

# Maryland ESI: HYDRO (Hydrography Lines and Polygons)

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### *Identification Information:*

#### *Citation:*

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#### *Originator:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Publication Date:* 200707

*Title:* Maryland ESI: HYDRO (Hydrography Lines and Polygons)

*Edition:* First

*Geospatial Data Presentation Form:* Vector digital data

#### *Series Information:*

*Series Name:* None

*Issue Identification:* Maryland

#### *Publication Information:*

*Publication Place:* Seattle, Washington

#### *Publisher:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington.

#### *Other Citation Details:*

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains vector lines and polygons representing coastal hydrography used in the creation of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) for Maryland. The HYDRO data

layer contains all annotation used in producing the atlas. The annotation features are categorized into three subclasses in order to simplify the mapping and quality control procedures: GEOG, for geographic features; SOC, for socioeconomic features; and HYDRO, for water features.

This data set comprises a portion of the ESI data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1988

*Ending\_Date:* 2006

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 1988 to 2006 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

*Spatial\_Domain:*

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*East\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* -75.00000

*North\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 39.75000

*South\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 37.87500

*Keywords:*

*Theme:*

*Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Theme\_Keyword:* ESI

*Theme\_Keyword:* Sensitivity maps

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal resources

*Theme\_Keyword:* Oil spill planning

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal Zone Management

*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Theme\_Keyword:* Hydrography

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of

consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in the data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, soecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written. After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and

consistency checks.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent linear and polygonal hydrography for Maryland.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

The HYDRO data set was developed from pre-existing digital data and reflects the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original source data and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set.

*Lineage:*

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)

*Publication\_Date:* 1993

*Title:* DNR WETLANDS

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, ANNAPOLIS, MD

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 12,000

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* ONLINE

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1988

*Ending\_Date:* 1995

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* HYDRO INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)

*Publication\_Date:* 2004

*Title:* NATURAL COLOR IMAGERY OF SOMMERSET COUNTY

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* RASTER DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, ANNAPOLIS, MD

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 0.25 METER RESOLUTION

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*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 200403

*Ending\_Date:* 200404

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* HYDRO INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

*Publication\_Date:* 2003

*Title:*

RECENT (1988-1995) MARYLAND SHORELINES WITH EROSION  
RATE ATTRIBUTES

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES,  
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, BALTIMORE,  
MARYLAND

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 24,000

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* ONLINE

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

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*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

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*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC  
ADMINISTRATION (NOAA)

*Publication\_Date:* 1996

*Title:*

DELAWARE, NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA  
ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY INDEX (ESI)

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS  
RESPONSE DIVISION, 7600 SAND POINT WAY, SEATTLE, WA  
98115-6349

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 24,000

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*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC  
ADMINISTRATION (NOAA)

*Publication\_Date:* 2005

*Title:* ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY INDEX ATLAS OF VIRGINIA

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS  
RESPONSE DIVISION, 7600 SAND POINT WAY, SEATTLE, WA  
98115-6349

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 24,000

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*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* HYDRO INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* RESEARCH PLANNING, INC. (RPI)

*Publication\_Date:* 2006

*Title:* MARYLAND ESI INDEX GRID

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS  
RESPONSE DIVISION, 7600 SAND POINT WAY, SEATTLE, WA  
98115-6349

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 24,000

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* DISC

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

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*Calendar\_Date:* 2006

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* HYDRO INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* TALBOT COUNTY DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

*Publication\_Date:* 2000

*Title:* B&W IMAGERY OF TALBOT COUNTY

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* RASTER DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

TALBOT COUNTY DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS, 28712 GLOBE  
RD., SUITE 3, EASTON, MD 21601

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 0.25 METER RESOLUTION

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* CD-ROM

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Single\_Date/Time:*

*Calendar\_Date:* 200003

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* HYDRO INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS)

*Publication\_Date:* 1995

*Title:* COLOR INFRARED DIGITAL ORTHOPHOTO QUARTER  
QUADRANGLES

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* RASTER DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL  
RESOURCES, ANNAPOLIS, MD

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* CD-ROM

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1988

*Ending\_Date:* 1995

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* HYDRO INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (VIMS)

*Publication\_Date:* 2005

*Title:* MARYLAND SHORLINE SITUATION SHAPEFILE - 2005

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

GLOUCESTER POINT, VIRGINIA, VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF  
MARINE SCIENCE

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 12,000

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* ONLINE

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 2002

*Ending\_Date:* 2005

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* HYDRO INFORMATION

*Process\_Step:*

*Process\_Description:*

The shoreline was derived primarily from digital coastline data originating from the Virginia Geographic Information Network (VGIN) and provided for the project by the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS). Gaps in this data set were filled in with digital shorelines from Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Wetlands shoreline and Maryland Geological Survey Erosion rate shorelines as well as digitized from U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Digital Orthophoto Quarter

Quadrangles (DOQQs), natural color aerial photos of Sommerset County, and black and white aerial photos of Talbot County.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled to create the HYDRO data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling the data layer: (1) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; (2) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources; and (3) overflight changes are digitized from the scanned and registered hardcopy field maps or aerial photography. After the initial shoreline classification, these data are edgematched and checked for logical consistency errors. Review maps are plotted at 1:24,000 scale for verification of polygonal and linear attributes. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the HYDRO data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

*Process\_Date:* 200704

*Process\_Contact:*

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*Contact\_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

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*State\_or\_Province:* Washington

*Postal\_Code:* 98115-6349

*Contact\_Voice\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944

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*Spatial\_Data\_Organization\_Information:*

*Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Information:*

*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* GT-polygon composed of chains

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 3483

*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* Area point

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 3483

*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* Complete chain

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 59797

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 2015013



*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 370

*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* Node, planar graph

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 59874

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*Spatial\_Reference\_Information:*

*Horizontal\_Coordinate\_System\_Definition:*

*Geographic:*

*Latitude\_Resolution:* 0.0000001

*Longitude\_Resolution:* 0.0000001

*Geographic\_Coordinate\_Units:* Decimal degrees

*Geodetic\_Model:*

*Horizontal\_Datum\_Name:* North American Datum of 1927

*Ellipsoid\_Name:* Clark 1866

*Semi-major\_Axis:* 6378206.400000

*Denominator\_of\_Flattening\_Ratio:* 294.978698

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*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information:*

*Overview\_Description:*

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Overview:*

In addition to the geographic data layers, one relational attribute or data table, SOURCES, is used to store the source data information in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing resource information (in this case, HYDRO) is linked to the SOURCES table using the SOURCE\_ID. The entity-relationship diagram describes relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* HYDRO.AAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The HYDRO.AAT table contains attribute information for the vector lines representing linear hydrography features in the HYDRO data layer.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* LINE

*Attribute\_Definition:* Type of geographic feature.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Extent of Digital Data

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Hydrography

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Index

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*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* S

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Shoreline

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SOURCE\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Spatial data source for the data layer lines that link to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* HYDRO.PAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The HYDRO.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons representing polygonal hydrography features in the HYDRO data layer.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* WATER\_CODE

*Attribute\_Definition:* Specifies a polygon as either water or land.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Land

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* W

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Water

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Entity\_Type:*

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*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The spatial data layer HYDRO contains label points representing annotation for geographic features.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* ANNO.HYDRO

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The spatial data layer HYDRO contains label points representing annotation for water features.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The spatial data layer HYDRO contains label points representing annotation for socioeconomic features.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SOURCES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SOURCE\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G\_SOURCE and A\_SOURCE in the SOC\_DAT table; G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE\_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Author or developer of source material or data set.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* DATE\_PUB

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* YYYYMM

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM

for month

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*Attribute\_Definition*: Title of source material or data.

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*Unrepresentable\_Domain*: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

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*Unrepresentable\_Domain*: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

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*Attribute\_Label*: PUBLICATION

*Attribute\_Definition*: Additional citation information.

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*Unrepresentable\_Domain*: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

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*Unrepresentable\_Domain*: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

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*Attribute\_Definition*:

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Unrepresentable\_Domain*: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

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*Distribution\_Information*:

*Distributor*:

*Contact\_Information*:

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*State\_or\_Province*: Washington

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*Resource\_Description*: ESI Atlas for Maryland

*Distribution\_Liability*:

Although these data have been processed successfully on a computer system at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), no warranty, expressed or implied, is made by NOAA regarding the utility of the data on any other system, nor shall the act of distribution constitute any such warranty. NOAA warrants the delivery of this product in computer-readable format, and will offer a replacement copy of the product when the product is determined unreadable by computer-input peripherals, or when the physical medium is delivered in damaged condition.

*Custom\_Order\_Process:*

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to the widest community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include Geodatabase; ARC export, MOSS, and Shape files; and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcMap .mxd file, an ArcView 3.x ESI project, and an ESI\_Viewer product for use with the MARPLOT data are also included on the distribution DVDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

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*Metadata\_Date:* 200707

*Metadata\_Review\_Date:* 200707

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*Contact\_Person:* Jill Petersen

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*City:* Seattle

*State\_or\_Province:* Washington

*Postal\_Code:* 98115-6349

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*Contact\_Facsimile\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329

*Contact\_Electronic\_Mail\_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

*Metadata\_Standard\_Name:* Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

*Metadata\_Standard\_Version:* FGDC-STD-001-1998

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# Maryland ESI: ESI (Environmental Sensitivity Index Shoreline Types - Lines and Polygons)

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## Metadata:

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  - [Spatial\\_Reference\\_Information](#)
  - [Entity\\_and\\_Attribute\\_Information](#)
  - [Distribution\\_Information](#)
  - [Metadata\\_Reference\\_Information](#)
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##### *Citation\_Information:*

##### *Originator:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Publication\_Date:* 200707

##### *Title:*

Maryland ESI: ESI (Environmental Sensitivity Index Shoreline Types - Lines and Polygons)

*Edition:* First

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* Vector digital data

##### *Series\_Information:*

*Series\_Name:* None

*Issue\_Identification:* Maryland

##### *Publication\_Information:*

*Publication\_Place:* Seattle, Washington

##### *Publisher:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington.

##### *Other\_Citation\_Details:*

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains vector lines and polygons representing the shoreline and coastal habitats for Maryland, classified according to the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) classification system. This data set comprises a portion of the ESI data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1988

*Ending\_Date:* 2006

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 1988 to 2006 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

*Spatial\_Domain:*

*Bounding\_Coordinates:*

*West\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* -77.37500

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*North\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 39.75000

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*Keywords:*

*Theme:*

*Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Theme\_Keyword:* ESI

*Theme\_Keyword:* Sensitivity maps

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal resources

*Theme\_Keyword:* Oil spill planning

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal Zone Management

*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Theme\_Keyword:* Shoreline habitats

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly

important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in the data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, socecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written. After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent coastal shorelines and habitats classified according to the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) classification system.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*



*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:**Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

The ESI data set was developed from pre-existing digital sources and reflects the positional accuracy of these original data. The horizontal positional accuracy of the 1:24,000 USGS topographic quads should conform to National Map Accuracy Standards at scales of 1:24,000. For the Maryland atlas, shoreline classification segment breaks were digitized at a maximum scale of 1:5,000. The minimum mapping unit (MMU) of the actual shoreline classification segments is estimated at 50 meters where mapping is conducted using 1:24,000 hardcopy fieldmaps. Field verification has shown that the absolute positional accuracy of breaks between shoreline ESI types with a 95-percent error bound is approximately 58 meters. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set.

