



NBVC Environmental Operational Procedure WATERFOWL HUNTING ANNUAL INFORMATION

DATES AND TIMES

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- 1 **PURPOSE:** To summarize requirements for personnel hunting waterfowl at NBVC and establish the hunting periods for the 2026-2027 waterfowl season.
- 2 **APPLICATION:** This procedure is applicable to hunting waterfowl at the Point Mugu location of NBVC.
- 3 **PROCEDURES:** Submit hunting requirements to the Environmental Division, in Building 632 on the corner of Laguna Road and Ronald Reagan Blvd at Point Mugu. The office is open from 0700-1700 M-F or use the left drop box outside in back. The phone numbers are (805) 890-7245 (duty Waterfowl Committee member from Mid Oct-Feb) or (secondary) (805) 989-3808. The email address is NBVChunting@verizon.net. For the website, go to: <http://nbvchunting.my-personal.org/Home.htm>
- 4 **ATTACHMENTS:** The following Attachments form a part of these regulations:
 - (1) Waterfowl Hunting Schedule for 2026-27
 - (2) Waterfowl Committee Members (Not for Web Publication)
- 5 **SUMMARY OF REQUIREMENTS FOR HUNTING:**
 - a. All persons hunting waterfowl aboard Point Mugu must pass an annual written test to ensure they are familiar with NBVC hunting regulations and the State of California waterfowl hunting regulations. The test also includes a section on species identification. Test dates are scheduled for Tuesday, 06 Oct 2026 and Friday, 09 Oct 2026 at 1200 in the building 632 east end conference room. The test may also be downloaded from the NBVC Waterfowl Hunting Program website, taken at home, and the completed answer sheet returned to the Environmental Division or placed in the drop box on the back of Building 632.
 - b. A California hunting license with a free Harvest Information Survey completed and both state and federal duck stamps / endorsements are required to hunt waterfowl at Pt. Mugu. These must be presented to a waterfowl committee member, emailed, or a hard copy submitted to the Environmental Division.
 - c. All personnel hunting waterfowl aboard Pt. Mugu, guests included, shall fill out a DD Form 2760 and a Hunter and Shotgun Registration Form. They shall submit them to the Environmental Division. Failure to complete any of the forms will result in no blind assignment.
 - d. The yearly waterfowl hunting fee has been suspended this hunting season.
 - e. A Waterfowl Hunter's Access Card will be issued to each hunter after they have taken the test, completed a DD Form 2760, a shotgun registration form, and shown (or submitted a copy of) their state hunting license. A military affiliated identification must be presented in person the first time registering to establish eligibility for hunting. A base hunting area tour must also be conducted prior to hunting for the first time (Guests excluded). If requirements are finished after the season begins, expect up to a two-week delay to process the paperwork through security. The access card will not be stapled to your blind request since the access card must be presented to the gate guard upon entry.
 - f. All documentation/fees should be stapled or clipped together and submitted. Multiple packets can be submitted in one envelope, as long as each hunter's information is clipped together.
 - g. Hunting on base has been approved for Veterans with SERVICE-CONNECTED disabilities. They are considered a "priority 5" along with contractors who also only have a DBIS ID card registered on base. They will not be able to sponsor guest hunters.
- 6 **SHOOTING PERIODS AND TIMES:** Waterfowl hunting is permitted only on the days and times listed in Attachment 1.

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7 HUNTING AREAS: The following is a summary of important notes about the hunting areas.

- a. Blind 24 is still closed this season due to the proximity to Salt Marsh Birds Beak plants.
- b. ESA location “F” is back open again. It will close if the Las Posas gate becomes the 24/7 gate again
- c. A new fence will be installed in the hunting area possibly during this hunting season making access to some blinds limited and possibly cutting off some completely. In particular blinds 15, 15A, and 16 could be most affected.
- d. Blind 16 has bird spikes installed. These are hinged and may be folded down away from the inside the blind so they are out of the way during shooting. If they are folded down they **MUST** be pivoted back up prior to departure. Pictures are on the website.

8 BLIND ASSIGNMENTS:

- a. Blind assignment dates, which are out of the ordinary (not the Monday prior), due to holidays include:
 - (1) Wednesday, Oct 21, 2026 will be assignment day for opening weekend – October 24 & 25, 2026.
 - (2) Tuesday, Jan 19, 2027 will be assignment day, due to Monday MLK Holiday.

