

NEVADA DEPARTMENT OF WILDLIFE · WETLAND HABITAT REPORT

October 6, 2004

WETLAND	County	Surface Water (% of Normal Capacity)	Surface Water Compared to last year	Duck Density	Comments:	For Additional Information Contact:
STATE WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREAS <i>(Please examine NDOW website for Additional WMA Information)</i>						
Scripps	WA	DRY	Down 100%	0	Area dry due to drought	Area manager: (775) 423-2741
Mason Valley	LY	50%	Down 20%	HIGH	Some ponds under reconstruction. Some river water diverted to Walker Lake this year. Water conditions will improve as season progresses.	
Alkali Lake	LY	DRY	Same	0	Dry for five years now	
Fernley	LY	5%	Same	LOW	Some water will accumulate as season progresses	
Humboldt	PE	DRY	Same	0	Dry for five years now	
Franklin Lake	EL	DRY	Same	0	Dry for five years now	Elko Office (775) 777-2300
Step toe	WP	90%	Same	MOD	Commins Lake is 1 ft. low. Valley ponds are at 50% or less, new ponds won't see water this year.	Area manager: (775) 289-1690
Kirch	NY	90%	Up 30%	HIGH	Water in Adams-McGill this year. Resident bird #s are very good. Vegetation projects accomplished during the summer will benefit both ducks and hunters.	Area manager: (775) 238-0240
Key Pittman	LN	50% / filling	Better than last year.	HIGH	Frenchy is dry but filling, north marsh of Nesbitt is filling, but good duck use on the lake and north ponds. Reservations required on opening day.	Area manager: (775) 725-3521
Overton	CL	70%	Same	MOD	Lake Mead shoreline retreated beyond OWMA boundaries. Honeybee, Center and Pintail ponds all full. Bullrush checks 60% & filling. Wilson Pond filling. Muddy River flows recently increased.	Area manager: (702) 397-2142
Carson Lake Cooperative WMA	CH	75% / filling	Same	HIGH	Rice, Big Water & Sprig units at 75% and continuing to fill. York Unit at 25% and filling. Sump is dry.	NDOW Biologist Kyle Neill: (775) 423-3117
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Stillwater	CH	60% / filling- Water deliveries end in Nov.	Same	MOD	A number of units are dry – see the “Wetlands Unit Acreage” tab on the NWR website. Special boating regulations.	Website: stillwater.fws.gov Check out the links
Ruby Lake	EL	70%	Same	HIGH	Stable for past five years.	Website not available. Call Refuge at (775) 779-2237
Pahranagat	LN	10%	Same to drier than last year.	LOW	Water being moved from Upper Lake to fill Lower Lake. Middle Marsh and Lower Lake presently dry. Area probably won't be huntable this year.	Website: desertcomplex.fws.gov Link to Pahranagat NWR

Hunters are encouraged to also review information available through the Nevada Waterfowl Association at nevadawaterfowl.org