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*Originator:* MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)

*Publication\_Date:* 1993

*Title:* DNR WETLANDS

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, ANNAPOLIS, MD

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 12,000

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* ONLINE

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1988

*Ending\_Date:* 1995

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* ESI INFORMATION

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*Originator:* MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)

*Publication\_Date:* 2004

*Title:* NATURAL COLOR IMAGERY OF SOMMERSET COUNTY

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* RASTER DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES, ANNAPOLIS, MD

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 0.25 METER RESOLUTION

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*Beginning\_Date:* 200403

*Ending\_Date:* 200404

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* ESI INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

*Publication\_Date:* 2003

*Title:*

RECENT (1988-1995) MARYLAND SHORELINES WITH EROSION  
RATE ATTRIBUTES

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES,  
MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY, BALTIMORE,  
MARYLAND

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*Ending\_Date:* 2002

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* ESI INFORMATION

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*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC  
ADMINISTRATION (NOAA)

*Publication\_Date:* 1996

*Title:*

DELAWARE, NEW JERSEY, PENNSYLVANIA  
ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY INDEX

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS  
RESPONSE DIVISION, 7600 SAND POINT WAY, SEATTLE, WA  
98115-6349

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 24,000

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*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Single\_Date/Time:*

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*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

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*Originator:* NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC  
ADMINISTRATION (NOAA)

*Publication\_Date:* 2005

*Title:* ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY INDEX ATLAS OF VIRGINIA

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS  
RESPONSE DIVISION, 7600 SAND POINT WAY, SEATTLE, WA  
98115-6349

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*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* ESI INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* RESEARCH PLANNING, INC. (RPI)

*Publication\_Date:* 2006

*Title:* MARYLAND ESI INDEX GRID

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS  
RESPONSE DIVISION, 7600 SAND POINT WAY, SEATTLE, WA  
98115-6349

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 24,000

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* DISC

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*Time\_Period\_Information:*

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*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* ESI INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* TALBOT COUNTY DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS

*Publication\_Date:* 2000

*Title:* B&W IMAGERY OF TALBOT COUNTY

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* RASTER DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

TALBOT COUNTY DEPT. OF PUBLIC WORKS, 28712 GLOBE  
RD., SUITE 3, EASTON, MD 21601

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 0.25 METER RESOLUTION

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* CD-ROM

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

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*Calendar\_Date:* 200003

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* ESI INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS)

*Publication\_Date:* 1995

*Title:* COLOR INFRARED DIGITAL ORTHOPHOTO QUARTER  
QUADRANGLES

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* RASTER DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL  
RESOURCES, ANNAPOLIS, MD

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* CD-ROM

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*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1988

*Ending\_Date:* 1995

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*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* ESI INFORMATION

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*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (VIMS)

*Publication\_Date:* 2005

*Title:* MARYLAND SHORLINE SITUATION SHAPEFILE - 2005  
*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

GLOUCESTER POINT, VIRGINIA, VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF  
MARINE SCIENCE

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 12,000

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* ONLINE

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 2002

*Ending\_Date:* 2005

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* ESI INFORMATION

*Process\_Step:*

*Process\_Description:*

Original ESI maps, published in 1983, were re-examined and fully updated using the sources and methods described below. The intertidal shoreline habitats of Maryland

were mapped via interpretation of a continuous, overlapping set of georeferenced oblique aerial photographs. These photographs were acquired in March and October 2006 during overflights conducted at elevations of 400-600 feet and slow air speed. All flights were planned to maximize time on site during the 2.5 hours preceding and the 2.5 hours following peak low tide. Where appropriate, revisions to the existing shoreline were made and, where necessary, multiple habitats were described for each shoreline segment. In areas where an overflight was not possible, shoreline classifications were taken from a combination of the Maryland Shoreline Situation shapefile (used to classify manmade structures), Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) wetland coverages (used to classify marshes and swamps), and the 1983 Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) maps.

After the initial shoreline classification, these data are edgematched and checked for logical consistency errors. Review maps are plotted at 1:24,000 scale for verification of polygonal and linear attributes. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the ESI data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

*Process\_Date:* 200704

*Process\_Contact:*

*Contact\_Information:*

*Contact\_Organization\_Primary:*

*Contact\_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

*Contact\_Person:* Jill Petersen

*Contact\_Address:*

*Address\_Type:* Physical address

*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way, N.E.

*City:* Seattle

*State\_or\_Province:* Washington

*Postal\_Code:* 98115-6349

*Contact\_Voice\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944

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*Contact\_Electronic\_Mail\_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

*Spatial\_Data\_Organization\_Information:*

*Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector

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*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* GT-polygon composed of chains

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 15055

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*Horizontal\_Coordinate\_System\_Definition*:

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*Latitude\_Resolution*: 0.0000001

*Longitude\_Resolution*: 0.0000001

*Geographic\_Coordinate\_Units*: Decimal degrees

*Geodetic\_Model*:

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*Ellipsoid\_Name*: Clark 1866

*Semi-major\_Axis*: 6378206.400000

*Denominator\_of\_Flattening\_Ratio*: 294.978698

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*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information*:

*Overview\_Description*:

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Overview*:

In addition to the geographic data layers, one relational attribute or data table, SOURCES, is used to store the source data information in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing resource information (in this case, ESI) is linked to the SOURCES table using the SOURCE\_ID. The entity-relationship diagram describes the relationships between the attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Detailed\_Description*:

*Entity\_Type*:

*Entity\_Type\_Label*: ESI.AAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition*:

The ESI.AAT table contains attribute information for the vector lines representing linear shoreline features with ESI classification.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: ESI

*Attribute\_Definition*:

The item ESI contains values representing the ESI shoreline type. In many cases shorelines are ranked with multiple codes, such as "6B/3A" (listed landward to seaward from left to right). The first code, "6B", is the most landward shoreline type and the second code, "3A", is the shoreline type closest to the water. Singular shoreline types are listed below. No multiple codes are listed, but all multiple codes included in the data set can be assembled from the codes described. The ESI rankings progress from low to high susceptibility to oil spills. To determine the sensitivity of a particular intertidal shoreline habitat, the following factors are integrated: (1) Shoreline type (substrate, grain size, tidal elevation, origin); (2) Exposure to wave and tidal energy; (3) Biological productivity and sensitivity; (4) Ease of cleanup. Prediction of the behavior and persistence of oil in intertidal habitats is based on an understanding of the dynamics of the coastal environments, not just the substrate type and grain size. The intensity of energy expended upon a

shoreline by wave action, tidal currents, and river currents directly affects the persistence of stranded oil. The need for shoreline cleanup activities is determined, in part, by the slowness of natural processes in removal of oil stranded on the shoreline. The potential for biological injury, and ease of cleanup of spilled oil, are also important factors in the ESI ranking. Generally speaking, areas exposed to high levels of physical energy, such as wave action and tidal currents, and low biological activity rank low on the scale, whereas sheltered areas with associated high biological activity have the highest ranking.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* 9A

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Sheltered Tidal Flats

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*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Salt- and Brackish-water marshes

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*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

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*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

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*Distribution\_Information:*

*Distributor:*

*Contact\_Information:*

*Contact\_Person\_Primary:*

*Contact\_Person:* John Kaperick

*Contact\_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

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*City:* Seattle

*State\_or\_Province:* Washington

*Postal\_Code:* 98115-6349

*Contact\_Voice\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6400

*Contact\_Facsimile\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329

*Resource\_Description:* ESI Atlas for Maryland

*Distribution\_Liability:*

Although these data have been processed successfully on a computer system at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, no warranty, expressed or implied, is made by NOAA regarding the utility of the data on any other system, nor shall the act of distribution constitute any such warranty. NOAA warrants the delivery of this product in computer-readable format, and will offer a replacement copy of the product when the product is determined unreadable by computer-input peripherals, or when the physical medium is delivered in damaged condition.

*Custom\_Order\_Process:*

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to the widest community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include Geodatabase; ARC export, MOSS, and Shape files; and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcMap .mxd file, an ArcView 3.x ESI project, and an ESI\_Viewer product for use with the MARPLOT data are also included on the distribution DVDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

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*Metadata\_Reference\_Information:**Metadata\_Date:* 200707*Metadata\_Review\_Date:* 200707*Metadata\_Contact:**Contact\_Information:**Contact\_Person\_Primary:**Contact\_Person:* Jill Petersen*Contact\_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact\_Position:* GIS Manager*Contact\_Address:**Address\_Type:* Physical Address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way, N.E.*City:* Seattle*State\_or\_Province:* Washington*Postal\_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact\_Voice\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944*Contact\_Facsimile\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Contact\_Electronic\_Mail\_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov*Metadata\_Standard\_Name:* Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata*Metadata\_Standard\_Version:* FGDC-STD-001-1998

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# Maryland ESI: INDEX (Index Polygons)

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## Metadata:

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- [Data Quality Information](#)
- [Spatial Data Organization Information](#)
- [Spatial Reference Information](#)
- [Entity and Attribute Information](#)
- [Distribution Information](#)
- [Metadata Reference Information](#)

### *Identification Information:*

#### *Citation:*

##### *Citation Information:*

##### *Originator:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Publication Date:* 200707

*Title:* Maryland ESI: INDEX (Index Polygons)

*Edition:* First

*Geospatial Data Presentation Form:* Vector digital data

##### *Series Information:*

*Series Name:* None

*Issue Identification:* Maryland

##### *Publication Information:*

*Publication Place:* Seattle, Washington

##### *Publisher:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington.

##### *Other Citation Details:*

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains vector polygons representing the boundaries of all hardcopy cartographic products produced as part of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) for Maryland. This data set comprises a portion of the ESI data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled

oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Single\_Date/Time:*

*Calendar\_Date:* 2006

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The INDEX data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness date for the data is 2006 and is documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

*Spatial\_Domain:*

*Bounding\_Coordinates:*

*West\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* -77.37500

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*South\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 37.87500

*Keywords:*

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*Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

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*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal resources

*Theme\_Keyword:* Oil spill planning

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal Zone Management

*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in the data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, soecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written. After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent the boundaries of all hardcopy cartographic products produced as part of the Maryland ESI, as well as the digital data extents.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

The index polygons in this data layer were generated in ArcInfo from the coordinates of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 1:24,000 topographic map corners. Some small amount of positional error may be present along the arcs



forming the boundaries of these polygons, particularly away from the polygon corners. Some boundaries were developed from pre-existing digital and hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original source data and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set.

*Lineage:*

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* RESEARCH PLANNING, INC. (RPI)

*Publication\_Date:* 2006

*Title:* MARYLAND ESI INDEX GRID

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

NATIONAL OCEAN SERVICE, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS  
RESPONSE DIVISION, 7600 SAND POINT WAY, SEATTLE, WA  
98115-6349

*Source\_Scale\_Denominator:* 24,000

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* DISC

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Single\_Date/Time:*

*Calendar\_Date:* 2006

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* INDEX INFORMATION

*Process\_Step:*

*Process\_Description:*

Primarily, 1:24,000 U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) topographic maps were used to provide boundaries for cartographic products. In most cases, the polygons represent USGS topographic maps that were re-tiled, moved, or extended to provide better cartographic coverage of the study area.

*Process\_Date:* 200704

*Process\_Contact:*

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*Contact\_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

*Contact\_Person:* Jill Petersen

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*State\_or\_Province:* Washington

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*Contact\_Facsimile\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329

*Contact\_Electronic\_Mail\_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

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*Spatial\_Data\_Organization\_Information:*

*Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector

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The INDEX.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons representing the boundaries of the maps and digital data boundaries used in the creation of the ESI.

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The TILE-NAME contains the map number according to the specified layout of the atlas.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 125*Attribute:*

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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SCALE contains the value of the denominator of the scale at which the map is plotted in the final map product.

