

Cape Hatteras National Seashore
Resource Management Weekly Field Summary for August 27 – September 2, 2009
(Bodie Island, Hatteras, and Ocracoke Districts)

Note: This is the final Resource Management Field Summary for the season.

Piping Plover *Breeding season has concluded.*

American Oystercatchers (AMOY):

Location	Breeding Pairs	Total Nests to Date	Active Nests	Nests Hatched	Nests Lost	Total Chicks Hatched	Unfledged Chicks	Chicks Lost	Fledged Chicks
Green Island	2	2	0	1	1	3	0	0	3
Bodie District	4	4	0	1	3	2	0	1	1
Bodie/Hatteras District	4	6	0	5	1	8	0	6	2
Hatteras District	9	13	0	6	7	13	0	6	7
Ocracoke District	4	6	0	2	4	5	0	5	0
CAHA TOTALS	23	31	0	15	16	31	0	18	13

Colonial Waterbirds (CWB):

All chicks have fledged.

Sea turtle nests:

Nests this week on CAHA: 0

False Crawls this week on CAHA: 0

Total Nests at CAHA: 102 (70 Hatteras Island, 32 Ocracoke Island, 0 Bodie Island).

Total False Crawls to date on CAHA: 101 (54 Hatteras Island, 46 Ocracoke Island, 1 Bodie Island)

Sea Turtle Nest Hatchings:

To date 59 nests (38 on Hatteras, 21 on Ocracoke) have completed hatching and/or were excavated due to storm activity. Four nests were completely washed out as a result of erosion from high tides associated with Hurricane Bill. Forty three un-hatched nests remain on the seashore.

Sea Turtle Strandings:

8/29 Juvenile green sea turtle stranded dead on Ocracoke oceanside

8/31 Juvenile green sea turtle stranded dead on Hatteras spit soundside

Marine Mammal Strandings:

None this week.

Seabeach Amaranth

To date, resource staff has spent ~126 man hours and has surveyed 87 lineal miles of beach for seabeach amaranth (*Amaranthus pumilus*). There have been no plants observed.

Closures – additions/modifications/removals:

Closure #	Location	Species	Date Installed/Removed
Bodie-Hatteras			
BH09-002-R	0.6 mi N of Ramp 30	AMOY	9/2/2009

Closure intrusions

Bodie/Hatteras District:

None observed.

Hatteras District:

Multiple occurrences of pedestrians walking on shoreline in turtle closures.

Multiple occurrences of pedestrians walking without pets on a leash

Ocracoke District:

None observed.