



# CANADA GEESE

## PROTECTION COLORADO



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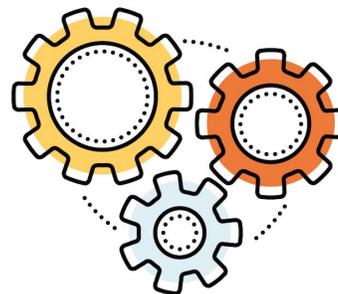
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### Greetings from the CGPC Core Team

Hello Everyone. We hope you are all staying well & safe during this pandemic.

The core team & volunteers have been hard at work on a variety of tasks: Investigation, Research, Short- & Long-term Response Planning, and more.

Please see the latest news & we'll have action items for you coming in May.



## TEAMWORK

Sincerely -  
Courtney, Carole, Erin &  
Christine

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**Denver Park Scouts Still Needed.**  
CGPC volunteer scouts have been traversing  
Denver Parks looking for nests & counting geese.  
We still have a bunch of parks that need to be  
scouted (walked) once a week.

**EMAIL CGPC**  
**if you'd like to volunteer**

## **2020 Goose Management Guide Released by City of Denver Parks**

Denver Parks has released the 2020  
Goose Management Plan. This plan  
is "interesting" for many reasons.

- 1) It's now a Goose DAMAGE  
Management plan, instead of just a  
goose wildlife management plan.
- 2) They have removed all the  
information about how many eggs  
they've oiled, or not oiled, each year.
- 3) They have removed all promises of  
the need to be accountable to the  
taxpayers of Denver.  
*(So much for Mayor Michael  
Hancock's promises of a "transparent  
Denver that's accountable to the  
public...")*

**WE WILL BE ASKING YOU TO  
TAKE SOME ACTIONS ON THIS IN  
MAY. WATCH FOR ACTION  
ALERTS.**

**[READ THE PLAN](#)**

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### **Resident Canada Goose Damage Management Program**

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**VOLUNTEER EGG OILING**

## PROGRAM UPDATE



While we all love goslings running around the parks, the number one way to keep the goose population from expanding is to oil goose eggs to prevent them from hatching.

CGPC reviewed Denver's egg oiling stats: Denver Parks did not appear to have oiled goose eggs for 9 out of the past 17 years. We calculated how many eggs should be oiled each year, and it was more than 10,000 eggs. DPR's staff + Wildlife Services would likely not be able to increase their egg oiling to four times the volume they're currently doing. So we volunteered to help.

We announced this to the city council & the Park & Rec Citizen Advisory Board. Denver Parks then reached out and said they would allow us to provide 25 volunteers.

We recruited 25 volunteers from Canada Geese Protection Colorado, Audubon Denver & Bird Conservancy of Colorado for the egg oiling training.

-NINE volunteers were trained at a Denver Parks training session on March 7, 2020.

-SIXTEEN more volunteers were scheduled to be trained on March 14, 2020.

Then the pandemic and the lockdowns hit.

As a result, the second training, and the whole volunteer program, was cancelled.

We understand that some folks in the group do not want eggs oiled. But, we offered to help for the following reason:

**Every egg that is oiled is a goose that will not be rounded up and sent to a slaughterhouse.**

We have filed CORA and FOIA info requests to ascertain if Denver/USDA

Wildlife Services have obtained a Depredation Permit for 2020. Denver Parks has declined to answer this question and has referred us to the USDA. We are continuing to work to determine if Denver has the permit to kill geese in 2020 or not.

We will keep you posted.

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## About Canada Geese Protection Colorado

Canada Geese Protection Colorado is a grassroots activist group formed by Denver residents after 1,600+ geese were rounded up from Denver Parks & exterminated in 2019 without meaningful public notice in 2019.

CGPC's main mission is to provide activism & outreach to get Denver city management & Denver Parks management to stop orchestrating the killing of geese & to shift to humane methods of goose management.

**Let's save Denver's geese & move to humane methods of goose management.**



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