

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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Meeting Announcement: North American Wetlands Conservation Council

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of teleconference.

SUMMARY: The North American Wetlands Conservation Council (Council) will meet via telephone to select North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) U.S. small grant proposals for recommendation to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission (Commission). This teleconference is open to the public, and interested persons may present oral or written statements.

DATES: The teleconference is scheduled for February 25, 2015, at 2 p.m. If you are interested in presenting information at this public meeting, contact the acting Council Coordinator no later than February 20, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Because this is a conference call, there is no meeting venue. Participants should call the toll-free number 866-692-4541; when prompted, enter participant passcode 51659890.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Kreger, Acting Council Coordinator, by phone at 703-358-1784; by email at dbhc@fws.gov; or by U.S. mail at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 5275 Leesburg Pike MS: MB, Falls Church, Virginia 22041.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

About the Council

In accordance with NAWCA (Pub. L. 101-233, 103 Stat. 1968, December 13, 1989, as amended), the State-private-Federal Council meets to consider wetland acquisition, restoration, enhancement, and management projects for recommendation to, and final funding approval by, the Commission.

About NAWCA

The North American Wetlands Conservation Act of 1989 provides matching grants to organizations and individuals who have developed partnerships to carry out wetlands conservation projects in the United States, Canada, and Mexico. These projects must involve long-term protection, restoration, and/or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats for the benefit of all wetlands-associated

migratory birds. Project proposal due dates, application instructions, and eligibility requirements are available on the NAWCA Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NAWCA>.

Public Input

If you wish to:	You must contact the Acting Council Coordinator (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) no later than
(1) Listen to Council Meeting.	February 25, 2015.
(2) Submit written information or questions before the Council meeting for consideration during the meeting.	February 20, 2015.

Submitting Written Information or Questions

Interested members of the public may submit relevant information or questions for the Council to consider during the public meeting. If you wish to submit a written statement, so that the information may be made available to the Council for their consideration prior to this meeting, you must contact the acting Council Coordinator by the date above. Written statements must be supplied to the acting Council Coordinator in both of the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via email (acceptable file formats are Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or rich text file).

Giving an Oral Presentation

Individuals or groups requesting to make an oral presentation at the meetings will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 10 minutes for all speakers. Interested parties should contact the acting Council Coordinator by the date above, in writing (preferably via email; see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**), to be placed on the public speaker list. Nonregistered public speakers will not be considered during the Council meeting. Registered speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, or those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, are invited to submit written statements to the Council within 30 days following the meeting.

Meeting Minutes

Summary minutes of the Council meeting will be maintained by the acting Council Coordinator at the address under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION**

CONTACT. Meeting notes will be available by contacting the acting Council Coordinator within 30 days following the meeting. Personal copies may be purchased for the cost of duplication.

Michael Johnson,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR**Fish and Wildlife Service**

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Meeting Announcement: Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Advisory Group

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of teleconference.

SUMMARY: The Advisory Group for the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act (NMBCA) grants program (Advisory Group) will meet via telephone to follow up on agenda items from the December 10, 2014, meeting and to discuss strategic direction of the NMBCA program and Advisory Group. This teleconference is open to the public, and interested persons may present oral or written statements.

DATES: The teleconference is scheduled for March 18, 2015, at 1 p.m. If you are interested in presenting information at this public meeting, contact the Advisory Group Coordinator no later than March 12, 2015.

ADDRESSES: Although this meeting is conference call, local Advisory Group members may convene at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Headquarters, 5275 Leesburg Pike, Falls Church, Virginia 22041. Participants should call the toll-free number 866-692-4541; when prompted, enter participant passcode 51659890.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Kreger, Acting Advisory Group Coordinator, by phone at 703-358-1784; by email at dbhc@fws.gov; or by U.S. mail at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 5275 Leesburg Pike MS: MB, Falls Church, Virginia 22041.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

About the Advisory Group

In accordance with NMBCA (Pub. L. 106-247, 114 Stat. 593, July 20, 2000), the Advisory Group typically meets once a year to discuss the strategic direction and management of the NMBCA program and provide advice to

the Director of the Fish and Wildlife Service.

