

AREA _____
(or nearest community)

LAKE _____

2008 ALASKA LOON and GREBE WATCH SURVEY

Visit our website: www.akloonwatch.net

Please complete forms by November 1, 2008 and return them in the attached postage paid envelope to:

Alaska Loon and Grebe Watch
US Fish and Wildlife Service
Migratory Bird Management
c/o Tamara Zeller
1011 E. Tudor Rd., MS 201
Anchorage, AK 99503

YOUR NAME: _____ Phone _____

ADDRESS: _____ Email _____

_____ ZIP _____

_____ Please place an "x" on the line if you no longer wish to receive paper copies of survey materials.
Instructions on how to submit information electronically will be provided in year 2007.

LOCATION: _____ SIZE: _____ acres

NEAREST TOWN: _____ Does this lake have developed public access? _____

Are there LOON ALERT or STEER CLEAR signs posted at public access? _____
signs floating near loon/ grebe nesting area? _____

Does this lake have a property owners association? _____
Contact name, address, and day phone: _____

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS:

Do your observations refer to: (circle one)

1. Entire lake 2. A portion (describe): _____

How often did you observe this lake? (circle one)

1. Only on 1 or 2 days. List dates: _____
2. Several days. List dates or months: _____
3. Most weekends throughout the summer.
4. Summer resident on the lake.
5. Year-round resident on the lake.

LOON OBSERVATIONS:

Type of use by loons:

1. No loons were seen on this lake.
2. Loons visit but do not nest. Species: _____
3. Loons stayed on lake all summer, but there were no signs of nesting. Species: _____
4. Loons nested on this lake(include even if eggs didn't hatch or chicks didn't survive).
Species: _____
5. Other (describe): _____
6. Unknown.

Number of adult loons:

1. Date first ADULT loons seen: _____ Species: _____
2. Number of ADULT loons typically seen everyday from the period of **May to July**:
Number: _____ Species: _____
3. Total number of ADULTS remaining throughout summer.
Species _____ Number _____
Species _____ Number _____
4. Greatest number of ADULTS seen on lake at one time.
Species _____ Number _____ Date _____
Species _____ Number _____ Date _____

Number of nests and chicks:

1. Total number of nesting pairs: _____ Species _____
2. Number of nests used. Pair 1: _____ Pair 2: _____
3. Date chicks first seen: _____
4. Total number of chicks seen Pair 1: _____ Pair 2: _____
5. Number of chicks seen at the end of **August**: _____
6. How many chicks grew to adult size? Pair 1: _____ Pair 2: _____
7. Date chicks last seen: Pair 1: _____ Pair 2: _____
8. If any chicks died after hatching, what might have been the cause?

NEST LOCATION: Please indicate on a map of the lake the loon nest location(s) and the area used for chick rearing the first 2 weeks after hatching. PLEASE DO NOT SEARCH FOR NEST UNTIL AFTER THEY ARE DONE NESTING (see instructions). Can you give a legal description or name the owner of the land where the nest is located? (address & phone is helpful if it's a private landowner):

GREBE OBSERVATIONS:

Type of use by grebes:

1. No grebes were seen on this lake.
2. Grebes visit but do not nest. Species: _____
3. Grebes stayed on lake all summer, but there were no signs of nesting. Species: _____
4. Grebes nested on this lake (include even if eggs didn't hatch or chicks didn't survive).
Species: _____
5. Other (describe): _____
6. Unknown.

Number of adult grebes:

1. Date first ADULT grebes seen: _____ Species: _____
2. Number of ADULT grebes typically seen everyday from the period of **May to July**:
Number: _____ Species: _____
3. Total number of ADULTS remaining throughout summer.
Species _____ Number _____
Species _____ Number _____
4. Greatest number of ADULTS seen on lake at one time.
Species _____ Number _____ Date _____
Species _____ Number _____ Date _____

Number of nests and chicks:

1. Total number of nesting pairs: _____ Species _____
2. Number of nests used. Pair 1: _____ Pair 2: _____ Pair 3: _____
3. Date chicks first seen: _____
4. Total number of chicks seen Pair 1: _____ Pair 2: _____ Pair 3: _____
5. Number of chicks seen at the end of **August**: Pair 1: _____ Pair 2: _____ Pair 3: _____
6. How many chicks grew to adult size? Pair 1: _____ Pair 2: _____ Pair 3: _____
7. Date chicks last seen: Pair 1: _____ Pair 2: _____ Pair 3: _____
8. If any chicks died after hatching, what might have been the cause?

NEST LOCATION: Please indicate on a map of the lake the approximate location of the grebe nest(s).

COMMENTS: Please describe any activities such as shoreline development, recreational use, water level fluctuation, predation, etc. that you know or believe have contributed to losses of adults, eggs, or chicks, or have prevented loons/grebes from nesting, or have caused other problems for loons/grebes on this lake (use an additional sheet if necessary).

FREQUENCY IN 2008 (check box)

<i>ACTIVITY</i>	Unsure	Daily	Weekly	Monthly	1-2/summer	None
Swimming						
Fishing						
Non-motor craft (canoes, etc.)						
Motor boats						
Jet skis						
Float planes						
Dogs around shore or swimming						

VOLUNTEER EFFORT (number of hours spent watching loon/grebes this summer); _____ **HOURS**