

Hemispheric Conservation

We protect birds in all the places they call home. Their seasonal migrations across the hemisphere demand that we work from Canada to Chile and everywhere in between.

A field technician from a partner organization retrieves data from a Motus station in Florence, Montana. Photo: Tailyr Irvine

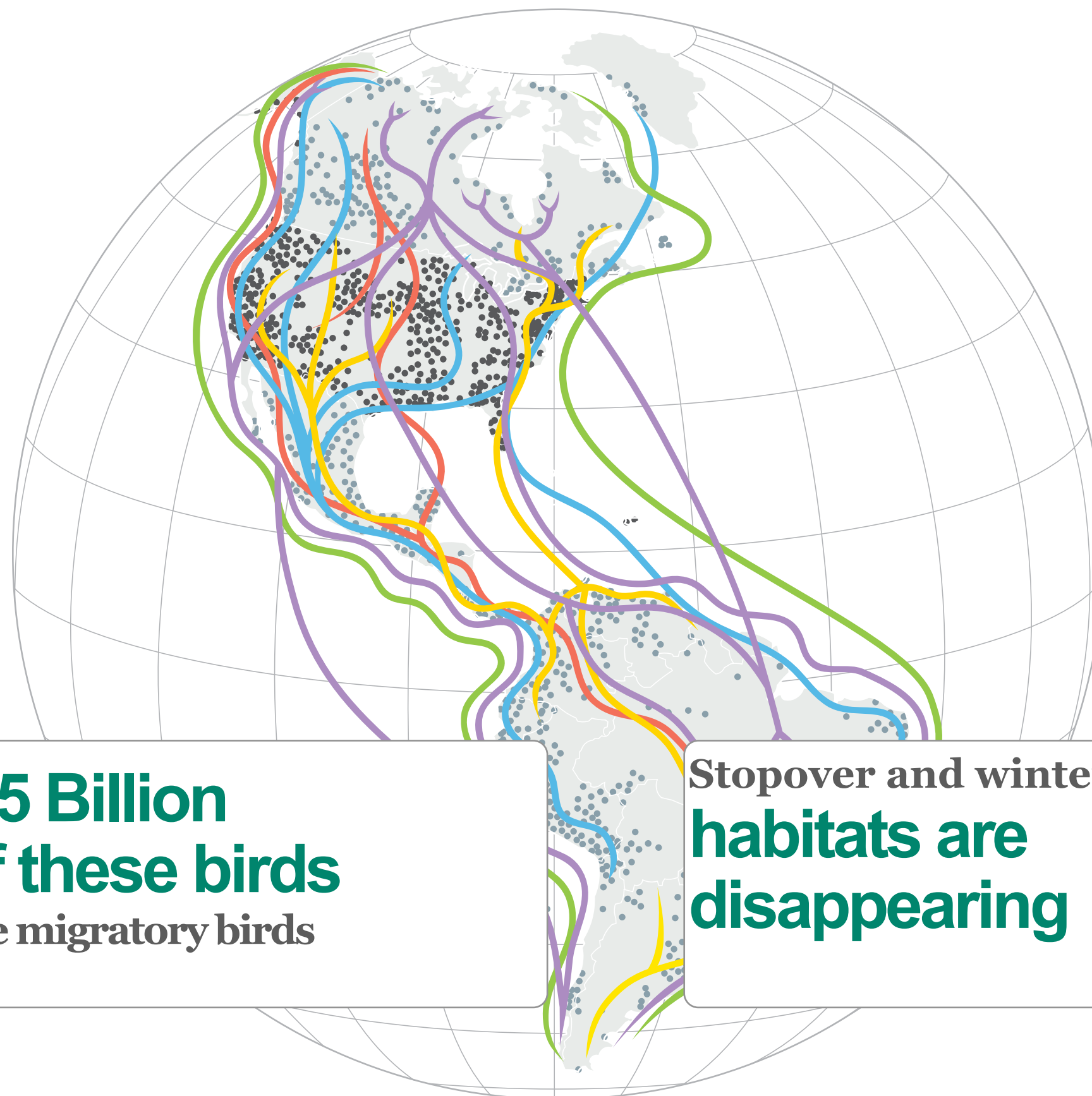
The Challenge

Half of the birds that breed in the U.S. and Canada spend more than 50% of their lives in Latin America and the Caribbean.

3 Billion birds lost
Since 1970

2.5 Billion of these birds
are migratory birds

Stopover and winter habitats are disappearing



● U.S. Important Bird Areas (IBAs)
● International IBAs



Shorebirds



Land Birds



Seabirds



Raptors



Waterfowl

Bedford Audubon: Working Across the Hemisphere to Link Habitat Conservation



Presented by John Hannan
Board President

What are we doing now?

Direct collaboration and connecting with partners:

- Our Bedford Audubon trip to Ecuador in Feb. allowed members a chance to learn and participate in Ecuador's conservation.
- Meeting with BirdLife partner Aves y Conservacion, community members, and BirdLife Americas opened doors for volunteering and financial support.



PROGRAMA DE CONSERVACIÓN DEL ZAMARRITO PECHINEGRO, BLACK-BREASTED PUFFLEG (*Eriocnemis nigrivestis*)

Ejecutado por:

Con el apoyo de:

COMUNIDAD DE ALAMBI

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VIVERO RAÍCES NATIVAS JARDÍN PARA AVES

Este vivero es manejado por un grupo de mujeres de la comunidad de Alambi con el fin de producir plantas nativas importantes para las aves y necesarias para recuperar la biodiversidad de interacciones (polinización, dispersión de semillas).

Las plantas producidas (árboles, arbustos, herbáceas) son adecuadas para recuperar hábitats alterados y hacer jardines como el que se ha creado aquí con el apoyo de la comunidad de Alambi.

Esta es una iniciativa que promueve Aves y Conservación, gracias al financiamiento de varias organizaciones y personas.

Si quieres apoyar, visita el vivero y jardín y/o contáctate con nosotros

Ilustraciones: Belén Mena

BirdLife International - Americas Program

Flyways and migratory birds



3 What are we doing now?

Education & Engagement of our members and the public:

From trip reports, webinars to in-person events with our international partners, we are making the public aware and engaged in cross-border conservation.

- Our Work – Near & Far: Member Photo Exhibit celebrating bird conservation across the Americas. Larchmont & Patterson Libraries.
- Assisting Aves Argentinas in acquiring key nesting habitat for Pampas species like the Endangered Safron-cowled Blackbird

Bedford Audubon PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES

Ecuador:
A Photographic Journey
with
Bedford Audubon
Board President John Hannan
Please Join us!
Wednesday, March 18
7:00pm
Katonah Village Library
Free Event - All Are Welcome!



