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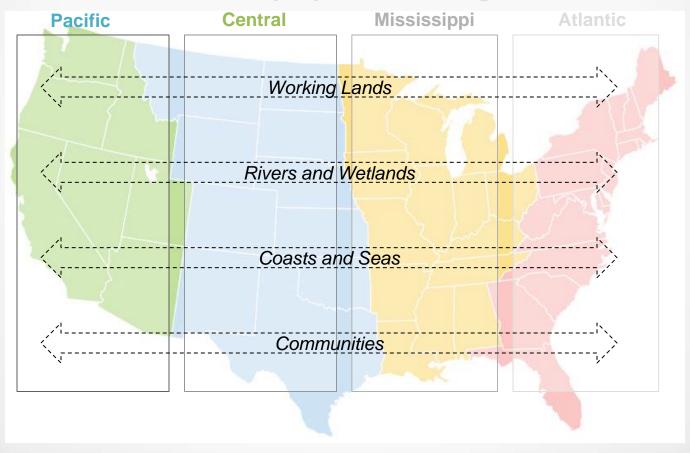




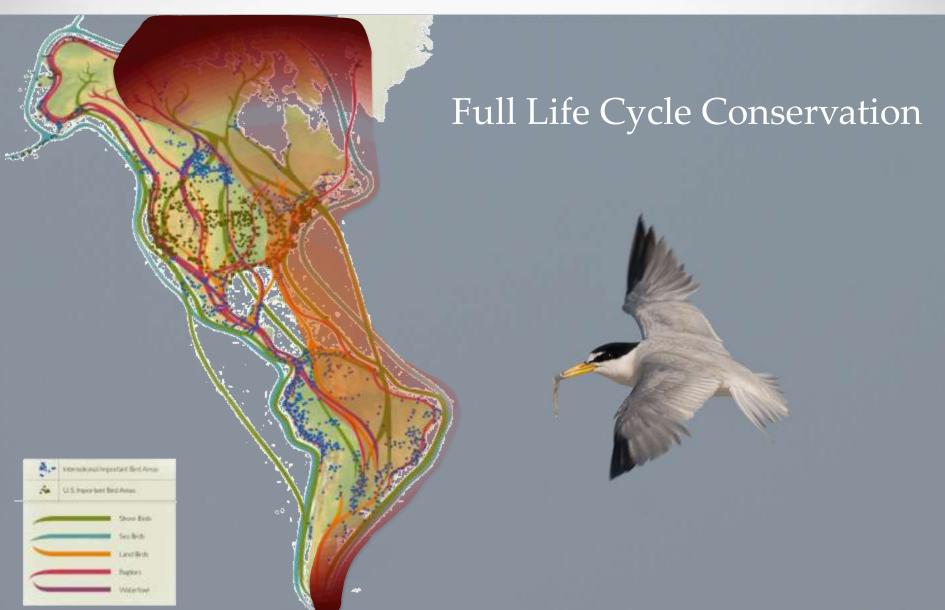
AUDUBON STRATEGIC PLAN 2012-2015 A Roadmap for Hemispheric Conservation

#### THE POWER OF THE FLYWAYS NETWORK DESIGN





Our conservation focal areas foster knowledge sharing and collaboration across geographies





A network of protected and properly-managed sites spanning the Atlantic Flyway that protect coastal birds at every point in their life cycle.





#### Target Species

American Oystercatcher Red Knot Piping Plover Sanderling Western Sandpiper Semipalmated Sandpiper Snowy Plover Wilson's Plover Common Tern Roseate Tern Least Tern Black Skimmer









