THE LOOP

Maintain waterfowl populations in North America to sustain “the loop”

Provide landscapes capable of sustaining populations to maintain “the loop”

Minimize loss and degradation of waterfowl habitat

Provide quality waterfowl habitat

Societal support

Hunter Participation

Hunter Identity

Capacity for hunting

Maintain a waterfowl hunting tradition to maintain the “loop”

Appropriate regulations

Appropriate distribution of habitat

Places to hunt

Vital Rates

Societal support

Appropriate distribution of waterfowl

Nonconsumptive use

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Overarching Goal

14. Maintain healthy populations of all waterfowl species as part of N. Am fauna

8. Perpetuate traditions of N. Am. waterfowling

5. Maintain landscapes capable of maintaining waterfowl pops in perpetuity

- Increase waterfowl hunter numbers
- Hunter satisfaction
- Maintain breeding, fall, and winter distributions
- Provide more public hunting opportunities
- Provide maximum hunting opportunity
- Increase breeding habitat
- Increase wintering habitat
- Increase migration habitat

Promote ecological goods and services
Promote nonconsumptive uses of waterfowl
Promote conservation ethic in the general public

Fundamental Objectives

Means Objectives
Maximize EG&S
  Increase Public support for conservation
    Promote non-consumptive use

Ensure Long-term viability
  Increase ecological understanding
  Maintain landscapes

Maintain landscapes
  Minimize loss and degradation
  Increase ecological understanding
  Minimize over abundant populations
  Manage habitat throughout annual life cycle

Increase ecological understanding

Minimize over-abundant species
  Maximize harvest and opportunity
Promote Conservation ethic w/ waterfowl

1. Pueblo Support
2. $ Cons.
3. Non-consumpt.
4. Understand
5. Loss hub.
6. Over Abundant
7. Max Harvest
8. Max Satisfaction
9. Public hunting
10. Public participation
11. Perpetuate waterfowl hunting

Sustain waterfowl pop's in perpetuity

Perpetuate waterfowl hunting

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Key: Measurable Attributes:
1. Supportive public policies and general funding for conservation
2. Population dynamics (BPQ, lambda)
3. Landscape condition (quantity & quality of wetlands & grassland)
4. Hunter demography (retention, recruitment)
5. Maintaining social acceptability of hunting

Note: Not 22 Max efficiency, etc.
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