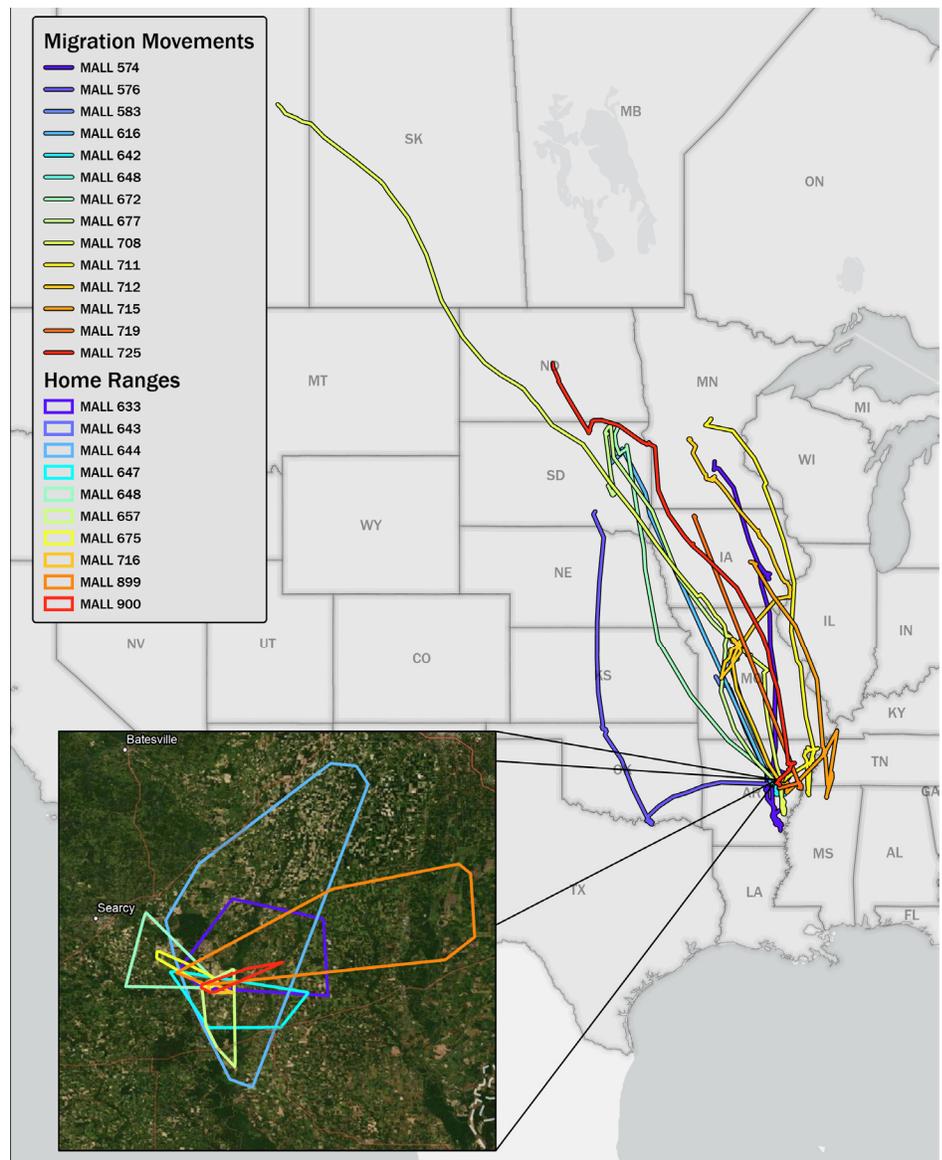


Mississippi Flyway Dabbling Tracking Mid April Report

Warm temperatures encouraged a lot of our marked birds to move north since the last report. We have radioed birds, of all three species, spread from the northern part of the prairie potholes all the way to the capture site in east central Arkansas.

