



ALL SHOREBIRDS

We have seen a strong, gradual increase in overall shorebird use of the Giacomini wetlands since the reintroduction of tidal action in October of 2008. These numbers reveal increases in the number of wintering birds and greater numbers during migration periods. The general decline in shorebird use during late winter 2011 was consistent with a baywide decline and not likely related to the local effects of wetland restoration. Such dramatic differences are likely to continue, resulting in considerable variation in shorebird use among years and seasons.