

Birds of Management Concern and Focal Species U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Migratory Bird Program

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BACKGROUND

The Birds of Management Concern is a list of species, subspecies, populations or geographic segments of populations that warrant management or conservation attention, as identified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Birds of Management Concern are drawn from the list of species afforded protection under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (50 CFR Part 10) and therefore fall under Federal jurisdiction. To be of management concern, a bird must be a high priority gamebird, on the Birds of Conservation Concern 2008 list, a federal threatened or endangered species listed in the U.S. (^{T/E}), or overly abundant (^{O/A}) leading to management conflicts. Full species are considered of management concern throughout their U.S. range (including Caribbean and Pacific islands) unless specific *subspecies (italicized)*, populations, or geographic units (e.g., U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Regions or Bird Conservation Regions) are designated. These specific subspecies, populations, or geographic groups are either indented under the common species names or are parenthesized after the common names. When possible, common names of subspecies are provided.

Indicated in the list are the Migratory Bird Program’s Focal Species (**bolded**). These species or populations are covered under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act, are a subset of the Birds of Management Concern, and are those the program believes need additional investment of resources to address pertinent conservation or management issues. These 54 species/populations are not the only ones that meet the criteria of being a Focal Species, but are those the Migratory Bird Program will focus conservation efforts over the next five years (2012-2016). Internet links to sites that provide more information on the Focal Species strategy, species status, and geographic regions are provided at the end of this document.

Also included in the list are species occurring in the U.S. that are listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA) or are on the Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) 2008 list but are not protected under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA). These families, species or populations are contained within {brackets}.

The following table gives the total species and populations considered as Birds of Management Concern (BMC).

	MBTA	ESA		Non-MBTA BCC
		MBTA	Non-MBTA	
Species	294	54	8	14
All Populations	351	78	10	15

LIST OF BIRDS OF MANAGEMENT CONCERN

DUCKS, GEESE, SWANS

West Indian Whistling Duck

Greater White-fronted Goose

Mid-continent population

Pacific population

Tule

Emperor Goose

Snow Goose

Atlantic population (*Greater*)^{OA}

Western Arctic (*Lesser*)

Wrangel Island (*Lesser*)

Mid-continent population of light geese (*Lesser*)^{OA}

Western Central Flyway population of light geese (*Lesser*)^{OA}

Ross's Goose

Pacific Flyway population

Mid-continent population of light geese^{OA}

Western Central Flyway population of light geese^{OA}

Brant

Atlantic

Pacific Black

Western High Arctic

Canada Goose

North Atlantic population

Atlantic population

Atlantic Flyway resident population^{OA}

Mississippi Flyway population (*Giant*)^{OA}

Eastern Prairie population (*Interior*)

Mississippi Valley population (*Interior*)

Southern James Bay population (*Interior*)

Tall Grass Prairie population

Lesser

Rocky Mountain population (*Moffitt's*)

Hi-Line population (*Moffitt's*)

Short Grass Prairie population

Western Prairie and Great Plains population

Aleutian

Cackling

Dusky

Pacific population

Hawaiian Goose^{T/E}

Trumpeter Swan

Interior population
Interior population - High Plains Flock

Rocky Mountain population

Pacific Coast population

Tundra Swan

Eastern population
Western population

Wood Duck

Eastern
Western

Gadwall (*North American*)

American Wigeon

American Black Duck

Mallard

Eastern population
Mid-continent population
Western population

Mottled Duck

Florida population

West Gulf Coast population

Hawaiian Duck^{T/E}

Laysan Duck^{T/E}

Blue-winged Teal

Cinnamon Teal

Northern Shoveler

White-cheeked Pintail (U.S. Caribbean Islands)

Northern Pintail

Green-winged Teal (*American*)

Canvasback

Redhead

Ring-necked Duck

Greater Scaup

Lesser Scaup

Steller's Eider^{T/E}

Spectacled Eider (Alaska breeding population)^{T/E}

King Eider

Common Eider

Hudson Bay

American

Pacific

Northern

Harlequin Duck

Eastern

Western

Surf Scoter

White-winged Scoter

Black Scoter (*American*)

