



# Heron Observation Network

## Colony Observation Data Sheet



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or mail to: Danielle D'Auria, MDIFW, 106 Hogan Rd, Suite 1, Bangor, ME 04401

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### Visit Summary

Observer Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Colony #: \_\_\_\_\_ Survey Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Survey Mileage: \_\_\_\_\_ Hours: \_\_\_\_\_ Minutes: \_\_\_\_\_

For multiple surveys on the same day, please divide your total mileage across the surveys. Time includes conducting the survey, data entry, and travel (but divide the travel time across surveys accordingly).

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### Observation

# Inactive Nests: \_\_\_\_\_ # Active Nests: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Note: # Inactive Nests + # Active Nests = Total Nests)*

# Nests Incubation Stage: \_\_\_\_\_ # Nests w/Young Visible: \_\_\_\_\_

# Nests Stage Unknown: \_\_\_\_\_ # Young Visible: \_\_\_\_\_

*(Note: # Nests Incubation Stage + # Nests w/Young Visible + # Nests Stage Unknown = # Active Nests above)*

# Fledglings: \_\_\_\_\_ # Adults: \_\_\_\_\_

# Bald Eagles: \_\_\_\_\_ # Ospreys: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Bald Eagle Activity:

Description of Osprey Activity:

Description of Heron Response to Eagles or Osprey:

Notes:



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### Productivity

Observer Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Colony # \_\_\_\_\_ Survey Date: \_\_\_\_\_

- ❖ This data sheet is optional and should only be used if you plan to track productivity of individual nests throughout the season (on 2 or more visits).
- ❖ You do not need to track every nest within the colony. Only choose to track those nests that you can see well.
- ❖ Observers may choose to create a map or photograph of the colony with nests labeled to help them keep track throughout the season; however, this does not need to be submitted with your data sheets.
- ❖ Please be sure each nest number corresponds to the same nest across all visit dates within the year.
- ❖ If there are more than 16 nests, use additional Productivity data sheets as needed.

Nest #	Status – check one (Active or Inactive)	Stage* – check one (INC, YNG, FLN, U)	# of Young in Nest	Age of Young** (# of weeks)
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\*Stage: If active, check one of the following codes for nest stage = INC (incubating), YNG (young in nest), FLN (fledglings near nest), or U (unknown).  
 \*\*Age of Young: # of weeks old; see nestling illustrations in packet.