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<u>NOTES</u>

To get to the MMSD Wildlife Observation Area: From the Madison Beltline (Hwy 12-18), exit South Towne Rd., go south and then turn left on Moorland Rd. Park in the E-Way parking lot, which is approximately 1/4 mile down on the right hand side of Moorland Road. Signs will direct you to the observation area.



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Dane County Parks 4318 Robertson Road, Madison, WI 53714 (608) 246-3896



Madison Audubon Society 222 S. Hamilton Street, Suite #1, Madison, WI 53703 (608) 255-BIRD

Madison Audubon's birding hotline is available 24 hours a day at (608) 255-2476.

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A 600-acre wetland at the mouth of Nine Springs Creek includes the 140-acre Madison Metropolitan Sewerage District (MMSD) Wildlife Observation Area. The observation area represents a commitment by the MMSD, in partnership with the Dane County Parks Department, to enhance a unique and valuable resource. The observation area is linked to the Capital Springs State Park, the Dane County Heritage Center, Lake Farm Park, the Nine Springs E-Way, the Capital City Bike Trail, and the Monona Conservancy.

The observation area provides an excellent opportunity to view migrating shorebirds, some of which are rarely seen elsewhere in this part of the country. This prime location attracts many other species of wetland birds, and is ideal for close, prolonged observation of hard-to-see species. Besides sandhill cranes, rails, and herons, at least 13 species of waterfowl have been recorded in recent years. A wide variety of other birds can also be seen at the site, including pheasants, hawks (including peregrine falcon), owls, and songbirds. Over 200 species of birds have been documented at the site. The area is also home to other wildlife, including deer, fox, raccoon, muskrats, and turtles.

You are welcome to walk the trails and boardwalks and enjoy the wildlife. Because this site is managed for shorebirds and other bird species which can be easily disturbed, we ask that you stay on the trails, and not bring pets or bicycles into the area. Please help us protect this important habitat area and its wildlife.

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Northern Shoveler*			X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
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Common Goldeneye	X	Χ	X	Χ						X	X	Χ
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Wood duck



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