June 5, 2001 Resource Management Work Group

The Resource Management Work Group met June 5, 2001 at Weymouth Woods, with the following persons present: Pete Campbell, Bill Parsons, Craig Clarke, Margit Bucher, Debbie Robertson, Jackie Britcher. Jerry Holder, Mark Danner, Chris Helms, Julian Johnson, Susan Miller, Rick Studeman, Jeff Walters, and Jay Carter.

The group heard a report from Jay Carter and Jeff Walters of the RCW Recovery Work Group concerning connecting clusters of birds in the Sandhills area. A goal of 440 clusters in the Eastern population was stated, with a smaller number in the Western population, where the challenge is to connect fragmented clusters. The report expressed a need to have two stabilized populations in the Sandhills, East and West. It is more important to have stable populations than to have every cluster connected.

Pete Campbell suggested that the Resource Management group should try to have a draft of recommendations by August, with an overall draft of reports and recommendations from the various groups by sometime in the fall. He will provide the members with a framework, or template, to use as a guideline in structuring the report. This template will be sent to group members prior to the next meeting.

The group decided the final report should include recommendations for more cooperation between agencies, both public and private.

The next meeting of the Work Group is to be July 9, 2001, at 9:30 AM at Weymouth Woods.

Julian Johnson, Secretary