

## MASSACHUSETTS PIPING PLOVER CENSUS FORM

Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Observer(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Site Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Agency: \_\_\_\_\_  
Town: \_\_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Ownership: \_\_\_\_\_  
 ⇒ *Please attach a map of this site that shows locations of all nests and pairs that did not nest.* Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

<i>Census Results:</i>	Index Count <sup>a</sup>	Total Count <sup>b</sup>
No. of Pairs		
Unpaired Adults		

<b>Notes on pairs that did not nest (include dates present, activities)/Census remarks:</b>  <b>List pairs <u>not</u> present during Index Count:</b>
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Month	Average # of visits to site per week
April	
May	
June	
July	

*Indicate type(s) of exclosure design(s) used:*

Exclosure Design	A	B	C
Shape			
Diameter/Length of side			
Size of wire mesh			
Total Height			
Height above ground:			
Depth buried:			
Cover material			
Cover spacing/Mesh size			

<b>Other management undertaken or needed/Remarks:</b>
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<sup>a</sup>The Index Count includes those pairs seen during the Index Count period (1-9 June) and also those that may have been missed during the Index Count, but that must have been present then (based on laying or hatching dates).  
<sup>b</sup>To be included in the Total Count, a pair must have been present at the site for ≥ 2 weeks and exhibiting courtship or territorial behavior during that period, if not actual nesting.

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Pair No.	Nest No.	No. eggs laid	No. eggs hatched <sup>c</sup>	No. chicks fledged <sup>d</sup>	Date clutch found	No. eggs when clutch found	Date clutch completed	Date nest hatched or failed <sup>c</sup>	Enclosure		
									Y/N	Design (A, B...)	Date installed

<sup>c</sup>Indicate below the reasons for nest failure and egg/chick mortality (if known) and the evidence, or indicate "unknown." Attach additional sheets if necessary.

<sup>d</sup>Chicks are considered "fledged" if they are ≥ 25 days old or are observed in flight for ≥ 50 ft., whichever occurs first.

Nest No.	Cause of egg mortality/Evidence	Nest No.	Cause of chick mortality/Evidence

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