

Waterfowl and Wetlands

Definition Guidance for waterbird count

The primary Focus of the counts is to identify waterbird number including many non-game species. "providing invaluable information on the ecosystem health of wetlands and rivers"

Information the count requires is

- **Wetland Name** - name of the wetland being monitored
- **DELWP Region** - there are six regions FGA is simply aligning with them GV Hume, Gippsland, Metro (Port Phillip), Grampians, Loddon Mallee and Barwon SW.
- **Percentage of Wetland Counted** - The estimated are of the wetland counted.
- **Percentage of Water Covering Wetland** - The amount of water covering the bed of the Wetland.
- **Estimated Percentage to Full Area** - **INSERT DEFINITION HERE**
- **Waterbird Numbers** - the number of waterbirds seen for each of the species.
- **Clutches and Young** - if any breeding was observed
- **Non Game Species** - examples given in listing but please add any species you feel are relevant particularly if a threat to closure.
- **Threat to Closure** - **INSEEEEEERT DEFINITION**
- **Time Taken to Conduct the Count** - the amount of time taken to conduct the actual count on the wetland including travel time.
- **Kilometres Travelled** - how far was travelled to conduct the count IS THIS DURING OR BEFORE AFTER? LIKE AN ECONOMIC IMPACT FOR VOLUNTEER

Demographic information

Age: (Required)

Gender identity: (Required)

Post code: (Required)

Contact email address

Wetland Information

1. (Required) Wetland Name

2. (Required) Nearest Town

3. (Required) DEWLP Region (Please tick ONE option)

☐ GV Hume

☐ Gippsland

☐ Metro (Port Phillip)

☐ Grampians

☐ Loddon Mallee and Barwon SW

4. (Required) Date Conducted

what date was the count conducted

____/____/____

5. (Required) Time taken to conduct the Count

Number of Hours Round to whole

6. (Required) Kilometres Travelled

7. (Required) Is the Wetland open to Hunting Season (Please tick ONE option)

☐ Yes

☐ No

8. (Required) Estimated % to full area

9. (Required) % of wetland counted

10. (Required) % of wetland covered by water

11. (Required) Is the Wetland Private or Public (Please tick ONE option)

☐ Private

☐ Public

Waterbird Count

Duck Species Game Birds

12. Black Duck - Adult

13. Black Duck - Immature

14. Grey Teal - Adult

15. Grey Teal - Immature

16. Chestnut Teal - Adult

17. Chestnut Teal - Immature

18. Shoveler - Adult

19. Shoveler - Immature

20. Pink Ear - Adult

21. Pink Ear - Immature

22. Wood Duck - Adult

23. Wood Duck - Immature

24. Mountain Duck - Adult

25. Mountain Duck - Immature

26. Hard Head - Adult

27. Hard Head - Immature

28. Notes for Duck Species and Game Birds

Please list name of Duck then any notes that apply

Non-Game

29. Musk Duck

30. Whistling Duck

31. Eurasian Coot

32. Swampphen

33. Swamp Hen Sub Species (Tick all that apply)

Select any that apply

☐ Dusky Moorhen

☐ Purple Swamp Hen

☐ Black Water Hen

☐ Unknown

34. Grebe

35. Grebe Sub Species (Tick all that apply)

Select any that apply

☐ Little Headed

☐ Hoary Headed

☐ Unknown

36. Cormorant

37. Cormorant Sub Species (Tick all that apply)

Select any that apply

☐ Great (Black)

☐ Little Pied

☐ Unknown

38. Avocet

39. Black Swan

40. Magpie Goose

41. Cape Barron Goose

42. Ibis

43. Ibis Sub Species (Tick all that apply)

Select any that apply

☐ White

☐ Glossy

☐ Straw Necked

☐ Unknown

44. Crane/ Herron

Non-Game that have Caused Closures Before

45. Freckled Duck

46. Blue Billed Duck

47. Australian Bittern

48. Curlew Sandpiper

49. Brolga

Other Species Not Listed

50. Other 1

51. Other 1 Species

52. Other 2

53. Other 2 Species

54. Other 3

55. Other 3 Species