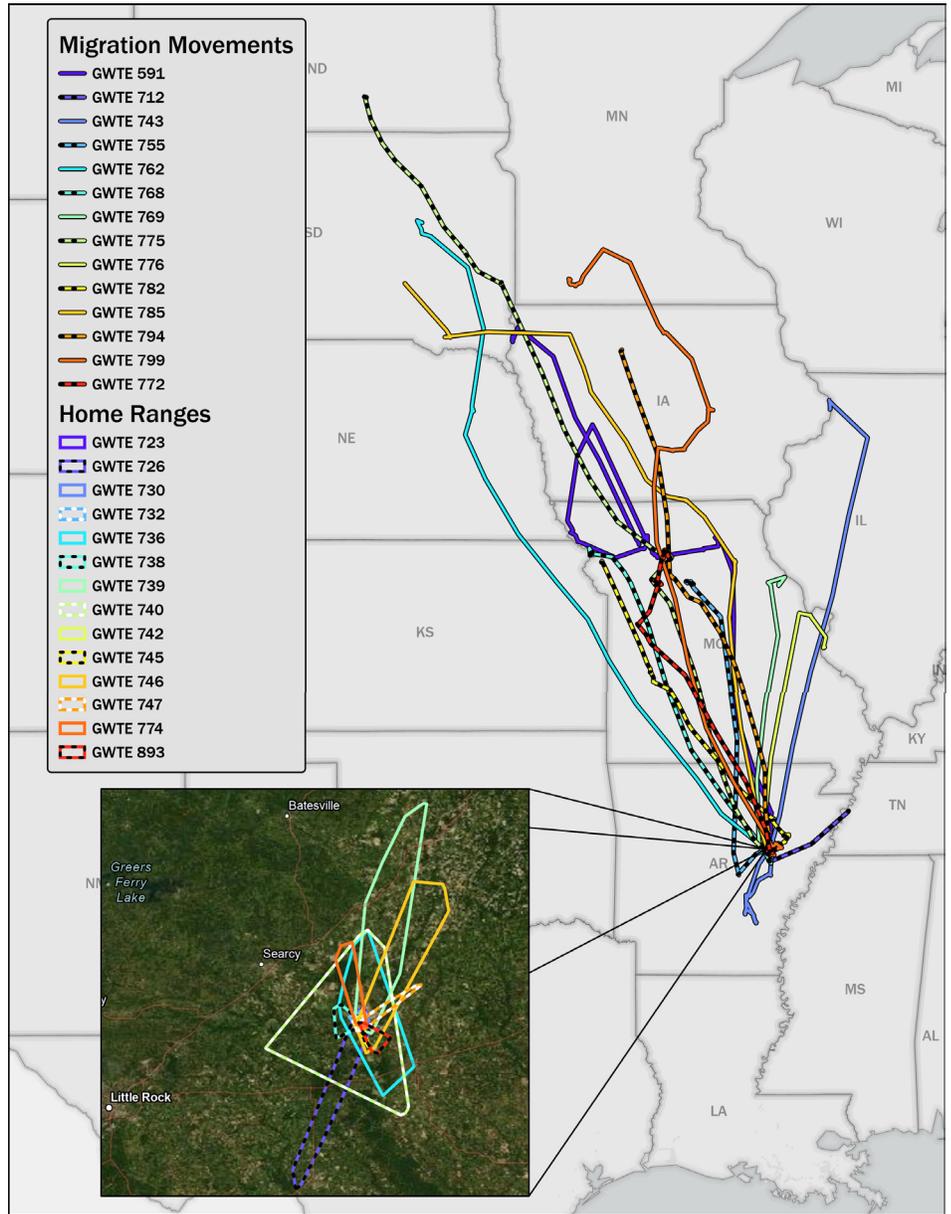
One male mallard that was released 15 months ago and is still transmitting, has followed an almost identical migration path as last spring and is already in northeastern Alberta. He is on the same wetland complex that he used last summer. We hope to get much more information on multiple migration events from the same individuals.

Newly marked mallards are spread out with 1 in North Dakota, 4 in South Dakota, 3 in Minnesota, 2 in Iowa, 1 in Missouri, and 2 moving around in Arkansas. There are 10 mallards still near the original capture site. The mallard that immediately moved to Texas after being fitted with a radio is now the westernmost of the 4 in South Dakota.



