

MEMORANDUM

MTAB-20
March 6, 1973

TO : All Banders

FROM : Chief, Bird Banding Laboratory
Office of Migratory Bird Management

SUBJECT: 1. Bird Banding Manual -- Volume II

2. Banding location listings

3. Processing returns

4. Miscellaneous

1. Volume II of the Bird Banding Manual will include sections on general instructions on techniques, sexing and aging birds, capture, auxiliary marking and record keeping. Additional topics can be added. Please send us your suggestions or contributions to the Manual. We received many useful suggestions during the preparation of Volume I.

The Volume II chapter on bird capture has been assembled in the Bird Banding Laboratory and is now being edited by Parker Reed, a bander living at 27 Hayes Avenue, Lexington, Massachusetts 02173. If you have suggestions that should be included in the chapter, please write to Mr. Reed.

Merrill Wood, Department of Biology, Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Pennsylvania 16802, has furnished us sex and age identification material for many species. This material is being reviewed and edited by a group of volunteers coordinated by Mrs. Bradley Fisk, 17101 SW. 284th Street, Homestead, Florida 33030. Much work remains to be done so Mrs. Fisk could use additional assistance. We are thankful to all who are helping or have offered.

2. Please review the attached list of permittee numbers for banders whose banding station location listing has not been corrected and returned to the Bird Banding Laboratory. If your permit number appears on the list and you have returned your copy, it may have been lost in the mail. If so, we can send you another copy to update. Please take whatever action is necessary so that we may remove your name from the list.
3. The problem of reporting station band returns and their processing is to be examined closely in the near future. The reporting of returns probably will require special forms and different information than is currently requested from banders reporting recoveries and foreign retraps.

We request that all banders continue to record returns for possible future processing. At the moment we are interested only in receiving the most unusual returns for immediate inclusion in our files. Such

returns document extreme longevity or unusual seasonal occurrence (e.g., a "summer only resident" wintering in the same 10' block instead of Central America). Please indicate the basic banding data for any of your unusual returns in the remarks section of the Bird Band Recovery Report (Form 3-1807).

4. On the Migratory Bird Salvage Report we received a number of questions regarding the reporting of tower kills and salvage of large numbers of birds. They need not be reported individually but can be grouped by species and disposal categories. We will report data on salvaged birds to the Division of Law Enforcement for inclusion in its annual report on Migratory Birds and Eagles Taken by Scientific and Special Purpose Permittes.

Except for MTAB-9, which relates to age and sex criteria, MTAB's previous to 18 are obsolete and banders need not retain them. Most pertinent material in the early MTAB's has been included in the Manual.

Banders authorized to use auxiliary markers on birds are cautioned to use judgment in their use. Serious public relations problems arise from birds being injured or killed by marking devices. Please let us know of any marker that you use that you think has limitations or faults. Long leg streamers, wing markers, nasal saddles, and neck collars have been the culprits this year.

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Attachment

BANDING STATION LOCATION LISTINGS NOT ON
HAND IN BBL AS OF 3-5-73. (IN PERMIT ORDER NUMBER)

00613	06641	07820	08837	09497	09873
00627	06658	07844	08844	09510	09884
00663	06673	07860	08861	09512	09888
00911	06689	07871	08887	09524	09893
00922	06690	07961	08899	09529	09895
02640	06707	08020	08910	09536	09897
03478	06730	08050	08928	09546	09903
03712	06741	08058	08952	09549	09908
03768	06794	08061	08967	09550	09910
03810	06806	08104	09005	09570	09912
03895	06931	08123	09018	09578	09918
04008	06978	08150	09020	09592	09920
04097	07016	08154	09025	09599	09921
04141	07147	08178	09039	09629	09929
04822	07182	08229	09055	09632	09936
04939	07203	08259	09100	09638	09943
05448	07211	08281	09138	09641	09945
05538	07226	08289	09161	09643	09946
05546	07252	08333	09165	09683	09949
05796	07255	08341	09172	09687	09954
05845	07277	08354	09185	09690	09961
05930	07293	08370	09195	09695	09976
05967	07344	08388	09254	09696	09978
06113	07352	08406	09289	09707	09986
06144	07384	08412	09304	09723	09989
06240	07386	08429	09311	09726	09992
06247	07394	08436	09314	09741	09999
06257	07416	08457	09326	09746	20010
06266	07417	08487	09341	09747	20028
06273	07446	08490	09343	09751	20037
06275	07471	08517	09349	09752	20040
06300	07510	08585	09365	09760	20047
06307	07518	08601	09383	09761	20049
06367	07519	08605	09395	09767	20061
06400	07522	08629	09396	09771	20066
06429	07537	08641	09405	09772	20075
06449	07574	08652	09412	09789	20081
06539	07596	08672	09414	09794	20097
06553	07613	08702	09424	09807	20112
06560	07661	08717	09425	09811	20171
06569	07664	08718	09441	09837	
06570	07771	08720	09446	09850	
06604	07806	08743	09448	09851	
06613	07811	08775	09474	09856	
06631	07813	08816	09479	09858	