You are Invited

4 pm, Sunday March 15, 2026
At Bylane Farm, 35 Todd Road, Katonah, NY

Bedford Audubon



Miembro de
American Bird Conservancy

In the UN Year of the Grasslands
The Board of Bedford Audubon

Invites You to a Special Briefing with Light Dinner Celebrating the
Aves Argentinas Campaign to

Save the Aguapey River Basin
A Crucial, but Threatened, Key Biodiversity Area
For Grassland Birds & Habitat

Please Join Us for this Friends of Bedford Audubon Member Event

With Guest Speaker: Hernan Casanas, Executive Director of Aves Argentinas
*"Turning the Tide - Saving Argentina's Grasslands - From a Landscape Doomed
to Extinction to a Vibrant Ecosystem"*

RSVP: ayoung@bedfordaudubon.org
For More Info 914-232-1999



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Bedford Audubon

The Bedford Audubon Board of Directors invites you to a special evening celebrating our hemispheric bird connectivity — from New York's hayfields to Argentina's pampas.

OUR WORK
NEAR & FAR



JUNE 12 • 7:00 PM

Bedford Audubon, Bylane Farm
35 Todd Road, Katonah

RSVP WITH SUSAN INFO@BEDFORDAUDUBON.ORG
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Friends of Bedford Audubon
Spring Reception



What are we doing now?

Supporting chapters interested in participating in international work

- Meeting with and presenting to chapters to help expand our network's capacity to do international collaborations. Webinars highlighting partnership examples presented to Delaware Otsego & Menunkatuck Audubon Societies
- Helping connect chapters with potential partners

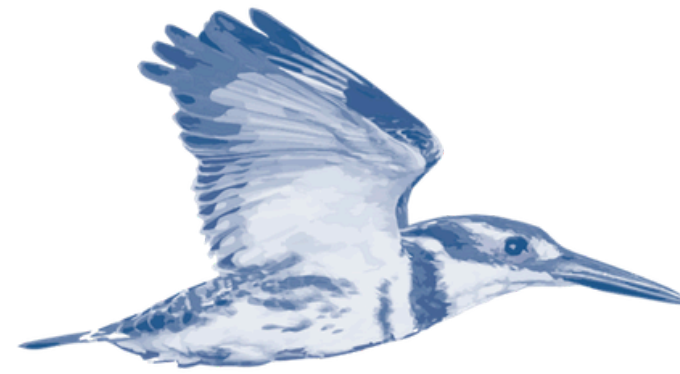
Aves Honduras (Honduras) – North Fork Audubon Society

Finca Contaros (Costa Rica) - Menunkatuck Audubon Society

Partnership ideas include:

- Supporting an IBA or Private Reserve
- Assisting in monitoring efforts
- Donating funds to purchase equipment
- Visiting partners to build long-term cross-border relationships that expand understanding and of both organizations





North Fork

AUDUBON SOCIETY

Connecting People with Nature

NORTH FORK AUDUBON SOCIETY

ROY LATHAM NATURE CENTER & INLET POND COUNTY PARK

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Sistership Agreement with Aves Honduras

In January 2026, twelve members of the North Fork Audubon Society traveled to Honduras to evaluate efforts to protect critical bird habitats. Many migratory species, such as the Baltimore oriole, wood thrush, and chestnut-sided warbler, depend on both the North Fork and Central and South America to survive, but their populations are declining due to deforestation.





Sistership Agreement with Aves Honduras

In response, the North Fork Audubon Society has signed a sistership agreement with Aves Honduras to promote land preservation, indigenous stewardship, and eco-tourism, while also educating North Fork residents about the importance of protecting habitats in Central and South America so these birds can continue to thrive locally. These efforts aim to safeguard the habitats migratory birds rely on throughout their annual cycle



Making Hemispheric Connections

North Shore Audubon
Long Island, NY

Morpho Institute
Fundacion Los Amigos
de la Naturaleza
Amazon Binocular Project
ConapacPeru
Iquitos, Peru

NORTH SHORE
AUDUBON SOCIETY



Established 1952





Big thanks to [North Shore Audubon Society](#) for donating 5 new pairs of @nikonusa binoculars to our Amazon Binocular project! These bins will be used by teachers and students in the Peruvian Amazon as part of an environmental education program coordinated by our partner @conapacperu



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The commitment grew



Meet our amazing partners:

CornellLab
Celebra las Aves Urbanas



North Shore Audubon

Our Mission: To promote, protect and preserve the environment and the birds that inhabit it through education, advocacy and leadership.

Serving Northern Nassau County, NY



photo by Nancy Tognari





Through a binocular, colors, landscapes and life take on a new meaning...
Every look invites us to discover how wonderful nature is.
The project "Building a Better World with Birds", as its name suggests, promotes the observation and conservation of nature and those birds that play an essential role in human life and form part of the rich culture of the Amazon.
We continue to bring this message to the communities of the Peruvian Amazon with the valuable support of our ally @morphoinstitute
Every encounter and every shared story inspires us to continue this beautiful path together with Amazon families.
Here we show you how our team teaches children to use binoculars and so we continue to strengthen the connection between birds, nature and the homes of our Amazon.



Thanks to

Jordan Wolf
Hildur Palsdottir
The Morpho Institute
ConapacPeru
The Amazon Binocular
Project
Fundacion Los Amigos
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WHAT IF THE AMAZON IS OUR
LAST LINE OF DEFENSE?

