



Report and recommendations of the Agriculture TF

AEWA/EGMIWG/7.16 – Ingunn Tombre & TF members

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Current status of the AGRI TF

28 members

10 range states

Birdlife International, Copa Cogeca, FACE, Wadden Sea Forum, Wetlands International,
Data Centre, AEWA Secretariat

2 online meetings

November & April (included an “extended” Round Table)

Webinar organising committee meetings

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Webinar organising committee

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The webinars

Webinar I (27 May 2021) (9 presentations)

*At the interphase between geese and agriculture: setting the scene
(where, when, what, who)*

Webinar II (9 December 2021) (8 presentations)

How to manage agricultural damage and conflicts?

Webinar III (10 June 2022) (3 presentations)

*Goose-friendly management, crop damage and compensation,
initiatives to mitigate agricultural damage*



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Metadata overview

Work still in progress...

Transfer the data to a google.doc (n=43 by June 2022)

Accept less information for each activity (low-threshold):

Project name

Contact person

Site

+ link to a Publication (if any)



Sort the projects/activities in more relevant categories?

From the ISSMP (Barnacle Geese & Greylag Geese, cross-cutting actions)

A 3. Maintain a spatially database on goose damage to agriculture, other flora and fauna and risk to air safety.

Sort the meta-database in relevant activities



AGRI TF Workplan in relation to the Adaptive Flyway Management Programme

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Table 1. Annual Workplan of the EGMP Agriculture Task Force (taken from the online EGMP Task Force and AFMP workplans)

Actions from the ISSMP	Priority	Timescale	Agriculture TF
1.2 Promote goose-based eco-tourism at selected key sites	Medium	Medium	
2.3 Apply scaring and land management techniques to reduce the attractiveness of sensitive areas, monitoring the implications of such local displacement for conflicts at wider scale[3]	High	Short / Rolling	Two webinars have been arranged (27 May & 9 Dec 2021) by the Agri TF. Relevant information and experiences were shared.
3.2 Establish an internationally coordinated programme to assess agricultural damage including monitoring and assessment protocols	High	Short	Support the DC and MC as consultants in the process, both during the development of the impact models, as well as afterwards.
3.3 Liaise with farmers affected by goose damages to reduce agricultural conflicts	High	Short / Rolling	Communication and information about preventive measures in order to reduce crop damage and conflicts are important tasks in the AGRI TF, and it is expected that activities by members are <u>communicated to the farmer communities</u> in each range state. The AGRI TF also has <u>representatives</u> from this stakeholder group, and farmers' representatives are invited to <u>Webinars</u> . Presentations are <u>available</u> afterward at the EGMP website (as pdf-files or recorded presentations).
A.3 Maintain a spatially explicit database on goose damage to agriculture, other flora and fauna and risk to air safety	Essential	Medium / Rolling	A file with available information in a metadata overview about ongoing projects/activities regarding geese and agriculture is compiled. Must be updated in 2022. Will be a google-doc available for all.
B.1 Produce best practice guide on establishing refuge areas (size, management, subsidies)	Medium	Short	Meet online, share experience and knowledge. More webinars are planned in 2022.
B.2 Provide guidance on conflict resolution and how to make this consistent with the European legal framework, including the Common Agricultural Policy	High	Short	Meet online, share experience and knowledge. More webinars are planned in 2022.
B.3 Create a toolbox for decisions in relation to determining significant damage (including metrics, benchmarking, verification, monitoring, various management techniques to prevent damage, compensation)	High	Short	Meet online, share experience and knowledge. More webinars are planned in 2022.
B.5 Share experience concerning methods to prevent damage to agriculture and risks to human health, air safety as well as to other flora and fauna	Medium	Medium	Meet online, share experience and knowledge. More webinars are planned in 2022.
C.1 Develop and implement a communication strategy and plan	Medium	Short / Rolling	Continue the outreach activities by all members of the AGRI TF.

Recommendations

AGRI TF will continue to be a “supporting unit”:

- assist the Working Group, Task Forces and processes in the European Goose Management Platform

Arrange more webinars!