting burden on the applicant for information collection to be 30 minutes. This burden estimate includes time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data and completing and reviewing the form. You may direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of the form to the Service Information Clearance Officer, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Mail Stop BPHC, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington D.C. 20240.
- Routine use disclosures may be made: (a) to the U.S. Department of Justice when related to litigation or anticipated litigation; (b) of information indicating a violation or potential violation of a statute, rule, order, or license to appropriate Federal, State, local or foreign agencies responsible for investigating or prosecuting the violation or for enforcing or implementing the statute, rule, regulations, order, or license; (c) from the record of the individual in response to an inquiry from a Congressional office made at the request of the individual (42 FR 19083; April 11, 1977); and (d) to provide addresses obtained from the Internal Revenue Service to debt collection agencies for purposes of locating a debtor to collect or compromise a Federal Claim against the debtor, or to consumer reporting agencies to prepare a commercial credit report for use by the Department (48 FR 54716; December 6, 1983).
- An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. This information collection has been approved by OMB and assigned control number 1018-0140.

Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge Goose Hunt Map



Legend

-  Goose Hunt Area
-  Farm Fields
-  Lake/Pond
-  Roads
-  Pits



- Pit # 1 N35° 32' 41.38" W105° 11' 02.40"
- Pit # 2 N35° 32' 29.00" W105° 10' 51.36"
- ~~Pit # 3 N35° 32' 22.48" W105° 10' 58.44"~~
- Pit # 4 N35° 32' 04.24" W105° 10' 57.84"
- Pit # 5 N35° 31' 49.20" W105° 10' 57.80"
- Pit # 6 N35° 31' 11.08" W105° 09' 45.24"
- Pit # 7 N35° 31' 11.50" W105° 09' 32.02"