

LUMMI NATION
REGULAR Off-Reservation Waterfowl/Migratory Game Birds
HUNTING REGULATION #2026-27
Hunting Year (HY) 09/01/2026 – 08/31/2027

Waterfowl

Subsistence: Duck, Geese, Scoters, Brant, Scaup

Ceremonial: Tundra Swan preferred

Closed Year Round: Harlequin ducks and Wood ducks for conservation purposes.

Other Migratory Game Birds

Band-tailed Pigeon, Mourning Dove, Eurasian Dove, American Coot, Snipe

Closed year round: Ravens and Dowitchers

No tags are required for hunting waterfowl and migratory game birds
As enforceable by Title 10.17.090, all persons participating in a harvest must have on their person a valid Tribal Identification card.

AREAS OPEN FOR WATERFOWL/MIGRATORY GAME BIRDS

AREAS OPEN Hunting under these regulations is allowed within the boundaries of Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Game Management Units (GMUs) listed in this section except on lands within those units which are: a) conspicuously posted “NO HUNTING”, or; b) within 1,000 feet of an occupied building or area, or; c) national, state, county, or municipal parks or national monuments, or; d) closed due to extreme fire danger. Hunting on small private lands is prohibited unless the hunter has prior written permission from the landowner granting access. Any violation of these conditions will be considered a violation of Title 10 Ordinance sections 10.17.140 and 10.06.080.

In accordance with Title 10.07.10, it is a violation for any person not a citizen of the Lummi Nation to hunt for wild animals within the exterior boundaries of the Lummi Reservation.

REGIONS 4&6 WATERFOWL

GMU - Name	Open	Closes	Allowed Harvest
Lummi Reservation*	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
407 - North Sound	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
418 - Nooksack	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
426 - Diablo	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
437 - Sauk	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex

448 - Stillaguamish	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
450 - Cascade	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
460 - Snoqualmie	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
454 - Issaquah	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
466 - Stampede	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
472 - White River	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
485 - Green River	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
490 - Cedar River	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
653 - White River	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex

*Until further notice the Lummi Reservation is open to all eligible Lummi tribal hunters for waterfowl hunting. All provisions of the Title 10 Lummi Code of Laws apply.

REGIONS 4&6 OTHER MIGRATORY BIRDS

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Lummi Reservation*	Year-Round	N/A	Either Sex
407 - North Sound	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
418 - Nooksack	09/01/2026	03/10/2027	Either Sex
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Aquacultural Dike/Seapond Closed: Due to the invasion of European green crab (EGC) in Lummi Bay since 2019, LNR has staff trapping and collecting data on this species in the Seapond. For the safety of our staff, we ask that all waterfowl hunting within the Seapond of the Aquacultural Dike be avoided.

TRANSPORTING WATERFOWL and MIGRATORY BIRDS

All migratory game birds other than doves and band-tailed pigeons must be transported with the head and at least one fully feathered wing still attached for the purposes of species identification.

HUNTERS UNDER AGE 18 Persons under the age of 12 may accompany a hunter but are not allowed to use a weapon of any kind. Persons 12 to 17 years of age must be accompanied by an adult 18 years or older while hunting. **All hunters under the age of 18 must provide proof of successful completion of an approved hunters / firearm safety course prior to waterfowl hunting.**

HUNTING HOURS Hunting is allowed only from thirty minutes before official sunrise until thirty minutes after official sunset daily. The official times are posted daily at <https://sunrise-sunset.org/us/bellingham-wa>

FIREARM PROHIBITIONS The following is a synopsis of the types of firearms prohibited under these regulations.

1. Fully automatic weapons.
 2. Firearms other than shotguns.
 3. Shotguns capable of holding more than three shells.
 4. Shotguns larger than 10 gauge.
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SAFETY REGULATIONS The following is a summary of safety regulations and requirements.

