

NORTH CAROLINA GENERAL ASSEMBLY
1981 SESSION

CHAPTER 740
SENATE BILL 659

AN ACT PROTECTING WATERFOWL WITHIN A 500 YARD RADIUS OF THE
ROCKY MOUNT TAR RIVER RESERVOIR IN NASH COUNTY.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. It is unlawful:

(1) To take, as defined in G.S. 113-130(7), any birds of the anitadae family (ducks, geese, brant and swans) on or from the City of Rocky Mount Tar River Reservoir in Nash County or on or from all land within 500 yards of the property line of the Reservoir (except as provided in Section 4 below); or

(2) To take, as defined in G.S. 113-130(7), any birds of any anitadae family (ducks, geese, brant and swans) if any birds are on or over the City of Rocky Mount Tar River Reservoir in Nash County or on or over the land within 500 yards of the property line of the Reservoir (except as provided in Section 4 below); or

(3) To destroy, rob or molest the eggs, nests or breeding places of any birds of the anitadae family (ducks, geese, brant and swans) on or in the city of Rocky Mount Tar River Reservoir in Nash County or within 500 yards of the property line of the Reservoir.

Sec. 2. Violation of this act is a misdemeanor punishable by imprisonment for not more than 30 days, a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.00), or both, in the discretion of the court.

Sec. 3. All lawful peace officers of the city, county and State who are authorized to enforce the hunting laws are authorized to enforce this act.

Sec. 4. The provisions of Section 1 of this act shall not apply to the area of the City of Rocky Mount Tar River Reservoir designated by the City as Zone E, nor the area within 500 yards of the property line of Zone E defined by extending the Zone E line across the Reservoir to and with the 500 yard line for Zone E. The hunting of waterfowl on or from Zone E of the City of Rocky Mount Reservoir or on or from all land within 500 yards of the property line of Zone E, as defined above, (whether birds are on or over either area) shall be subject to the rules and regulations of the City of Rocky Mount. Additionally, the hunting of waterfowl on or from the land within 500 yards of the property line of Zone E, as defined above, shall be lawful only with written permission of the respective landowners.

Sec. 5. This act shall become effective October 1, 1981.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 30th day of June, 1981.