

# Enviro-Alert!

## Canada Goose Control Program 2020-2021

Canada Geese are extremely active during the fall and winter months in Delmarva, with as many as 1 million birds over-wintering on the Peninsula. Also compounded with a native nuisance non-migratory population that has been determined to be invasive. While beautiful, these birds can severely degrade a stormwater pond, impoundments and/or waterway. One goose can produce over one (1) pound of feces a day, which is high in nutrients, harmful bacteria, and is extremely aesthetically degrading. Geese can also damage turf and installed vegetation.

Envirotech Environmental Consulting, Inc. (EECI) offers a variety of non-lethal stress deterrents that are cost effective and efficient for Canada Goose control. These methods are to help prevent and discourage heavy goose populations in your pond, impoundments, or open space areas. These methods can be tailored specifically for your situation.

Our most popular method of migratory goose prevention for ponds is over-water Monofilament Grids installed approximately 1-2 feet above the surface. These deterrents, also known as "mono grids," are inconspicuous to humans while creating obstacles in the water-body that would otherwise serve as runways or landing strips for flocks of migrating geese. Waterfowl see a different wavelength than humans, so the lines are easily perceived. If we can prevent them from landing in our ponds, the likelihood of the birds to take up residency and cause significant damage is greatly reduced.

Brand new for 2021, our Live Capture goose depredation program features the implementation of using a NetBlaster to safely capture geese with netting. Our trained team will transport and process the birds per state regulations. Geese are handled calmly and quietly with our best management practices.

Complimentary educational outreach will be provided to those in need by our fully trained and licensed biologists. Call us today to schedule your assessment.

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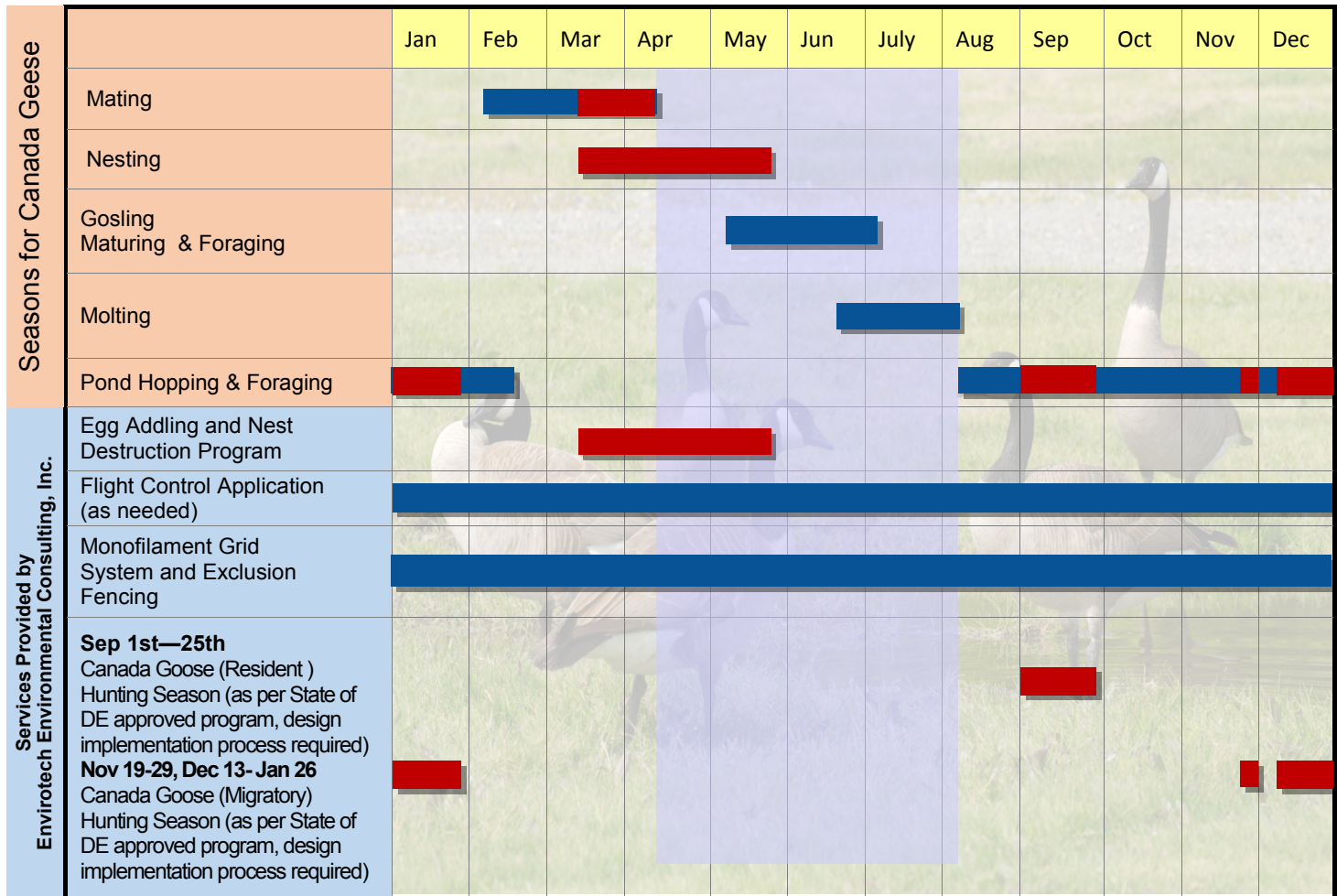




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## Goose Control Management Plan



- April—August area indicates period when geese are unwilling (nesting or unable (gosling maturation and molt) to fly. FlightControl PLUS may still be used to condition geese to avoid feeding in treated areas during this period.
- Applying FlightControl PLUS right after snow melt (spring infestations) or after the final mowing (fall infestations) will allow maximum repellency time before the next mowing. For summer infestations, apply FlightControl PLUS immediately after mowing. Reapply after two or three mowing's if geese continue to pressure the property.
- Geese may attempt to reclaim an established feeding site once the repelling power of FlightControl PLUS has been removed by mechanical mowing.

Key:

- Non-Lethal Methods
- Lethal Methods

### Non-Lethal Methods Include: (Most Cost Effective)

- Monofilament grids
- Pond perimeter buffers
- FlightControl applications
- Live capture depredation

### Lethal Methods Include:

- Egg addling and nest destruction (permit required) (<https://epermits.fws.gov/eRCGR/geSi.aspx>)
- Resident Hunt (as per Res. Goose Season) I (license required)
- Migratory Hunt (as per Mig. Goose Season) (license required)