

Adaptive Harvest Management Task Force

June 2, 2003 Meeting Summary

The International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies AHM Task Force met in-person for the second time on June 2, 2003 in the Minneapolis/St. Paul airport. All Task Force members were present in-person or via conference call.

Duck Hunting Regulations for the 2003-04 Season

The Task Force reviewed the regulations-setting process to date and the recommendations from the Flyway Councils on changes to the AHM. Members agreed that specific recommendations from the Task Force pertaining to this year's regulatory cycle were not necessary.

Updates

The Task Force received updates on the AHM Working Group meeting and the WMI Hunter Satisfaction Think Tank Project meeting, both held in April in Jackson, Mississippi.

Strategic Development of AHM

Most of the meeting was spent reviewing and discussing "lessons learned" from AHM implementation over the past eight years. The Task Force discussed development of recommendations related to:

- Harvest-management objectives;
- The set of regulatory alternatives; and
- Multiple-stock AHM

Task Force members agreed that additional discussion within the Task Force and with the Flyway Councils were needed before formulating specific recommendations.

Next Steps

The Task Force scheduled a full-day meeting to be held in Atlanta on August 14, 2003. The Task Force hopes to develop recommendations prior to the IAFWA's annual meeting in September.

Facilitator Contact

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