

What's new for PCJV Partners

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Announcements

[Conservation Registry adds new map layer: Wildlife Action Plans](http://www.conservationregistry.org/news/wildlife_action_plan_map_layer)
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The map layer is featured as part of the suite of Registry Overlay tools accessible by a dropdown menu. Twenty states completed strategic mapping components for their State Wildlife Action Plans, and this map layer reflects each state's unique methodology, ecological targets, species, and goals.

[NRCS seeks comments on Conservation Practice Technical Assistance](http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2009/pdf/E9-13870.pdf)
<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2009/pdf/E9-13870.pdf>

Deadline: August 11, 2009

[Deadline extended: Request for Nominations for the Invasive Species Advisory Committee](http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2009/E9-18148.htm)
<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2009/E9-18148.htm>

New submission deadline: August 25, 2009

The Secretary of the Interior, on behalf of the National Invasive Species Committee, is requesting nominations for qualified persons to serve as members of the Invasive Species Advisory Committee.

[Commerce Secretary Gary Locke Announces \\$167 Million in Recovery Act Funding for 50 Coastal Restoration Projects](http://www.noaanews.noaa.gov/stories2009/20090630_restoration.html)
http://www.noaanews.noaa.gov/stories2009/20090630_restoration.html

[New Bird Stamp Public Service Announcements](http://www.birdeducation.org/DuckStampPSA.htm)
<http://www.birdeducation.org/DuckStampPSA.htm>

A team of supporters of the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation [Duck] Stamp is promoting a series of creative Public Service Announcements. These PSAs are designed to increase support from birders, environmental educators, hunters, and general conservationists.

Grants and funding

[National Wildlife Refuge Friends Group Grant Program](http://www.nfwf.org/)
<http://www.nfwf.org/>

Deadline: September 4, 2009

Competitive seed grants (\$1,500 - \$5,000) to creative and innovative proposals that seek to increase the number and effectiveness of organizations interested in assisting the Refuge System nationwide.

[NOAA Coastal and Marine Habitat Restoration National and Regional Partnership Grants](http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/projects_programs/crp/partners_funding/natregpart.html)
http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/projects_programs/crp/partners_funding/natregpart.html

Deadline: September 30, 2009

NOAA Restoration Center is soliciting applications for new three-year national and regional Partnerships to invest funding in the restoration of coastal and marine habitat nationwide, from 2010-2012.

Partnerships can range from locally-driven, hands-on projects that emphasize stewardship, to mid-scale, watershed-scale projects that yield significant ecological and socioeconomic benefits. Funding range: \$500,000-\$1,000,000.

[North American Wetlands Conservation Act \(NAWCA\) U.S. Small Grants](http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NAWCA/Small/index.shtm)
<http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NAWCA/Small/index.shtm>

Deadline: October 29, 2009

[NOAA Marine Debris Program – Community-based Marine Debris Removal Grants](http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/projects_programs/crp/partners_funding/callforprojects2.html)
http://www.nmfs.noaa.gov/habitat/restoration/projects_programs/crp/partners_funding/callforprojects2.html

Deadline: October 31, 2009

Provides funding to catalyze the implementation of locally driven, community-based marine debris prevention, assessment and removal projects that will benefit coastal habitat, waterways, and NOAA trust resources. Funding range: \$15,000-\$250,000.

Land management and habitat restoration

[NRCS Stream Corridor Restoration Tools Now Available Online](http://www.ndcsmc.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/Stream/)

<http://www.ndcsmc.nrcs.usda.gov/technical/Stream/>

“One stop” resources of NRCS policy and guidance documents, useful links, publications, photographs, and drawings of various practices and treatments, workshop information, and spreadsheet tools.

[Conservation: An Investment That Pays](http://www.tpl.org/)

<http://www.tpl.org/>

This report is intended to help agency personnel and community conservationists make the case for conservation as a long-term economic investment.

Invasive species

[Invasive Species Experts Database](http://www.anstaskforce.gov/experts/search.php)

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This database was designed to direct users to invasive species experts. It has been set up as a 2-tier system with the first tier accessible to the public. The public portion of the database will guide you to a state contact who acts as a filter for information and identifications. If they can't answer your question, these state contacts have the ability to log in to the second tier experts.

Bird and biodiversity tools and resources

Circuit theory helps locate wildlife corridors

Nature Conservancy ecologist Brad McRae and his colleague Viral Shah have created a technique that uses computers to locate wildlife corridors.

- [Introductory article from The Nature Conservancy Magazine, summer 2009](http://www.nature.org/magazine/summer2009/issues/art28451.html)
<http://www.nature.org/magazine/summer2009/issues/art28451.html>
- [Brad MacRae's home page, including links to scientific journal articles on circuit theory](http://www.nceas.ucsb.edu/~mcrae/Welcome.html)
<http://www.nceas.ucsb.edu/~mcrae/Welcome.html>
- [Circuitscape software](http://www.circuitscape.org/Circuitscape/Welcome.html)
<http://www.circuitscape.org/Circuitscape/Welcome.html>

Circuitscape is a free, open-source program which borrows algorithms from electronic circuit theory to predict patterns of movement, gene flow, and genetic differentiation among plant and animal populations in heterogeneous landscapes.