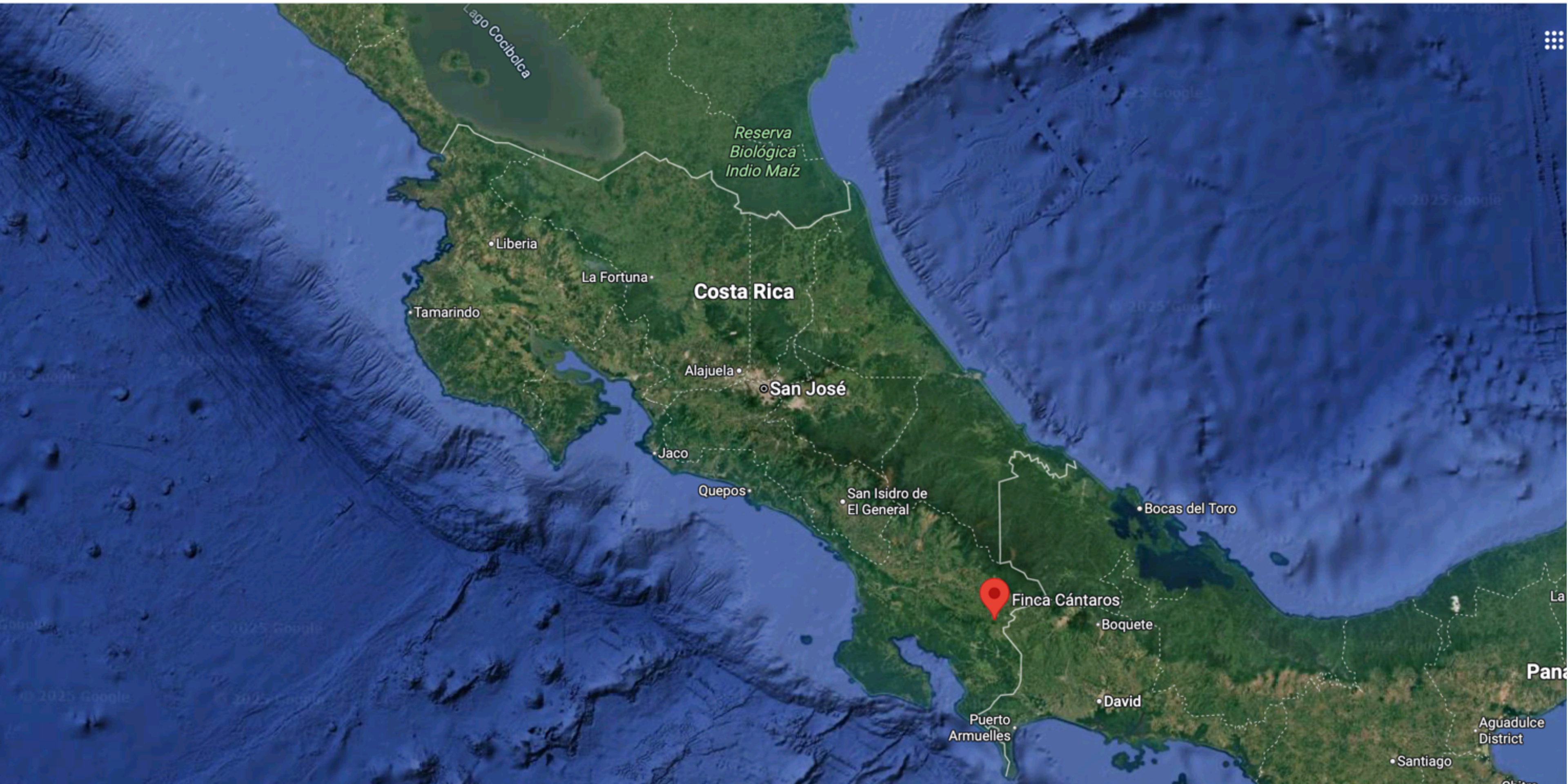
Menunkatuck Audubon Society

A Chapter of National Audubon Society in the Atlantic Flyway



An aerial photograph of a lush, green landscape. In the foreground, there is a dense forest of tall trees. A winding dirt path leads through a grassy field towards the forest. In the background, there are rolling hills and mountains under a cloudy sky. A semi-transparent green box is overlaid on the left side of the image, containing white text.

Working Together for Hemispheric, Full Life-Span Bird Conservation



Finca Cántaros Environmental Association



FINCA CÁNTAROS
CRAFTS
• FOREST TRAILS
GARDENS
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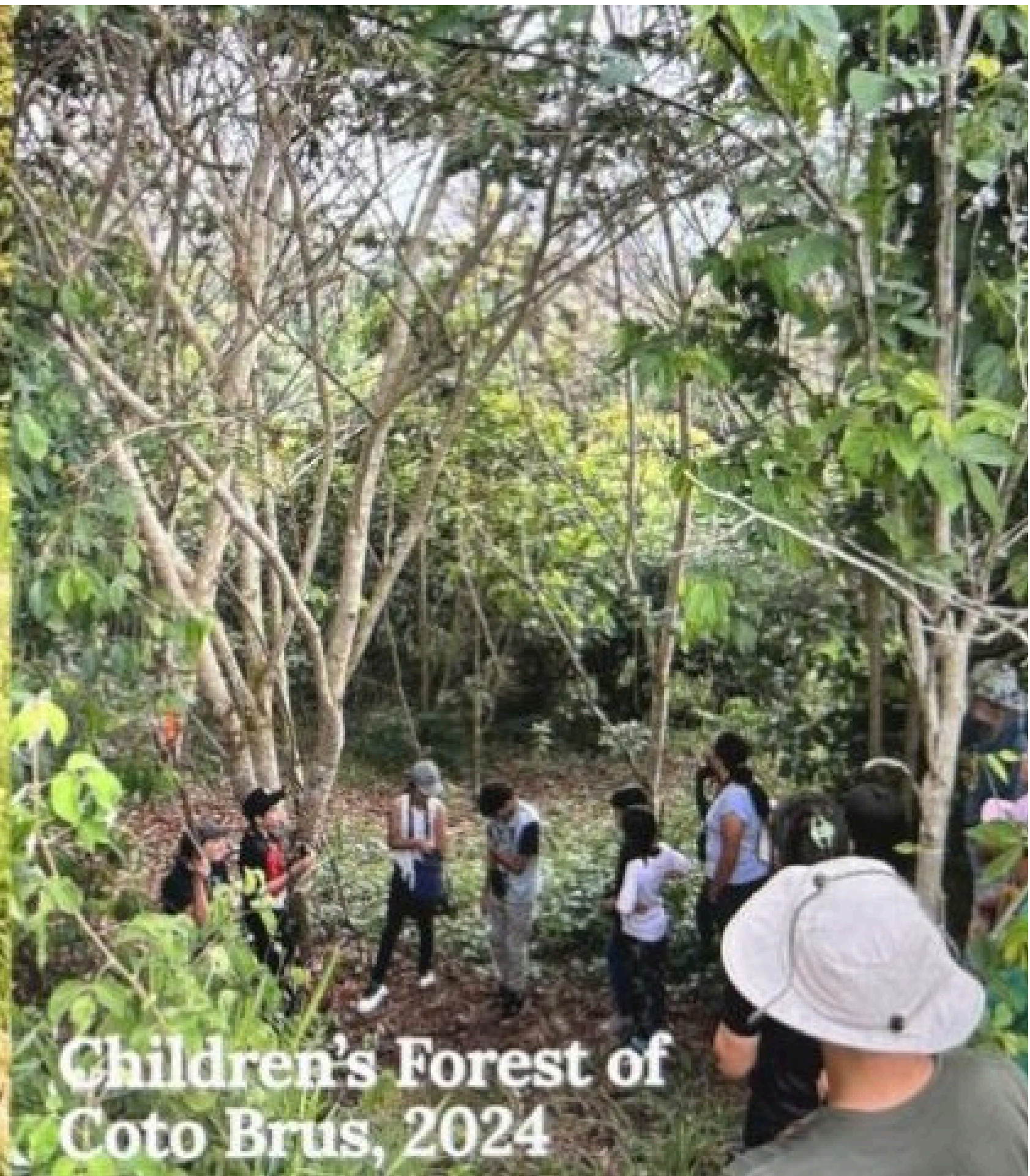
FOREST LANDSCAPE RESTORATION