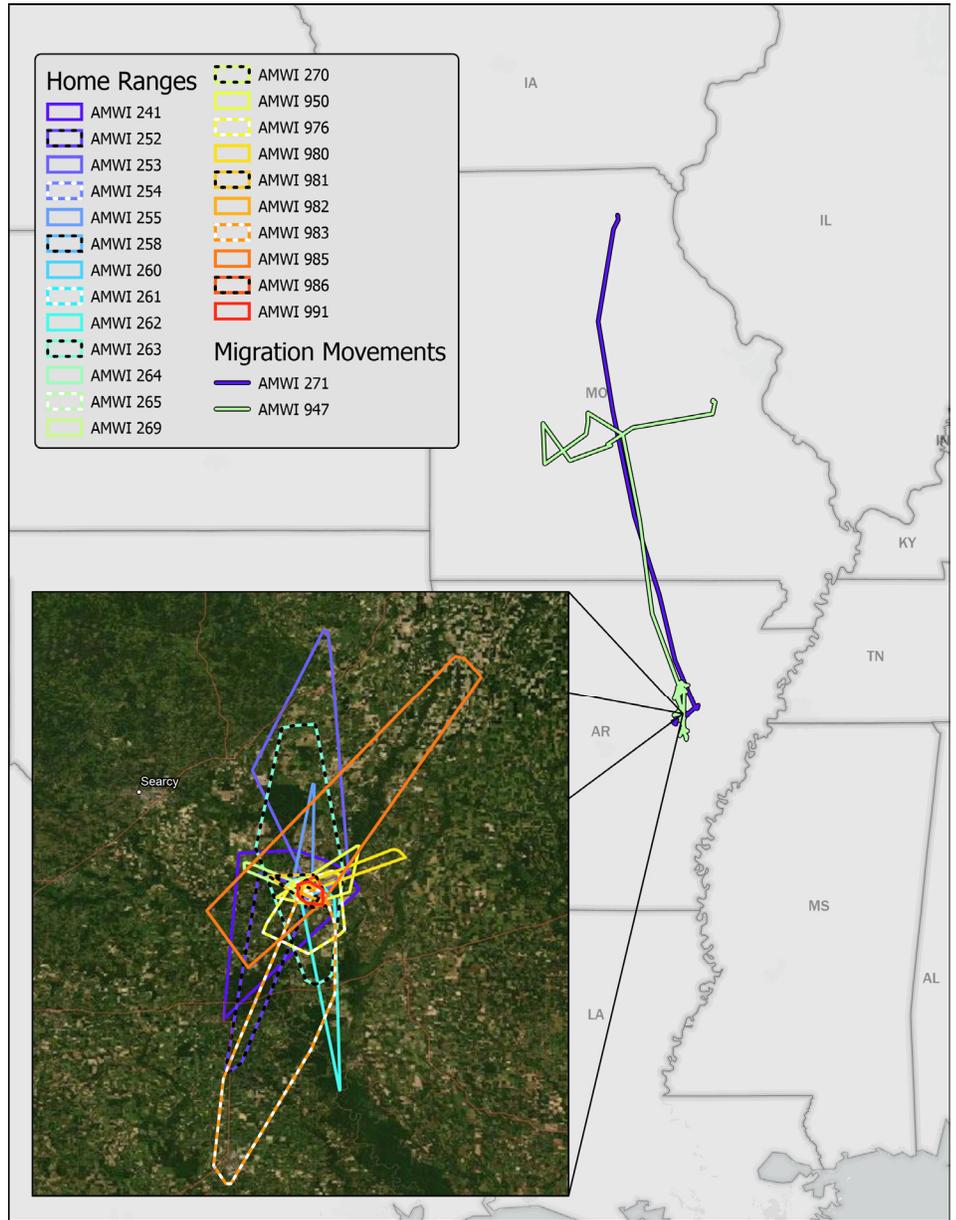
Migration Paths and Winter Home Ranges for Mallards
 as of April 12, 2021

The green-winged teal have also been providing excellent data during the spring migration. Half have left the study area and have moved north to the following areas: 1 in North Dakota, 3 in South Dakota, 1 in Minnesota, 2 in Iowa, 2 in Illinois, 4 in Missouri, and 1 in Tennessee.



Current Winter Home Ranges for Green-winged Teal as of April 12, 2021

Similar to the last report, the wigeon are lagging behind the mallards. Two wigeon have moved and are in Missouri, similar to the bulk of the teal. All the remaining 24 wigeon are still near the capture site. We are paying special attention to the wigeon radios to learn more about how wigeon respond to wearing a radio.



Current Winter Home Ranges for American Wigeon as of April 12, 2021

We are expecting a major migration pulse by the next report, and hope to see wigeon departures from wintering areas.