

APPENDIX 1. Implementation schedule for Pennsylvania turkey management plan, 2018-2027

Objective and Strategies	By End of Fiscal Year (e.g., FY 2018 = July 2018-June 19)									
	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027
Population Objective										
Strategy:										
1.1 Provide biologically timed spring hunting season	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
1.2 Use fall season lengths as primary means for managing populations by providing conservative fall hunting seasons	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
1.3 Collect specific harvest information for monitoring trends and directing management	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
1.4 Conduct harvest surveys	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
1.5 Assess turkey population status and trends	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
1.6 Assess summer sighting surveys	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
1.7 Conduct volunteer August survey and assess after 2020	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
1.8 Develop a proposal for, and implement, annual harvest rate monitoring via winter leg-banding by WMU	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
1.9 Evaluate the conclusions of the northeast regional population project. Implement data collection protocols		•	•							
1.10 Complete analyses of hen turkey harvest/survival rate study	•									
1.11 Create/implement turkey population models for each WMU, incorporating where appropriate, population trends and potential driving factors, from the northeast regional database		•	•							
1.12 Determine if population models require additional data; initiate research/monitoring to fully implement/improve		•	•	•						
1.13 Create Structured Decision Protocols for each WMU for fall turkey season recommendations	•	•								
1.14 Incorporate habitat suitability models into population models to develop turkey population objectives for each WMU			•	•						
1.15 Identify WMUs with population management problems, develop solutions and monitor outcomes			•	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
1.16 Determine effects of the two-bird spring bag limit and all-day season on turkey age structure for each WMU. If needed, recommend regulation changes			•					•		