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*City:* Seattle

*State\_or\_Province:* Washington

*Postal\_Code:* 98115-6349

*Contact\_Voice\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6400

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*Resource\_Description:* ESI Atlas for Maryland

*Distribution\_Liability:*

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*Custom\_Order\_Process:*

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to the widest community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include Geodatabase; ARC export, MOSS, and Shape files; and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcMap .mxd file, an ArcView 3.x ESI project, and an ESI\_Viewer product for use with the MARPLOT data are also included on the distribution DVDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

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*Metadata\_Date:* 200707

*Metadata\_Review\_Date:* 200707

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*Contact\_Person:* Jill Petersen

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*City:* Seattle

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*Contact\_Electronic\_Mail\_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

*Metadata\_Standard\_Name:* Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

*Metadata\_Standard\_Version:* FGDC-STD-001-1998

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# Maryland ESI: MGT (Management Area Polygons)

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## Metadata:

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### *Identification Information:*

#### *Citation:*

#### *Citation Information:*

#### *Originator:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Publication Date:* 200707

*Title:* Maryland ESI: MGT (Management Area Polygons)

*Edition:* First

*Geospatial Data Presentation Form:* Vector digital data

#### *Series Information:*

*Series Name:* None

*Issue Identification:* Maryland

#### *Publication Information:*

*Publication Place:* Seattle, Washington

#### *Publisher:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington.

#### *Other Citation Details:*

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains polygons that represent the following sensitive human-use management areas in Maryland: wildlife refuges, national parks, wildlife management areas and sanctuaries, state parks, conservation lands, state forests, and terrestrial communities. Location-specific type and source information is stored in relational data

tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the SOCECON (Socioeconomic Resource Points and Lines) data layer, part of the larger Maryland ESI database, for additional human-use information.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1966

*Ending\_Date:* 2007

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 1966 to 2007 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

*Spatial\_Domain:*

*Bounding\_Coordinates:*

*West\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* -77.37500

*East\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* -75.00000

*North\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 39.75000

*South\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 37.87500

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*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal resources

*Theme\_Keyword:* Oil spill planning

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal Zone Management

*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Theme\_Keyword:* Management areas

*Theme\_Keyword:* Human use resources

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of

consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in the data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, soecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written. After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent a synthesis of digital boundaries for management areas. These data do not necessarily represent all management areas in Maryland. See also the SOCECON (Socioeconomic Resource Points and Lines) data layer, part of the larger Maryland ESI database, for additional human-use information.

*Positional\_Accuracy:**Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:**Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

Spatial components for the human-use data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the human-use data layers are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. Some of the spatial components of the human-use data layers are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set.

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*Publication\_Date:* 2002

*Title:* ASIS BOUNDARY 2002

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*Publication\_Date:* 2004

*Title:*

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(DNR)

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*Title:* DNR LANDS

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*Originator:*

MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (MD  
DNR) WILDLIFE AND HERITAGE

*Publication\_Date:* 2006

*Title:*

ECOLOGICALLY SIGNIFICANT AREAS OF MARYLAND'S  
TIDAL WATERS AND SHORELINES

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*Publication\_Date:* 2002

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*Title:* CHESAPEAKE MARSHLANDS NWR COMPLEX INFORMATION

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EASTERN NECK AND SUSQUEHANNA DEPARTMENT OF  
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*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

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*Process\_Description:*

Existing digital data sets from Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR), U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS), and Assateague Island National Seashore (ASIS) were used to depict human-use resources for this data layer.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the MGT data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling the data layer: (1) information gathered during

initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the MGT data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

*Process\_Date:* 200704

*Process\_Contact:*

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*State\_or\_Province:* Washington

*Postal\_Code:* 98115-6349

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*Spatial\_Data\_Organization\_Information:*

*Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Information:*

*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* GT-polygon composed of chains

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 526

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 526

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 200782

*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 909

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*Longitude\_Resolution:* 0.0000001

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*Geodetic\_Model:*

*Horizontal\_Datum\_Name:* North American Datum of 1927

*Ellipsoid\_Name:* Clark 1866

*Semi-major\_Axis:* 6378206.400000

*Denominator\_of\_Flattening\_Ratio:* 294.978698

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information:*

*Overview\_Description:*

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Overview:*

In addition to the geographic data layers, two relational attribute or data tables, SOC\_DAT and SOURCES, are used to store the complex socioeconomic data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing socioeconomic data resource information (in this case, MGT) is linked to the Socioeconomic Resources table (SOC\_DAT) using the unique ID and the lookup table SOC\_LUT, or it can be linked directly using HUNUM. HUNUM is a unique reference number concatenated with the atlas number (for Maryland, the number is 47). ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (47), an element specific number (MGT = 11), and a unique record number. SOC\_DAT and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* MGT.PAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The MGT.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons representing wildlife refuges, national parks, wildlife management areas and sanctuaries, state parks, conservation lands, state forests, and terrestrial communities. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Attribute:*

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

The human-use features depicted on the maps are those that could be impacted by an oil spill or could provide access for response operations.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Management Area

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* MR

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Multiple Records - Signifies that multiple types overlap in the polygon

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An identifier that links vector objects in the human-use data layers to records in the SOC\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (11), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

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An identifier that links directly to the SOC\_DAT table. HUNUM values of 0 are holes in the polygons and do not contain information.

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The data table SOC\_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the human-use data layers with the SOC\_DAT data table. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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An identifier that links records in the SOC\_LUT data table to records in the SOC\_DAT data table. HUNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Range\_Domain*:

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum*: 047000255

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: ID

*Attribute\_Definition*:

An identifier that links vector objects in the human-use data layers to records in the SOC\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (SOCECON=10; MGT=11), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

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*Range\_Domain\_Maximum*: 047110560

*Detailed\_Description*:

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*Entity\_Type\_Label*: SOC\_DAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition*:

The data table SOC\_DAT contains both human-use attribute data and items necessary for linking the human-use spatial data layers to the SOURCES data table. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

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*Attribute\_Definition*:

An identifier that links records in the SOC\_DAT data table to records in the SOC\_LUT data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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Geographic source identifier that links records in the SOC\_DAT data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

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*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G\_SOURCE and A\_SOURCE in the SOC\_DAT table; G\_SOURCE and



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Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Resource\_Description:* ESI Atlas for Maryland

*Distribution\_Liability:*

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*Metadata\_Date:* 200707

*Metadata\_Review\_Date:* 200707

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# Maryland ESI: SOCECON (Socioeconomic Resource Points and Lines)

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### *Identification Information:*

#### *Citation:*

##### *Citation Information:*

##### *Originator:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

##### *Publication Date:* 200707

*Title:* Maryland ESI: SOCECON (Socioeconomic Resource Points and Lines)

*Edition:* First

*Geospatial Data Presentation Form:* Vector digital data

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Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains human-use resource data for airports, heliports, marinas, boat ramps, aquaculture sites, beaches, coast guard stations, ferries, bridges, and state borders in

Maryland. Vector points and lines in this data set represent the human-use site locations. Location-specific type and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the MGT (Management Area Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Maryland ESI database, for additional human-use information.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1988

*Ending\_Date:* 2007

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The SOCECON data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 1988 to 2007 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

*Spatial\_Domain:*

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*Theme\_Keyword:* Human use resources

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the

exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in the data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, socecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

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*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS

manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge and available hardcopy reports and digital data on socioeconomic resources. These data do not necessarily represent all human-use sites in Maryland. See also the MGT (Management Area Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Maryland ESI database, for additional human-use information.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

Spatial components for the human-use data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the human-use data layers are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. Some of the spatial components of the human-use data layers are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set.

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*Originator:* BOHN, R., MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (MD DNR)

*Publication\_Date:* 2007

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*Originator:*

COMPREHENSIVE COASTAL INVENTORY PROGRAM (CCI),  
VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (VIMS)

*Publication\_Date:* 2004

*Title:* MARYLAND SHORELINE SITUATION PORTFOLIO

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NATIONAL SEASHORE  
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Two main sources of data were used to depict human-use resources for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and (2) digital vector data provided by numerous agencies.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the SOCECON data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling the data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the SOCECON data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

*Process\_Date:* 200704

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*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information:*

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In addition to the geographic data layers, two relational attribute or data tables, SOC\_DAT and SOURCES, are used to store the complex socioeconomic data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing socioeconomic data resource information (in this case, SOCECON) is linked to the Socioeconomic Resources table (SOC\_DAT) using the unique ID and the lookup table SOC\_LUT, or it can be linked directly using HUNUM. HUNUM is a unique reference number concatenated with the atlas number (for Maryland,

the number is 47). ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (47), an element specific number (SOCECON = 10), and a unique record number. SOC\_DAT and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SOCECON.PAT

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The SOCECON.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector points representing airports, heliports, marinas, boat ramps, aquaculture sites, beaches, coast guard stations, and ferries. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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The human-use features depicted on the maps are those that could be impacted by an oil spill or could provide access for response operations.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the human-use data layers to records in the SOC\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (10), and record number.

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*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0471000901

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The SOCECON.AAT table contains attribute information for the vector lines representing bridges and state borders. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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The data table SOC\_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the human-use data layers with the SOC\_DAT data table. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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An identifier that links vector objects in the human-use data layers to records in the SOC\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (10), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

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The data table SOC\_DAT contains both human-use attribute data and items necessary for linking the human-use spatial data layers to the SOURCES data table. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Resource\_Description:* ESI Atlas for Maryland

*Distribution\_Liability:*

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*Custom\_Order\_Process:*

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple

formats to make them useful to the widest community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include Geodatabase; ARC export, MOSS, and Shape files; and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcMap .mxd file, an ArcView 3.x ESI project, and an ESI\_Viewer product for use with the MARPLOT data are also included on the distribution DVDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

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# Maryland ESI: BIRDS (Bird Polygons)

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### *Identification Information:*

#### *Citation:*

##### *Citation Information:*

##### *Originator:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

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*Title:* Maryland ESI: BIRDS (Bird Polygons)

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington.

##### *Other Citation Details:*

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for wading birds, shorebirds, waterfowl, raptors, diving birds, seabirds, passerine birds, and gulls and terns in Maryland. Vector polygons in this data set represent bird nesting, feeding, migratory staging, and wintering sites. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source

information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the NESTS (Nest Points) data layer, part of the larger Maryland ESI database, for additional bird information.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1962

*Ending\_Date:* 2007

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The biological data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 1962 to 2007 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

*Spatial\_Domain:*

*Bounding\_Coordinates:*

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*East\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* -75.00000

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*South\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 37.87500

