

**Cape Hatteras National Seashore  
Resource Management Field Summary for 2011 Breeding Season  
(Bodie, Hatteras and Ocracoke Districts)**

Due to Hurricane Irene, there has not been a weekly report since the August 11-17 report. **This is the final report for 2011.** The annual species reports, with more detailed information, will be available in January 2012.

**Preliminary Breeding Season Results for Piping Plover (PIPL):**

Total Pairs	Total Nests	Total Nests Hatched	Total Nests Lost	Total Eggs Hatched	Lost Chicks	Fledged Chicks
15	17	12	5	35	25	10

**Preliminary Breeding Season Results for American Oystercatcher (AMOY):**

Total Pairs	Total Nests	Total Nests Hatched	Total Nests Lost	Total Eggs Hatched	Lost Chicks	Fledged Chicks
23	26	22	4	49	21	28

**Preliminary Breeding Season Results for Colonial Waterbirds (CWBs):**

Nest estimates for four species of CWB are based on a walk-through of each colony that was conducted between May 30 and June 10. The species surveyed are: Least Terns (LETE); Common Terns (COTE); Black Skimmers (BLSK); Gull-Billed Terns (GUTE).

Total Colonies	Total LETE nests	Total COTE nests	Total BLSK nests	Total GUTE nests
15	1048	112	99	15

**Preliminary Sea Turtle Nest & False Crawl Summary:**

Daily shoreline patrols for sea turtle nests and crawls end on September 15<sup>th</sup>. Resource management staff will continue to check remaining nests within their hatch window for any evidence of hatching.

Total Nests*	Active Nests**	Total Nests Hatched	Nests Lost to Hurricane Irene	Nests Lost to Hurricane Katia	Infertile/Unhatched Nests	Total False Crawls
<b>147</b>	16	82	41	1	7	<b>129</b>

\* Includes 10 Green turtle nests and 137 Loggerhead nests

\*\* Active nests that have not hatched may have been impacted by Hurricane Irene and/or Hurricane Katia. These impacts will not be known until all the nests have been excavated.