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Greetings,

Enclosed are the seasons and regulations for migratory doves and waterfowl that we are proposing for the Colorado River Indian Reservation for the 2008 hunting season (including winter 2009 for waterfowl). If you have any questions, please contact our wildlife manager, Charles Land, at (928) 669-9285.

Thank you,

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**Colorado River Indian Tribes
Fish and Game Department
2008 HUNTING REGULATIONS**

General Provisions:

Prohibited species: Birds not listed in this regulation are NOT to be hunted. There are no established seasons for these birds on the Colorado River Indian Reservation and the take, possession or transportation of non-game birds is strictly prohibited. This prohibition includes Sandhill Cranes.

Transport Forms: The transporting individual may complete a Declaration of Lawful Taking Form included in this brochure. Copies of declarations are accepted via fax, mail and by hand delivery. Game check stations are voluntary stops for hunters. Your cooperation provides valuable information for monitoring the hunt.

Licensing: A valid Colorado River Indian Reservation hunting permit is required for any bird hunting and a Federal Migratory Bird Stamp is required to take and possess waterfowl. Federal regulations apply in all cases for migratory birds. Shot restrictions apply for waterfowl, limiting hunters to non-lead, federally approved shot such as steel, bismuth alloys and tungsten alloys. Use of bird dogs is allowed so long as dogs perform in such a way as to not interfere with other hunters or reservation livestock.

Retrieval and Tagging: All downed birds shall be retrieved and retained in the custody of the hunter in the field. Crippled birds must be killed immediately. Any bird given or left with another person MUST be tagged showing the name, address, number and species of birds, and date they were taken.

Watercraft Restrictions: Watercraft used in hunting can only be under power while retrieving birds. At all other times all propulsion motors/engines must be out of the water and sails must be furled. Weapons must be unloaded while boats are under power.

CHAPTER 4. Section 1-404. Firearms; Prohibitions.

The following weapons, ammunition, devices and materials may not be used for the taking of wildlife, nor may they be possessed in the field while hunting :

- (1) Fully automatic firearms, including firearms capable of selective automatic fire.
- (2) Tracer and armor piercing ammunition, and full jacketed bullets other than those designed for hunting.
- (3) Semiautomatic, bolt action and lever action rifles with a magazine capacity of more than five (5) center fire cartridges.
- (4) Shotguns with a capacity of more than three (3) shells and shotguns exceeding ten (10) gauge.
- (5) Poisoned arrows or arrows with explosive tips. (6) Cross bows.
- (7) Pitfalls, explosives, poisons or stupefying substances. Jack light or any other type of artificial light except when used for the talking of bullfrogs.
- (9) Weapons banned by federal law.
- (10) All muzzle loading rifles of a caliber exceeding .58 and all center fire rifles of a caliber exceeding .30.
- (11) Hand guns may be used for the hunting of wildlife only upon obtaining prior written permission of the Tribal Council. In no event shall a hand gun used for the hunting of wildlife have a barrel shorter than four (4) inches in length.

As Amended February 11, 1984, Ord. No. 84-3, ¶ 4.]

Section 1-405. Firearm Safety Course.

No person under eighteen (18) years of age shall hunt wildlife within the Reservation without possessing evidence of having satisfactorily completed a firearms safety course approved by the Department.

Section 1-406. Transportation of birds.

The carcasses of birds possessed or being transported shall have one full feathered wing attached so that species and number can be determined. This Section shall not apply after the possessor or transported has reached his permanent abode.

Section 1-407. Duty to Report Shooting Accidents.

Any person who, while hunting, witnesses or is involved in a shooting incident resulting in injury to another person shall immediately report such incident to a game warden or to the Tribal Police Department. Such person shall assist such officer or game warden as requested. Thereafter, such person shall immediately file a full and complete report of the incident with the Department and the Tribal Police Department. Such report shall include the name, address, and license or permit number of the person making the report, and of others involved in the incident, if known.

CHAPTER 5. UNLAWFUL ACTS; PENALTIES; SEIZURE

Section 1-501. Unlawful Acts.

It is unlawful for any person to:

- (1) Take, possess, transport, or offer for sale wildlife, except as permitted by this Article and implementing regulations.
- (2) Destroy, injure or molest livestock, growing crops, personal property, notices or signs or other property while hunting, trapping or fishing.
- (3) ***Discharge a firearm within one-fourth (1/4) mile of a house, other residence, or building without the written permission of the owner or resident of said structure.***
- (4) Take wildlife and willfully permit the edible portions thereof to spoil or otherwise go to waste.
- (5) Take game other than birds with the aid of dogs.
- (6) Obtain or attempt to obtain a license or permit after a license or permit for the same purpose and for the period has been revoked.
- (7) ***Litter a hunting or fishing area.***
- (8) Possess while hunting, any device designed to silence, muffle, or minimize the report of a firearm.
- (9) Obtain by fraud or misrepresentation a license or permit.
- (10) ***Discharge a firearm or other device from a vehicle including, but not limited to an automobile, aircraft, train or boat, except as expressly authorized in writing by the Department, or discharge a firearm or other device from, upon, across or onto a roadway or any other right-of-way maintained for public use.***
- (11) ***Take wildlife, or handle or discharge any firearm, with wanton disregard for the safety of human life or property, in a careless or reckless manner, or while intoxicated.***
- (12) ***Hunt or take any wildlife other than during the prescribed season or in excess of the prescribed bag limit.***
- (13) ***Hunt, trap or fish for wildlife, or attempt to do so, without a valid license or permit.***
- (14) Fail or refuse to exhibit a license or permit on demand of any game warden or other representative of the Department, or of any law enforcement official of the Tribes or any other duly authorized official of the Tribes or the United States.
- (15) Fail to report a shooting incident as required by Section 1407.

**COLORADO RIVER INDIAN TRIBES
FISH AND GAME DEPARTMENT
PROPOSED MIGRATORY BIRD HUNTING REGULATIONS
2008-2009**

Doves:

Seasons: 9-1-2008 to 9-15-2008. (White Winged Doves and Mourning Doves) Morning hunt only. (1/2 hour before sunrise to noon.)

Take/Possession Limit: (White Winged Doves and Mourning Doves) 10 per day in the aggregate of white-winged doves and mourning doves and have 2 day take (20) in possession after first day of season.

Second Season: 11-15-2008 to 12-29-2008 Full day hunt.

Take/Possession Limit: (Mourning Doves) Mourning doves 10 per day and have 2 day take (20) in possession after first day of season.

Waterfowl:

Ducks: (1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset.)

(Includes ducks, mergansers, coots, and moorhens)

Season: 10-11-2008 to 1-25-2009. Full day hunt.

Take/Possession Limit: (all except coots and moorhens) 7/day and have 2 day take (14) after first day of season within the following combination restrictions: redheads: take 2, possess 4; mallard hens take 2, possess 4; Mexican ducks take 2, possess 4; goldeneyes take 2, possess 4; cinnamon teal take 2, possess 4, scaup take 3, possess 6, pintails take 1, possess 2. (Coots and moorhens) 25/day total in any combination.

Canvasbacks:

Season: Closed.

Geese: (1/2 hour before sunrise to sunset.)

Season: 10-18-2008 to 1-25-2009. Full day hunt.

Take/Possession Limit: Three (3) white geese (snow, including blue and Ross' geese) per day. 6 in possession after opening day. Three (3) dark geese (Canada and white-fronted) per day. 6 in possession after opening day.