





Pink-Footed Goose: Report and recommendations of the PfG Task Force

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Meetings 2021/2022

- 9th meeting (virtual) 21 October 2021
- 10th meeting (virtual) 5 May 2022

Thanks to all the participants in the PfG Task Force!

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Key activities and outcomes 2021/2022

- Internal review of annual Monitoring and Offtake Assessment Report
 - Outcomes:
 - Input to annual report

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Key activities and outcomes 2021/2022

- Continued initiative to improve international exchange regarding hunting organization and hunters' contribution to data collection
 - Outcomes:
 - Norwegian contribution to aging of shot geese in 2021 and 2022
 - Practical exchange of effective hunting organization and methods
 - Film reportage produced about effective goose shooting by Norges Bondelag

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Key activities and outcomes 2021-2022

- Continued technical discussions regarding potential biases in demographic variables and analysis of critical components in the monitoring program
 - Outcomes:
 - Discussions about revisions of monitoring program: needs, costs, alternatives
 - Draft manuscript (to be submitted soon) regarding challenges of the use of autumn age counts to assess annual productivity
 - Manuscript in revision regarding value of information with regard to the monitoring and annual assessment

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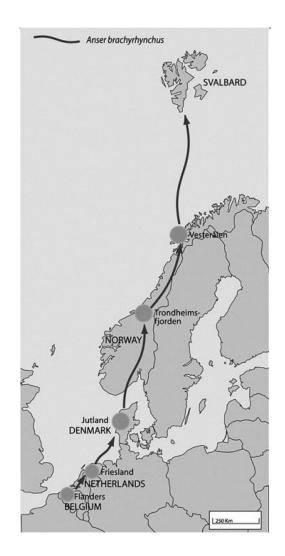
- Propose a plan for the assessment to be used for the revision of the ISSMP
 - Outcomes:
 - Postponed to 2022-2023

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Recommendations 2022/2023 (and beyond)

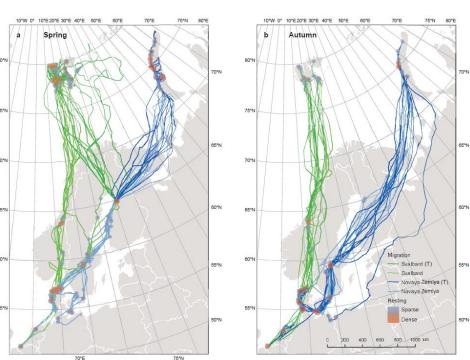
Plan the input to the forthcoming revision of the ISSMP

• Set up process how to evaluate population target/objectives:

some fundraising is required

Develop AFMP

• How to deal with the new flyway?



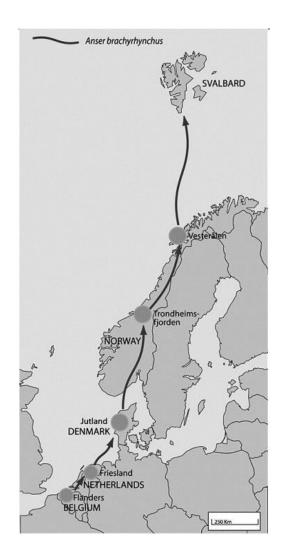
Madsen et al. (in prep.)

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Recommendations 2022-2023 (and beyond)

- Adjustment of monitoring
 - Age counts
 - Coordination of international counts: tracking new staging grounds
 - Assess contribution from the new flyway

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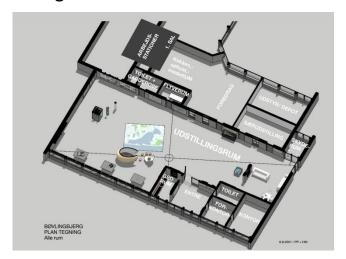
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Recommendations, 2022-2023

- Communication initiatives
 - Visitors' centre under construction in western Jutland, Denmark, focusing on geese
 - Creation of international dissemination platform, using PfG as case





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Recommendations 2022-2023 (and beyond)



- Communication initiatives
 - Communicating science: Article in the Norwegian Hunters' Magazine
 - Film reportage by Norges Bondelag centered around the use of science to inform management decisions, with PfG as example



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Workplan 2022/2023 (and beyond)

	Task	When	By whom?	Deliverables
	Discussions on adjustment of monitoring program	June-September 2022	DC + TF	Decision on organisation of age counts (and possibly fundraising)
	Contribution to agricultural conflict resolution	June-November 2022	PfG TF + Agricultural TF	Provide technical guidance, priority on Norwegian PfG spring staging sites
	Crippling	June-August 2022	DC + TF	Reporting of status of PfG crippling 2022 and plans ahead
,	Dissemination platform along the PfG flyway, using online animations of year-round whereabouts of GPS-tagged geese, stories from the flyway, webcams etc.	August-December 2022	TF + Aarhus University + Nissum Fjord Naturpark + Relevant and interested museums and visitor centres	Project description, identification of potential partners, plan for funding
	Plan for assessment to be used for the ISSMP revision in 2024	2022/2023: Impact model for agricultural damage in range states (funded) Svalbard tundra degradation assessment (to be funded)	DC + TF DC + TF + COAT (Norway)	Analysis of relationship between abundance of PfG and damage Analysis of relationship between abundance of PfG and tundra impact
	Internal review of annual reports	Early June 2023	TF	Review back to DC early June 2023
	Plan for assessment to be used for the ISSMP revision in 2024	2023/2024: Evaluation of ISSMP fundamental objectives, including range, ecological integrity, habitat restoration, population target, damage, tundra impacts, crippling	TF + DC	Chapters in report to be used for revision of ISSMP
		Decision on treatment of new migration route Development of an Adaptive Flyway Management Program (AFMP)	TF + DC + EGMP Sec	AFMP to be developed after IWG 2024







Decision points

- Discuss and endorse the PfG Task Force report
- Discuss and agree on recommendations and workplan