



**1<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the AEWA Svalbard Pink-footed Goose International Working Group**  
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**DRAFT REPORT FORMAT FOR AEWA SPFG IWG ANNUAL REPORT**

**Introduction**

In order to provide timely and succinct information about the progress of the AEWA SPfG ISMP an annual report with a standard list of content will be produced. It is important that such a report, on the one hand, provides reliable and quality assured information and, on the other hand, will not demand too heavy a work load on the involved parties. Much of the reporting will be delivered by the ongoing monitoring and adaptive harvest management (AHM) evaluation processes. National reporting on management issues will be, as much as possible, automated to facilitate simple and easy reporting by the National Focal Points (NFPs). Reporting formats, guidelines and system to be detailed and setup by the AEWA SPfG Coordination Unit.

The report will be produced in July/August each year in order to follow the cycle of AHM and the population monitoring. The report will be displayed on the website of the AEWA SPfG ISMP / IWG.

The IWG is asked to review the proposed annual report outline and agree on the content.

**Draft AEWA SPfG IWG Annual Report Section Headings**

Section Headings	Responsibility
1. Executive Summary	SPfG CU
2. Population status update <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Abundance / population estimate (annual trend)</li> <li>b. Survival estimate (tri-annual review)</li> <li>c. Reproduction / productivity estimate (annual trend)</li> <li>d. Snow cover / Tempdays (annual trend)</li> </ul>	AU AU AU AU
3. Harvest and hunting update (DK & NO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Total harvest (annual trend)</li> <li>b. Hunting season length (annual dates)</li> <li>c. Estimated number hunters (annual trend)</li> <li>d. Crippling rate (periodic reviews of annual monitoring)</li> <li>e. Hunter education, awareness and organisation (DK &amp; NO)</li> </ul>	DNA / AU, NDNM DNA, NDNM DNA, NDNM AU DNA, NDNM
4. Annual AHM assessment and modelling <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Population predictions               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Latest population forecast</li> <li>ii. Actual vs past forecast comparison</li> </ul> </li> <li>b. Harvest predictions               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Latest harvest forecast</li> <li>ii. Actual vs past forecast comparison</li> </ul> </li> <li>c. Harvest recommendations               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Alteration of hunting season, in accordance with 3 year regulatory cycle</li> <li>ii. Emergency measure (annual assessment)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	USGS, AU
5. Tundra goose grubbing status <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Arctic tundra monitoring (to start 2013 with periodic reviews of annual monitoring)</li> </ul>	AU, NINA, NPI
6. Range state / country updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Population status within each country (pop. estimate breeding, passing, wintering)</li> <li>b. Status of critical sites and protected areas               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Update on habitat management actions e.g. grassland restoration</li> </ul> </li> <li>c. Update on pressure , threats, conflicts and responses               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Agricultural conflict (assessment / monitoring)</li> <li>ii. Mitigation measures (compensation / scaring / refuge areas)</li> <li>iii. Habitat loss / degradation</li> <li>iv. Derogation control</li> <li>v. Human disturbance</li> <li>vi. Predation</li> </ul> </li> <li>d. National management activities</li> </ul>	NFPs BE, NL, DK & NO

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. National Species Management Plan</li> <li>ii. National Working Group</li> <li>iii. Awareness raising of ISMP (communications)</li> <li>iv. Other communication and dissemination activities</li> <li>v. National conservation or research projects</li> <li>vi. Funding (opportunities or limitations)</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7. AEWA SPfG ISMP research and learning <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Updates on planned, on-going or completed research projects</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	SPfG CU
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8. AEWA SPfG ISMP publications and dissemination <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Updates on international communication and dissemination activities e.g. press releases, briefing documents, academic publications and workshops etc.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	SPfG CU
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9. AEWA SPfG IWG recommendations and actions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. AHM and harvest actions / regulation</li> <li>b. Monitoring actions</li> <li>c. Other management actions</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	SPfG CU

### **Abbreviations**

AU = Aarhus University

DNA = Danish Nature Agency

NDNM = Norwegian Directorate of Nature Management

NFPs = National Focal Points (head of the delegation for each country represented within the AEWA SPfG IWG)

NINA = Norwegian Institute for Nature Research

NPI = Norwegian Polar Institute

SPfG CU = AEWA Svalbard Pink-footed Goose Coordination Unit

SPfG ISMP = AEWA Svalbard Pink-footed Goose International Species Management Plan

SPfG IWG = AEWA Svalbard Pink-footed Goose International Working Group

USGS = U.S. Geological Survey