

Ross's Goose *Chen rossii*

WINTER: Casual Visitant since 1997. One on 05 January and 06 January 1997 at Byrd Locks & Dam (WA, KP, GR). Second state record for WV (Argabrite et al. 1997). One (white phase) on 15 February 2001 at Green Bottom WMA (photographed, MG) remained until 16 March 2001 (See Spring records); one on 13 (WA) and 15 (WA, MG), two on 21 (MG, DP) and three on 28 (MG) February 2009 at Byrd Locks and Dam; 16 (9 at Lakin Mason Co., WV, 6 at Gallipolis Ferry, Mason Co., WV, one at Byrd Locks & Dam) on 22 February 2011 (WA, MG); one on 13 (WA, MG) and 14 (WA, MG, DP) January 2012 at Gallipolis Ferry, Mason Co., WV. See Remarks section for Mid-Winter Aerial Survey data.

SUMMER: NO RECORDS.

MIGRATION:

Spring: Casual Visitant since 1999. One from 03 March (WA, BB) to 06 March (DP) 2010 at Proctorville, Lawrence Co., OH; one on 11 March and 12 March 1999 at Lavalette, Wayne County, WV (photographed, WA, MG, GR). Third state record for WV (Argabrite et al. 2000); one (white phase) on 11 March (WA, MF) and 16 March (WA, MG) 2001 at Green Bottom WMA; one on 03 and 04 March 2007 at Green Bottom WMA (WA, MG, DP, GR); one on 03 March 2011 at Harris River Front Park in Huntington, Cabell Co., WV (BB, RT).

Fall: Accidental. One from 14 November to 19 November 1993 at Byrd Locks & Dam (Argabrite 1995c) and in croplands in Gallia Co., OH (MG), bordering the Ohio River. First state record for WV (Hall 1996); from 10 to 15 on 12 November 2003 in Mason Co., WV (WA); one on 22 November 2007 at Byrd Locks & Dam (GR); one on 15 (WA) and 16 (WA, MG) November 2011 at Byrd Locks & Dam; one on 27 (GR) and 29 (MG) November 2011 at Gallipolis Ferry, Mason Co., WV.

REMARKS:

MID-WINTER AERIAL SURVEY DATA (WVDNR)

OHIO RIVER, POINT PLEASANT TO HUNTINGTON, WV

Recorded (*Chen* spp.) on 2 surveys from 1989 to 2002: 03 January 1995: 2. 06 January 1997: 2.