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TB: The flocks of blackbirds move back and forth with the snow line, moving maybe 50 miles ahead (south) of an advancing storm in order to stay on snow-free ground where they can feed. Their movements seem to follow the rising and falling barometer which we see alot of this time of year. In a similar way, they may only move to a large marsh in your area to wait out a weak March storm. The warm groundwater near the ground surface tends to keep the marsh surface relatively snow-free. Many years ago, Millbrook Marsh east of State College was a good place to find blackbirds in March. I recall seeing even the rare rusty blackbird there back in the early 1980's.