

**December 15, 2021**  
**Kentucky Sandhill Crane Survey**

This is the Sandhill Crane ground count survey for December 15, 2021. Barren River Lake is being drained quickly to reach winter pool. On 12/15, the lake level was 530.5'. Due to the recent warm fronts moving through the areas, crane numbers are low in both areas. However, cranes have been observed overhead and are still migrating through. Hardin County provides plenty of harvested crop fields.

The Kentucky 2021-22 Sandhill Crane season opened December 7, 2021 and runs until January 31, 2022. This is concurrent with the second segment of duck season. We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable time afield.

<b>Location</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Barren River Lake WMA <i>12/15/2021</i>	0 Sandhill Cranes	Lake level (12/15): 530.5 and draining fast.
Hardin County <i>12/14/2021</i>	21 Sandhill Cranes	