

**United States Department of the Interior
Fish and Wildlife Service
WEEKLY WATERFOWL POPULATION SUMMARY
Cross Creeks National Wildlife Refuge**

Refuge Total 11,503

02/16/08 – 02/29/08
Survey Period

Tundra Swan			Redhead	2
Trumpeter Swan			Ring-necked Duck	2,648
Canada Goose	2,216		Canvasback	2
Brant			Scaup	
White-fronted Goose	208		Common Goldeneye	
Snow Goose	3		Bufflehead	
Ross's Goose			Ruddy Duck	
			Hooded Merganser	
Mallard	2,937		Common Merganser	2
Black Duck	293		Red-breasted Merganser	
Gadwall	1,760		American Coot	581
American Wigeon	378		Eagles:	
Pintail	225		Bald (Adult)	1
Green-winged Teal			Bald (Immature)	
Blue-winged Teal	10		Golden (Adult)	
Shoveler	156		Golden (Immature)	
Wood Duck	61		Other: Sandhill Crane	
Unidentified Ducks	24		Other: White Pelican	

TOTALS:	Swans	0	Geese	2,424	Ducks	9,079	Eagles	1
							Bald	1
							Golden	0

	Geese	Ducks
Change From Last Survey Conducted This Year	-79 %	-84 %
Change From Last Year Survey During the Same Period of the Year	-17%	-15%
Change From 5-Year Average During the Same Period of the Year		
Change From 10-Year Average During the Same Period of the Year		

Survey Details: X Ground Aerial Water 70 % of Area **Date Conducted:** 02/25/2008

Pacheco & Bailey
(Observers)

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Supplementary Information

Waterfowl Activity: An increase in coot were observed. These birds were likely moving up from the south, as large numbers of these birds had not been observed in prior surveys. A small flock of waterfowl were observed flying high and moving North, as well. Also, a flock of 90 – 100 sandhill crains flew over the refuge on 2/13/08.

Hunting Pressure and Success: No activity to report.

Weather: The morning low was 35°F and the afternoon high was 54°F. The winds were blowing from the south – southwest.

Habitat: Waterfowl were observed in both open waters and flooded timber.

Reported by: Karen Pacheco, Refuge Manager.