

# Federal officials reports geese count

During the first week of May the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service flew the annual spring index count for emperor geese along the Alaska Peninsula and located 51,700 birds, according to the Alaska Department of Fish and Game.

This is a 23 percent increase over the 1986 count.

The increase is credited to increased nest survival on the Yukon-Kuskokwim Delta last year. The management goal for emperor populations is 150,000 geese.