9 2026-27 CALIFORNIA WATERFOWL REGULATIONS SUMMARY:

- a. The regular season for most ducks and geese in the Southern California zone is from Saturday October 24, 2026 through Sunday, January 31, 2027 (except Scaup and Brant – see below). There will also be an active duty/veteran hunt the weekend of Sat/Sun Feb 6/7, 2027 (not for dependents unless also veterans). Guests OK if eligible but must have provided proof of previous military service. Additionally, there will be a youth hunt (age 17 or younger) Sat/Sun Feb 13/14, 2027 – the youth must be accompanied by a non-hunting adult who has completed all hunting requirements.
- b. Limits for ducks/geese in the Southern California zone – possession limit is three times the daily bag limit:

Ducks - Seven per day with the following limitations:

 - (1) Not more than seven mallards of which not more than two can be mallard hens.
 - (2) Not more than two redheads.
 - (3) Not more than three pintail.
 - (4) Not more than two canvasback.
 - (5) Not more than two scaup (From Nov 7, 2026 through Jan 31, 2027)

Brant – Two per day from Nov 30th – Dec 15th (Balance of State Brant)

Geese – Twenty-three per day including up to 20 white and only three may be dark geese.

10 ACTION: Persons hunting waterfowl aboard Point Mugu will comply with the provisions of the main Environmental Operational Procedure Document. Members of the Environmental Division and Waterfowl Committee, Attachment 2, will be posted in the waterfowl notebook. You may contact any of the listed personnel for additional information about hunting or to provide comments.

2026-2027 WATERFOWL HUNTING SCHEDULE

Shooting time begins 1/2 hour before sunrise and ends at sunset except Wednesdays, when it ends at 0700. **NO SHOOTING PAST 0700 WEDNESDAYS.** Start picking up promptly at 0700 Wednesdays to leave the blind area no later than 0730. The requirement for use of decoys in any blinds is waived (optional) on Wednesdays to expedite departure. No hunting in location 40 or 41 on Wednesdays.

Blinds 18, 39, 41, and 70-75 are closed after 10 AM on Saturday and Sunday unless you have checked out a radio from Air Ops and are in continual contact with the Pt Mugu control tower. In order to be assigned blind 18, 39, 41 and 70-75 the hunters must have a current email listed on your registration form and you must check it after Friday at 6PM for special weekend closure notices. In the event flight operations on the main runway 03/21 take place on the weekends before 10 AM, hunters will be notified by email and expected to vacate these blinds and take down any temporary blind materials. See main SOP/regulations for further details.

The adjacent duck clubs sound a siren on Wednesdays and Saturdays only to signal commencement of hunting. There is no siren at sunset to stop shooting.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>START</u>	<u>STOP</u>
24 Oct (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0639	1811
25 Oct (SUN)	All Blinds	0640	1810
28 Oct (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0642	0700
31 Oct (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0645	1804

DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS 2AM SUNDAY, 01 NOVEMBER 2026**NOV 2026**

01 Nov (SUN)	All Blinds	0546	1703
04 Nov (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0549	0700
07 Nov (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0551	1658
08 Nov (SUN)	All Blinds	0552	1657
11 Nov (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0555	0700
14 Nov (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0558	1653
15 Nov (SUN)	All Blinds	0559	1652
18 Nov (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0602	0700
21 Nov (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0605	1649
22 Nov (SUN)	All Blinds	0606	1649
25 Nov (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0608	0700
28 Nov (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0611	1647
29 Nov (SUN)	All Blinds	0612	1647

DEC 2026

02 Dec (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0615	0700
05 Dec (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0617 Likely Closed	1646
06 Dec (SUN)	All Blinds	0618 Likely Closed	1646
09 Dec (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0620	0700

12 Dec (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0622	1647
13 Dec (SUN)	All Blinds	0623	1647
16 Dec (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0625	0700
19 Dec (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0627	1650
20 Dec (SUN)	All Blinds	0627	1650
23 Dec (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0629	0700
26 Dec (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0630	1653
27 Dec (SUN)	All Blinds	0630	1654
30 Dec (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0631	0700

JAN 2027

02 Jan (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0632	1658
03 Jan (SUN)	All Blinds	0632	1659
06 Jan (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0632	0700
09 Jan (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0632	1704
10 Jan (SUN)	All Blinds	0632	1705
13 Jan (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0632	0700
16 Jan (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0631	1711
17 Jan (SUN)	All Blinds	0631	1712
20 Jan (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0630	0700
23 Jan (SAT)	All Blinds/ESA	0629	1717
24 Jan (SUN)	All Blinds	0628	1718
27 Jan (WED)	All Blinds (no 40's)	0626	0700
30 Jan (SAT)	All Blinds + ESA	0625	1724
31 Jan (SUN)	All Blinds	0624	1725

FEB 2027**ACTIVE & VETERAN ONLY HUNT WEEKEND****Guests must demonstrate proof of veteran status**

06 Feb (SAT)	All Blinds + ESA	0619	1731
07 Feb (SUN)	All Blinds	0618	1732

FEB 2027**YOUTH ONLY HUNT WEEKEND****Must be accompanied by non-hunting adult**

13 Feb (SAT)	All Blinds + ESA	0613	1738
14 Feb (SUN)	All Blinds	0612	1739