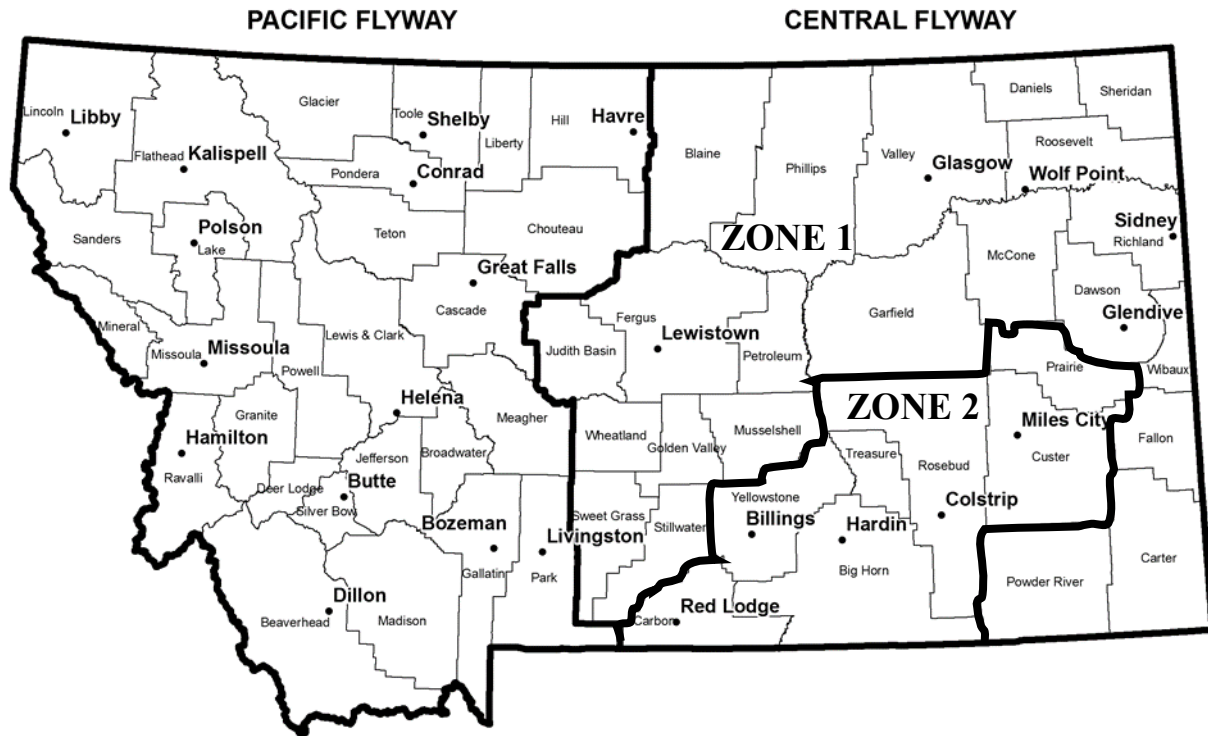


## Waterfowl Season and Other Migratory Bird Regulations



### Recommended Waterfowl Season Structures

- Pacific Flyway – *Ducks, coots, and geese*: Oct. 2–Jan. 14 (no split).
- Central Flyway – *Ducks and coots* – **Zone 1** – Oct. 2–Jan. 6; **Zone 2** – Oct. 2–10 and Oct. 23–Jan. 18 (closed 12 days, Oct. 11–22).
- Central Flyway – *Geese* – **Zone 1** – Oct. 2–Jan. 14 (no split season); **Zone 2** – Oct. 2–10 and Oct. 23–Jan. 26 (closed 12 days, Oct. 11–22).

### Season Recommendations for 2021–2022

Proposed season dates for ducks, coots, geese, and swans:

- Duck, coot, and goose daily and possession limits for both flyways are proposed to be the same as in the previous season, although the final federal frameworks have not yet been announced. The special two-day Youth Waterfowl Season is proposed to be Sept. 25–26 in both Pacific Flyway and Central Flyway portions of Montana.
- Pacific Flyway scaup closes Dec. 26.
- Mourning doves: Sept. 1–Oct. 30. Common snipe: Sept. 1–Dec. 16.
- Rocky Mountain Population sandhill cranes (all special drawing licenses): Sept. 1–Oct. 30.
- A new sandhill crane hunting unit is proposed for Cascade and Teton counties with 20 licenses and a bag limit of 1 crane per license.
- Mid-continent sandhill cranes in Central Flyway (over the counter license): Oct. 2–Nov. 28.
- Pacific Flyway swans (this is no change to legal species or open areas): Oct. 9–Dec. 1.
- Central Flyway swans: Oct. 2–Jan. 6 (both zones, no split season). A general swan season with both tundra and trumpeter swans being legal is proposed for the Central Flyway.