Children's Forest of
Coto Brus, 2019



Children's Forest of
Coto Brus, 2024



Silvopasture



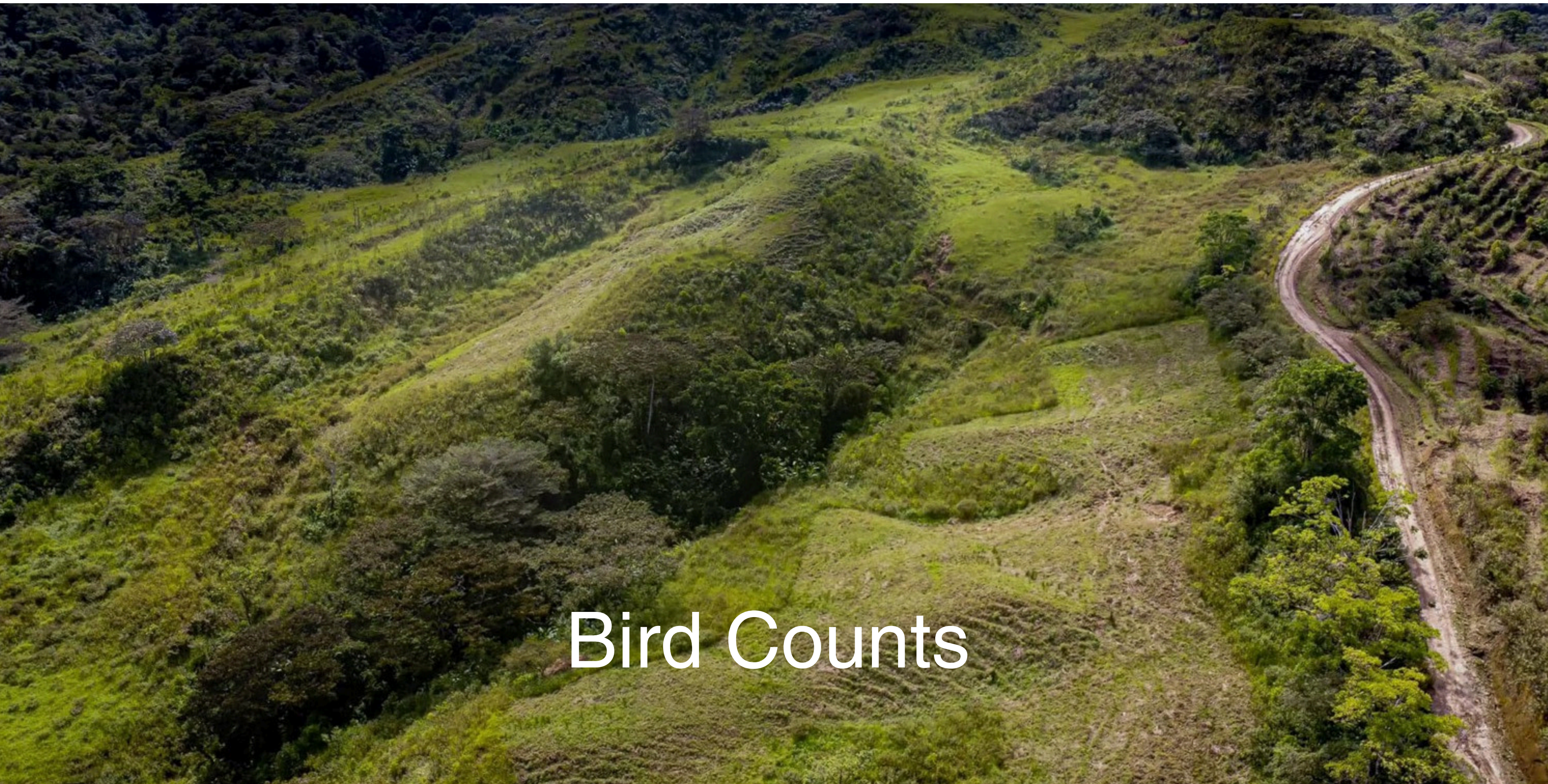
BIRDS



BirdSleuth International



Night Walks



Bird Counts

Motus and bird banding





GENDER



Women Committed to the Earth



Women-Run Tree Nursery "Bellota"



Women Leaders of Nature



WHAT MENUNKATUCK IS
DOING



Motus Nanotags







Photo Credits

Finca Cántaros Environmental Association

Google Maps

TripAdvisor

Lotek

John Hannan

Motus

Hemispheric Grassland Birds Conservation Project 2026-2028



*Bobolink, Spring Creek Prairie Audubon Center, Lancaster County, Nebraska
Brady Karg/Audubon*

GIS - Identification of Grassland Habitats

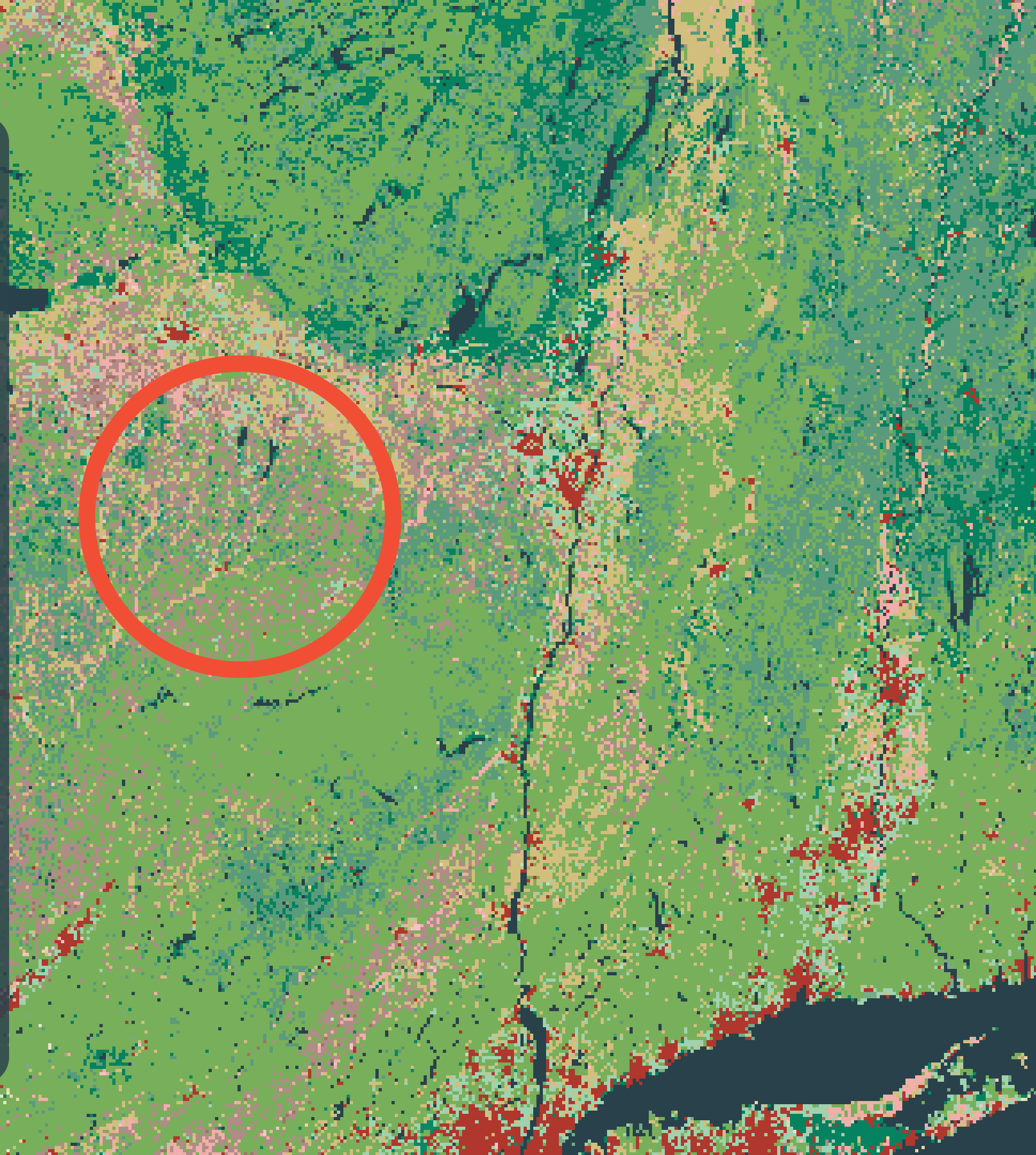
- 7+ acres (for property taxes for leasing/agriculture designation) - Partners: SUNY Oneonta, Otsego County Planning Dept., Soil & Water Conservation Districts

