



PARTNERS IN FLIGHT/SHOREBIRD/WATERBIRD WORKING GROUP

Chair: Vacant

Vice-Chair: Eric Gardner, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

Wednesday, March 9, 2022

8:00 – 10:00 AM PT

87th North American Fish and Wildlife Conference Virtual Meeting

Agenda

- 8: 00 a.m. **Welcome/Introductions/Review Agenda**
Eric Gardner, Washington Dept. Fish & Wildlife
- Discuss the need for a new Chair and Vice-chair of the WG
 - Introduction of Susana Mateos- Bird Conservation Program Manager and U.S. NABCI Coordinator
- 8: 30 a.m. **Goal 1: Integrate outcomes of land bird, shorebird, and waterbird initiatives**
- Partners in Flight – Bob Ford
 - US Shorebird Conservation Plan Partners / Council – Brad Andres
 - Waterbirds of the Americas Conservation Plan Council – Dave Gordon
- 9:00 a.m. **Goal 2: Address significant threats to land bird, shorebird, and waterbird populations**
- Loss of habitat – grasslands; properly managed, contiguous forests; wetlands and shorelines
 - Mortality factors – predation by free-ranging domestic cats; collisions with building glass; neonicotinoids
 - Update on Common Threats Analysis; discussion on next steps – John Alexander
- 9: 20 a.m. **Goal 3: Evaluate new strategies for bird conservation action & make recommendations to AFWA leadership**
- Data management needs - John Alexander
 - Road to Recovery Initiative - John Schmidt and Peter Marra
- 9: 40 a.m. **Goal 4: Support policies, legislation, and funding initiatives that favor land bird, shorebird, and waterbird protection and restoration.**
Identify high priority issues affecting the conservation of land bird, shorebird, and waterbird populations and habitats and provide recommendations on these issues to the Bird Conservation Committee.
- Updates on current legislation affecting bird populations and habitats
 - MBTA

9:50 a.m. **Review & Edit 2021-2022 Work Plan; Further Discussion; Items for read-out to BCC
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10:00 a.m. Adjourn