It is strongly recommended that municipalities or counties considering an alligator population reduction hunt (hereafter, hunt) first contact NCWRC staff at alligators@ncwildlife.org or (919) 707-4087 for guidance on the planning process and other alligator management options that are available.

Applications must be submitted no later than April 1st for a hunt to occur within the same year as the application submission. This deadline allows sufficient time for surveys, planning, application review, and decision-making.

Note that these hunts are designed to target alligators in human-populated areas and requests for county-wide hunts will not be considered.

Request from Municipality or County on Behalf of Specified Unincorporated Populated Areas

A request for a hunt shall include:

- Application, signed and dated by an authorized municipality or county representative.
- A detailed description of the reason(s) for requesting a hunt.
- A map that contains boundaries of:
  1. The municipality or specified unincorporated populated areas within a county.
  2. All desired locations (hereafter, hunt areas) in which the municipality or county desires the hunt to take place.
  3. All property parcels within hunt areas. Names of landholders must be identified for each parcel on the map.
  4. Public water boundaries within hunt areas.
  5. Properties within the hunt areas that can be used to access public waters for alligator hunting.
- Any restrictions in addition to those listed in the rule regarding the alligator hunting season and manner of take (15A NCAC 10B .0224) that the municipality or county desires for the hunt.

Site Visits by NCWRC Staff

Municipality or county representatives will meet on-site with NCWRC staff to familiarize them with the proposed hunt areas. NCWRC will conduct subsequent site visits to survey the alligator population and determine the number of alligator hunt permits to issue.

Alligator Hunt Permit Allocation

NCWRC will announce on their website, in a news release, and by email to Wildlife Update subscribers when applications for permits will be accepted. Permits will be awarded by lottery. NCWRC staff is not responsible for obtaining access to properties for hunting activities by permittees.

I acknowledge that I have read each of the requirements listed above and request that NCWRC issue alligator hunting permits for a population reduction hunt in the ___________ of

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Name of Municipality or Unincorporated Populated Area

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Print Name

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Title

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Signature

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