1. No loaded weapons in or on the vehicle.
 2. No shooting from vehicles except as allowed for disabled persons in Title 10.
 3. No hunting while under the influence of drugs or alcohol.
 4. No shooting along or across public roadways.
 5. Discharge of firearms intended as a hunting activity within 1,000 feet of any building frequented by humans is forbidden, except that a pistol may be used to dispatch a downed/injured animal.
 6. No hunting for, possessing, or controlling protected wildlife or endangered species.
 7. No use of aircraft to spot, locate, or report the location of wildlife.
 8. No use of a vehicle, aircraft, drone, or boat to pursue, or harass wild animals.
 9. No hunting wildlife from a boat propelled by a motor, unless the boat's motor is shut off and progress due to the motor has stopped.
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OTHER REGULATIONS The following is a list of additional harvest method regulations.

1. Hunters must make every reasonable effort to immediately dispatch any wounded birds.
 2. Hunting with the use or aid of live birds as decoys is prohibited.
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NON-TOXIC SHOT Nontoxic shot is required for waterfowl and migratory bird hunting to protect wildlife species from lead exposure, and avoid lead poisoning of other birds, other species, and their habitats. Lead poisoning impacts not just bird species but predator and scavenger species as well. Please protect game, non-game species, and the ecosystem by using non-lead bullets. Lead shot can also impact the game meat making it toxic to consume. Please protect our community by using non-lead bullets.

BANDED BIRDS Some waterfowl and migratory birds are banded for research and population monitoring purposes. If a harvested bird is banded, please report the band number to www.ReportBand.gov. The band may be retained by the hunter.

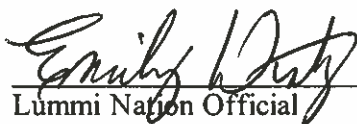
ASSISTANCE FORBIDDEN Pursuant to section 10.17.100, it is a violation of this regulation for any member of the Lummi Nation to be accompanied or assisted by any other person while hunting unless that person is also an enrolled member of a federally recognized treaty tribe with hunting rights in the hunting area and whose hunting rights in that tribe are in good standing.

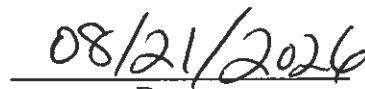
WASTAGE PROHIBITED Pursuant to section 10.17.180, it is unlawful for any citizen of the Lummi Nation, or other member of a federally-recognized tribe, who kills or otherwise possesses any game or predator animal covered under the Lummi Nation's hunting regulations to leave any portion of the meat, or other part of the animal customarily retained for use, in the field or otherwise allow wastage or spoilage thereof.