*Keywords:*

*Theme:*

*Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Theme\_Keyword:* ESI

*Theme\_Keyword:* Sensitivity maps

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal resources

*Theme\_Keyword:* Oil spill planning

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal Zone Management

*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Theme\_Keyword:* Bird

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of

consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, soecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and

consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

#### *Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge, available hardcopy documents, survey data, maps, and digital data on bird nesting, feeding, wintering, migratory staging and other spatial/temporal concentration areas. See also the NESTS (Nest Points) data layer, part of the larger Maryland ESI database, for additional bird information. These data do not necessarily represent all bird occurrences in Maryland. The following species are included in this data set: (Species\_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 1, Common loon, *Gavia immer*; 3, Red-throated loon, *Gavia stellata*; 8, Double-crested cormorant, *Phalacrocorax auritus*; 11, Tundra swan, *Cygnus columbianus*; 12, Canada goose, *Branta canadensis*; 13, Brant, *Branta bernicla*; 15, Snow goose, *Chen caerulescens*; 16, Mallard, *Anas platyrhynchos*; 17, Northern pintail, *Anas acuta*; 18, Green-winged teal, *Anas crecca*; 20, Northern shoveler, *Anas clypeata*; 21, Canvasback, *Aythya valisineria*; 22, Greater scaup, *Aythya marila*; 23, Lesser scaup, *Aythya affinis*; 24, Common goldeneye, *Bucephala clangula*; 26, Bufflehead, *Bucephala albeola*; 27, Long-tailed duck, *Clangula hyemalis*; 29, White-winged scoter, *Melanitta fusca*; 30, Surf scoter, *Melanitta perspicillata*; 32, Common merganser, *Mergus merganser*; 33, Red-breasted merganser, *Mergus serrator*; 34, American coot, *Fulica americana*; 38, Herring gull, *Larus argentatus*; 40, Ring-billed gull, *Larus delawarensis*; 45, Common tern, *Sterna hirundo*; 54, Great blue heron, *Ardea herodias*; 56, Spotted sandpiper, *Actitis macularia*; 58, Greater yellowlegs, *Tringa melanoleuca*; 59, Lesser yellowlegs, *Tringa flavipes*; 60, Red knot, *Calidris canutus*; 61, Pectoral sandpiper, *Calidris melanotos*; 62, Least sandpiper, *Calidris minutilla*; 63, Dunlin, *Calidris alpina*; 64, Short-billed dowitcher, *Limnodromus griseus*; 65, Long-billed dowitcher, *Limnodromus scolopaceus*; 67, Sanderling, *Calidris alba*; 69, Semipalmated plover, *Charadrius semipalmatus*; 70, Killdeer, *Charadrius vociferus*; 71, Black-bellied plover, *Pluvialis squatarola*; 73, Ruddy turnstone, *Arenaria interpres*; 76, Bald eagle, *Haliaeetus leucocephalus*; 77, Osprey, *Pandion haliaetus*; 86, Least tern, *Sterna antillarum*; 87, Little blue heron, *Egretta caerulea*; 88, Great egret, *Ardea alba*; 89, Snowy egret, *Egretta thula*; 90, Black-crowned night-heron, *Nycticorax nycticorax*; 91, Glossy ibis, *Plegadis falcinellus*; 92, Great black-backed gull, *Larus marinus*; 93, Cattle egret, *Bubulcus ibis*; 94, Tricolored heron, *Egretta tricolor*; 98, Laughing gull, *Larus atricilla*; 118, Brown pelican, *Pelecanus occidentalis*; 120, Yellow-crowned night-heron, *Nyctanassa violacea*; 124, Redhead, *Aythya americana*; 125, Clapper rail, *Rallus longirostris*; 133, Black skimmer, *Rynchops niger*; 134, Gull-billed tern, *Sterna nilotica*; 136, Caspian tern, *Sterna caspia*; 137, Royal tern, *Sterna maxima*; 138, Forster's tern, *Sterna forsteri*; 148, Ruddy duck, *Oxyura jamaicensis*; 150, Black rail, *Laterallus jamaicensis*; 152, American oystercatcher, *Haematopus palliatus*; 153, Piping plover, *Charadrius melodus*; 155, Willet, *Catoptrophorus semipalmatus*; 156, Semipalmated sandpiper, *Calidris pusilla*; 162, Gadwall, *Anas strepera*; 167, Northern gannet, *Morus bassanus*; 169, American wigeon, *Anas americana*; 178, Least bittern, *Ixobrychus exilis*; 179, Pied-billed grebe, *Podilymbus podiceps*; 180, Ring-necked duck, *Aythya collaris*; 181, Northern harrier, *Circus cyaneus*; 185, American bittern, *Botaurus lentiginosus*; 186, American black duck, *Anas rubripes*; 187, Virginia rail, *Rallus limicola*; 190, Blue-winged teal, *Anas discors*; 191, Wood duck, *Aix sponsa*; 192, Common moorhen, *Gallinula chloropus*;

197, Black scoter, *Melanitta nigra*; 198, Hooded merganser, *Lophodytes cucullatus*; 217, Mute swan, *Cygnus olor*; 224, Sedge wren, *Cistothorus platensis*; 225, Marsh wren, *Cistothorus palustris*; 273, Geese, n/a; 277, Seaside sparrow, *Ammodramus maritimus*; 278, Saltmarsh sharp-tailed sparrow, *Ammodramus caudacutus*; 299, Scaup, *Aythya* spp.; 301, Mergansers, n/a; 302, Scoters, *Melanitta* spp.; 310, Rare passerine bird, n/a; 462, Loons, *Gavia* spp.; 626, American peregrine falcon, *Falco peregrinus anatum*; 1001, Gulls, n/a; 1002, Shorebirds, n/a; 1003, Waterfowl, n/a; 1006, Diving birds, n/a; 1014, Diving ducks, n/a; 1021, Ducks, n/a; 1026, Grebes, n/a; 1027, Swans, *Cygnus* spp.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

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*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* CLICHE, RACHEL, U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE (USFWS)

*Publication\_Date:* 2005

*Title:*

BLACKWATER NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE (NWR) SPECIES DISTRIBUTION AND SEASONALITY

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*Originator:* DOCTOR, S., MARYLAND (MD) DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)

*Publication\_Date:* 2006

*Title:*

PERSONAL COMMUNICATION LIVING MARINE RESOURCES

WITHIN THE COASTAL BAYS OF MD

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*Originator*: FORSELL, DOUG, USFWS

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*Originator*: FUNDERBURK, S.L. ET AL. (EDS)

*Publication\_Date*: 1991

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CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM OFFICE, U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL  
PROTECTION AGENCY, ANNAPOLIS, MD

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*Originator:* HINDMAN, LARRY, MD DNR

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*Originator:* MARYLAND DNR

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*Title:* BALD EAGLE TIDAL FORAGING HABITAT IN MARYLAND

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*Originator:* MD DNR WILDLIFE AND HERITAGE

*Publication\_Date:* 2006

*Title:*

ECOLOGICALLY SIGNIFICANT AREAS OF MARYLAND'S  
TIDAL WATERS AND SHORELINES

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PROTECTION ZONES FOR COLONIAL WATERBIRD COLONIES  
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QUARTER-MILE BUFFERS OF MARYLAND AMERICAN  
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*Originator:* STEWART, R.E.

*Publication\_Date:* 1962

*Title:* WATERFOWL POPULATIONS IN THE UPPER CHESAPEAKE  
REGION

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US DOI FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE, BUR OF SPORT FISHERIES  
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Three main sources of data were used to depict bird distribution and seasonality for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), MD Department of Natural Resources (DNR), and National Park Service (NPS); (2) numerous published and unpublished reports; and (3) digital data sets for waterfowl distribution, bald eagle foraging, colonial waterbird nesting, american oystercatcher nesting, and threatened and endangered species locations.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the BIRDS data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and

used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the BIRDS data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

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*Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Information:*

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 7022

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 7022

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 18379

*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* Link

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 2236471

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 13285

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*Ellipsoid\_Name:* Clark 1866

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*Denominator\_of\_Flattening\_Ratio:* 294.978698

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information:*

*Overview\_Description:*

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Overview:*

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, BIRDS) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO\_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Maryland atlas, the number is 47), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN\_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE\_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G\_SOURCE, S\_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED\_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed\_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO\_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED\_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED\_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*



*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIRDS.PAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The BIRDS.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing bird nesting, feeding, migratory staging, and wintering sites. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (1), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 0470100002

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470107240

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001083

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*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIO\_LUT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIO\_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIO\_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* ID*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (1), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

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The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO\_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO\_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* CONC*Attribute\_Definition:*

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values, and may contain counts of individuals for each species present at a particular nesting site, or a term that describes relative abundance of birds at a particular site. The field may contain counts of pairs or nests, such as XXX PAIRS, XXX-XXX PAIRS, or X NESTS. In cases where no quantitative count data were available, the field may either be blank; contain a descriptive term, such as "HIGH"; or a concentration

approximation, such as 1000S. Counts were derived from a variety of surveys, and may range in date (see Lineage).

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Range\_Domain*:

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum*: N

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: G\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Range\_Domain*:

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*Attribute\_Definition*:

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1;

EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

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The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness\_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition*:

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Natural Heritage Program global ranking.

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*Codeset\_Source:* Natural Heritage Program

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SEASONAL

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

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Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

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Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

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*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* MONTH

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

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*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 12

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED1

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED2

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED3

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

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Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED4

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED5

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M\_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain:*



*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SOURCES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Attribute\_Label:* SOURCE\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G\_SOURCE and A\_SOURCE in the SOC\_DAT table; G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE\_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

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*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

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Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Title of source material or data.

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The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

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Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

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### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for raptors in Maryland. Vector points in this data set represent bird nesting sites. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.



This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the BIRDS (Bird Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Maryland ESI database, for additional bird information.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1991

*Ending\_Date:* 2007

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The biological data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 1991 to 2007 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

*Spatial\_Domain:*

*Bounding\_Coordinates:*

*West\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* -77.37500

*East\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* -75.00000

*North\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 39.75000

*South\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 37.87500

*Keywords:*

*Theme:*

*Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Theme\_Keyword:* ESI

*Theme\_Keyword:* Sensitivity maps

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal resources

*Theme\_Keyword:* Oil spill planning

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal Zone Management

*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Theme\_Keyword:* Nest

*Theme\_Keyword:* Bird

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known

concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, socecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas

number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge, available hardcopy documents, and digital data on bird nesting sites. See also the BIRDS (Bird Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Maryland ESI database, for additional bird information. These data do not necessarily represent all nest occurrences in Maryland. The following species are included in this data set: (Species\_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 76, Bald eagle, *Haliaeetus leucocephalus*; 626, American peregrine falcon, *Falco peregrinus anatum*.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

*Lineage:*

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* FUNDERBURK, S.L. ET AL. (EDS)

*Publication\_Date:* 1991

*Title:* HABITAT REQUIREMENTS FOR CHESAPEAKE BAY LIVING RESOURCES

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* HARDCOPY TEXT

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM OFFICE, U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, ANNAPOLIS, MD

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* PAPER

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Single\_Date/Time:*

*Calendar\_Date:* 1991

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* NESTS INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* STONE, ROGER (U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE)

*Publication\_Date:* 2007

*Title:* CHESAPEAKE MARSHLANDS NWR COMPLEX INFORMATION

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* UNPUBLISHED

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Single\_Date/Time:*

*Calendar\_Date:* 2007

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF COMMUNICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* NESTS INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE (USFWS), BLACKWATER NWR

*Publication\_Date:* 2003

*Title:* EAGLE NESTS 2003

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* UNPUBLISHED

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* CD-ROM

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Single\_Date/Time:*

*Calendar\_Date:* 2003

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* NESTS INFORMATION

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE (USFWS), REG. 5

*Publication\_Date:* 2005

*Title:* CHESAPEAKE MARSHLANDS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE COMPLEX DRAFT EA

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* HARDCOPY TEXT

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* CHESAPEAKE MARSHLANDS NWR COMPLEX, CAMBRIDGE, MD

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* PAPER

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Single\_Date/Time:*

*Calendar\_Date:* 2005

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* NESTS INFORMATION

*Process\_Step:**Process\_Description:*

Two main sources of data were used to depict nest distribution and seasonality for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) and (2) Chesapeake Marshlands National Wildlife Refuge Complex and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) reports and digital data.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the NESTS data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the NESTS data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

*Process\_Date:* 200704

*Process\_Contact:**Contact\_Information:**Contact\_Organization\_Primary:*

*Contact\_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

*Contact\_Person:* Jill Petersen

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*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way, N.E.

