



ALGOMA ROD AND GUN CLUB

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Mr. Wayne Fiset
District Manager
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Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry
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Dear Mr. Fiset:

The Algoma Rod and Gun Club represents a membership of over 200 active members of outdoor enthusiasts who are local residents and landowners.

Our organization supports the creation of a spring wild turkey hunting season in WMU 36 for the spring of 2016 that will provide new and additional opportunities for hunting in the area. We believe that the creation of a season in WMU 36 will also help decrease the pressure on the wild turkey population on St. Joseph Island as well.

We have heard through association with St. Joseph Island Hunters and Anglers that there are numerous flocks (well in excess of 200 birds) distributed through out the area from Sault Ste. Marie, Goulais River, Searchmount, along highway 17 east through to Thessalon and up highway 129 to Wharncliffe and beyond. Some of these flocks have been observed in the same location for at least 3-4 years. The wild turkey population is healthy and expanding even after two fairly severe winters.

Our organization would be pleased to assist MNRF in this initiative and look forward to future collaboration on other initiatives.

Yours in conservation,

Mark Donner
Club Secretary
Algoma Rod and Gun Club