

What's new for PCJV Partners

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Announcements

[Pacific Coast Joint Venture partners receive funding under NAWCA U.S. Small Grants program](#)

[Registration is now open for the 36th Annual Natural Areas Conference](#)

<http://www.naturalarea.org/09Conference/>

September 15-18, 2009

Vancouver WA

[2009-2010 Federal and Junior Duck Stamps now available](#)

<http://www.fws.gov/duckstamps/>

Ninety-eight cents of every dollar used to purchase Duck Stamps goes directly to buying or leasing wetland habitat for wildlife. Since 1934, Federal Duck Stamp sales have raised more than \$700 million to acquire and protect more than 5.2 million acres of wetlands, including habitat on hundreds of the 548 national wildlife refuges spread across all 50 states and U.S. territories. A current Duck Stamp is also good for free admission to any refuge open to the public.

[Request for Nominations for the Invasive Species Advisory Committee](#)

<http://edocket.access.gpo.gov/2009/E9-13312.htm>

Office of the Secretary, National Invasive Species Council

Deadline: July 23, 2009.

[Now available for public comment: Draft Work Plans for Carrying Out the West Coast Governors' Agreement on Ocean Health Action Plan](#)

<http://westcoastoceans.gov/>

Deadline: July 10, 2009

The eight draft work plans include: Spartina eradication, climate change, polluted runoff, marine debris, renewable ocean energy, ocean awareness and literacy, seafloor mapping, sediment management.

[Western Governors, Obama Administration formalize partnership to improve state wildlife data systems and protect wildlife corridor, key habitats](#)

<http://www.westgov.org/wga/press/wildlife-mou6-15-09.htm>

[Obama administration launches Serve.gov](#)

<http://www.serve.gov/>

Serve.gov is an online resource for registering and finding volunteer opportunities. Joint Venture partners may find this a useful resource for recruiting volunteers for monitoring, restoration, and other activities.

[Cornell Lab of Ornithology seeks volunteers to catalog NestCam images](#)

<http://watch.birds.cornell.edu/nestcams/clicker/clicker/index>

Since 1999, the Cornell Lab has archived more than eight million images from NestCams located around the country. To help sort through the images, they've developed CamClickr—an online tool for volunteers to view the images and sort them into albums, then tag each image by type of behavior.

[Arctic Breeding Conditions in 2009](#)

<http://pcjv.org/docs/Arctic%20Breeding%20Conditions%20in%202009.pdf>

Two Canadian experts gathered observations from across the Arctic for this summary report.

Grants and funding

[Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund \(Section 6\) Grants to States & Territories, Fiscal Year 2010](#)

<http://www.fws.gov/endangered/grants/section6/index.html>

Deadline: August 19, 2009

[Recovery Act: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program](#)

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppld=47672>

Deadline: September 30, 2009

Provides technical and financial assistance to private landowners to restore, enhance, and manage fish and wildlife habitats on their own lands. Interested parties must contact their local coordinator for information about funding and technical assistance availability. A listing of coordinators by state is available at <http://www.fws.gov/partners/>.

[Recovery Act: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Coastal Program](#)

<http://www07.grants.gov/search/search.do?&mode=VIEW&flag2006=false&oppld=47673>

Deadline: September 30, 2009

Interested parties must contact their local Coastal Program coordinator for information about funding and technical assistance availability. A listing of all Coastal Program coordinators is available at:

<http://www.fws.gov/coastal>.

Funding and land management tools and resources

[Practitioner's Toolkit for Marine Conservation Agreements](#)

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

This online resource dedicated to protecting ocean and coastal biodiversity is provided by The Nature Conservancy's Global Marine Initiative. Significant new features, include a downloadable Field Guide that walks practitioners through a four phase process to create marine conservation agreements, field project case studies, U.S. state agency contact directory, an expanded MCA-related publications and presentations section, and more.

[Interim Technical Report—Fish and Wildlife Technology Findings from projects of the NRCS Agricultural Wildlife Conservation Center](#)

<http://directives.sc.egov.usda.gov/OpenNonWebContent.aspx?content=25009.wba>

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Technology development projects were undertaken to develop the best information possible on fish and wildlife habitat needs on private lands and transfer that information to NRCS field offices and others in an easy-to-use form for working with private landowners in comprehensive conservation planning. This report summarizes completed and ongoing projects. More detailed one-page summaries of each project are available at <http://directives.sc.egov.usda.gov/OpenNonWebContent.aspx?content=25010.wba>.

Bird and biodiversity tools and resources

[The eBird Reference Dataset](#)

http://www.avianknowledge.net/content/features/archive/eBird_Ref

This dataset contains count data for bird species submitted by volunteers to eBird, a citizen-science project run by the Cornell Lab of Ornithology and the National Audubon Society. The data is intended to be a useful resource for studying avian dynamics and for developing new ecological modeling techniques.

[Cornell Lab of Ornithology All About Birds website introduces new "browse" feature](#)

http://www.allaboutbirds.org/guide/browse_tax.aspx

The "taxonomic browse" feature lets you see thumbnail images of all the birds in any taxonomic group you pick--and hear their sounds, all on the same page. Includes links to identification and life history.

[Xeno-canto—new tool for birders and bird conservation](#)

<http://www.xeno-canto.org/>

Xeno-canto is a platform for birders, biologists and conservationists to share knowledge and recordings of the world's birds. Visitors can search through sounds in many different ways, make maps showing locations of recordings, and use simple song characteristics to identify unknown songs heard in the field.

