

WISCONSIN BIRD CONSERVATION INITIATIVE IMPORTANT BIRD AREAS PROGRAM

NOMINATION FORM

The Wisconsin Bird Conservation Initiative (WBCI) is conducting an inventory of areas that may qualify as Important Bird Areas (IBAs). A Technical Committee composed of various experts across Wisconsin has determined qualifying criteria and will review all nominated sites. To qualify, an area needs to meet only **one** of the IBA criteria, although many areas will meet several. Please tell us about areas that you think may meet the criteria by completing as much of this form as possible. Please **read the instructions carefully** before completing this form. For more information and to return this form, please contact Yoyi Steele, IBA Coordinator for Wisconsin, 101 S. Webster St., WM/6, P.O. Box 7921, Madison, WI 53707-7921, Phone: 608-266-8169, Fax: 608-267-7857, yoyi.steele@wisconsin.gov.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR INTEREST IN BIRD CONSERVATION!

NOMINATOR INFORMATION

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| YOUR NAME: | PHONE: |
| ADDRESS: | FAX: |
| CITY, STATE, ZIP: | EMAIL: |
| AFFILIATION: | DATE: |

SITE INFORMATION

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| SITE NAME: | | |
| TOWN(S): | | COUNTY(IES): |
| LATITUDE (degrees & minutes N): | | LONGITUDE (degrees & minutes W): |
| TOWNSHIP: | RANGE: | SECTION: |
| APPROX. SIZE (acres): | | APPROX. ELEVATION (feet; if range give low-high) |

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF THE SITE (habitat, location, prominent features, access & facilities, and any other helpful information): Attach additional sheets if necessary

Please attach a detailed map of your area (topo preferred) and an aerial photo, if available.

IBA SITE CRITERIA

PLEASE REFER TO THE DETAILED DESCRIPTIONS OF CRITERIA BEFORE COMPLETING THIS SECTION. Check all that apply.

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| | WI-1. Site is important to one or more species listed as endangered or threatened in Wisconsin. |
| | WI-2. Site is important to one or more species identified as high conservation priorities in Wisconsin. |
| | WI-3. Site harbors an assemblage of species associated with a habitat type that is representative, rare, or threatened in Wisconsin. |
| | WI-4 (a-e). Site where significant numbers of birds concentrate for breeding, migration/staging, or wintering. |
| | WI-5. Site is important for long-term research and/or monitoring projects that contribute substantially to ornithology, bird conservation and/or education. |

WHY IS THIS SITE IMPORTANT FOR WISCONSIN'S BIRDS? Please provide an explanation for each category checked above. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

ORNITHOLOGICAL IMPORTANCE

Please list the criteria you are providing data for, the species this site is important for, the season(s) for which the site is important, maximum daily numbers, the years on which this count estimate is based, and the accuracy of the data. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

| CRITERIA | SPECIES | SEASON ¹ | MAX. DAILY NUMBERS/SEASON ² | YEARS | ACCURACY ³ |
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¹ Season (on which quantitative data are based): B=Breeding, W=Winter, SM=Spring Migration, FM=Fall Migration
² For hawk migration sites, specify total numbers over the season if known; for other sites, specify daily numbers only.
³ How sure are you of these data? 1=Rough estimate, 2=Good estimate, 3=Accurate count or estimate.

DATA SOURCES (Examples: Breeding Bird Survey, Christmas Bird Count, personal observation, etc. If published, please provide author, date, title, publication, & page number). Attach additional sheets if necessary.

HABITAT AND LAND USE

| Major Habitat Types: Please indicate approximate % of total area for all major habitat types present. | | Major Land Uses: Please indicate all major land uses with an "X". | |
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| | Upland Hardwood Forest (aspen, maple, birch, oak, etc.) | | Nature / Wildlife Conservation |
| | Upland Coniferous Forest (hemlock, pine, spruce, etc.) | | Hunting / Fishing |
| | Upland Mixed Hardwood-Coniferous Forest | | Other Recreation / Tourism |
| | Lowland Hardwood Forest (ash, maple, cottonwood, etc.) | | Agriculture / Livestock |
| | Lowland Coniferous Forest (cedar, spruce, tamarack, etc.) | | Forestry |
| | Lowland Mixed Hardwood-Coniferous Forest | | Water Supply |
| | Hardwood or Conifer Plantation | | Utility / Right-of-way |
| | Upland Shrub | | Suburban / Residential |
| | Oak Savanna / Barrens | | Urban / Industrial / Commercial |
| | Conifer Barrens | | Military |
| | Prairie | | Research |
| | Oldfield | | Other (specify) |
| | Grass / Hay Field | Land Ownership/Management: check all that apply | |
| | Agricultural Field | | State |
| | Open Bog / Sedge Meadow / Wetland | | Federal |
| | Shrub Swamp | | Municipal |
| | Pond / Lake | | County |
| | Stream / River | | Private (individual) |
| | Urban / Suburban | | Private (industrial) |
| | Other (specify) | | Non-Governmental Organization |

CONSERVATION AND OTHER

| Primary Conservation Issues: Please note Serious (S), Minor (M), and Potential (P) threats to the site. | | | |
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| | Invasive or non-native plants | | Excessive soil erosion / degradation |
| | Introduced animals or feral/free-ranging house cats | | Extraction industry |
| | Pests / Diseases | | Habitat conversion |
| | Cowbird Parasitism | | Residential / commercial development |
| | Succession | | Communication / wind towers / Power lines |
| | Deforestation / Tree cutting | | Disturbance to birds or habitat |
| | Overgrazing / Overbrowsing | | Recreational development / overuse |
| | Predators | | Hydrologic changes (drainage, damming, etc.) |
| | Pesticides | | Illegal take / Vandalism |
| | Agricultural use / intensity | | Population / genetic factors |
| | Water pollution / Air pollution | | Habitat fragmentation / degradation |

DESCRIBE THESE ISSUES, THEIR SERIOUSNESS, AND STEPS BEING TAKEN TO ADDRESS THEM:

OTHER RESOURCES

PLEASE DESCRIBE ANY IMPORTANT, RARE, OR UNUSUAL FLORA, NON-AVIAN FAUNA, WATCHABLE WILDLIFE, AND/OR HABITATS ASSOCIATED WITH THIS SITE:

PLEASE DESCRIBE ANY SOCIAL, CULTURAL, ECONOMIC, OR HISTORIC ISSUES ASSOCIATED WITH THIS SITE:

STAKEHOLDER GROUPS: PLEASE PROVIDE THE NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF EXISTING OR POTENTIAL GROUPS (OR INDIVIDUALS) WITH AN INTEREST IN THIS SITE:

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LANDOWNER / LAND MANAGER CONTACTS: PLEASE REFER TO THE LAND OWNERSHIP / LAND MANAGEMENT GUIDELINES BEFORE COMPLETING THIS SECTION. Please provide the name(s), address(es), and phone number(s) of the landowner(s) or land manager(s) for the site, and indicate whether they have been contacted concerning the nomination of the site.

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OTHER REMARKS ABOUT THE SITE:

PLEASE ATTACH ANY SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION (MAPS, PHOTOS, FIELD NOTES, CHECKLISTS, ETC.)

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