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DATE: JAN 19 1978

REPLY TO Area Manager

Bismarck, North Dakota

SUBJECT: Midwinter Waterfowl and Eagle Survey

TO: All NWR's, WMD's and DFA's

PARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR OF Sport Fisheries & Whente

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Enclosed for your information are the summary sheets for the subject survey conducted January 3 through 6, 1978. Thanks for your participation.

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MIDWINTER BAGLE INVENTORY

Continental Eagle Project

| STATE North Dakota | |
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| AREA COVERED: Statewide | |
| DATE: January 3-7, 1978 | OBSERVER: 4 State and 21 Federal personnel |
| METHOD: FOOT $\overline{//}$; CAR $\overline{/X/}$; BOAT $\overline{//}$; A | AIR / ADDRESS: |
| VEATHER: TEMP150 to 100; WIND ca | Im to 25 mph ; cLouds mostly overcastorHER |
| iours in field 105 | MILES COVERED 2,222 |

| | | HABITAT TYPE ² | NUMBER EAGLES | | | | |
|--------|--|----------------------------|---------------|------|--------|------|-------------|
| | | | BALD | | GOLDEN | | |
| TIME | SPECIFIC LOCATION1 | | AD. | IMM. | AD. | IMM. | UNIDENTIFIE |
| Jan. 5 | Near Huff on Missouri River | River Bottom | 1 | | 1 4 74 | | |
| | 1-2 miles below Garrison Dam | River Bottom | 4 | | | | |
| | Bamiles below Garrison | River Bottom | 2 | | | | |
| | Near Montana line on Yellowstone River | River Bottom | 1 | | | | |
| | Mercer County near Beulah | Strip Mine Area | | | 1 | | |
| Jan. 4 | 3 miles West of Medora | Rangeland | | | 1 | | |
| | 12 miles southwest of Medora | Rangeland | | | 2 | | |
| Jan. 5 | 12 miles North of Medora | | | | 1 | 1 | |
| Jan. 6 | 17 miles Southwest of Medora | Rangeland | | | 2 | | |
| Jan. 4 | Lake Ilo, NWR Dunn County | Shelterbelt area on NWR | | | 1 | | |
| lan. 4 | 1 mile Northeast of Alfred, LaMoure County | Cropland | | | 1 | | |
| an. 6 | 2 miles east of Cartwright | Creek Bottom | 1 | 2 | 1 | | |
| an. 4 | Fort Totten Bay, Devils Lake | Decid. Forest | | | 1 | | |
| an. 4 | Northeast side of Lake Irvine | Lake | | | _ | | 1 |
| an. 5 | Upper Souris NWR Near Headquarters | Pasture | | | 1 | | |
| an. 6 | Long Lake NWR Harker Lake, Slade NWR | Prairie Marsh Lake | | 1 | | | |
| | TOTALS | | 8 | 3 | 13 | 1 | 1 |

¹ south side Lake Wilson or Lock No. 12, Miss. River

²forest, pasture, lake, river, coast, etc.

MIDWINTER WATERFOWL AND EAGLE SURVEY

| State: North Dakota Area to be cove | ered Statewide |
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| | _ Cooperator J.L. Nelson, C. Schroeder |
| No. observers in party 21 Federal Per | sonnel Address NDG&F and USFWS Bismarck, North Dakota |
| Hours spent in observation by: 6 99 plane car | boat foot total hours |
| Miles covered by: 600 1622 car | boat foot total miles |
| Make and no. of planes used1 Cito | obria |
| OBSERVATIONS: | - |
| Mallard 780 | Snow (& blue) |
| Black duck | Ross |
| Mottled duck | White-fronted |
| Gadwall | Canada 5 |
| Am, wigeon | |
| Green wing | TOTAL |
| Blue wing | GEESE 5 |
| Cinn, teal | Whistling swan |
| Shoveler | Trumpeter swan |
| Pintail | TOTAL |
| SUB-TOTAL DABBLERS | SWANS |
| Redhead | TOTAL |
| Canvasback | COOTS |
| Scaup | TOTAL T |
| Ringneck | TOTAL WATERFOWL 800 |
| Goldeneye | State distribution tradition between the contract contract and contrac |
| Bufflehead | |
| Ruddy duck | |
| SUB-TOTAL DIVERS | Bald Golden Unident. Imm. 3 1 1 Adult 8 13 |
| Mergansers 15 | Adult 8 13 Unidenti. |
| Misc.& Unident. | momut |
| TOTAL DUCKS 795 | EAGLES 11 14 1 |