Long-tailed Duck

Common Goldeneye

Masked Duck (U.S. Caribbean Islands)

Ruddy Duck (*O. j. jamaicensis*)

{QUAILS, PHEASANTS, BRUSH-TURKEYS}

{Northern Bobwhite (*Masked*)}^{T/E}

{Greater Sage-Grouse (Columbian Basin)}

{Gunnison Sage-Grouse}

{Greater Prairie-Chicken (*Attwater's*)}^{T/E}

{Lesser Prairie-Chicken}

{Micronesian Megapode}^{T/E}

LOONS

Red-throated Loon (Regions 4, 5, 7)

Yellow-billed Loon

GREBES

Pied-billed Grebe (Regions 3, 5)

Horned Grebe (Regions 3, 5, 6, 7)

Eared Grebe (BCR 9)

Western Grebe (BCR 5)

FLAMINGOS

American Flamingo (U.S. Caribbean Islands)

ALBATROSSES, PETRELS, SHEARWATERS, STORM-PETRELS

Laysan Albatross (Region 7, BCR 67, U.S. Pacific Islands)

Black-footed Albatross

Short-tailed Albatross^{T/E}

Herald Petrel

Black-capped Petrel

Hawaiian Petrel^{T/E}

Phoenix Petrel

Tahiti Petrel

Pink-footed Shearwater

Greater Shearwater (Region 5)

Christmas Shearwater

Townsend's Shearwater (*Newell's*)^{T/E}

Black-vented Shearwater (BCR 32)

Audubon's Shearwater

Polynesian Storm-Petrel

Ashy Storm-Petrel

Band-rumped Storm-Petrel

Tristram's Storm-Petrel

STORKS

Wood Stork (AL, FL, GA, SC)^{T/E}

FRIGATEBIRDS, BOOBIES, CORMORANTS

Magnificent Frigatebird (BCR 31, U.S. Caribbean Islands)

Masked Booby (U.S. Caribbean Islands)

Brown Booby (U.S. Caribbean Islands)

Red-footed Booby (U.S. Caribbean Islands)

Double-crested Cormorant^{OA}

Great Cormorant (BCR 14)

Red-faced Cormorant

Pelagic Cormorant (*Northern*, Region 7)

HERONS, SPOONBILLS

American Bittern (Regions 3, 4, 5, 6)

Least Bittern (Regions 3, 4, 5, 6, U.S. Caribbean Islands)

Snowy Egret (Region 5)

Little Blue Heron (BCRs 19, 21, 25)

Reddish Egret

Black-crowned Night-Heron (BCRs 13, 22)

Roseate Spoonbill (BCRs 27, 31)

VULTURES, HAWKS, FALCONS

California Condor^{T/E}

Swallow-tailed Kite

Snail Kite (*Everglade*)^{T/E}

Mississippi Kite (BCR 19)

Bald Eagle

Sharp-shinned Hawk (*Puerto Rican*)^{T/E}

Northern Goshawk (*Queen Charlotte*)

Common Black-Hawk

Harris's Hawk (BCR 36)

Broad-winged Hawk (*Puerto Rican*)^{T/E}

Short-tailed Hawk

Swainson's Hawk

White-tailed Hawk
Hawaiian Hawk ^{T/E}
Ferruginous Hawk (Regions 1, 6)
Golden Eagle (Regions 2, 6)
Crested Caracara (*Audubon's*) ^{T/E}
American Kestrel (*Southeastern*)
Aplomado Falcon (*Northern*) ^{T/E}
Peregrine Falcon
Prairie Falcon (Region 6)

RAILS, LIMPKINS, CRANES

Yellow Rail

Black Rail

Guam Rail ^{T/E}

Clapper Rail

Yuma ^{T/E}

California ^{T/E}

Light-footed ^{T/E}

except *California, Light-footed, Yuma*

King Rail (North American)

Virginia Rail

Sora

Spotless Crake (American Samoa population)