About NMBCA

The Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act of 2000 promotes long-term conservation of Neotropical migratory birds and their habitats through a competitive grants program by

promoting partnerships and local conservation efforts, and achieving habitat protection in 36 countries. The goals of NMBCA include perpetuating healthy bird populations, providing financial resources for bird conservation, and fostering international cooperation. Because the greatest conservation need is south of the U.S.

border, the Act requires that at least 75 percent of NMBCA funding supports projects outside the United States.

Project proposal due dates, application instructions, and eligibility requirements are available on the NMBCA Web site at <http://www.fws.gov/birdhabitat/Grants/NMBCA>.

PUBLIC INPUT

If you wish to:	You must contact the Acting Advisory Group Coordinator (see FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT) no later than:
(1) Participate in the Advisory Group conference call (2) Submit written information or questions before the Advisory Group conference call for consideration during the call	March 17, 2015. March 12, 2015.

Submitting Written Information or Questions

Interested members of the public may submit relevant information or questions for the Advisory Group to consider during the public meeting. If you wish to submit a written statement, so that the information may be made available to the Advisory Group for their consideration prior to this meeting, you must contact the Acting Advisory Group Coordinator by the date above. Written statements must be supplied to the Acting Advisory Group Coordinator in both of the following formats: One hard copy with original signature, and one electronic copy via email (acceptable file formats are Adobe Acrobat PDF, MS Word, MS PowerPoint, or rich text file).

Giving an Oral Presentation

Individuals or groups requesting to make an oral presentation at the meetings will be limited to 2 minutes per speaker, with no more than a total of 20 minutes for all speakers. Interested parties should contact the Acting Advisory Coordinator by the date above, in writing (preferably via email; see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**), to be placed on the public speaker list. Nonregistered public speakers will not be considered during the Advisory Group meeting. Registered speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, or those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, are invited to submit written statements to the Advisory Group within 30 days following the meeting.

Meeting Minutes

Summary minutes of the Advisory Group meeting will be maintained by the Acting Advisory Group Coordinator

at the address under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**. Meeting notes will be available by contacting the Acting Advisory Group Coordinator within 30 days following the meeting. Personal copies may be purchased for the cost of duplication.

Michael Johnson,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Receipt of Applications for Endangered Species Permits

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, invite the public to comment on the following applications to conduct certain activities with endangered species. With some exceptions, the Endangered Species Act (ESA) prohibits activities with listed species unless a Federal permit is issued that allows such activities. The ESA requires that we invite public comment before issuing these permits.

DATES: We must receive written data or comments on the applications at the address given below by *February 20, 2015*.

ADDRESSES: Documents and other information submitted with the applications are available for review, subject to the requirements of the

Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the following office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1875 Century Boulevard, Suite 200, Atlanta, GA 30345 (Attn: David Dell, Permit Coordinator).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen Marlowe, 10(a)(1)(A) Permit Coordinator, telephone 205-726-2667; facsimile 205-726-2479.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The public is invited to comment on the following applications for permits to conduct certain activities with endangered and threatened species under section 10(a)(1)(A) of the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*), and our regulations in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17. This notice is provided under section 10(c) of the Act.

If you wish to comment, you may submit comments by any one of the following methods. You may mail comments to the Fish and Wildlife Service's Regional Office (see **ADDRESSES** section) or send them via electronic mail (email) to: permitsR4ES@fws.gov. Please include your name and return address in your email message. If you do not receive a confirmation from the Fish and Wildlife Service that we have received your email message, contact us directly at the telephone number listed above (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**). Finally, you may hand-deliver comments to the Fish and Wildlife Service office listed above (see **ADDRESSES**).

Before including your address, telephone number, email address, or