Alaska Department of Fish and Game Wildlife Restoration Grant

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Project Title: Migratory Game Bird Annual Survey and Inventory: Status, Trends, and Public Use of Migratory Game Birds in Alaska.

Project Duration: July 1, 2010 – June 30, 2011

Report Due Date: September 1, 2011

Partner: Numerous

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WORK LOCATION: Statewide (Regions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5)

REPORT DESCRIPTION: This performance report describes the Statewide Waterfowl Programs survey and inventory activities. Activities are listed by geographical region.

Project Activities and Accomplishments

Project Location: Statewide

JOB/ACTIVITY 1: Develop ADF&G FY 11 work plan/budget request consistent with high priority management needs, federal activities, and state objectives.

Accomplishments: The FY 2011 Waterfowl Program annual work plans and budgets were developed through analysis of migratory game bird status information, identification of management needs and problems, and assessment of the department's capabilities and role in addressing needs relative to programs by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), U.S. Geological Survey-Biological Resources Division (USGS-BRD), U.S. Forest Service, and wildlife agencies of other states. The primary source of status information and process for determining the department's work plans was through the Pacific Flyway Council (PFC) and Study Committee (PFSC). The department actively participated in flyway communications, data exchanges, work sessions, and formal biannual meetings. Waterfowl Program staff also participated in many coordination meetings, technical discussions, and planning functions with USFWS Region 7, USGS-BRD Alaska Science Center, U.S. Forest Service (USFS), and University of Alaska to identify migratory bird issues and develop cooperative projects in Alaska.