Survey of identified property owners

for bird-friendly program; leasing options to maintain or reclaim habitat. - Partners: SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Cobleskill, SUNY Delhi, Hartwick College, Professors & Students

Selection of Priority Parcels

- Partners: Otsego Land Trust, Schoharie Land Trust



Purchase of Acoustic Monitoring Equipment - DOAS Chapter Region

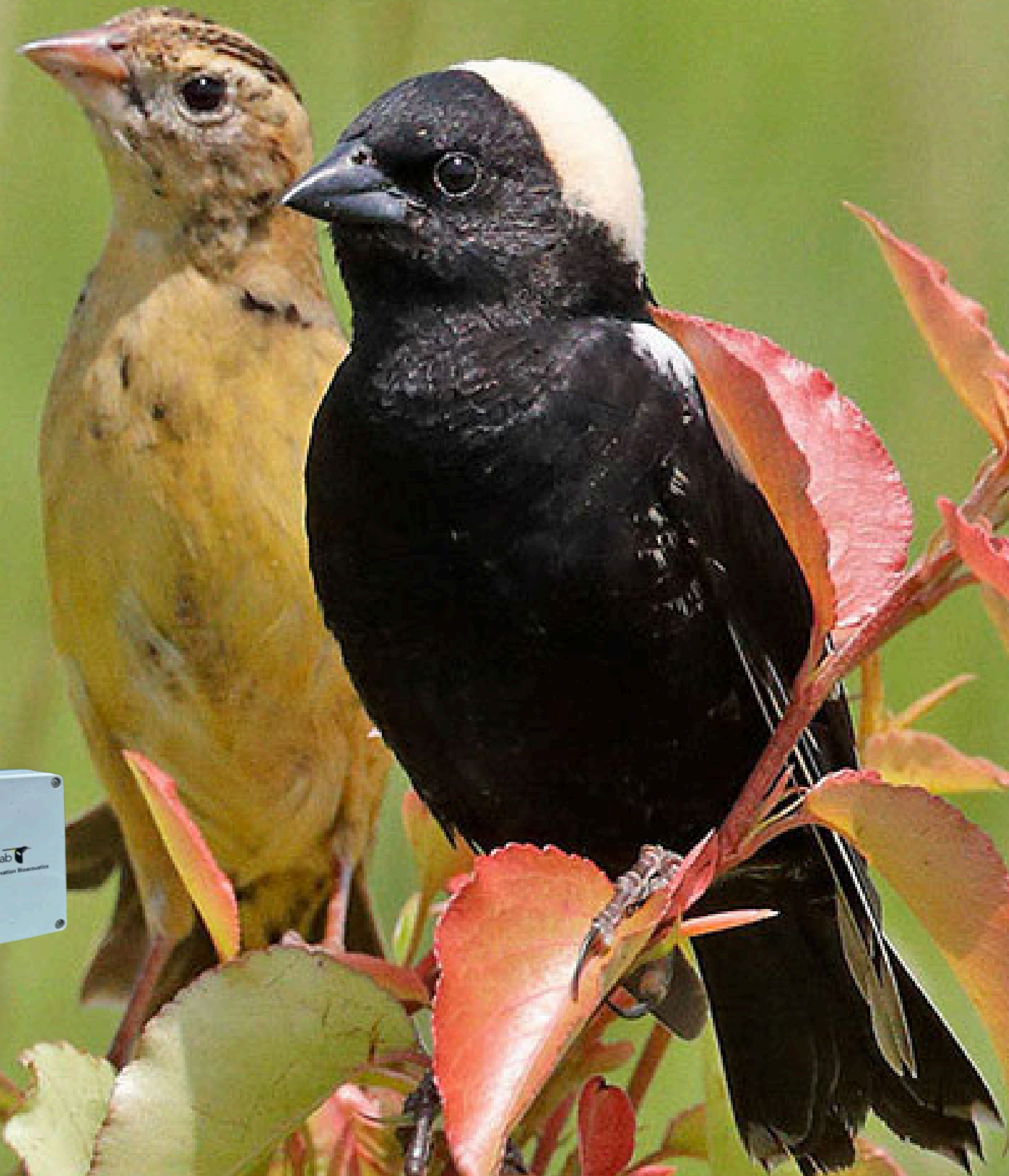
2027 Spring/Summer Breeding Bird Surveys and acoustic monitoring

on selected parcels (those that meeting criteria) - Partners: SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Cobleskill, Research Foundation, DOAS Volunteers

2027 Survey Reporting

- Partners: SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Cobleskill, Research Foundation, DOAS Volunteers

Bobolinks; Ruhikanta Meetei/Audubon Photography Awards



2028 Bird friendly farming program for grasslands - Fund for first cutting value offset

- development and fundraising - Partners: CADE, Catskills Agrarian Alliance, CCE

2028 Tenant Matching Program

- development and Implementation of leasing matching program - Partners: CADE, CCE, Catskills Agrarian Alliance, a collective of farm owners that are working as a coalition to put land back into agriculture through leasing.

