

MEMORANDUM

TO: Saluda Hydro Project Relicensing Stakeholders
FROM: Shane Boring
DATE: August 30, 2006
RE: August 2006 Wood Stork Aerial Survey Observations

Dear Relicensing Stakeholder:

The August 2006 Lake Murray wood stork survey was conducted on Saturday, August 26th. Moderate wading bird activity was observed, with numerous great egrets foraging in the Saluda River floodplain upstream of the reservoir and in backwaters of reservoir coves. In addition, a single juvenile wood stork was observed soaring above the Saluda River upstream of the reservoir. After being followed for approximately 5 minutes by our aircraft, the juvenile wood stork perched in a tall snag at the Tossity Creek site, a floodplain wetland located off of the Saluda's main channel just upstream of the mouth of Tossity Creek (see 2005 Wood Stork Report for site location). The stork remained perched at this site until the end of the survey.

Thank you for your continued interest in the Lake Murray Wood Stork Study, and as always, please feel free to contact me should you have any questions.

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