Yellow-breasted Crake (U.S. Caribbean Islands)

Purple Swamphen (U.S. Pacific Islands)

Common Gallinule

Hawaiian ^{T/E}

Mariana ^{T/E}

Hawaiian Coot ^{T/E}

American Coot

Caribbean Coot (U.S. Caribbean Islands)

Limpkin

Sandhill Crane

Mississippi ^{T/E}

Florida

Cuban

Mid-Continent populations (*Greater/Lesser*)

Rocky Mountain population (*Lesser*)

Lower Colorado River population (*Lesser*)

Eastern population (*Lesser*)

Central Valley population (*Lesser*)

Whooping Crane ^{T/E}

SHOREBIRDS

Snowy Plover

Pacific Coast population ^{T/E}

Interior U.S. and Gulf Coast population

Wilson's Plover

Piping Plover ^{T/E}

Mountain Plover

American Oystercatcher

Black Oystercatcher

Black-necked Stilt (*Hawaiian*) ^{T/E}

Solitary Sandpiper

Lesser Yellowlegs

Upland Sandpiper

Eskimo Curlew ^{T/E}

Whimbrel

Bristle-thighed Curlew

Long-billed Curlew

Hudsonian Godwit

Bar-tailed Godwit

Marbled Godwit

Red Knot

C. c. rufa

C. c. roselaari

Semipalmated Sandpiper (Eastern population)

Purple Sandpiper

Rock Sandpiper (*Pribilof*)

Dunlin (*C. a. arcticola*)

Buff-breasted Sandpiper

Short-billed Dowitcher

Wilson's Snipe

American Woodcock

Eastern management unit

Central management unit

GULLS, TERNS, SKIMMERS, AUKS

Red-legged Kittiwake

Aleutian Tern

Least Tern

California ^{T/E}

Interior ^{T/E}

except *California* and *Interior* (Regions 2, 4, 5)

Gull-billed Tern

Caspian Tern (BCR 5)

Black Tern (Region 3)

Roseate Tern ^{T/E}

Common Tern (Great Lakes population)

Arctic Tern (Regions 5, 7)

Sandwich Tern (Region 2)

Black Skimmer

Marbled Murrelet

Washington, Oregon, California ^{T/E}

Alaska

Kittlitz's Murrelet

Xantus's Murrelet

Cassin's Auklet (BCR 32)

Whiskered Auklet

PIGEONS

Scaly-naped Pigeon

White-crowned Pigeon

Red-billed Pigeon

Plain Pigeon (*Puerto Rican*) ^{T/E}

Band-tailed Pigeon

Pacific Coast population

Four Corners population

White-winged Dove

Eastern population

Upper Big Bend population

Mexican Highland population

Western population

Mourning Dove

Eastern management unit

Central management unit

Western management unit

Common Ground-Dove

C. p. exigua (BCRs 27, 31)

Bridled Quail-Dove

Friendly Ground-Dove (American Samoa)

{ PARROTS }

{ Green Parakeet }

{ Puerto Rican Parrot } ^{T/E}

{ Red-crowned Parrot }

CUCKOOS

Yellow-billed Cuckoo (*Western*, Regions 1, 2, 8)
Black-billed Cuckoo (Regions 3, 6)
Mangrove Cuckoo
Smooth-billed Ani

OWLS

Flammulated Owl
Elf Owl
Burrowing Owl (Regions 2, 6, 8)
Spotted Owl
 Northern^{T/E}
 Mexican^{T/E}
 California
Short-eared Owl
Northern Saw-whet Owl (Southern Appalachian breeding population)

NIGHTJARS

Chuck-will's-widow (Region 4)
Eastern Whip-poor-will (Regions 3, 5)
Puerto Rican Nightjar^{T/E}

SWIFTS, HUMMINGBIRDS

Black Swift
Mariana Swiftlet^{T/E}
Antillean Mango
Buff-bellied Hummingbird
Blue-throated Hummingbird (BCR 34)
Lucifer Hummingbird
Costa's Hummingbird
Calliope Hummingbird
Rufous Hummingbird
Allen's Hummingbird