Eastern Meadowlark
Sheri Douse/Audubon Photography Awards

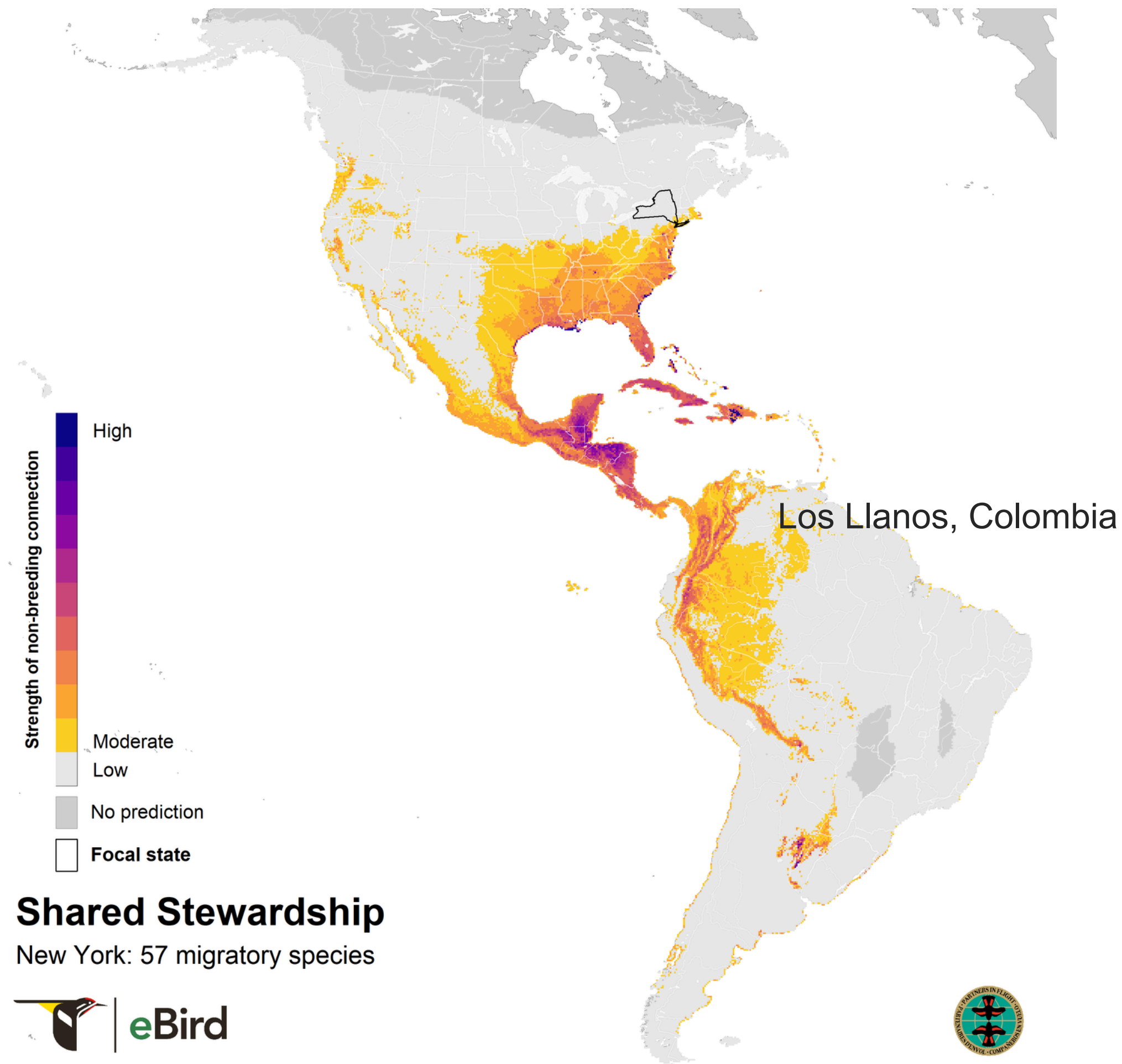


NEW YORK - COLOMBIA

Grasslands/Coastal Resilience

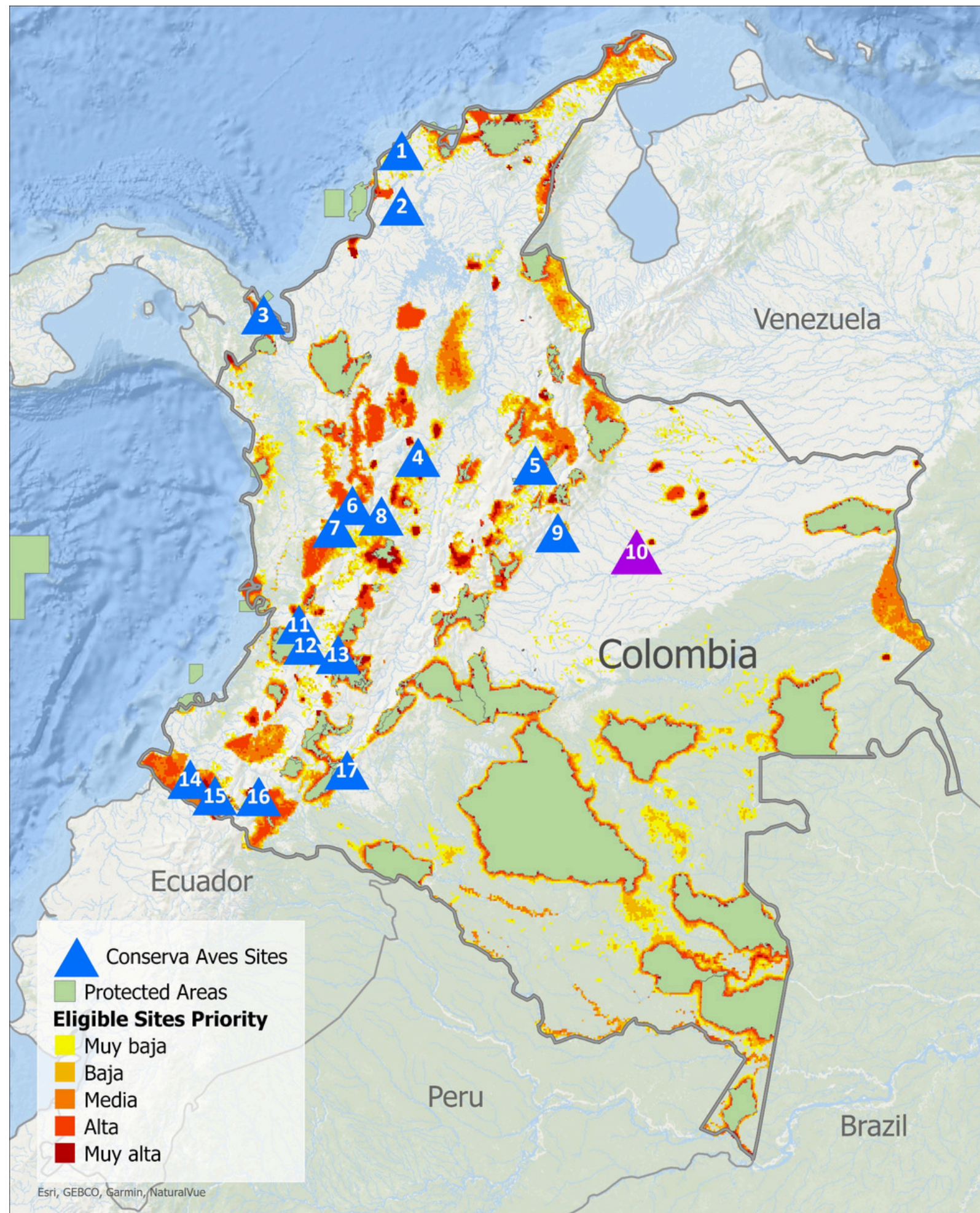


Bobolink (*Dolichonyx oryzivorus*), IUCN/NT
Credits: Adam Brandemihl/Audubon Photography Awards



Shared Stewardship

New York: 57 migratory species



ID	Proyect
1	Omec Las Guacharacas
2	Conformación de una red de nuevas Reservas Naturales de la Sociedad Civil (RNSC) dentro del Corredor de Conectividad Socio-Ecosistémica asociado al Santuario de Flora y Fauna (SFF) Los Colorados
3	Omec Cocomasur
4	Mosaico de conservación como estrategia de complementariedad para diversificar los hábitat de aves en el AICA Punchiná
5	Omec San Esteban Biodiverso
6	RNSC Los Colibries
7	RNSC Reserva Atrarraya
8	Reserva Mesenia-Paramillo
9	Omec Tauramena
10	Wisirare y el Cravo Sur, Santuarios de la Conservación Llanera
11	Distrito Regional de Manejo Integrado Enclave Subxerofítico de Atuncela
12	DRMI Bosque de San Antonio
13	Omec Resguardo KwexYuKiwe
14	Omec Reserva Hector García
