

## STATE OF MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES & ENVIRONMENT

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Dear Goose Roundup Applicant:

Enclosed is your approved permit to participate in the Round Up (Capture) and Holding of Canada Geese. This permit authorizes the roundup and temporary holding of flightless adults and goslings at the site listed on the permit from June 14, 2010 to June 30, 2010 ONLY.

This authorization is granted as a provision of the Federal Fish and Wildlife Permit, MB024044-3, issued to the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, effective June 9, 2009- March 31, 2012.

You MUST provide a copy of this permit to the contractor you listed on your application form. The contractor is responsible to transport the birds as directed by DNRE staff.

If you are rounding up the birds yourself, you must keep a copy of this permit with you at all times you are engaged in roundup activities and holding birds, until the birds are picked up and transported by a licensed contractor. You are not allowed to round up birds until the day geese are picked up by the contractor. This authorization **does not** allow for the handling or transporting of birds.

Also, please be informed of the DNRE's intent to implement provisions stated in the 2010 Canada Goose Roundup (Capture) and Hold Permit Application for geese to be killed as a means of disposal.

The number of sites participating in the Canada Goose Roundup Program has been increasing. In past years, we have been able to relocate some geese to other states; however, this year that is not an option and there are limited relocation sites within Michigan. Therefore, it is possible that some geese may be extirpated if all the suitable release sites have been exhausted. Efforts will be made to process these geese for soup kitchens.

Enclosed is a Canada Goose Translocation/Round-Up Report. This report should be used by your contractor and submitted to DNRE staff at the release site along with the round- up report is the Canada Goose Round-Up/ Capturing Procedures. Please read through the information before starting to round up the birds. If you have any questions, please contact me at the number below.

Sincerely,

Casey M. Reitz, Permit Specialist Wildlife Division

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**Enclosure**