TROGONS

Elegant Trogon

KINGFISHERS

Micronesian Kingfisher (*Guam*)^{T/E}

WOODPECKERS

Lewis's Woodpecker
Red-headed Woodpecker
Gila Woodpecker (BCR 33)
Williamson's Sapsucker (Regions 1, 8)
Yellow-bellied Sapsucker (Southern Appalachian breeding population)
Nuttall's Woodpecker
Arizona Woodpecker
Red-cockaded Woodpecker^{T/E}
White-headed Woodpecker
Northern Flicker (BCR 22)
Gilded Flicker
Ivory-billed Woodpecker^{T/E}

SONGBIRDS

Flycatchers, Becards

Northern Beardless-Tyrannulet
Olive-sided Flycatcher
Acadian Flycatcher (BCR 22)
Willow Flycatcher
 Southwestern^{T/E}
 except *Southwestern*
Buff-breasted Flycatcher
Loggerhead Kingbird
Scissor-tailed Flycatcher (BCRs 19, 21)
Rose-throated Becard (BCRs 34, 36)

Shrikes, Vireos

Loggerhead Shrike
 San Clemente^{T/E}
 except *San Clemente*
Puerto Rican Vireo
Bell's Vireo
 Least^{T/E}
 except *Least*
Black-capped Vireo^{T/E}
Gray Vireo
Black-whiskered Vireo (*Florida*)

Jays

Pinyon Jay
Florida Scrub-Jay ^{T/E}
Island Scrub-Jay
Yellow-billed Magpie
Mariana Crow ^{T/E}
White-necked Crow ^{T/E}
Hawaiian Crow ^{T/E}

{*Monarchs, Fantails*}

{Kauai 'Elepaio}
{Oahu 'Elepaio} ^{T/E}
{Hawaii 'Elepaio}
{Fiji Shrikebill}
{Tinian Monarch}
{Rufous Fantail}
 {*R. r. mariae*}
 {*R. r. saipanensis*}

Larks, Titmice, Verdins, Nuthatches, Wrens, Gnatcatchers

Horned Lark (*Streaked*)
Black-capped Chickadee (Southern Appalachian breeding population)
Oak Titmouse
Juniper Titmouse (BCR 16)
Verdin (BCR 36)
Brown-headed Nuthatch
Cactus Wren (Region 8)
Bewick's Wren (*Eastern*, Regions 3, 4, 5, 6)
Sedge Wren (Regions 2, 4, 5)
Marsh Wren (BCR 23)
California Gnatcatcher (*Coastal*) ^{T/E}

{*Marsh-Warblers, White-eyes*}

{Bridled White-eye} ^{T/E}
{Rota Bridled White-eye} ^{T/E}
{Golden White-eye}
{Millerbird (*Nihoa*)} ^{T/E}
{Nightingale Reed-Warbler} ^{T/E}

Thrushes, Thrashers

Kama'o ^{T/E}

Oloma'o (*Molokai*) ^{T/E}

Oma'o

Puaiohi ^{T/E}

Veery (BCR 16)

Bicknell's Thrush

Wood Thrush

Sage Thrasher (Regions 1, 6, 8)

Brown Thrasher (BCR 23)

Bendire's Thrasher

Curve-billed Thrasher (BCR 36)

Le Conte's Thrasher

{*Starlings*}

{Micronesian Starling (*Guam*)}

{Polynesian Starling}

Pipits, Silky-Flycatchers

Sprague's Pipit

Phainopepla (BCR 34)

{*Honeyeaters*}

{Micronesian Myzomela}

{Kauai 'O'o} ^{T/E}

Olive Warbler, Longspurs

Olive Warbler

Chestnut-collared Longspur

Smith's Longspur

McCown's Longspur

McKay's Bunting

New-World Warblers

Worm-eating Warbler

Louisiana Waterthrush (BCRs 25, 28)