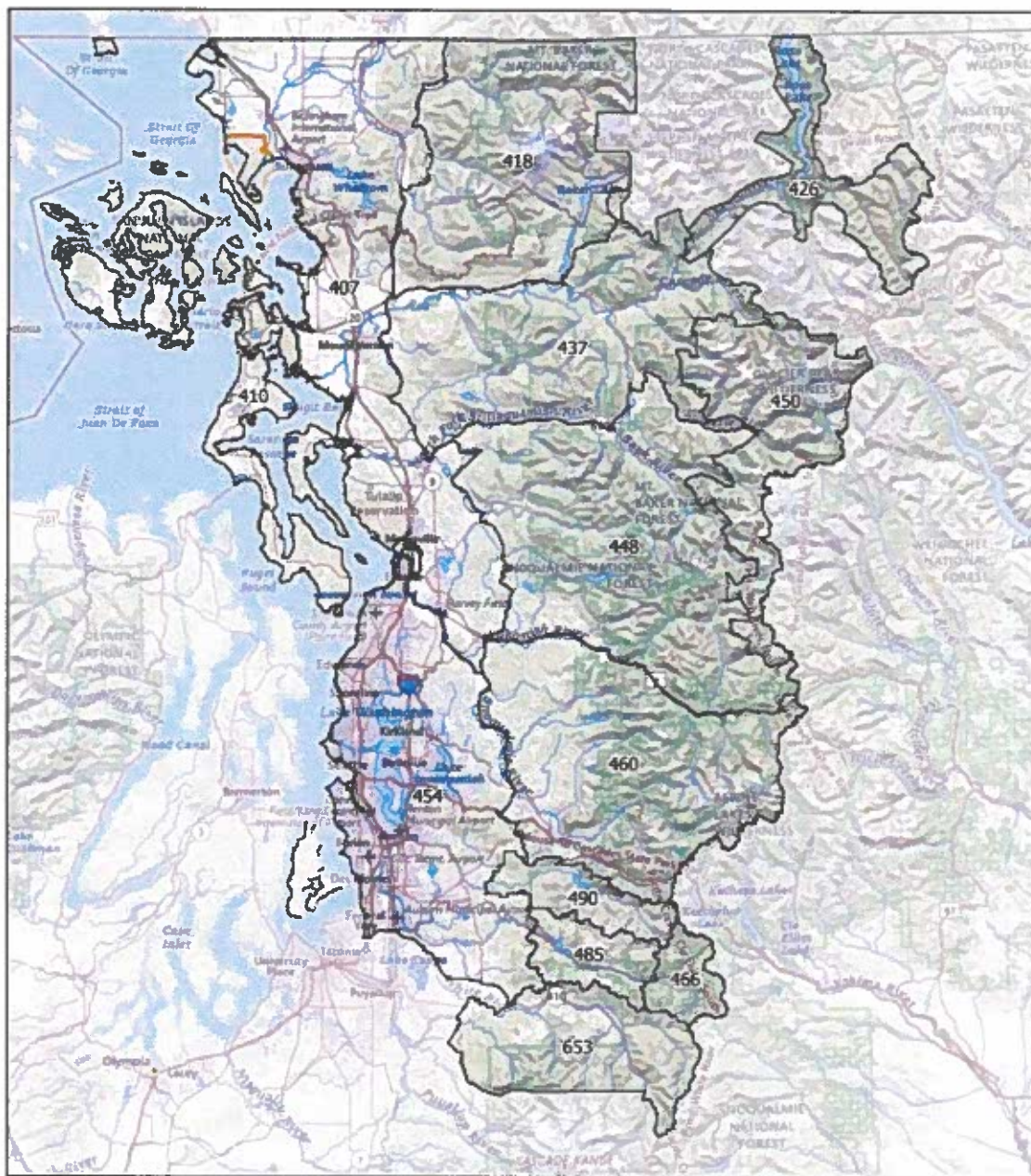
CARCASS DISPOSAL It is the responsibility of the hunter to ensure a harvested bird carcass is disposed of in a manner that is sanitary and out of view of the general public. If a tribal member needs assistance with proper carcass disposal, please contact the LNR Wildlife Program. Disposal should occur away from public roads, trails, and waterways.

DISEASE SURVEILLANCE Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) can infect wild birds, and they can show no signs of illness. Since 2022, HPAI has spread in the Pacific Flyway especially during the spring. The risk to human health is believed to be minimal. Currently there are no known cases of humans contracting HPAI from wild birds and no evidence of people getting sick from properly cooked game birds. If you have concerns about the status of a bird species seen dead or alive, please report it to the LNR Wildlife Program at 360-384-7176. We can swab any freshly dead birds and test them for HPAI. You can take precautions from HPAI by wearing gloves while handling birds, not eating, drinking, or smoking while cleaning game, thoroughly washing hands, gear, and work surfaces and thoroughly cooking the game meat.

KEY USE POLICY Hunters are advised that pursuant to section 10.06.080 of Title 10 of the Lummi Nation Code of Laws, the "Lummi Natural Resource Department Key Check-Out Policy & Record" is incorporated into this regulation by reference and includes, without limitation, all terms, conditions, and penalties contained therein.


Lummi Nation Official


Date



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GMU Areas Open To Lummi Hunters

- Reservation Boundary
- Game Management Units

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