15	Creación del corredor biológico de la Reserva Natural Río Ñambí para salvaguardar la biodiversidad, servicio ecosistémicos y mitigar los efectos del cambio climático
16	Manejo participativo de la Red de Reservas en el corredor biológico de las áreas Herederos del Planeta–Tungurahua, en la Laguna de La Cocha, Municipio de Pasto
17	Omec Belen de Andaquies

Palmarito Casanare Foundation

About Palmarito Casanare Foundation:

- Colombian NGO
- Special emphasis on Llanos Orientales
- Palmarito Casanare Nature Reserve

Where the Project Works

- Wisirare Biopark (1,300 ha): aiming for OMEC* designation; manage by indigenous community; developing birding & scientific tourism
- Lower Cravo Sur Biological Corridor: adding 5 new civil-society reserves (~3,000 ha); strengthening local birding routes

*OMEC stands for *Otras Medidas Efectivas de Conservación Basadas en Áreas* (Other Effective Area-Based Conservation Measures).



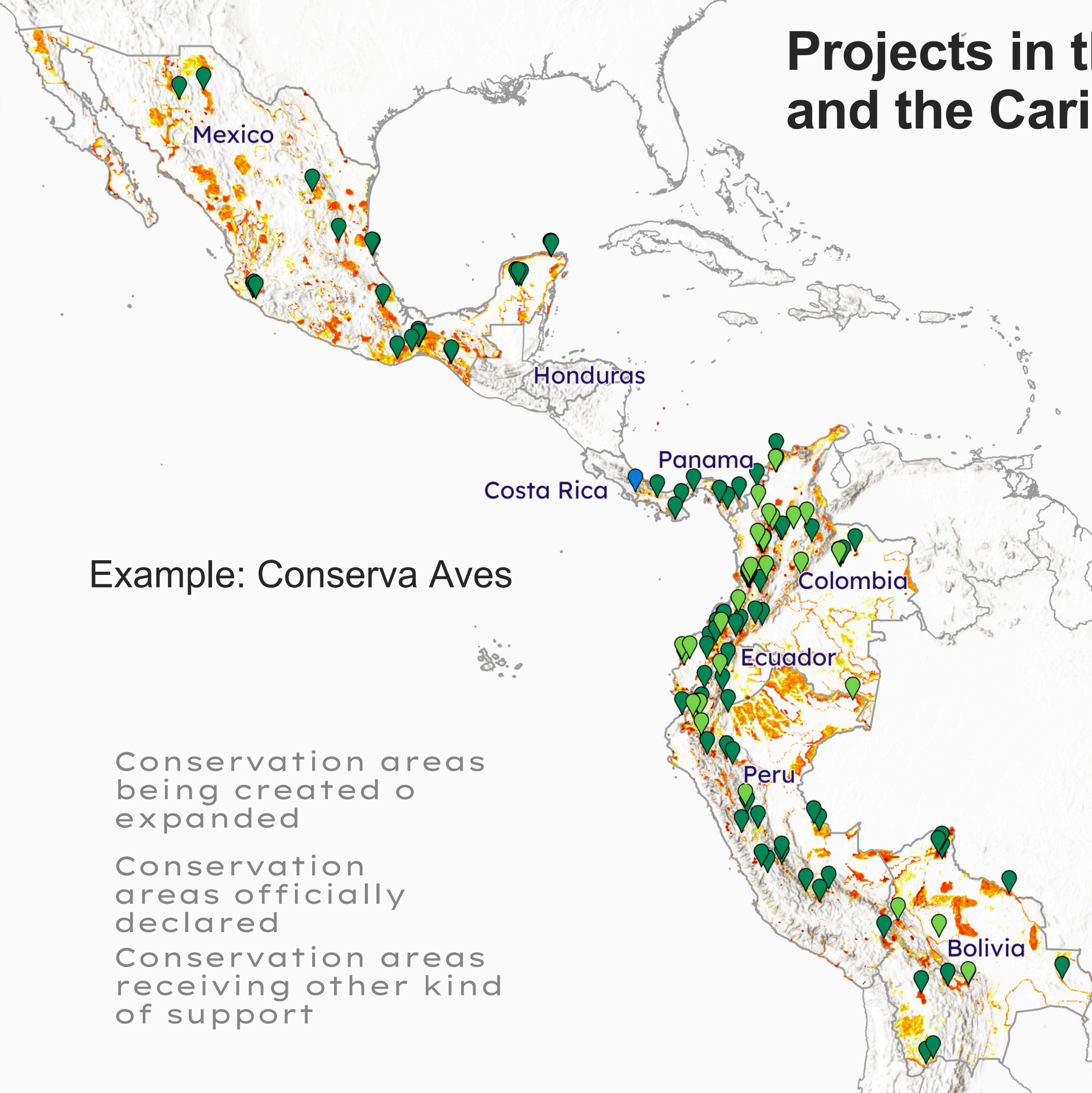
Connecting U.S. Chapters with Communities in Latin America and the Caribbean

