



ESWG project register

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Project title	National Common Scoter Survey Ireland
Project coordinator(s)	Marie Louise Heffernan
Project partners and funders	National Parks and Wildlife Service
Main individual / organisation to contact for information about project	Marie Louise Heffernan, Aster Environmental Consultants, Renvyle, Galway or Jackie Hunt, Belcarra, Castlebar Mayo
Project website	http://www.npws.ie/publications/irishwildlifemanuals/IWM%2066%20common%20scoter.pdf

Target species and population [enter X against all that apply] <i>Population boundaries can be viewed on the CSN too!</i>			
Greater Scaup (W Europe)		King Eider (N Europe/W Siberia)	
Greater Scaup (Black Sea/Caspian Sea)		Steller's Eider (NW Europe)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. mollissima</i> (Britain/Ireland)		Harlequin Duck (Iceland)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. mollissima</i> (Baltic/Wadden Sea)		Long-tailed Duck (Iceland/Greenland)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. mollissima</i> (Norway/NW Russia)		Long-tailed Duck (W Siberia/N Europe)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. mollissima</i> (White Sea)		Common Scoter (European)	X
Common Eider <i>S. m. mollissima</i> (Black Sea)		Velvet Scoter (W European)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. faeroeensis</i> (Faeroe Islands)		Velvet Scoter (Black Sea)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. faeroeensis</i> (Shetland Islands)		Red-breasted Merganser (NW & C Europe)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. borealis</i> (Svalbard/Franz Joseph Land)		Red-breasted Merganser (Mediterranean/Black Sea)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. borealis</i> (Iceland)		Red-breasted Merganser (Greenland)	
Common Eider <i>S. m. borealis</i> (NE Greenland)			

Project type [enter X against all that apply and/or specify other]	
Abundance/distribution	X
Life history (breeding success/survival/recruitment)	X
Population delineation / migration	
Ecological research (e.g. habitat use, diet)	
Methodological / techniques	
Anthropomorphic (e.g. contaminants, aquaculture)	
Physiology/energetic/genetics/disease	
Other (please specify below)	

Project description	
Project duration	
Start date	March 2012
End data/expected end date	Sept 2012
Will the project be repeated?	Yes probably in 5/10 years
If yes, please provided estimated start year and end year	
Bird season [enter X against all that apply]	
Breeding	X
Non-breeding	
Moulting	
Migration	
Geographical location	
Lough Corrib, Lough Arrow, Lough Conn/Cullin and Lough Ree in Ireland	
Main aims and objectives	
Document population size – see if decline continuing	

Methods

Boat survey on lakes during breeding season – count pairs and age ducklings (see report for details)

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Datasets

1. Breeding population estimate
2. Breeding population distribution in Ireland
3. Breeding success
4. Other breeding birds on lakes (data not analysed)

Project outputs

Reports and papers

<http://www.npws.ie/publications/irishwildlifemanuals/IWM%2066%20common%20scoter.pdf>

Other outputs

Data ownership and access	
Are data collated during the project available to external users?	Yes
Person/organisation that owns the data	
Contact name	David Tierney
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Person/organisation responsible for maintaining the dataset	
Contact name	
Organisation	
Contact email	
Person/organisation that can be contacted for accessing the data	
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Additional information	