

## **DOVE MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES**

### Procedure 1: Survey mourning dove population trends

- A. Maintain existing population surveys, including the annual Call Count Surveys.
- B. Continue banding program for mourning doves to estimate harvest rate and population trends.
- C. Conduct incidental banding of white-winged and Eurasian collared doves to track movements and estimate harvest rates.

### Procedure 2: Survey dove hunters to determine demand, harvest, and success rate.

- A. Continue small game questionnaire to provide precise data for Arizona.
- B. Expand small game questionnaire to provide game unit scale harvest information and include Eurasian collared doves.
- C. Continue to provide data to the Federal Harvest Information Program to provide flyway scale harvest data necessary for national harvest strategies.

### Procedure 3: Expand hunter access to dove hunting areas and enhance dove habitat

- A. Continue to work with farm bill programs and regional hunter access coordinators to involve public and private farmers in planting food plots and nesting habitats.