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*Spatial\_Data\_Organization\_Information:*

*Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Information:**SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* Entity Point

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 35

*Spatial\_Reference\_Information:**Horizontal\_Coordinate\_System\_Definition:**Geographic:*

*Latitude\_Resolution:* 0.0000001

*Longitude\_Resolution:* 0.0000001

*Geographic\_Coordinate\_Units:* Decimal degrees

*Geodetic\_Model:*

*Horizontal\_Datum\_Name:* North American Datum of 1927

*Ellipsoid\_Name:* Clark 1866

*Semi-major\_Axis:* 6378206.400000

*Denominator\_of\_Flattening\_Ratio:* 294.978698

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information:*

*Overview\_Description:*

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Overview:*

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, NESTS) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO\_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Maryland atlas, the number is 47), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN\_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE\_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G\_SOURCE, S\_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED\_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed\_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO\_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED\_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED\_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

*Detailed\_Description:**Entity\_Type:**Entity\_Type\_Label:* NESTS.PAT*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The NESTS.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector points in this data set representing bird nesting sites. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the *Browse\_Graphic* section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* ID*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (5), and record number.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 0470500001*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470500035*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000014*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047000025*Detailed\_Description:**Entity\_Type:**Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIO\_LUT*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIO\_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the *Browse\_Graphic* section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIO\_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (5), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 0470100002

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470900381

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIORES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO\_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO\_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* CONC

*Attribute\_Definition:*

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values. The field may contain counts of nests (X NESTS) or pairs (X PAIRS), or "-", implying that it is a single nest of the raptor species listed.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*



*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* G\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* S\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

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*Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* BIRD

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* FISH

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed\_Description:**Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SPECIES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness\_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* NAME

*Attribute\_Definition:* Species common name for the entire ESI data set.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* GEN\_SPEC

*Attribute\_Definition:* Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* HABITAT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Invertebrates

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* SUBELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition:* Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Amphibian

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Bivalve

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Crab

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Diving bird

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Estuarine resident

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Network of Natural Heritage Program

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*Codeset\_Source:* Natural Heritage Program

*Attribute:*

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description*:

*Entity\_Type*:

*Entity\_Type\_Label*: SEASONAL

*Entity\_Type\_Definition*:

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition*: Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Birds

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Invertebrates

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Reptiles and Amphibians



*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Range\_Domain*:

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum*: N

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Range\_Domain*:

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 1

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: FEB

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: MAR

*Attribute\_Definition*: March

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* MAY  
*Attribute\_Definition:* May  
*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.  
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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* JUN  
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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.  
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*Enumerated\_Domain:*  
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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in June  
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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* JUL  
*Attribute\_Definition:* July  
*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.  
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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in July  
*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.  
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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in August  
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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEP  
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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in September

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* OCT

*Attribute\_Definition:* October

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in October

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* NOV

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in November

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* DEC

*Attribute\_Definition:* December

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in December

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BREED

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* MONTH

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 12

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED1

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED2

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED3

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* BREED4*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* BREED5*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M\_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed\_Description:**Entity\_Type:**Entity\_Type\_Label:* SOURCES*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* SOURCE\_ID*Attribute\_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G\_SOURCE and A\_SOURCE in the SOC\_DAT table; G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE\_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* ORIGINATOR*Attribute\_Definition:* Author or developer of source material or data set.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* DATE\_PUB*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* YYYYMM*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* TITLE*Attribute\_Definition:* Title of source material or data.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* DATA\_FORMAT*Attribute\_Definition:* The format of the source material.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* PUBLICATION*Attribute\_Definition:* Additional citation information.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* SCALE*Attribute\_Definition:* Description of the source scale.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* TIME\_PERIOD*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Detailed\_Description:**Entity\_Type:**Entity\_Type\_Label:* STATUS*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the [Browse\\_Graphic](#) section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* FISH*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* HABITAT



*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* INVERT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Invertebrates

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* M\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* REPTILE

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* STATE

*Attribute\_Definition:* Two-letter state abbreviation.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* COUNTRY

*Attribute\_Definition:* Three-letter country abbreviation.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* S

*Attribute\_Definition:* State threatened or endangered status.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Endangered on state list  
*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Threatened on state list

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Custom\_Order\_Process:*

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to the widest community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include Geodatabase; ARC export, MOSS, and Shape files; and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcMap .mxd file, an ArcView 3.x ESI project, and an ESI\_Viewer product for use with the MARPLOT data are also included on the distribution DVDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

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# Maryland ESI: FISH (Fish Polygons)

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### *Identification Information:*

#### *Citation:*

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Publication Date:* 200707

*Title:* Maryland ESI: FISH (Fish Polygons)

*Edition:* First

*Geospatial Data Presentation Form:* Vector digital data

##### *Series Information:*

*Series Name:* None

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*Publication Place:* Seattle, Washington

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington.

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### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for marine, estuarine, anadromous, and freshwater fish species in Maryland. Vector polygons in this data set represent fish distribution, concentration areas, and spawning areas. Species specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables

(described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

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*Ending\_Date:* 2007

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The biological data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 1963 to 2007 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

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*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not

necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

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Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, soecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas



number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resources at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

#### *Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge, available hardcopy documents, and survey data for fish distribution, concentration areas, and spawning areas. These data do not necessarily represent all fish occurrences in Maryland. The following species are included in this data set: (Species\_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 65, Bluefish, Pomatomus saltatrix; 74, Rainbow trout, Oncorhynchus mykiss; 81, Spiny dogfish, Squalus acanthias; 85, Alewife, Alosa pseudoharengus; 86, Blueback herring, Alosa aestivalis; 87, American shad, Alosa sapidissima; 88, Winter flounder, Pleuronectes americanus; 90, White hake, Urophycis tenuis; 94, Atlantic silverside, Menidia menidia; 95, Mummichog, Fundulus heteroclitus; 97, Tautog, Tautoga onitis; 98, American eel, Anguilla rostrata; 100, Brown trout, Salmo trutta; 101, Shortnose sturgeon, Acipenser brevirostrum; 102, Atlantic sturgeon, Acipenser oxyrinchus; 103, Threadfin shad, Dorosoma petenense; 104, Striped bass, Morone saxatilis; 105, Hickory shad, Alosa mediocris; 107, Spotted seatrout, Cynoscion nebulosus; 108, Summer flounder, Paralichthys dentatus; 109, Red drum, Sciaenops ocellatus; 110, Black sea bass, Centropristis striata; 113, Bay anchovy, Anchoa mitchilli; 115, Atlantic menhaden, Brevoortia tyrannus; 116, Striped mullet, Mugil cephalus; 117, Pinfish, Lagodon rhomboides; 119, Silver perch, Bairdiella chrysoura; 120, Pigfish, Orthopristis chrysoptera; 121, Spot, Leiostomus xanthurus; 122, Black drum, Pogonias cromis; 123, Atlantic croaker, Micropogonias undulatus; 124, Southern kingfish (whiting), Menticirrhus americanus; 127, Spanish mackerel, Scomberomorus maculatus; 129, Atlantic thread herring, Opisthonema oglinum; 137, Sheepshead, Archosargus probatocephalus; 138, Weakfish, Cynoscion regalis; 142, Crevalle jack, Caranx hippos; 145, White perch, Morone americana; 146, Atlantic herring, Clupea harengus; 147, Atlantic mackerel, Scomber scombrus; 148, Silver hake, Merluccius bilinearis; 150, Scup (porgy), Stenotomus chrysops; 151, Northern puffer, Sphoeroides maculatus; 152, Yellow perch, Perca flavescens; 153, Northern kingfish, Menticirrhus saxatilis; 154, Pollock, Pollachius virens; 155, Red hake, Urophycis chuss; 157, Monkfish, Lophius americanus; 158, Butterfish, Peprilus triacanthus; 160, Windowpane, Scopthalmus aquosus; 162, Common carp, Cyprinus carpio; 163, Gizzard shad, Dorosoma cepedianum; 166, Brook trout, Salvelinus fontinalis; 168, Spottail shiner, Notropis hudsonius; 173, White mullet, Mugil curema; 179, Largemouth bass, Micropterus salmoides; 180, Smallmouth bass, Micropterus dolomieu; 181, Black crappie, Pomoxis nigromaculatus; 182, Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus; 188, Walleye, Stizostedion vitreum vitreum; 191, Shorthead redhorse, Moxostoma macrolepidotum; 200, Blue catfish, Ictalurus furcatus; 201, Channel catfish, Ictalurus punctatus; 202, White crappie, Pomoxis annularis; 204, Redear sunfish, Lepomis microlophus; 211, Brown bullhead, Ameiurus nebulosus; 212, Pumpkinseed, Lepomis gibbosus; 249, Logperch, Percina caprodes; 271, Inland silverside, Menidia beryllina; 283, Killifish, Fundulus spp.; 290, Striped anchovy, Anchoa hepsetus; 292, Chain pickerel, Esox niger; 294, Spotted hake, Urophycis regia; 301, Rough silverside, Membras martinica; 309, Spotfin mojarra, Eucinostomus argenteus; 310, Atlantic spadefish, Chaetodipterus faber; 312, Harvestfish, Peprilus alepidotus; 325, Blackcheek tonguefish, Symphurus plagiusa; 335, Silversides, n/a; 353, Golden shiner, Notemigonus crysoleucas; 362, Southern stingray, Dasyatis americana; 363, Inshore lizardfish, Synodus foetens; 366, Hogchoker, Trinectes maculatus; 378, Atlantic needlefish, Strongylura marina; 464, Longnose gar, Lepisosteus osseus; 477, Cownose

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Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the *Lineage* and *Process\_Description* sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

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*Publication\_Date:* 2006

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Two main sources of data were used to depict fish distribution and seasonality for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MD DNR), and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS); and (2) numerous published and unpublished reports.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the FISH data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the FISH data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

*Process\_Date:* 200704*Process\_Contact:**Contact\_Information:**Contact\_Organization\_Primary:**Contact\_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact\_Person:* Jill Petersen*Contact\_Address:**Address\_Type:* Physical address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way, N.E.*City:* Seattle*State\_or\_Province:* Washington*Postal\_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact\_Voice\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944*Contact\_Facsimile\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Contact\_Electronic\_Mail\_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov*Spatial\_Data\_Organization\_Information:**Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Information:**SDTS\_Terms\_Description:**SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* GT-polygon composed of chains*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 1823



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In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, FISH) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO\_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Maryland atlas, the number is 47), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN\_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE\_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G\_SOURCE, S\_SOURCE, and

BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED\_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed\_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO\_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED\_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED\_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* FISH.PAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The FISH.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing fish distribution, concentration areas, and spawning areas. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (2), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 0470200002

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470201790

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047001084

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001221

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIO\_LUT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIO\_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIO\_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (2), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 0470100002

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470900381

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIORES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO\_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO\_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* CONC*Attribute\_Definition:*

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values of a species at a particular location. No concentration data were available for fish, so the CONC field is populated with "-".

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* G\_SOURCE*Attribute\_Definition:*

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* S\_SOURCE*Attribute\_Definition:*

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters

are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label*: EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type*:

*Entity\_Type\_Label*: SPECIES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition*:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness\_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label*: SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition*: Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition*: Date of NHP listing.

