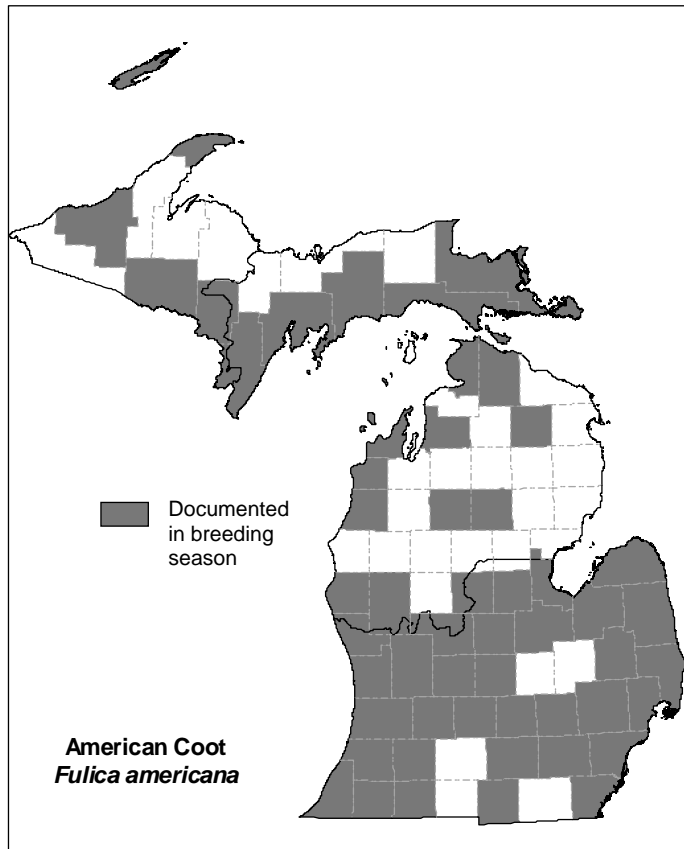


BIRDS



American Coot

(*Fulica americana*)

DISTRIBUTION & ABUNDANCE: During migration, rafts of up to several thousand American Coots may be found in Great Lakes coastal wetlands. Breeding population densities may be significantly lower.

ASSOCIATED LANDSCAPE FEATURES: bog; inland emergent wetland; submergent wetland; pond; inland lake; river/stream/riparian/floodplain corridor; coastal emergent wetland

ASSOCIATED THREATS: pesticides & herbicides; removal of wildlife; social attitudes; wetland modifications

COMMENTS: American coots are utilized by hunters in relatively low numbers.