[US Fish and Wildlife Service Waterfowl Population Status, 2009](http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/NewReportsPublications/PopulationStatus/Waterfowl/StatusReport2009_Final.pdf)

http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/NewReportsPublications/PopulationStatus/Waterfowl/StatusReport2009_Final.pdf

1.9 Mb PDF file

[US Fish and Wildlife Service: Trends in Duck Breeding Populations, 1955-2009](http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/NewReportsPublications/PopulationStatus/Trends/Trend%20Report%202009.pdf)

<http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/NewReportsPublications/PopulationStatus/Trends/Trend%20Report%202009.pdf>

2.1 Mb PDF file

[North American Shorebird Literature – 2008](http://pcjv.org/pdfs/NAmLit2008Wsgb.pdf)

<http://pcjv.org/pdfs/NAmLit2008Wsgb.pdf>

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Wildlife in a Changing World – An Analysis of the 2008 IUCN Red List of Threatened Species
Press release, links: <http://www.iucn.org/?3460/Wildlife-crisis-worse-than-economic-crisis--IUCN>
Download report (4.1 Mb PDF file): <http://data.iucn.org/dbtw-wpd/edocs/RL-2009-001.pdf>

[Birding in the United States: A Demographic and Economic Analysis](http://library.fws.gov/Pubs/birding_natsurvey06.pdf)

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US Fish and Wildlife Service, June 2009

Addendum to the *2006 National Survey of Fishing, Hunting, and Wildlife-Associated Recreation*.

[Datasets added to NatureCounts](http://www.birdscanada.org/birdmon/)

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Datasets include the entire Project FeederWatch database for both US and Canada, records from the British Columbia Breeding Bird Atlas, and the Marsh Monitoring Program. NatureCounts, managed by Bird Studies Canada, facilitates the collection, management, analysis and sharing of natural inventory and monitoring data, with a particular focus on birds and other vertebrates.

Climate change

[Safeguarding Wildlife from Climate Change—Web Conference Series](http://training.fws.gov/CSP/Resources/climate_change_webinars/archives.html)

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Archived seminars now available online

The series is co-hosted by the USFWS National Conservation Training Center and the National Wildlife Federation. Archived seminars include:

- A New Era for Conservation: Climate Change Adaptation, May 13, 2009
- Localizing Climate Projections: Putting High Resolution Climate Projections to Work for Wildlife Conservation, June 17, 2009
- Climate Change Models: Preparing for a Century of Change, July 29, 2009

Wind energy

[Scientists to Investigate Impacts of Wind Power on Migratory Wildlife](http://www.birds.cornell.edu/NetCommunity/Page.aspx?pid=1331&srctid=1&erid=1233766)

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Thirty top wildlife scientists have announced agreement on some of the highest research priorities to help America's rapidly growing wind energy industry produce alternative energy—while also providing safe passage for birds and bats. This coalition of scientists from industry, government, nongovernmental organizations, and universities met recently in Racine, Wisconsin. The meeting was hosted by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, the American Bird Conservancy, and The Johnson Foundation at Wingspread.

Calls for conference abstracts

[Waterbird Society—33rd Annual Meeting](http://www.njoudubon.org/Research/CitizenScience/Waterbird/Abstracts.html)

<http://www.njoudubon.org/Research/CitizenScience/Waterbird/Abstracts.html>

Deadline for abstracts: September 15, 2009

Conference: November 4-7, 2009

Cape May, NJ

Conferences, training and workshops

[6th International Marine Bioinvasions Conference](http://www.clr.pdx.edu/mbic)

www.clr.pdx.edu/mbic

August 24-27, 2009

Portland, OR

Includes a special session on *Spartina* biology, ecology, impacts and management. Contact Mark D. Sytsma sytsmam@pdx.edu for more information.

[Western Field Ornithologists Annual Meeting](http://www.westernfieldornithologists.org/conference.php)

<http://www.westernfieldornithologists.org/conference.php>

September 10-13, 2009
Boise, Idaho

[Registration is now open for the 36th Annual Natural Areas Conference](http://www.naturalarea.org/09Conference/)
<http://www.naturalarea.org/09Conference/>

September 15-18, 2009
Vancouver WA

[Adaptive Management For Conservation Success—Design and Plan Your Project](http://fosonline.org/Site_Documents/Grouped/AMCS-Course%201%20Description%20(Online).pdf)
[http://fosonline.org/Site_Documents/Grouped/AMCS-Course%201%20Description%20\(Online\).pdf](http://fosonline.org/Site_Documents/Grouped/AMCS-Course%201%20Description%20(Online).pdf)

Presented by Foundations of Success
11-week online workshop begins September 14, 2009

[2009 Watchable Wildlife Conference](http://www.watchablewildlife.org/conference/)
<http://www.watchablewildlife.org/conference/>

October 6-8, 2009
Avalon/Cape May, NJ

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[NOAA Coastal Services Center—Coastal Inundation Mapping Training](http://www.csc.noaa.gov/training/coastalin.html)
<http://www.csc.noaa.gov/training/coastalin.html>

This two-day course, targeted at certified floodplain managers, National Weather Service personnel, and county, state, and municipal officials, teaches participants about coastal inundation issues and spatial techniques for mapping inundation. This course is available by request. Classes can be taught at the Center's training facility or be brought to your organization.