

LEECH LAKE BAND OF OJIBWE

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Wild Rice Waters on Leech Lake Reservation Closed to Hunting During Wild Rice Harvest

Wild rice waters within the Leech Lake Reservation remain closed to waterfowl hunting for the State of Minnesota's experimental early teal and early goose seasons due to public safety concerns presented by overlap of these seasons with the annual wild rice harvest. This closure applies to all hunters.

The Leech Lake Band of Ojibwe maintains exclusive jurisdiction and authority over the management and protection of wild rice and Tribal Member safety. Closure of waters with actively harvested wild rice beds is consistent with Minn. Stat. 97A.151 and LLRBC Resolution #2022-16.

For further information and a list of closed wild rice waters please contact the Leech Lake Division of Resource Management at <u>218-335-7400</u> or visit <u>www.llojibwe.org/drm</u>.