

What's new for PCJV Partners

November 2009

<http://pcjv.org/whatsnew/november09.html>

Announcements

PCJV announces updated Web site and new project portal

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

Our Web site is now updated for better navigation and access to tools for our partners. Of special note is the new [Project Portal](http://pcjv.conservationregistry.org) [<http://pcjv.conservationregistry.org>], a searchable database of partner projects developed in partnership with the [Conservation Registry](http://www.conservationregistry.org) [<http://www.conservationregistry.org>].

Oregon PCJV Coordinator Bruce Taylor Receives National USDA Conservation Award

Bruce Taylor has been selected as the 2009 national recipient of USDA's Excellence in Conservation Award for his work to support conservation across Oregon. The award is the highest the agency gives to honor those outside the Federal government for their work in conservation. In addition to his position with the Pacific Coast Joint Venture, Bruce works with Defenders of Wildlife.

Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network (WHSRN) designates the Columbia River Estuary as a "Site of Regional Importance" for shorebirds

<http://pcjv.org/docs/WSHRN%20designation%20Columbia%20estuary.pdf>

U.S. Bird Conservation Region (BCR) boundary changes are now being considered

<http://www.nabci-us.org/bcrchanges.html>

Deadline: December 31, 2009

Proponents of changes must complete a detailed information form describing the proposed change.

Researchers seek shorebird data

http://pcjv.org/docs/request_for_shorebird_data.pdf

Needed: summarized, quantitative information, either published or unpublished, that address entire, or at least a significant portion of the range of, populations breeding in North America. Follow the link above for more information.

U.S. NABCI Committee and Association of Joint Venture Management Boards are now accepting nominations for two awards

<http://www.nabci-us.org/main2.html>

Nomination deadline: December 31, 2009

- 2010 Gary T. Myers Bird Conservation Award
- 2010 Bird Conservation Policy Award

USFWS Wind Turbine Guidelines Advisory Committee releases draft 6 of recommendations

http://www.fws.gov/habitatconservation/windpower/wind_turbine_advisory_committee.html

Comments may be sent to Rachel London, Rachel_London@fws.gov

Grants and funding

Reminder: grant-writing resources are available on the PCJV Web site funding page

www.pcjv.org

Public Lands Program Capacity Building Grants

<http://www.publiclandsday.org/grants/index.htm>

Deadline: December 1, 2009

Grants provide funding to strengthen the organizational effectiveness of community-based nonprofits focused on serving a public lands site in the United States. Ten small grants of \$1,000 each will be awarded to community-based Friends Groups.

[State Wildlife Grants Competitive Grant Program](#)

www.grants.gov Funding Opportunity Number DOI-FWS-WSFR-SWGCOMP-FY10

Deadline: January 8, 2010

For FY2010, applications must address eligible issues identified in USFWS-approved State Wildlife Action Plans or emerging issues (such as climate change effects on Species of Greatest Conservation Need). Priority will be given to multi-state, cooperative conservation projects that demonstrate measurable performance results and outcomes.

[Five Star Restoration Program 2010 Request for Proposals \(National Fish and Wildlife Foundation\)](#)

<http://www.nfwf.org/AM/Template.cfm?Section=GrantPrograms>

Deadline: February 11, 2010

Applicants are strongly encouraged to participate in an online webinar: Dec. 10, 2:00-3:30pm EST

Projects must include on-the-ground wetland, riparian, in stream and/ or coastal habitat restoration; must integrate meaningful education; and involve a diverse set of partners. Grants are \$10,000-\$40,000. Open to any public or private entity.

[Online funding search tool: Conservation Maven Funding Board](#)

<http://www.conservationmaven.com/funding-board/>

Conservation Maven was launched in July 2009 to provide an online hub for conservation professionals, researchers, educators and students. The Web site profiles conservation studies, field news, books and funding opportunities. The funding board can be searched by location and category. Funding opportunity additions are welcome.

Birds and biodiversity

[Latest issue of U.S. Fish and Wildlife News focuses on migratory birds](#)

http://www.fws.gov/news/pdf/News_Su09_web%20MN101609.pdf

[Bird Populations, the online journal of global avian demography and biogeography](#)

<http://birdpop.net/pubs/birdpopv9.php>

Volume 9, published by The Institute for Bird Populations

Includes "The Monitoring Avian Productivity and Survivorship (MAPS) Program 2004, 2005, and 2006 Report," as well as two papers that document the statistical power of MAPS to detect differences and trends in adult survival. Volume 9 also continues the re-vitalization of publication of the Breeding Bird Censuses (BBCs).

