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you're hunting upland game birds and you're near a sandp.it or you're near the Platte River, you're not required to use it per se because you're not hunting migratory water fowl.

SENATOR AVERY: That's true.

SENATOR SCHMITT: So you could the lead shot while you were shooting trap or while you were hunting pheasants or the upland game birds.

SENATOR AVERY: That is true and as far as I know now they do use that. In terms of the sandpits that are there, they're not directly in other than they've got some small ponds on there that have been developed for their own use.

SENATOR SCHMITT: But according to...

SENATOR AVERY: They don't shoot around those because there's some areas that are off limits to their hunting.

SENATOR SCHMITT: But looking at this map, where this is adjacent to the Saunders-Douglas Wildlife Refuge, which is the Platte River, would it be necessary to require them to use steel shot hunting up game birds in that area, because it looks to me like they could be shooting right over the Platte River at pheasants or whatever.

SENATOR AVERY: The...there is a border along the Platte that they do not get and (inaudible) a dike. And according to the boundary line which is...and they have it fenced off, that is 100...well 20 rods, 20 rods away from the river bank and there is no hunting on the other side of the fence there. Now I suppose if there should...there could be a shot that may drop right next to the bank.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Right, but not the intent...

SENATOR AVERY: Not...not out into the water.

SENATOR SCHMITT: ...not intentionally where it's going to be brought up.

SENATOR AVERY: Right.

SENATOR SCHMITT: Okay. And also on this controlled shooting