Bachman's Warbler ^{T/E}

Golden-winged Warbler

Blue-winged Warbler

Prothonotary Warbler

Swainson's Warbler
Colima Warbler
Lucy's Warbler
Virginia's Warbler
Kentucky Warbler
Common Yellowthroat (*San Francisco Bay*)
Elfin-woods Warbler
Kirtland's Warbler ^{T/E}
Cerulean Warbler
Tropical Parula (BCR 36)
Bay-breasted Warbler
Yellow Warbler
 California
 Florida
 Sonoran
Prairie Warbler
Grace's Warbler
Black-throated Gray Warbler (BCR 34)
Golden-cheeked Warbler ^{T/E}
Black-throated Green Warbler (BCR 27)
Canada Warbler
Red-faced Warbler

Sparrows

White-collared Seedeater
Green-tailed Towhee (Regions 1, 8)
Spotted Towhee (*San Clemente*)
Rufous-crowned Sparrow (BCR 20)
Canyon Towhee (BCR 34)
California Towhee (*Inyo*) ^{T/E}
Rufous-winged Sparrow
Botteri's Sparrow
Cassin's Sparrow (BCRs 19, 35, 36)
Bachman's Sparrow
Brewer's Sparrow
Field Sparrow (BCR 22)
Black-chinned Sparrow
Vesper Sparrow (*Oregon*, Region 1)
Five-striped Sparrow
Sage Sparrow
 San Clemente ^{T/E}
 except *San Clemente* (Regions 1, 6, 8)
Lark Bunting (Region 2)

Grasshopper Sparrow

Florida^{T/E}

Arizona

except *Florida* and *Arizona* (Region 6)

Baird's Sparrow

Henslow's Sparrow

Le Conte's Sparrow (Regions 2, 4)

Nelson's Sparrow

Saltmarsh Sparrow

Seaside Sparrow

Cape Sable^{T/E}

except *Cape Sable*

Song Sparrow

Channel Island

Suisun

Alameda

Samuel's

Harris's Sparrow

Cardinals, Blackbirds

Summer Tanager (BCR 36)

Varied Bunting

Painted Bunting

Dickcissel

Bobolink (BCR 23)

Tricolored Blackbird

Yellow-shouldered Blackbird^{T/E}

Rusty Blackbird

Puerto Rican Oriole

Orchard Oriole (BCRs 20, 21, 25, 26)

Hooded Oriole (BCR 36)

Altamira Oriole (BCR 36)

Audubon's Oriole

Finches, Hawaiian Honeycreepers

Black Rosy-Finch

Brown-capped Rosy-Finch

Purple Finch (BCR 5)

Cassin's Finch (Regions 1, 6)

Red Crossbill (BCR 28, breeding)

Lawrence's Goldfinch

Laysan Finch^{T/E}

Nihoa Finch^{T/E}

'O'u^{T/E}

Palila^{T/E}

Maui Parrotbill ^{T/E}
Hawai'i 'Amakihi
Oahu 'Amakihi
Kaua'i 'Amakihi
Greater 'Akialoa (*Kauai*) ^{T/E}
Nukupu'u ^{T/E}
'Akiapola'au ^{T/E}
'Anianiau
'Akikiki ^{T/E}
Hawaii Creeper ^{T/E}
Oahu 'Alauahio ^{T/E}
Kakawahie ^{T/E}
Maui 'Alauahio
'Akeke'e ^{T/E}
Akepa
 Hawaiian ^{T/E}
 Maui ^{T/E}
'T'iwi
'Akohekohe ^{T/E}
'Apapane
Po'o-uli ^{T/E}

INTERNET LINKS FOR MORE INFORMATION

Gamebird Management Populations

<http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/NewReportsPublications/PopulationStatus.html>

Birds of Conservation Concern (nongame) and Focal Species

<http://www.fws.gov/migratorybirds/>

Federally Threatened and Endangered Species

http://ecos.fws.gov/tess_public/SpeciesReport.do?groups=B&listingType=L&mapstatus=1

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Regions

<http://www.fws.gov/where/>

Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs)

<http://www.nabci-us.org/bcrs.htm>