[Birding Community E-Bulletin \(Oct.2009\) Reviews New Shorebird Guide](#)

<http://www.refugenet.org/birding/octSBC09.html>

Shorebirds of the Northern Hemisphere, by Richard Chandler

Princeton University Press (2009)

[Help Project FeederWatch Track Backyard Birds](#)

<http://www.birds.cornell.edu/pfw/>

Bird watchers needed to help scientists discover changes in bird populations

Project FeederWatch begins on November 14 and runs through early April. Anyone can count the numbers and kinds of birds at their feeders and enter their information on the FeederWatch website.

Invasive species

[Invasive Plant Inventory and Survey Methods for Land Managers: A Web Seminar Series](#)

<http://www.weedcenter.org/outreach/project-webseminar.html>

Presented by the Center for Invasive Plant Management and partners

The six-week web seminar series is scheduled for January-February, 2010. There is no fee but advanced registration is required.

Help Needed to Collect Knotweed Samples

University of Idaho researchers are requesting help collecting Japanese knotweed, Bohemian knotweed, Giant knotweed, and Himalayan knotweed specimens. This appeal is part of an effort to gain a stronger understanding of distribution, hybrids, and reproduction strategies of knotweed by utilizing DNA analysis.

- An [identification bulletin](http://www.weedcenter.org/newsletter/docs/0910_KN_IDkey.pdf) is available to assist and inform individuals of the risks posed by knotweed. http://www.weedcenter.org/newsletter/docs/0910_KN_IDkey.pdf
- [Collection instructions and a collection sheet](http://www.weedcenter.org/newsletter/docs/0910_KWCollectionInst.pdf) are provided to simplify the process and encourage volunteers. http://www.weedcenter.org/newsletter/docs/0910_KWCollectionInst.pdf

Climate change

USFWS Pacific Region Hires Science Leader for Climate Change Initiative

<http://www.fws.gov/pacific/Climatechange/>

Carol Schuler has been named Assistant Regional Director for Climate Change and Science Application for the Pacific Region of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Ms. Schuler will begin her new duties in December 2009.

Blue Carbon - The Role of Healthy Oceans in Binding Carbon

[http://www.unep.org/Documents.Multilingual/Default.asp?](http://www.unep.org/Documents.Multilingual/Default.asp?DocumentID=599&ArticleID=6342&l=en&t=long)

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This report, produced by three United Nations agencies and leading scientists, notes the importance of marine-living organisms, including seagrasses and saltmarsh plants, in capturing and storing carbon.

EcoAdapt Climate Change Adaptation Survey

http://www.surveymonkey.com/s.aspx?sm=bvAhkrVsD7IzZS93_2bA_2fHRg_3d_3d

[EcoAdapt](http://www.ecoadapt.org) [<http://www.ecoadapt.org>] is undertaking a Marine and Coastal Adaptation Survey of climate change adaptation activities and projects in North America. The results will be used to prepare a synthesis report of the state of coastal and marine adaptation in the US, Canada, and Mexico.

Calls for conference abstracts and symposia

The Wildlife Society 17th Annual Conference

<http://joomla.wildlife.org/>

Call for Proposals: Workshops, Symposia, Panel Discussions, Breakfast Roundtables, and Special Poster Sessions

Deadline: December 4, 2009

Conference: Snowbird, Utah, Oct. 3-7, 2010

Conferences, training and workshops

Joint Meeting of the Cooper Ornithological Society, American Ornithologists' Union and the Society of Canadian Ornithologists

<http://www.birdmeetings.org/cosaousco2010/>

Early Registration Ends: November 6, 2009

Regular Registration: November 7 – December 6, 2009

Meeting: February 7- 11, 2010, San Diego, California

North American Ornithological Atlas Committee

<http://www.bsc-eoc.org/norac/index.jsp?targetpg=meetings>

February 7, 2010

San Diego, California, USA

(In association with the meeting posted above)

Species Distribution Modeling Workshop

http://biodiversityinformatics.amnh.org/index.php?section_id=82&content_id=140

American Museum of Natural History Southwest Research Station, Arizona

Application deadline: December 7, 2009—course limited to 15 participants

Course: March 29 - April 2, 2010