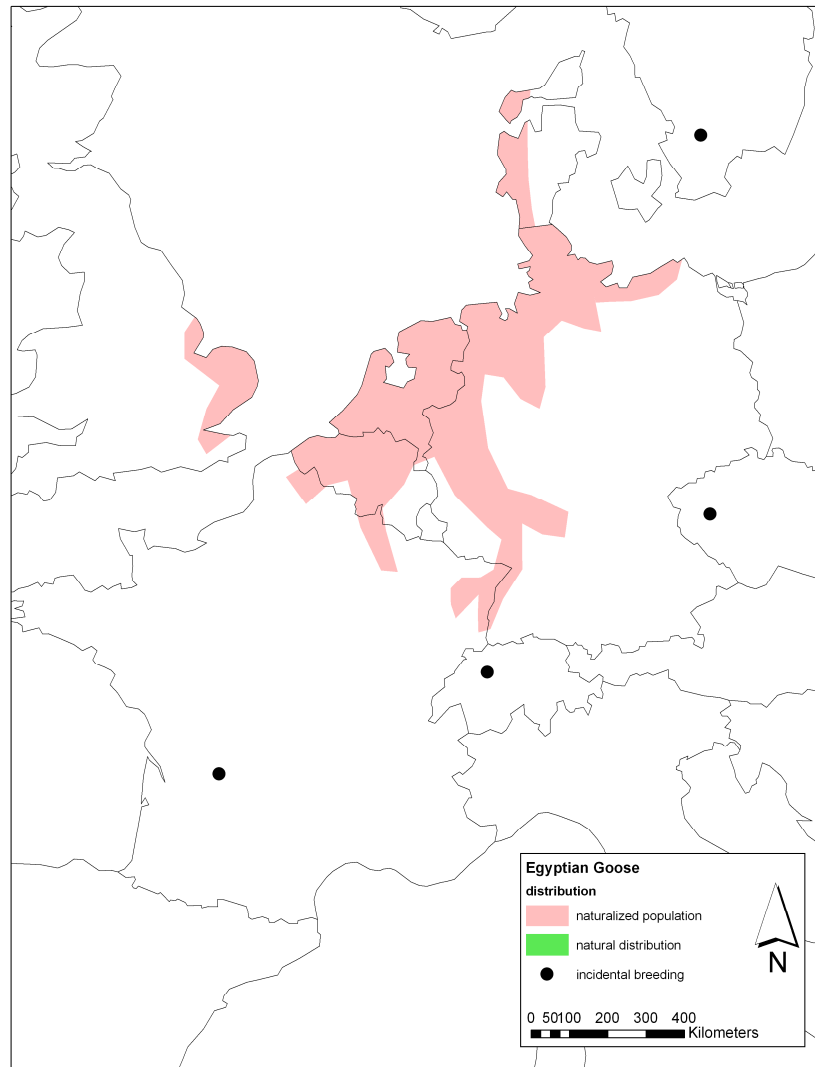


Advice concerning Egyptian Goose distribution in Belgium

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MOTIVE

The Netherlands Institute of Ecology (NIOO-KNAW) constructed a map on the European distribution of the Egyptian Goose (see below) and is investigating the ecology of the species.



REQUEST

- 1) Is the distribution in Belgium of the species corresponding to the present data available at the INBO?
- 2) Are there any management actions carried out or planned to be carried out to limit the spreading of this species in Belgium.

COMMENTARY

1) Taken into account the relatively broad range delimitations used in the map, we confirm that it reflects the distribution pattern of the Egyptian Goose in Belgium in a correct way.

2) At present, there are no control measures implemented. However, in view of the important and ongoing increase in population and range, there is a chance that a management plan for the species will be developed in the near future. Culling is allowed by persons in the possession of a hunting licence.

CONCLUSION

- 1) Distribution map correct: yes
- 2) Existing control measures: no (except culling)

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