



Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge
Brigham City, UT
Waterbird/Raptor Survey
October 1-2, 2015

A waterbird/raptor survey was conducted on October 1-2, 2015 by Refuge Biologist Howard Browers and Student Conservation Association Intern Sara Prussing, and Refuge Volunteer Craig Stewart recording 42 species. Water conditions on the refuge were good with most units nearly full. Ducks, geese, and coots were abundant, but numbers of most other waterbirds and shorebirds were low, which is to be expected for the time of the year as birds migrate to other areas.

Tundra swan	1		
Canada goose	5,723	Great egret	1
Mallard	10,530	Snowy egret	44
Northern pintail	39,566	Black-crowned night heron	20
American green-winged teal	6,490	White-faced ibis	112
Cinnamon teal	615	Killdeer	41
Northern shoveler	22,358	Black-necked stilt	12
Gadwall	26,643	American avocet	213
American wigeon	15,027	Greater yellowlegs	24
Canvasback	4,007	Marbled godwit	10
Redhead	1,840	Long-billed dowitcher	1,870
Lesser scaup	801	Red-necked phalarope	85
Bufflehead	1	Ring-billed gull	3,032
Ruddy duck	22,601	California gull	67
Unknown ducks	152	Forster's tern	1
Pied-billed grebe	2	Virginia rail	2
Eared grebe	14	American coot	30,479
Western grebe	140	Sandhill crane	3
Clark's grebe	17	Turkey vulture	3
American white pelican	593	Northern harrier	11
Double-crested cormorant	391	Red-tailed hawk	1
Great blue heron	64	Peregrine falcon	2