[U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Endangered Species Bulletin--Spring 2009 Edition](http://www.fws.gov/EndangeredSpeciesBulletin/Spring2009Edition)

<http://www.fws.gov/endangered/bulletin.html>

The articles in this edition spotlight the progress the Fish and Wildlife Service and its partners have achieved in conserving and recovering imperiled animals and plants since passage of the Endangered Species Act 35 years ago.

[Summer 2009 issue of The All-Bird Bulletin](http://www.nabci-us.org/aboutnabci/bulletin0609.pdf)

<http://www.nabci-us.org/aboutnabci/bulletin0609.pdf>

The newsletter of the U.S. North American Bird Conservation Initiative (NABCI) Committee, is now available online.

Data tools and resources

[USDA PLANTS Database: Advanced Search Becomes More User-Friendly](http://plants.usda.gov/)

<http://plants.usda.gov/>

Users can now access all of the PLANTS data with the Advanced Search link located at the top of the left navigation box on the PLANTS home page. There is a new yellow button located at the bottom of Parts A and B on the Advanced Search entitled, "Review Selections and Sort Report." After you have made selections, you can hit that button and get a user-friendly view of what you have selected and another chance to select a sort preference. Also, if you hit the "Display Results" button and the result doesn't appear to give you what you wanted, there is a "Review Selections or Sort Report" link at the top of the result page that lets you go back and easily review what you did to assist in revising your query. More info: NRCS National Botanist Mark Skinner mark.skinner@la.usda.gov at 225-775-6280.

Climate change tools and resources

[NOAA Coastal Services Center launches Climate Change Adaptation web site](http://community.csc.noaa.gov/climateadaptation/index.php)

<http://community.csc.noaa.gov/climateadaptation/index.php>

Users can post, learn, and interact with other coastal managers about climate change adaptation. Topic areas include tools, impacts, guidebooks, risk and vulnerability assessments, forums, and more.

[Global Climate Change Impacts in the United States](http://www.globalchange.gov/publications/reports/scientific-assessments/us-impacts)

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This report summarizes the science of climate change and the impacts of climate change on the United States, now and in the future. It is largely based on results of the U.S. Global Change Research Program and integrates those results with related research from around the world..

Conferences, training and workshops

[75th North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference announces special sessions](http://wildlifemanagementinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=363:conference-sessions-set&catid=34:ONB%20Articles&Itemid=54)

[http://wildlifemanagementinstitute.org/index.php?](http://wildlifemanagementinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=363:conference-sessions-set&catid=34:ONB%20Articles&Itemid=54)

[option=com_content&view=article&id=363:conference-sessions-set&catid=34:ONB%20Articles&Itemid=54](http://wildlifemanagementinstitute.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=363:conference-sessions-set&catid=34:ONB%20Articles&Itemid=54)

- The Power of Partnerships in Bird Conservation: North America and Beyond
- Ecosystem Service Markets: Funding Tools for Conservation
- Active or Passive Management of Public Lands: Implications to Fish and Wildlife Conservation and Recreation
- What Does Green Really Mean? (environmental consequences of green energy initiatives)

The Conference will be held March 22-27, 2010, at the Hilton Milwaukee City Center, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

[Introduction to ArcGIS 9 for Fisheries and Wildlife Biology Applications](http://nwetc.org/gis-400_08-09_olympia.htm)
http://nwetc.org/gis-400_08-09_olympia.htm

Presented by the Northwest Environmental Training Center
August 5-7, 2009
Olympia WA

[Geostatistical Analysis of Environmental Data](http://conference.ifas.ufl.edu/soils/geostats/)
<http://conference.ifas.ufl.edu/soils/geostats/>

August 10-14, 2009
Gainesville FL
Early Reduced Fee--Register by Friday, July 10th

Web Demo: U.S. Legislative Atlas by Brian Smith, NOAA Coastal Services Center
August 12, 2 pm US EDT

The [Legislative Atlas](http://csc-s-maps-q.csc.noaa.gov/legislativeatlas/index.html) [<http://csc-s-maps-q.csc.noaa.gov/legislativeatlas/index.html>] displays spatial data for state and federal laws and jurisdictional boundaries and allow users to search an online database of coastal and ocean legislation. Web conferencing information for this tool demonstration will be sent out via the Ecosystem-Based Management Tools Network listserv a few weeks before the webinar. To sign up, go to <http://www.ebmtools.org/>

[Endangered Species Act - Process, Science, and Strategies](http://nwetc.org/pol-305_08-09_lacey.htm)
http://nwetc.org/pol-305_08-09_lacey.htm

Presented by the Northwest Environmental Training Center
August 12-13, 2009
Lacey WA

[Advanced ArcGIS 9 for Fisheries and Wildlife Biology Applications](http://nwetc.org/gis-501_08-09_olympia.htm)
http://nwetc.org/gis-501_08-09_olympia.htm

Presented by the Northwest Environmental Training Center
August 19-21, 2009
Olympia WA

[Ecosystem Goods and Service Valuation](http://nwetc.org/sust-801_09-09_seattle.htm)
http://nwetc.org/sust-801_09-09_seattle.htm

Presented by the Northwest Environmental Training Center
September 18, 2009
Seattle WA

[The Wildlife Society 16th Annual Conference](http://joomla.wildlife.org/monterey09/)
<http://joomla.wildlife.org/monterey09/>

September 20-24, 2009
Monterey CA

[Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation 20th Biennial Conference: Estuaries and Coasts in a Changing World](http://www.sgmeet.com/cerf2009/)
<http://www.sgmeet.com/cerf2009/>

November 1-5, 2009
Portland, Oregon