



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Bear River Migratory Bird Refuge
Brigham City, UT
Waterbird/Raptor Survey
August 16, 2016

A waterbird/raptor survey was conducted on August 16, 2016 by Student Conservation Association Intern Katharine Cody and Refuge Wildlife Biologist Howard Browers recording 49 species. Due to the recent hot and dry conditions, water in the Bear River is low. Quite a few wetland units were dry or nearly dry. Waterfowl and shorebirds were abundant, likely due to birds being more concentrated as surface water dwindles. The auto tour route is offering good viewing opportunities

Canada goose	4,791	Black-necked stilt	18,678
Mallard	10,338	American avocet	16,692
Northern pintail	14,420	Spotted sandpiper	28
American green-winged teal	25,547	Greater yellowlegs	3
Cinnamon teal	11,129	Lesser yellowlegs	3
Northern shoveler	7,237	Long-billed curlew	2
Gadwall	13,513	Least sandpiper	15
American wigeon	399	Baird's sandpiper	28
Canvasback	2	Long-billed dowitcher	6,529
Redhead	2,705	Red-necked phalarope	1
Ruddy duck	4,633	Wilson's phalarope	3,052
Unknown ducks	3,503	Franklin's gull	17,035
Pied-billed grebe	25	Ring-billed gull	1,413
Eared grebe	493	California gull	1,700
Western grebe	239	Caspian tern	3
Clark's grebe	115	Forster's tern	29
American white pelican	4,458	Black tern	110
Double-crested cormorant	100	Virginia rail	2
Great blue heron	108	Sora	1
Great egret	13	American coot	25,396
Snowy egret	707	Sandhill crane	4
Black-crowned night heron	69	Turkey vulture	30
White-faced ibis	11,290	Northern harrier	4
Snowy plover	1	Swainson's hawk	2
Killdeer	12	Peregrine falcon	2