

March 13, 2023

Refuge Conditions and Migration Report

Sand Lake Refuge has experienced significant winter storms the last several months and we estimate there is currently 2 ½ to 3 feet of snow in most places. Additionally, the lake remains completely frozen with just a sliver of open water at the Sand Lake Dam. Migration is not occurring in our area and we have not seen any waterfowl on the refuge to date.

We are uncertain at this time when migration will begin or when we will reach peak migration.

The road to the visitor center is open, however, the tour loop is closed. We anticipate very wet and muddy conditions on the refuge this spring so please plan accordingly if you are planning a visit this spring.

The Visitor Center is open from 8 AM to 4:30 PM Central Monday to Friday with the exception of federal holidays.



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