Project co-developed by Chapters and Audubon

*Short-eared Owl
Heather Roskelley/Audubon Photography Awards*



Projects in the Latin America and the Caribbean Region



Example: Conserva Aves

Working in

11 countries
+120 projects
+500 communities
+1,842 bird species supported



Hemispheric Matching Project Goals

- Enhance interactions and knowledge sharing between Audubon chapters and key partners and local communities working with Latin America and Caribbean program to leverage conservation impact for birds, nature, and local communities
- Co-design a collaborative, equitable partnership model jointly shaped by Audubon Chapters and Audubon.
- Pilot: 10 chapters matched in 2026

Areas of Engagement



Long-term community monitoring defined with science

- Fund community science (e.g., CBC)
- Purchase equipment (e.g., Motus towers, acoustic monitoring, binoculars)



Training and education

- Management plan, business plan, finance, and accounting
- School bird program



Site business plan implementation

- Birding guides
- Interpretation infrastructure
- Seed capital for initiatives
- Marketing information



Locally identified areas of engagement

- Initiatives that emerge from community priorities, local expertise, or specific contextual needs not covered by other predefined categories

Two matching Models Identified

Established Partnerships

Mount Diablo Bird Alliance - Mexico

New Partnerships

Burroughs Audubon Society of Greater Kansas City – Colombia (Mallorquín)

Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society – Colombia (Palmarito)

List of current matches

US Chapter	Birds/Habitat in LAC	Joint investments	LAC Community	Established/New Partnerships
Mount Diablo Bird Alliance - California	Interested in areas of importance for California neotropical migrant species during non-breeding season, which seems to be many parts of México and parts of northern Central America.	Funding, workshops and training	NGOs in Chiapas, Jalisco and Guerrero	Established
Burroughs Audubon Society of Greater Kansas City – Missouri	Interested in Prothonotary Warbler wintering habitat.	Education, community engagement, and team building. Possibly participating in banding, counts, or monitoring, depending on feasibility.	Ecoparque Ciénaga de Mallorquín in Barranquilla, Colombia	New (Coastal)
Delaware-Otsego Audubon Society – New York	Priority species: Primary: Bobolink Additional relevant species: Short-eared Owl, Eastern Meadowlark, American Kestrel	Opportunities for student engagement, science exchange, and long-term partnership	Llanos Orientales in Colombia with Fundación Palmarito	New (Conserva Aves)

Goal for 10 Total Pilot Projects 2026-2029

Project Buckets by Partner REGION and HABITAT

Mexico

- Project 1
- Project 2 (Forest)

Central America: Belize

- Project 1
- Project 2

Columbia

- Project 1 (Grasslands)
- Project 2 (Coastal)

Bolivia

- Project 1 (Grasslands)
- Project 2

Chile

- Project 1 (Coastal)
- Project 2

POSSIBLE AVENUES OF CHAPTER ENGAGEMENT

Student & Community Education

Training

Research & Monitoring

Habitat Conservation

Tourism

Bird-Friendly Practices

Equipment & Resources

Others...



State Overview

<https://southern-wings.fishwildlife.org/online-guide/new-york>

The migratory birds of New York connect the state to locations throughout the United States and the Western Hemisphere. Conservation of New York's migratory birds across the full annual cycle requires consideration of stationary non-breeding and migratory stopover habitat in addition to their breeding ground habitat. Below, we provide:

- (1) A state-level overview of where the migratory birds that breed in New York are found during the non-breeding season based on Shared Stewardship Connection Maps.
- (2) An overview of New York's Focal Migratory Species. This includes:
 - 1. Conservation status
 - 2. Multi-species connection map that shows connections for focal species based on tagging data of individual birds
- (3) Focal Species Accounts that provide detailed information on New York's focal species. This includes:
 - 1. Conservation statistics and information about current Southern Wings projects
 - 2. Species Connection Maps that show connections across the annual cycle for each species based on tagging data of individual birds
 - 3. Conservation challenges
 - 4. Links to additional resources
- (4) Partner organizations working in countries connected to New York.
- (5) Additional resources

Southern Wings

<https://southern-wings.fishwildlife.org/online-guide/new-york>

Tax. order	Common name
16581	Olive-sided Flycatcher
1842	Horned Grebe
27854	Bicknell's Thrush
27880	Wood Thrush
32743	Henslow's Sparrow
33040	Bobolink
33429	Golden-winged Warbler
33532	Cerulean Warbler
33643	Prairie Warbler
3630	Eastern Whip-poor-will
3874	Chimney Swift
558	Northern Pintail
5597	Yellow Rail
5782	Black-bellied Plover
5807	Piping Plover
5978	Whimbrel
6024	Short-billed Dowitcher
6118	Greater Yellowlegs
6125	Ruddy Turnstone
6130	Red Knot
6152	Buff-breasted Sandpiper
6193	Semipalmated Sandpiper
6638	Least Tern
696	Black Scoter
700	Long-tailed Duck



Chapters—Latin America and the Caribbean Partners Project Concept Form

Chapter Name:

Chapter Location:

Project lead/Contact name:

Email:

Date:

1. Project Summary (1–2 sentences): In one or two sentences, briefly describe the project idea.

2. Key migratory bird species relevant to your chapter (list one or two)

3. Country/region(s) of interest in Latin America and the Caribbean:

4. Please indicate which thematic bucket(s) best aligns with this project concept (select all that apply):

- Grasslands conservation
- Forest conservation
- Coastal resilience
- Indigenous and local communities
- Other (please specify):

5. What are you interested in exploring? (check all that apply)

- Long-term community monitoring
- Training/education
- Site business plan implementation
- Locally identified priorities
- Not sure yet / want to talk

6. What kinds of activities do you imagine? (select all that apply)

- Workshops/trainings
- Research/monitoring
- Exchange visits
- Community engagement
- Other:

7. What's the main outcome you'd hope for? (one sentence max)

8. When do you anticipate this project would move forward?

- Near-term (next 6 months)
- 6–12 months
- Longer-term
- Unsure

9. What support might you need? (select all that apply)

- Introductions
- Funding guidance
- Technical expertise
- Program alignment
- Other:

10. Chapter board alignment (quick pulse)

- Board aligned/supportive
- Early conversations underway
- Not discussed yet

11. Anything else we should know? (optional)





Breakout Groups

*Henslow's Sparrow on Vicia cracca (Cow vetch)
Saint Joseph county, Indiana.
Karen Brown/Audubon Photography Awards*

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