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*Attribute\_Label*: EL\_SPE

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

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*Detailed\_Description*:

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*Entity\_Type\_Definition*:

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label*: ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition*: Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Invertebrates

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

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*Attribute\_Definition:* February

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*Attribute\_Definition:* March

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition:* April

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition:* July

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition:* August

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* SEP

*Attribute\_Definition:* September

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* OCT

*Attribute\_Definition:* October

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in November

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in December

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BREED

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* MONTH

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 12

*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* BREED1*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* BREED2*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question



*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED3

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED4

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question  
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*Attribute\_Label*: BREED5

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M\_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:**Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label*: SOURCES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label*: SOURCE\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G\_SOURCE and A\_SOURCE in the SOC\_DAT table; G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE\_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum*: N

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*Attribute\_Label*: ORIGINATOR

*Attribute\_Definition*: Author or developer of source material or data set.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* DATE\_PUB

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Title of source material or data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Attribute\_Label:* DATA\_FORMAT

*Attribute\_Definition:* The format of the source material.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Attribute\_Label:* PUBLICATION

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Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or

endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: ELEMENT

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Birds

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

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*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: I

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: NOAA ESI Guidelines

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*Attribute\_Label*: S\_DATE

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

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*Attribute\_Label*: F\_DATE

*Attribute\_Definition*:

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Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

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Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

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# Maryland ESI: INVERT (Invertebrate Polygons)

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

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### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for marine, estuarine, and rare coastal invertebrate species in Maryland. Vector polygons in this data set represent invertebrate distribution and concentration areas. Species specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described

below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1966

*Ending\_Date:* 2007

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The biological data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 1966 to 2007 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

*Spatial\_Domain:*

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*Keywords:*

*Theme:*

*Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Theme\_Keyword:* ESI

*Theme\_Keyword:* Sensitivity maps

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal resources

*Theme\_Keyword:* Oil spill planning

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal Zone Management

*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Theme\_Keyword:* Invertebrate

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not

necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, socecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element

is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge, available hardcopy documents, survey data, maps, and digital data on invertebrate distribution and concentration areas. These data do not necessarily represent all invertebrate occurrences in Maryland. The following species are included in this data set: (Species\_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 19, Blue mussel, *Mytilus edulis*; 25, Softshell clam, *Mya arenaria*; 34, Sea scallop, *Placopecten magellanicus*; 41, Bay scallop, *Argopecten irradians*; 42, Hard clam, *Mercenaria mercenaria*; 43, Eastern oyster, *Crassostrea virginica*; 44, Horseshoe crab, *Limulus polyphemus*; 46, Channeled whelk, *Busycon canaliculatum*; 47, Knobbed whelk, *Busycon carica*; 49, Blue crab, *Callinectes sapidus*; 80, Ribbed mussel, *Geukensia demissa*; 97, Grass shrimp, *Palaemonetes* spp.; 218, Hermit crab, *Pagurus* spp.; 276, Sand shrimp, *Crangon septemspinosa*; 285, Northeastern beach tiger beetle, *Cicindela dorsalis dorsalis*; 303, Atlantic rock crab, *Cancer irroratus*; 375, Puritan tiger beetle, *Cicindela puritana*; 397, Mantis shrimp, *Gonadactylus falcatus*; 569, Lobed moon snail, *Neverita duplicata*; 571, Lady crab, *Ovalipes ocellatus*; 572, Stout razor clam, *Tagelus plebeius*; 573, Nine-spined spider crab, *Libinia emarginata*; 574, Six-spined spider crab, *Libinia dubia*; 575, Rare, LT, or LE invertebrate, n/a.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

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*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:* DOCTOR, S., MARYLAND (MD) DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)

*Publication\_Date:* 2005

*Title:*

DELINEATION OF HORSESHOE CRAB SPAWNING AND NURSERY HABITAT IN MARYLAND

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*Other\_Citation\_Details:* UNPUBLISHED

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*Publication\_Date:* 2006  
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*Originator:* EYLER, S., U.S. FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE (USFWS)  
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*Title:*  
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*Originator:* FUNDERBURK, S.L. ET AL. (EDS)  
*Publication\_Date:* 1991

*Title:* HABITAT REQUIREMENTS FOR CHESAPEAKE BAY LIVING RESOURCES

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* HARDCOPY TEXT

*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

CHESAPEAKE BAY PROGRAM OFFICE, U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY, ANNAPOLIS, MD

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* PAPER

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*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION

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*Publication\_Date:* 2003

*Title:* BBSURVEY

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*Other\_Citation\_Details:*

<http://dnrweb.dnr.state.md.us/gis/data/index.html>, ANNAPOLIS, MD

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*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY

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*Originator:* MD DNR WILDLIFE AND HERITAGE

*Publication\_Date:* 2006

*Title:*

ECOLOGICALLY SIGNIFICANT AREAS OF MARYLAND'S TIDAL WATERS AND SHORELINES

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* VECTOR DIGITAL DATA

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*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

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*Publication\_Date:* 1994  
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DISTRIBUTION AND ABUNDANCE OF FISHES AND  
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NOAA/NOS STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS  
DIVISION, SILVER SPRINGS, MD  
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*Publication\_Date:* 2007  
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Three main sources of data were used to depict invertebrate distribution and seasonality for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MD DNR) and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS); (2) digital datasets of Eastern oyster habitat and rare species occurrences provided by MD DNR; and (3) numerous published and unpublished reports.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the INVERT data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the INVERT data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

*Process\_Date:* 200704

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*Spatial\_Data\_Organization\_Information:*

*Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Information:*

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*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* GT-polygon composed of chains

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 4706

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*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* Area point

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 4706



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In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, INVERT) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO\_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Maryland atlas, the number is 47), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN\_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE\_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G\_SOURCE, S\_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED\_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of

when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed\_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO\_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED\_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED\_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* INVERT.PAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The INVERT.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing invertebrate distribution and concentration areas. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (7), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 0470700011

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470704957

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047001226

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001305

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIO\_LUT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIO\_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIO\_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (7), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 0470100002

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470900381

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIORES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO\_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO\_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* CONC

*Attribute\_Definition:*

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values. No quantitative data were available for invertebrates, so the concentration field may contain a descriptive term, such as "LOW", "COMMON", or "RARE" to describe the relative abundance of particular invertebrate species at specific locations. If no concentration information was available from any source, the CONC field is populated with "-".

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* G\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* S\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

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Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1;

EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label*: EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description*:

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*Entity\_Type\_Label*: SPECIES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition*:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness\_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition*:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 1

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Network of Natural Heritage Program

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Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed\_Description:**Entity\_Type:**Entity\_Type\_Label:* SEASONAL*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* FISH*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* JAN

*Attribute\_Definition:* January

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in January

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* FEB

*Attribute\_Definition:* February

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in February

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition:* March

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* APR

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in April

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*Attribute\_Label:* MAY

*Attribute\_Definition:* May

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* JUN

*Attribute\_Definition:* June

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* JUL

*Attribute\_Definition:* July

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in July

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* AUG

*Attribute\_Definition:* August

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in August

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEP

*Attribute\_Definition:* September

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in September

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* OCT

*Attribute\_Definition:* October

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in October

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* NOV

*Attribute\_Definition:* November

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in November

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* DEC

*Attribute\_Definition:* December

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in December

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BREED

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* MONTH

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 12

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED1

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED2

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.



*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* BREED3*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* BREED4*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M\_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

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*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SOURCES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SOURCE\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G\_SOURCE and A\_SOURCE in the SOC\_DAT table; G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE\_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

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*Attribute:*

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Author or developer of source material or data set.

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* DATE\_PUB

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Title of source material or data.

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*Attribute\_Definition:* The format of the source material.

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Attribute\_Label:* PUBLICATION

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Description of the source scale.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

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*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* STATUS

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse\_Graphic

section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Birds

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Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

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*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* C

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Species of Special Concern

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Federal threatened or endangered status.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Endangered on federal list

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Species of Special Concern

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

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*Attribute\_Label:* I

*Attribute\_Definition:* International threatened or endangered status.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Endangered on international list

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Threatened on international list

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* C

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Species of Special Concern

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

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*Attribute\_Label:* S\_DATE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

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Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* I\_DATE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Publication date of source material used to assign international status values for each species, if used.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* YYYYMM

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Resource\_Description:* ESI Atlas for Maryland

*Distribution\_Liability:*

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*Custom\_Order\_Process:*

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metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

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# Maryland ESI: REPTILES (Reptile and Amphibian Polygons)

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### *Identification Information:*

#### *Citation:*

#### *Citation Information:*

#### *Originator:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Publication Date:* 200707

*Title:* Maryland ESI: REPTILES (Reptile and Amphibian Polygons)

*Edition:* First

*Geospatial Data Presentation Form:* Vector digital data

#### *Series Information:*

*Series Name:* None

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#### *Publisher:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington.

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Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for sea turtles, estuarine turtles, and rare reptiles and amphibians in Maryland. Vector polygons in this data set represent

turtle and other rare reptile/amphibian distribution and nesting areas. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1966

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*Currentness\_Reference:*

The biological data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 1966 to 2007 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

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*Theme:*

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*Theme\_Keyword:* Sensitivity maps

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal resources

*Theme\_Keyword:* Oil spill planning

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal Zone Management

*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Theme\_Keyword:* Reptile

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of

consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, soecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

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*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge, available hardcopy documents, and digital data on turtle and other rare reptile/amphibian distribution and nesting areas. These data do not necessarily represent all reptile occurrences in Maryland. The following species are included in this data set: (Species\_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 2, Green sea turtle, *Chelonia mydas*; 4, Kemp's ridley sea turtle, *Lepidochelys kempii*; 5, Leatherback sea turtle, *Dermochelys coriacea*; 6, Loggerhead sea turtle, *Caretta caretta*; 112, Rare amphibian, n/a; 175, Northern diamondback terrapin, *Malaclemys terrapin terrapin*; 176, Eastern snapping turtle, *Chelydra serpentina serpentina*; 183, Rare reptile, n/a.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

*Lineage:*

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:*

DITTMAR, J., MARYLAND (MD) DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL  
RESOURCES (DNR)

*Publication\_Date:* 2007

*Title:*

PERSONAL COMMUNICATION ON MARINE MAMMALS AND  
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*Originator:* HARAMIS, MIKE, U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS)

*Publication\_Date:* 2006

*Title:* DIAMONDBACK TERRAPIN DISTRIBUTION AND SEASONALITY

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*Originator:* KIMMEL, T., MD DNR

*Publication\_Date:* 2006

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*Publication\_Date:* 2006

*Title:*

ECOLOGICALLY SIGNIFICANT AREAS OF MARYLAND'S TIDAL WATERS AND SHORELINES

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*Other\_Citation\_Details:* MD DNR, ANNAPOLIS, MD

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NATIONAL SEASHORE)  
*Publication\_Date:* 2006  
*Title:*  
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Three main sources of data were used to depict reptile distribution and seasonality for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR), the National Aquarium in Baltimore, and U.S. Geological Survey (USGS); (2) numerous published and unpublished reports; and (3) digital data provided by MD DNR.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the REPTILES data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the REPTILES data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

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In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORRES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, REPTILES) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORRES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO\_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Maryland atlas, the number is 47), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORRES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.



Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN\_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE\_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G\_SOURCE, S\_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED\_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed\_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO\_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED\_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED\_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* REPTILES.PAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The REPTILES.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing turtle distribution and nesting areas. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (6), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047001310

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001334

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIO\_LUT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIO\_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIO\_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (6), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIORES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO\_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO\_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* CONC

*Attribute\_Definition:*

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values of a species at a particular location. No quantitative data were available for reptiles and amphibians, so the concentration field may contain a descriptive term, such as "HIGH". If no concentration information was available from any source, the CONC field is populated with "-".

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

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*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* G\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

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*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness\_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Network of Natural Heritage Program

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*Attribute\_Definition*:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Attribute\_Definition*: Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* HABITAT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

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*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

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*Attribute\_Definition:* March

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in November

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in December

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

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*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BREED

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* MONTH

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 12

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*Attribute\_Label:* BREED1

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

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Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED2

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED3

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED4

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED5

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M\_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SOURCES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G\_SOURCE and A\_SOURCE in the SOC\_DAT table; G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE\_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

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The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*:

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# Maryland ESI: M\_MAMMAL (Marine Mammal Polygons)

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### *Identification\_Information:*

#### *Citation:*

##### *Citation\_Information:*

##### *Originator:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

##### *Publication\_Date:* 200707

*Title:* Maryland ESI: M\_MAMMAL (Marine Mammal Polygons)

*Edition:* First

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* Vector digital data

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*Series\_Name:* None

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*Publication\_Place:* Seattle, Washington

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington.

