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#### **Late-Season Hunting Opportunities End Soon**

Late-season hunters still have time to get out in the field and enjoy North Dakota's deer, waterfowl, upland game, turkey, small game and furbearer opportunities.

The season for Canada geese closes Dec. 22, except for the [Missouri River Zone](#), which closes Dec. 30. The Missouri River Zone was created in 2008 to provide additional late season Canada goose hunting opportunities without reducing harvest in areas where crop depredation by Canada geese is a problem. Following the close of the regular Canada goose season, more than 95 percent of Canada geese in the state are within the Missouri River Zone, which has little Canada goose depredation within its boundaries.

Light goose hunting also closes statewide Dec. 30.

High plains duck hunting runs Dec. 10 through Jan. 1, 2012.

Archery deer, fall turkey, sharp-tailed and ruffed grouse, partridge, pheasant and tree squirrel hunting seasons continue through Jan. 8, 2012.

Bobcat, mink and weasel hunting and trapping are open through March 11, 2012. The mountain lion season in zone 2 is open through March 31, 2012.

Muskrat hunting and trapping close May 6, 2012, with trapping restrictions beginning March 12.

Fox, coyote, raccoon, badger and beaver hunting and trapping are open year-round.