#### **Primary Threats:**

Loss of Habitat

**Human Disturbance** 

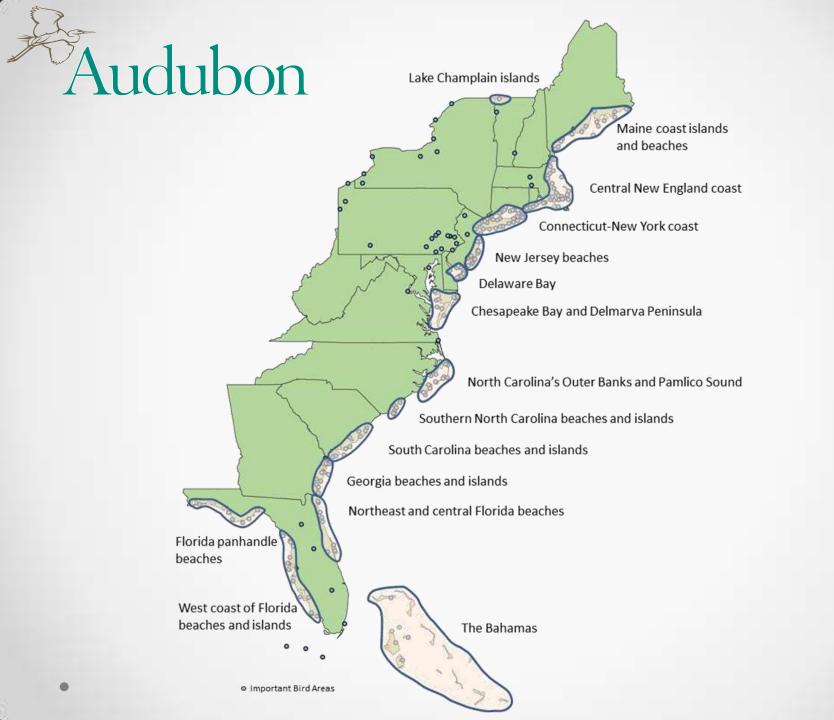
Introduced & Super-abundant Predators

**Beach & Inlet Stabilization** 

**Lack of Regulatory Protection** 

**Climate Change** 

Lack of Knowledge



#### Goals

- Protect sites that are essential to sustaining coastal bird populations.
- Reduce threats by changing harmful behaviors through social marketing.
- Develop international partnerships for full life cycle conservation.
- Strengthen conservation regulations to achieve no net loss of habitat.
- Advance the knowledge of coastal birds to improve conservation.









#### **Strategies:**

- Identify and map the most important sites
- Implement appropriate strategies to protect, conserve, and properly manage priority sites
- Develop flyway and state-specific awareness campaigns aimed at reducing threats by changing public behaviors that threaten coastal birds.
- Develop international partnerships to advance bird conservation and protect IBAs.
- Strengthen regulations and land use policies to protect coastal species and high quality habitats with the goal of achieving no net loss of habitat within 10 years.

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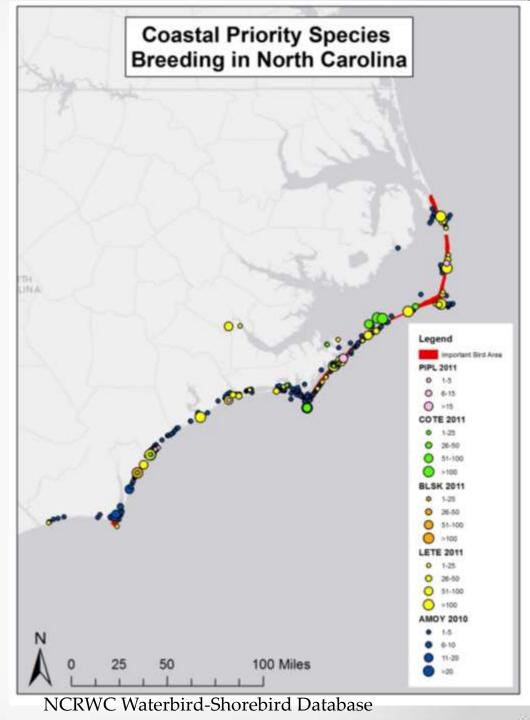




Assess threats and conservation needs





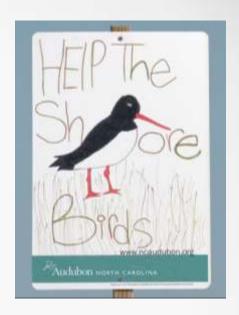


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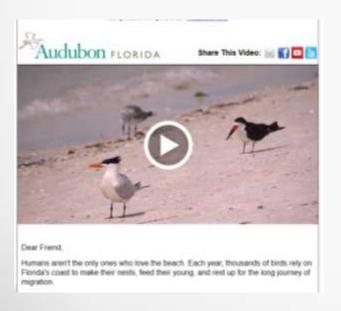
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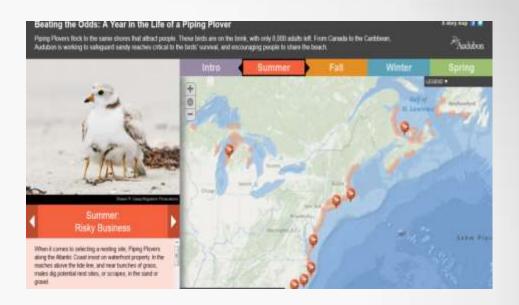
Dr. Beth Forys, Eckerd College





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#### Advance knowledge to improve coastal bird conservation

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#### **Current Programs**

- 7 States and The Bahamas
- 42 Staff
- 61 Chapters
- 209 Sites and 16,235 Acres
- 500+ Beach Stewards and volunteers



