



The U.S. Shorebird Conservation Partnership *Building Collaborative Action for Shorebird Conservation*

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The **U.S. Shorebird Conservation Partnership (USSCP)** will draft a brief synopsis in 2020 **highlighting progress** since plan development in 2001 and identifying its **future direction**. The structure will be organized by the recent NABCI priorities.

The **website for the U.S. Shorebird Conservation Partnership** has been updated recently. It contains lots of information on the work of the partnership over the last 20 years.

Publication of the revision of the 2012 **shorebird population sizes and trends** paper is still planned for 2020. If anyone has information that should be considered, please forward to Brad Andres.

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service has received a fifth allocation of federal funding, through the USAID budget, to **implement the Atlantic Flyway Shorebird Initiative and Pacific Shorebird Conservation Initiative**. Funding in FY2020 was \$1,500,000 with \$1M going to the Atlantic Flyway and \$0.5M going to the Pacific Flyway. Projects must address shorebird conservation needs south of the U.S. – Mexico border.

An **Action Plan for Achieving Sustainable Shorebird Harvest in the Atlantic Americas Flyway, 2020-2025** will be available by the end of March 2020.

A **website for the Pacific Shorebird Conservation Initiative** has been launched at <https://pacificflywayshorebirds.org/>. On that website, you can find the document *International Environmental Policy Initiatives and Multilateral Funding Mechanisms: Alignment with the Pacific Americas Shorebird Conservation Strategy*, which was produced by National Audubon.

Partners are currently **developing a strategic framework as a part of a new Midcontinent Shorebird Conservation Initiative**. Workshops in North America are scheduled for the Western Gulf of Mexico Coast, Mississippi Valley, USA Great Plains, and Canada's Great Plains in 2020. Parallel workshops are being planned for interior South America. Flyway Council Nongame Technical Committees are engaged in the process.

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