

## 2011-13 Upland Game and Turkey Recommendation Highlights

### General Recommendations:

- Combine upland game and turkey guidebooks into one three-year guidebook beginning fall 2011 (upland game) and spring 2012 (turkey).
- Offer a one day youth hunt for chukar and Hungarian partridge on the Saturday prior to the general season opener (9/17/2011). Offer a one day youth hunt for quail and pheasant on the Saturday closest to the 13<sup>th</sup> of October (10/15/2011). Adults accompanying the youth hunter may possess a firearm but are not allowed to hunt the species designated for the youth hunt.
- Increase possession limit to 3 X daily bag limit for chukar, Hungarian partridge, forest grouse, quail, pheasant, cottontail, snowshoe hare and ptarmigan.
- Offer a statewide hunt for quail and ptarmigan with extended seasons.
- Set the bottom end of the shot size requirement for turkey hunting to number 8.
- State Waterfowl Management Areas are closed to turkey hunting except for Brown's Park and Stewart Lake which are designated open. National Wildlife Refuges and State Parks are also closed to turkey hunting unless otherwise designated open by the managing agency.
- Use Board approved methodology to generate permit numbers for sage grouse and sharp-tailed grouse. This will occur after the Wildlife Board meeting but before the Upland Game and Turkey Guidebook is printed.
- Offer liberal hunting seasons and bag limits within federal framework for morning dove, band-tailed pigeon and sandhill crane. Use the Pacific Flyway state by state harvest allocation to generate permit numbers for sandhill crane.

### Species Recommendations:

Chukar: Area: Statewide  
Youth hunt: Second to last Saturday in September (9/17/2011)  
General hunt: Last Saturday in September (9/24/2011) to February 15, 2012 (fixed closure date)  
Bag limit: 5  
Possession limit 15

Hungarian Partridge: Area: Statewide  
Youth hunt: Second to last Saturday in September (9/17/2011)  
General hunt: Last Saturday in September (9/24/2011) to February 15, 2012 (fixed closure date)  
Bag limit: 5  
Possession limit: 15

Pheasant: Area: Statewide and Extended  
Youth hunt: Saturday closest to the 13<sup>th</sup> of October (10/15/2011)  
General hunt: November 5 to 20, 2011  
Extended hunt (same counties as last year): Nov 5 to Dec 4, 2011  
Bag limit: 2  
Possession limit: 6

California  
& Gambel's

Quail: Area: Statewide  
Youth hunt: Saturday closest to the 13<sup>th</sup> of October (10/15/2011)  
General hunt: November 5 to December 31, 2011  
Bag limit: 5  
Possession limit: 15

Scaled Quail: CLOSED STATEWIDE

Cottontail: Area: Statewide  
General hunt: September 1 (fixed date, excluding Sunday) to last day in  
February (fixed date)  
Bag limit: 10  
Possession limit: 30

Snowshoe  
Hare: Area: Statewide  
General hunt: September 1 (fixed date, excluding Sunday) to March 15  
(fixed date)  
Bag limit: 5  
Possession limit: 15

Forest  
Grouse: Area: Statewide  
General hunt: September 1 (fixed date, excluding Sunday) to December  
31 (fixed date)  
Bag limit: 4  
Possession limit: 12

Turkey: Area: LE Region  
OTC Statewide  
LE hunt: 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday to last Thursday in April  
OTC Youth hunt: Last Friday in April through weekend  
OTC hunt: Monday following youth hunt to May 31  
Bag limit: 1  
Possession limit: 1

Regions and Permits (LE turkey hunt)

CR	500
NER	250
NR	400
SER	250
SR	1100

Sharp-tailed

Grouse: Requires special permit obtained in a drawing  
Area: Cache and Northeast Box Elder Co.  
Permit only hunt: September 24 to October 16, 2011

Sage

Grouse: Requires special permit obtained in a drawing  
Area: Rich and West Box Elder Co., Parker Mtn. and Diamond/Blue Mtn.  
Permit only hunt: September 24 to October 16, 2011

White-tailed

Ptarmigan: Requires a free permit in addition to hunting license  
Area: Statewide  
Permit only hunt: August 27 to October 31, 2011 (fixed closure date)  
Bag limit: 4  
Possession limit: 12

Mourning & White-winged

Dove: Area: Statewide  
General hunt: September 1 to September 30, 2011  
Bag limit: 10  
Possession limit: 20

Eurasian Collard-

Dove: Area: Statewide, year round, no limit or license required. Plucked Eurasian collared doves count in bag limit during mourning and white-winged dove season.

Inca & Ground

Dove: CLOSED STATEWIDE

Band-tailed Pigeon:

Requires a free permit in addition to hunting license  
Area: Beaver, Garfield, Grand, Iron, Kane, Millard, Piute, San Juan, Sanpete, Sevier, Utah, Washington and Wayne counties.  
Permit only hunt: September 1 to September 30, 2011  
Bag limit: 5  
Possession limit: 10

Sandhill Crane:

Requires special permit obtained in a drawing  
Area: Rich, Cache, East Box Elder and Uintah counties

Area	Permits	Season	Bag/Possession
Rich County	27	Sept. 3 – 11	1/1
E Box Elder Co	36	Sept. 3 – 11	1/1
Cache Co (part)	41	Sept. 3 – 11	1/1
Uintah County	138	Sept. 24 – Oct. 2	1/1

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