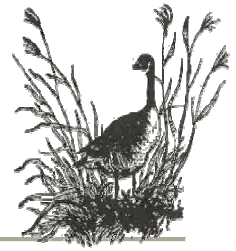


## **T.I.P.**

### **Target Illinois Poachers**

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The Department of Natural Resources' Office of Law Enforcement developed the "Target Illinois Poachers" program to encourage any concerned citizen who witnesses a poaching offence to report the violation. The toll-free number is **1-877-2DNRLAW (1-877-236-7529)**. Simply defined, "poaching" is the illegal taking or possession of game and non-game animals, fish or other resources. Hunting out of season and hunting at night with spotlights are two of the most obvious signs of poaching. Hunters and fishermen possessing more than the legal limit is another. Slow moving or partially hidden vehicles, shots heard at unusual hours or game being concealed are all suspect.

But there is another serious problem that affects everyone: pollution. DNR is teaming up with the Illinois Attorney General and the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency to investigate and bring to prosecution those who would intentionally pollute our land, water and air. If you are aware of improper dumping of discarded chemical or petroleum barrels or of any other potential environmental crime, please report it. If you locate an environmental hazard, keep a safe distance and call the TIP hotline with details at **1-877-2DNRLAW (1-877-236-7529)**.

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**TIP hotline operates 24 hrs/day. 7 days/week.  
American Relay 1-800-526-0644 for the deaf and Hearing impaired.**

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**Information is also available in the Illinois Digest of Hunting and Trapping Regulations booklet. The current issue is free at the Goose Lake Prairie State Park Visitors Center.**

**Visit the Prairie Partners Website at <http://www.uti.com/~gooselakeprairie>  
Visit the Illinois State Department of Natural Resources at <http://www.dnr.state.il.us/>**