

Proposed Expanded Hunt Area for Tundra Swan

Purpose: To provide a better opportunity to hunt tundra swan within Nevada by expanding the area open to swan hunting (within the federal framework). An expanded hunt area would reduce hunter confusion regarding current hunt boundaries and maximize opportunity by making populations of swans using smaller waters across the state also available to sportsmen.

Proposed area: Expansion of the current tundra swan hunt area to include all portions of the state of Nevada EXCEPT SWAN HUNTING WILL BE CLOSED IN ELKO AND WHITE PINE COUNTIES.

Restrictions: No additional restrictions from federal framework as long as current restrictions are maintained (no more than 650 permits, no more than 5 trumpeter swans harvested, season ends Saturday following January 1st). A hunt must not jeopardize the trumpeter swan population in Ruby Valley.

Process: The Department made notice of intent at the Pacific Flyway meetings in December.

What we are seeking today: Recommendation from the Commission to either cease or proceed with the Pacific Flyway to make changes. This item will still need to receive appropriate Flyway approval before it can be implemented.