

Snowy Plovers at a Glance

July 2011 Update





Chick in 2nd to 3rd



Chick fledged

OVERVIEW

The western snowy plover season is starting to wind down. There are still three nests and chicks on the ground but no more new nests being laid. We expect our last chick to fledge by mid-September and will continue to monitor up to that point. Big thanks to the docents for contacting an average 275 visitors each weekend. They are working hard to spread the good news about the plovers. Look for the next update at the end of August.

CURRENT STATS:

- About 9 breeding pairs
- 15 nests
 - 10 hatched 28 eggs
 - 2 failed, 1 rodent and 1 unknown depredation
 - o 2 currently incubating
- 28 chicks hatched
 - o 16 chicks lost, unknown cause
 - o 11 chicks currently on beach
 - 1 chick fledged



If you have any questions, please email Lacey Hughey at Lacey_Hughey@nps.gov or Carolyn Campbell at Carolyn_Campbell@partner.nps.gov. Have a great summer!

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