The U.S. Shorebird Conservation Partnership (USSCP) is drafting a synopsis that will highlight progress since plan development in 2001 and identify its future direction. The structure will be organized by the recent NABCI priorities and will be hopefully available by the end of 2020.

Publication of the revision of the 2012 shorebird population sizes and trends paper is underway and is targeted for publication by the end of 2020. If anyone has information that should be considered, please forward to Brad Andres.

Actions for the Atlantic Flyway Shorebird Initiative’s Shorebird Harvest Working Group 2020–2025 is now available on the USSCP website at https://www.shorebirdplan.org/shorebird-hunting/.

The Atlantic, Midcontinent and Pacific flyway shorebird initiatives are developing a universal Americas Shorebird Flyways landing page to present a unified web presence for all of the flyway-scale shorebird conservation efforts. The website should be launched in the next two months.

Partners are currently developing a strategic framework as a part of a new Midcontinent Shorebird Conservation Initiative. Invitations have been distributed and virtual workshops in North America are scheduled for the Mississippi Valley/Great Lakes and Great Plains in October and the Western Gulf of Mexico Coast in November. Parallel workshops are being planned for interior South America. Flyway Council Nongame Technical Committees are engaged in the process.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service funding through the USAID budget ($750,000) to implement the Pacific Shorebird Conservation Initiative will be available in October 2020; details on distribution method are still being developed. Projects must address shorebird conservation needs south of the U.S. – Mexico border.

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