Saving Western Migratory Birds of North America’s Conifer and Mixed Conifer-hardwood Forests and the Sierra Madre Pine-oak and Cloud Forests of Mexico and Northern Central America
A Conservation Business Plan to Reverse Bird Populations Declines

Project Planning Workshop Agenda: 28-29 April 2016

Workshop outcome: build a portfolio of wintering ground projects and outline specific details within the Conservation Business Plan framework (i.e., specify targets, threats, contributing factors, strategies, etc.) for priority projects.

Workshop objectives:

1. Increase participation of partners from across Latin America in the CBP Process.
2. Confirm, expand, and prioritize targets, threats, contributing factors, strategies and projects proposed in two CBPs, especially for bird wintering grounds.
3. Identify strategic investment areas.
4. Specify strategies and related actions, needs (e.g., funding), and risks associated with a portfolio of priority projects.
5. Generate a proposal draft with outlines for priority projects.
6. Identify individuals willing to further help the CBP and advance implementation of existing and additional CBP projects.
7. Identify mechanisms to invite and secure the support and participation of Latin American governments in the implementation of CBP projects.

DAY ONE - April 28

7:00 – Breakfast (Hotel Morales Lobby)

8:00 – Registration (Conference Room, street entrance)

8:30 – Welcome and Logistics (Sarahy Contreras-Martínez and Claudia Macias Caballero)(15 minutes)

8:45 – Birds, Carbon, and Water: Managing bird habitat in western Mexico is everyone’s business (Eduardo Santana)(30 minutes)


9:30 – Introductions: (Participants)(75 minutes)
   ● Name and institution (2 Sentences)
   ● Your primary projects and activities related to workshop (2 Sentences)
   ● Expectations for workshop (2 Sentences)

10:45 – Break (30 minutes)

11:15 – Western Migratory Birds Conservation Business Plan Elements: Outcomes from PIF V Snowbird meeting (John Alexander)(25 minutes)
   ● Process
   ● Preliminary BCP Parts from Snowbird (to be revisited after lunch)
     o Scope: Geography – Full life-cycle conservation for Western Forest Migratory Birds
     o Conservation Targets: Species and their habitats
     o Threats to Western Forest Birds and Their Habitats
     o Strategies
     o Projects
A Conservation Business Plan (Project Planning Workshop Agenda)

11:40 – Continuity and Sustainability: Ensuring Latin American leadership (Claudia Macias Caballero)(30 minutes)

  ● Scope: Geography – Full life-cycle conservation for Western Forest Migratory Birds (15 minutes)
  ● Conservation Targets: Species (25 minutes)
    o Primary Target Species: Western forest migrants of tri-national interest
    o Tropical Resident
    o Other Target Species

12:50 – Lunch (Hotel Morales Lobby)(90 minutes)

2:20 – Western Migratory Birds Conservation Business Plan Elements: Review, discuss, and revise Part 2 (Group Discussion, Facilitators-John Alexander and Claudia Macias Caballero)(95 minutes)
  ● Conservation Targets: Tropical Habitats and Places (25 Minutes)
    o Pine-Oak Forests
    o Cloud Forests
  ● Threats to Western Forest Birds and Their Habitats (25 minutes)
  ● Contributing Factors (20 minutes)
  ● Strategies (25 minutes)

3:55 – Break (20 minutes)

4:15 – Intro to Strategic Investment Areas (Andrew Rothman)(10 minutes)

4:25 – Identify Strategic Investment Areas (Group Discussion and/or Breakouts, Facilitator-David Younkmann)(60 minutes)
  ● 2007 Pine Oak Prioritization Map (Claudia Macias Caballero)(10 Minutes)
  ● 2015 Pine Oak Prioritization Map (Efrain Castillejos)
  ● 2010 CONABIO Cloud forest Maps (Humberto Berlanga)

5:25 – Framing Projects with Targets, Threats and Strategies: Conservation for MesoAmerican pine-oak forest and the Golden-cheeked Warbler (Claudia Macias Caballero)(30 minutes)

5:55 – Day 2 Outlook (John Alexander)(10 minutes)
  ● Homework - think about project specifics and volunteer tonight to be a leader breakout tomorrow

6:05 – Announcements (Sarany Contreras-Martinez and Claudia Macias Caballero)(15 minutes)

6:10 – Adjourn

7:00 – Welcome brindis and dinner (Hotel Morales Lobby)
DAY TWO - April 29

7:00 – Breakfast (Hotel Morales Lobby)

8:00 – Assemble (Conference Room, street entrance)

8:30 – Welcome, Logistics, Announcements (Sarahy Contreras-Martínez and Claudia Macias Caballero)(15 minutes)

8:45 – Biodiversity Conservation and Forest Management in Mexico (Enrique Jardel)(15 minutes)

9:00 – Conservation Business Plan Projects: What we have and what are we missing? (60 minutes)
  ● Review projects from draft plan
  ● Identify new projects

10:00 – Form Project-specific Breakout Groups and Identify Group Leaders

10:30 – Break (15 minutes)

10:45 – Facilitated Project Development Part 1 (Breakouts)(120 minutes)
  ● Where are you working and what targets are you working on?
  ● What strategies are you using?
  ● What actions will you implement to address specific threats, contributing factors, and/or targets?
  ● What will be your predicted short-term (2-3 year) results (relating to threats and targets)?
  ● How much will the actions cost?
  ● Who are your project leads?

12:45 – Working Lunch with Group Reports (90 minutes)
  ● Breakout reports (10 minutes each)

2:15 – Facilitated Project Development Part 2 (Breakouts)(60 minutes)
  ● Adapt project specifics
  ● Complete project template

3:15 – Funding Opportunities: Show me the targets (David Youkman and Sarahy Contreras-Martínez ) (15 minutes)

3:30 – Common Elements of a Good Proposal (Ingrid Arias)(15 minutes)

3:45 – Elements of a Successful Neotrop Grant (Claudia Macias Caballero)(10 minutes)

3:55 – Break (15 minutes)

3:45 – Closing statements (Participants)(75 minutes)
  ● Which workshop expectation were met?
  ● What project teams do you want to be on?
  ● What contributions do you want to make?

5:00 – Closing Remarks (Sarahy Contreras-Martínez and Claudia Macias Caballero)(15 minutes)
5:10 – Announcements and Field Trip Logistics (Sarahy Contreras-Martinez and Claudia Macias Caballero) (30 minutes)

5:40 – Adjourn

7:00 – Dinner (Hotel Morales Lobby)