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Non-estuarine Coastal Waterfowl Survey
(NEWS - An update)

For a first such survey, the Europe-wide coverage obtained by NEWS was very encouraging (Table 1) and valuable data are still being collected. During the 1999-2000 winter Rui Rufino and Alejandro Perez-Hurtado supervised the collection of extra data from Portugal and Spain respectively.

It was originally hoped that the International Wader Series publication reporting back on the results of NEWS would be ready in time for the September 2000 Wader Study Group Conference. Croatia, France and Sweden must be congratulated upon having managed to keep to the original timetable, but due to the work commitments of most other participants that target has had to be revised. We look forward to receiving the remaining chapters and finalising the volume that will help update the population estimates of waders on Europe’s non-estuarine coasts.

Table 1 The coverage obtained by the European Non-estuarine Coastal Waterfowl Survey and readiness of publication.

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1: Representative coverage that makes it possible to generate reliable population estimates for the complete non-estuarine coastline of a country; 2: Representative coverage of at least part of the country’s non-estuarine coastline; 3: Data only make it possible to generate a minimum population estimate.

The editors will then start asking for the first draft of the remaining country chapters by the end of May. Realistically the volume is likely to be nearing publication by April 2002.

The UK chapter has been finalized and it will be emailed shortly to all of the other authors. This should help ensure that the various chapters are all written following a standard format.

Mark Rehfisch & Steve Holloway

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