##### *Other\_Citation\_Details:*

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for seals, whales, porpoise, and dolphin in Maryland. Vector polygons in this data set represent marine mammal



distribution, concentration areas, and haul-out sites. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 2005

*Ending\_Date:* 2007

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The biological data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 2005 to 2007 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

*Spatial\_Domain:*

*Bounding\_Coordinates:*

*West\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* -77.37500

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*North\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 39.75000

*South\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* 37.87500

*Keywords:*

*Theme:*

*Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Theme\_Keyword:* ESI

*Theme\_Keyword:* Sensitivity maps

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal resources

*Theme\_Keyword:* Oil spill planning

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal Zone Management

*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Theme\_Keyword:* Marine Mammal

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of

field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, socecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

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*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new

ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge of marine mammal distribution, concentration areas, and haul-out sites. These data do not necessarily represent all marine mammal occurrences in Maryland. The following species are included in this data set: (Species\_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 2, Harbor seal, *Phoca vitulina*; 6, Harbor porpoise, *Phocoena phocoena*; 13, Humpback whale, *Megaptera novaeangliae*; 14, Gray seal, *Halichoerus grypus*; 17, Bottlenose dolphin, *Tursiops truncatus*; 46, Risso's dolphin, *Grampus griseus*; 60, Common dolphin, *Delphinus delphis*; 81, Northern right whale, *Eubalaena glacialis*; 83, Long-finned pilot whale, *Globicephala melaena*; 84, Hooded seal, *Cystophora cristata*; 85, Harp seal, *Pagophilus groenlandicus*.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

*Lineage:*

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:*

DITTMAR, J., MARYLAND (MD) DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)

*Publication\_Date:* 2007

*Title:*

PERSONAL COMMUNICATION ON MARINE MAMMALS AND SEA TURTLES IN CHESAPEAKE BAY

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* UNPUBLISHED

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

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*Originator:* DOCTOR, S., MD DNR  
*Publication\_Date:* 2006  
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PERSONAL COMMUNICATION ON LIVING MARINE  
RESOURCES WITHIN THE COASTAL BAYS OF MD  
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*Originator:* KIMMEL, T., MD DNR  
*Publication\_Date:* 2006  
*Title:*  
PERSONAL COMMUNICATION ON DISTR. AND ABUNDANCE  
OF MARINE MAMMALS AND SEA TURTLES  
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*Originator:* ZIMMERMAN, C.  
*Publication\_Date:* 2005  
*Title:*  
PERSONAL COMMUNICATION ON MARINE MAMMALS OF  
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*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* UNPUBLISHED

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

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*Calendar\_Date:* 2005

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF COMMUNICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* M\_MAMMAL INFORMATION

*Process\_Step:*

*Process\_Description:*

The main data source used to depict marine mammals distribution and seasonality for this data layer was expert knowledge from local resource experts at the Maryland Department of Natural Resources, the National Aquarium in Baltimore, and the National Park Service.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the M\_MAMMAL data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the M\_MAMMAL data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

*Process\_Date:* 200704

*Process\_Contact:*

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*Contact\_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

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*Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Information:*

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 4088

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*Ellipsoid\_Name:* Clark 1866

*Semi-major\_Axis:* 6378206.400000

*Denominator\_of\_Flattening\_Ratio:* 294.978698

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*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information:*

*Overview\_Description:*

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Overview:*

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, M\_MAMMAL) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO\_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Maryland atlas, the number is 47), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN\_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE\_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G\_SOURCE, S\_SOURCE, and

BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED\_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed\_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO\_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED\_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED\_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* M\_MAMMAL.PAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The M\_MAMMAL.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing marine mammal distribution, concentration areas, and haul-out sites. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (4), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 0470400025

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470401237

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047001306

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001309

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIO\_LUT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIO\_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIO\_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (4), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 0470100002

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470900381

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIORES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO\_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO\_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA



*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* CONC

*Attribute\_Definition:*

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values. No concentration data were available for marine mammals, so the CONC field is populated with "-".

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* G\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORRES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* S\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORRES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1  
*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* INVERT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Invertebrates

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* M\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SPECIES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness\_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* NAME

*Attribute\_Definition:* Species common name for the entire ESI data set.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* GEN\_SPEC

*Attribute\_Definition:* Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Natural Heritage Program global ranking.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Network of Natural Heritage Program

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Codeset\_Source:* Natural Heritage Program

*Attribute:*

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*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SEASONAL

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* FISH

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* INVERT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Invertebrates

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* M\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* REPTILE

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* JAN

*Attribute\_Definition:* January

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Present in January

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label*: FEB

*Attribute\_Definition*: February

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Present in February

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label*: MAR

*Attribute\_Definition*: March

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label*: APR

*Attribute\_Definition*: April

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label*: MAY

*Attribute\_Definition*: May

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: JUN

*Attribute\_Definition*: June

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* JUL

*Attribute\_Definition:* July

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in July

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* AUG

*Attribute\_Definition:* August

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in August

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEP

*Attribute\_Definition:* September

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in September

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* OCT

*Attribute\_Definition:* October

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in October

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* NOV

*Attribute\_Definition:* November

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in November

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* DEC

*Attribute\_Definition:* December

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Present in December

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label*: EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description*:

*Entity\_Type*:

*Entity\_Type\_Label*: BREED

*Entity\_Type\_Definition*:

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: MONTH

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Range\_Domain*:

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 12

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED1

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED2

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question  
*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: BREED3

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: BREED4

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED5

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M\_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SOURCES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SOURCE\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G\_SOURCE and A\_SOURCE in the SOC\_DAT table; G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE\_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ORIGINATOR

*Attribute\_Definition:* Author or developer of source material or data set.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* DATE\_PUB

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* YYYYMM

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* TITLE

*Attribute\_Definition:* Title of source material or data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Birds

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Fish

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*Attribute\_Definition*:

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

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*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Distributor:*

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*Resource\_Description:* ESI Atlas for Maryland

*Distribution\_Liability:*

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*Custom\_Order\_Process:*

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to the widest community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include Geodatabase; ARC export, MOSS, and Shape files; and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcMap .mxd file, an ArcView 3.x ESI project, and an ESI\_Viewer product for use with the MARPLOT data are also included on the distribution DVDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The

database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

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*Metadata\_Date:* 200707

*Metadata\_Review\_Date:* 200707

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# Maryland ESI: T\_MAMMAL (Terrestrial Mammal Polygons)

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### *Identification Information:*

#### *Citation:*

##### *Citation Information:*

##### *Originator:*

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Publication Date:* 200707

*Title:* Maryland ESI: T\_MAMMAL (Terrestrial Mammal Polygons)

*Edition:* First

*Geospatial Data Presentation Form:* Vector digital data

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*Series Name:* None

*Issue Identification:* Maryland

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### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for river otters in Maryland. Vector polygons in this data set represent the terrestrial mammal distribution.

Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer. This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 2005

*Ending\_Date:* 2007

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The biological data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 2005 to 2007 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

*Spatial\_Domain:*

*Bounding\_Coordinates:*

*West\_Bounding\_Coordinate:* -77.37500

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*Keywords:*

*Theme:*

*Theme\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Theme\_Keyword:* ESI

*Theme\_Keyword:* Sensitivity maps

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal resources

*Theme\_Keyword:* Oil spill planning

*Theme\_Keyword:* Coastal Zone Management

*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Theme\_Keyword:* Terrestrial Mammal

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

*Place\_Keyword:* Maryland

*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not

necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, socecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

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*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas



number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge on terrestrial mammal distribution. These data do not necessarily represent all terrestrial mammal occurrences in Maryland. The following species are included in this data set: (Species\_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 8, Northern river otter, *Lontra canadensis*.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

*Lineage:*

*Source\_Information:*

*Source\_Citation:*

*Citation\_Information:*

*Originator:*

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE (NPS) (ASSATEAGUE ISLAND  
NATIONAL SEASHORE)

*Publication\_Date:* 2006

*Title:*

ASSATEAGUE ISLAND NATIONAL SEASHORE SPECIES  
DISTRIBUTION AND SEASONALITY

*Geospatial\_Data\_Presentation\_Form:* EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

*Other\_Citation\_Details:* UNPUBLISHED

*Type\_of\_Source\_Media:* PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

*Source\_Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 2005

*Ending\_Date:* 2007

*Source\_Currentness\_Reference:* DATE OF COMMUNICATION

*Source\_Citation\_Abbreviation:* NONE

*Source\_Contribution:* T\_MAMMAL INFORMATION

*Process\_Step:*

*Process\_Description:*

The main data source used to depict terrestrial mammal distribution and seasonality for this data layer was personal interviews with resource experts from Assateague Island National Seashore.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the T\_MAMMAL data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the T\_MAMMAL data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

*Process\_Date:* 200704

*Process\_Contact:*

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*Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector

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*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

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*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 380

*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

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*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 571

*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:*

*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* Link

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count*: 104064

*SDTS\_Terms\_Description*:

*SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type*: Node, planar graph

*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count*: 571

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*Denominator\_of\_Flattening\_Ratio*: 294.978698

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*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information*:

*Overview\_Description*:

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Overview*:

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, T\_MAMMAL) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO\_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Maryland atlas, the number is 47), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN\_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE\_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G\_SOURCE, S\_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED\_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed\_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO\_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's

attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED\_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED\_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* T\_MAMMAL.PAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The T\_MAMMAL.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing terrestrial mammal distribution. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (9), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIO\_LUT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIO\_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the

Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition*:

An identifier that links records in the BIO\_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Range\_Domain\_Maximum*: 047001335

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: ID

*Attribute\_Definition*:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (9), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Range\_Domain*:

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 0470100002

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum*: 0470900381

*Detailed\_Description*:

*Entity\_Type*:

*Entity\_Type\_Label*: BIORES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition*:

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO\_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition*:

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO\_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Range\_Domain*:

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum*: 047001335

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* CONC

*Attribute\_Definition:*

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values. No concentration data were available for terrestrial mammals, so the CONC field is populated with "-".

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* G\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* S\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Invertebrates

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* M\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data

tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description*:

*Entity\_Type*:

*Entity\_Type\_Label*: SPECIES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition*:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness\_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Range\_Domain*:

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum*: N

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*Attribute\_Definition*: Species common name for the entire ESI data set.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Unrepresentable\_Domain*: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: GEN\_SPEC

*Attribute\_Definition*: Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition*: Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Birds

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.



*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* FISH

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* HABITAT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* INVERT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Invertebrates

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SUBELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition:* Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Amphibian

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Bivalve

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Fish

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Insect

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Invert

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine pelagic fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Passerine bird

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Raptor

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Shrimps

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Turtle

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Wading bird

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Waterfowl

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Wetland

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Whale

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label*: NHP

*Attribute\_Definition*: Natural Heritage Program global ranking.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Network of Natural Heritage Program

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Codeset\_Domain*:

*Codeset\_Name*: NHP Global Conservation Status Rank

*Codeset\_Source*: Natural Heritage Program

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: DATE\_PUB

*Attribute\_Definition*: Date of NHP listing.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Date unspecified

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SEASONAL

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* BIRD

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* FISH

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* HABITAT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* INVERT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Invertebrates

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* M\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* REPTILE

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* JAN

*Attribute\_Definition:* January

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in January

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* FEB

*Attribute\_Definition:* February

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Present in February

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: MAR

*Attribute\_Definition*: March

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Present in March

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: APR

*Attribute\_Definition*: April

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Present in April

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: MAY

*Attribute\_Definition*: May

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Present in May

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: JUN

*Attribute\_Definition*: June

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Present in June

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: JUL

*Attribute\_Definition*: July

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Present in July

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* AUG

*Attribute\_Definition:* August

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in August

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEP

*Attribute\_Definition:* September

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in September

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* OCT

*Attribute\_Definition:* October

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in October

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* NOV

*Attribute\_Definition:* November

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in November

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* DEC

*Attribute\_Definition:* December

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in December

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.



