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To whom it may concern

The Wetland Bird Survey and permission to gain access to private property

Please would you allow the bearer of this letter to gain access to your land in order to record the numbers of waterbirds on this site.

This monitoring forms a part of the Wetland Bird Survey (WeBS), a national scheme designed to monitor waterbird populations throughout the UK, which has been running for over 70 years. Information collected by WeBS is used by the scheme's partners, the British Trust for Ornithology, Royal Society for the Protection of Birds and the Joint Nature Conservation Committee in association with The Wildfowl & Wetlands Trust to assess numbers, trends and distribution of non-breeding waterbirds. Counts are carried out at over 2,000 wetland sites throughout the UK by a network of around 3,000 volunteers, making WeBS the primary source of data for the monitoring and conservation of waterbirds in the UK. Counts are usually undertaken on a single day each month, with a particular focus on the period between September and March.

If you require any further information about WeBS or would be interested in knowing more about the results from the survey then please contact the WeBS Office at the BTO, address listed above.

Thanking you in anticipation of your co-operation.

Yours faithfully

Gill Birtles
WeBS Counter Network Organiser



The Wetland Bird Survey (WeBS) is the monitoring scheme for non-breeding waterbirds in the UK which aims to provide the principal data for the conservation of their populations and wetland habitats. WeBS is a partnership between the BTO, RSPB and JNCC in association with WWT. www.bto.org/webs