*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BREED

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIoRES and SEASONAL data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* MONTH

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 12

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED1

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

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*Attribute\_Label:* BREED2

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED3

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This

attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED4

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED5

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD,

M\_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

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Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SOURCES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Attribute\_Label:* SOURCE\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G\_SOURCE and A\_SOURCE in the SOC\_DAT table; G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE\_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

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*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

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*Attribute\_Label:* DATE\_PUB

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Title of source material or data.

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*Attribute\_Label:* DATA\_FORMAT

*Attribute\_Definition:* The format of the source material.

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Description of the source scale.

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

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*Entity\_Type\_Label:* STATUS

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Endangered on federal list

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Species of Special Concern

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Endangered on international list

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*Attribute\_Definition:*

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*Attribute\_Definition:*



Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Resource\_Description:* ESI Atlas for Maryland

*Distribution\_Liability:*

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*Custom\_Order\_Process:*

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to the widest community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include Geodatabase; ARC export, MOSS, and Shape files; and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcMap .mxd file, an ArcView 3.x ESI project, and an ESI Viewer product for use with the MARPLOT data are also included on the distribution DVDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

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# Maryland ESI: HABITATS (Habitat Polygons)

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### *Identification Information:*

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

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### *Description:*

#### *Abstract:*

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) and rare plants in Maryland. Vector polygons in this data set represent the SAV and rare plant locations. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be

used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Maryland. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

*Purpose:*

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

*Time\_Period\_of\_Content:*

*Time\_Period\_Information:*

*Range\_of\_Dates/Times:*

*Beginning\_Date:* 1966

*Ending\_Date:* 2006

*Currentness\_Reference:*

The biological data were compiled during 2005-2007. The currentness dates for the data range from 1966 to 2006 and are documented in the Lineage section.

*Status:*

*Progress:* Complete

*Maintenance\_and\_Update\_Frequency:* None Scheduled

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*Theme\_Keyword:* Wildlife

*Theme\_Keyword:* Habitats

*Place:*

*Place\_Keyword\_Thesaurus:* None

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*Access\_Constraints:* None

*Use\_Constraints:*

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not

necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

*Browse\_Graphic:*

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Name:* [datafig.jpg](#)

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Description:*

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Maryland ESI data.

*Browse\_Graphic\_File\_Type:* JPEG

*Data\_Set\_Credit:*

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Emergency Response Division (formerly Hazardous Materials Response Division), Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

*Native\_Data\_Set\_Environment:*

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO® (version 9.1) and SQL SERVER® (version 2000). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial\_Data\_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m\_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, soecon.e00, t\_mammal.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio\_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed\_dt, seasonal, soc\_dat, soc\_lut, sources, species, and status.

*Data\_Quality\_Information:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy:*

*Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

*Logical\_Consistency\_Report:*

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute\_Accuracy\_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER® to ARC/INFO® consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas

number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

*Completeness\_Report:*

These data represent a synthesis of available digital data on submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) distribution and rare plant locations. These data do not necessarily represent all habitats occurrences in Maryland. The following species are included in this data set: (Species\_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 145, Seabeach amaranth, *Amaranthus pumilus*; 152, Sacciolepis, *Sacciolepis striata*; 171, Koehne's ammannia, *Ammannia latifolia*; 187, Seaside knotweed, *Polygonum glaucum*; 203, Whorled nutrush, *Scleria verticillata*; 206, Saltmarsh spikerush, *Eleocharis halophila*; 275, Red bay, *Persea borbonia*; 609, Submerged aquatic vegetation, n/a; 628, Salt marsh straw sedge hill, *Carex hormathodes*; 662, Beach plum, *Prunus maritima*; 663, Beaked spikerush, *Eleocharis rostellata*; 668, Broad-leaved beardgrass, *Gymnopogon brevifolius*; 672, Carolina fimbry, *Fimbristylis caroliniana*; 674, Coast bedstraw, *Galium hispidulum*; 680, Dwarf glasswort, *Salicornia bigelovii*; 707, Long-awned diplachne, *Leptochloa fusca* ssp. *Fascicularis*; 711, Meadow lovegrass, *Eragrostis refracta*; 715, Narrow-leaved wild crabapple, *Malus angustifolia*; 730, Rose pogonia, *Pogonia ophioglossoides*; 737, Sea-beach three-awn, *Aristida tuberculosa*; 738, Sea-beach orach, *Atriplex cristata*; 739, Sea-beach sedge, *Carex silicea*; 740, Sea-purslane, *Sesuvium maritimum*; 752, Smooth fuirena, *Fuirena pumila*; 754, Smooth tick-trefoil, *Desmodium glabellum*; 781, White spikerush, *Eleocharis albida*; 852, Rare, LT (Listed Threatened), or LE (Listed Threatened) plant, n/a.

*Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy:*

*Horizontal\_Positional\_Accuracy\_Report:*

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process\_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

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*Source\_Citation:*

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*Originator:* LEA, HAMILTON, HUDSON, ROEDER

*Publication\_Date:* 2000

*Title:*

ASSATEAGUE ISLAND NS ADDITIONS TO FLORA & RARE  
PLANT SURVEYS & STATUS, 1996-1999

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MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (MD  
DNR) WILDLIFE AND HERITAGE  
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*Title:*  
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*Source\_Contribution:* HABITATS INFORMATION*Process\_Step:**Process\_Description:*

Three main sources of data were used to depict habitat distribution for this data layer: 1) a digital coverage of SAV distribution provided by Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS), (2) a digital coverage of rare plant occurrences provided by Maryland Department of Natural Resources (MD DNR), and (3) interviews with National Park Service (NPS) staff at Assateague Island National Seashore.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the HABITATS data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the HABITATS data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

*Process\_Date:* 200704*Process\_Contact:**Contact\_Information:**Contact\_Organization\_Primary:**Contact\_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact\_Person:* Jill Petersen*Contact\_Address:**Address\_Type:* Physical address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way, N.E.*City:* Seattle*State\_or\_Province:* Washington*Postal\_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact\_Voice\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944*Contact\_Facsimile\_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Contact\_Electronic\_Mail\_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov*Spatial\_Data\_Organization\_Information:**Direct\_Spatial\_Reference\_Method:* Vector*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Information:**SDTS\_Terms\_Description:**SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* GT-polygon composed of chains*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 2561*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:**SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* Area point*Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Count:* 2561*SDTS\_Terms\_Description:**SDTS\_Point\_and\_Vector\_Object\_Type:* Complete chain



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*Semi-major\_Axis:* 6378206.400000

*Denominator\_of\_Flattening\_Ratio:* 294.978698

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Information:*

*Overview\_Description:*

*Entity\_and\_Attribute\_Overview:*

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, HABITATS) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO\_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Maryland atlas, the number is 47), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN\_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE\_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G\_SOURCE, S\_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED\_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to

are the same as those listed in the Detailed\_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO\_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED\_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED\_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* HABITATS.PAT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The HABITATS.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing SAV and rare plant locations. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (3), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 0470300002

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470303036

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047001222

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001225

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIO\_LUT

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIO\_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIO\_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO\_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (47), element number (3), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

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*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 0470900381

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BIORES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO\_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* RARNUM

*Attribute\_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO\_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 047000001

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 047001335

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* CONC

*Attribute\_Definition:*

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density value of a habitat at a particular location. No quantitative or qualitative information on concentrations of rare plants was available so the CONC field for rare plants is populated with "-". Submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) was split into two concentration categories: <40% cover and >40% cover.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* G\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

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*Attribute\_Label:* S\_SOURCE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

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Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed\_Description:**Entity\_Type:**Entity\_Type\_Label:* SPECIES*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness\_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Range\_Domain:**Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* NAME*Attribute\_Definition:* Species common name for the entire ESI data set.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* GEN\_SPEC*Attribute\_Definition:* Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine benthic fish

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Network of Natural Heritage Program  
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        *Codeset\_Source*: Natural Heritage Program

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*Attribute\_Definition:* Date of NHP listing.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES\_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE = 'B00001').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SEASONAL

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Label:* ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Birds

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEASON\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* JAN

*Attribute\_Definition:* January

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in January  
*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.  
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*Enumerated\_Domain:*  
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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in February  
*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* MAR  
*Attribute\_Definition:* March  
*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.  
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*Attribute\_Label:* APR  
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*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.  
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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* MAY  
*Attribute\_Definition:* May  
*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.  
*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*  
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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in May  
*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* JUN  
*Attribute\_Definition:* June  
*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.  
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*Enumerated\_Domain:*  
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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in June  
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*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* JUL  
*Attribute\_Definition:* July  
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*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in July

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* AUG

*Attribute\_Definition:* August

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in August

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SEP

*Attribute\_Definition:* September

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in September

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* OCT

*Attribute\_Definition:* October

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in October

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* NOV

*Attribute\_Definition:* November

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in November

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* DEC

*Attribute\_Definition:* December

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* X

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Present in December

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* BREED

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* EL\_SPE\_SEA

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES\_ID, and SEASON\_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E#####

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES\_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON\_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES\_ID = 1 and SEASON\_ID = 1; EL\_SPE\_SEA = 'B0000101').

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* MONTH

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* 12

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED1

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED2

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED3



*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:*

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED4

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M\_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* BREED5

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M\_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T\_MAMMAL elements.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* Y

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* N

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* -

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed\_Description:*

*Entity\_Type:*

*Entity\_Type\_Label:* SOURCES

*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* SOURCE\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G\_SOURCE and A\_SOURCE in the SOC\_DAT table; G\_SOURCE and S\_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE\_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Range\_Domain:*

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum:* 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum:* N

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* ORIGINATOR

*Attribute\_Definition:* Author or developer of source material or data set.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* DATE\_PUB*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Enumerated\_Domain:**Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* YYYYMM*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* TITLE*Attribute\_Definition:* Title of source material or data.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* DATA\_FORMAT*Attribute\_Definition:* The format of the source material.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* PUBLICATION*Attribute\_Definition:* Additional citation information.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* SCALE*Attribute\_Definition:* Description of the source scale.*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute\_Label:* TIME\_PERIOD*Attribute\_Definition:*

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:**Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Detailed\_Description:**Entity\_Type:**Entity\_Type\_Label:* STATUS*Entity\_Type\_Definition:*

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse\_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

*Entity\_Type\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: ELEMENT

*Attribute\_Definition*: Major categories of biological data.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: BIRD

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Birds

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: FISH

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Fish

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: HABITAT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Habitats and Plants

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: INVERT

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Invertebrates

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: M\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Marine Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: REPTILE

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Reptiles and Amphibians

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Enumerated\_Domain*:

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value*: T\_MAMMAL

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition*: Terrestrial Mammals

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label*: SPECIES\_ID

*Attribute\_Definition*:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source*: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values*:

*Range\_Domain*:

*Range\_Domain\_Minimum*: 1

*Range\_Domain\_Maximum*: N

*Attribute*:

*Attribute\_Label:* STATE

*Attribute\_Definition:* Two-letter state abbreviation.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* COUNTRY

*Attribute\_Definition:* Three-letter country abbreviation.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Unrepresentable\_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* S

*Attribute\_Definition:* State threatened or endangered status.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Endangered on state list

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Threatened on state list

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* C

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Species of Special Concern

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* F

*Attribute\_Definition:* Federal threatened or endangered status.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Endangered on federal list

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Threatened on federal list

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* C

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Species of Special Concern

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute:*

*Attribute\_Label:* I

*Attribute\_Definition:* International threatened or endangered status.

*Attribute\_Definition\_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* E

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Endangered on international list

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* T

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition:* Threatened on international list

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value\_Definition\_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute\_Domain\_Values:*

*Enumerated\_Domain:*

*Enumerated\_Domain\_Value:* C

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# Maryland ESI Entity Relationship Diagram

Relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables

