

Wilmington District

General Re-evaluation Report and Environmental Assessment Surf City, Onslow and Pender Counties, North Carolina Coastal Storm Risk Management Project



Appendix J: Species List Final April 2025



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In Reply Refer To: Project Code: 2024-0048393 Project Name: Surf City CSRM February 13, 2024

Subject: List of threatened and endangered species that may occur in your proposed project location or may be affected by your proposed project

To Whom It May Concern:

The enclosed species list identifies threatened, endangered, proposed and candidate species, as well as proposed and final designated critical habitat, that may occur within the boundary of your proposed project and/or may be affected by your proposed project. The species list fulfills the requirements of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) under section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act (Act) of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*). If your project area contains suitable habitat for any of the federally-listed species on this species list, the proposed action has the potential to adversely affect those species. If suitable habitat is present, surveys should be conducted to determine the species' presence or absence within the project area. The use of this species list and/or North Carolina Natural Heritage program data should not be substituted for actual field surveys.

New information based on updated surveys, changes in the abundance and distribution of species, changed habitat conditions, or other factors could change this list. Please feel free to contact us if you need more current information or assistance regarding the potential impacts to federally proposed, listed, and candidate species and federally designated and proposed critical habitat. Please note that under 50 CFR 402.12(e) of the regulations implementing section 7 of the Act, the accuracy of this species list should be verified after 90 days. This verification can be completed formally or informally as desired. The Service recommends that verification be completed by visiting the IPaC website at regular intervals during project planning and implementation for updates to species lists and information. An updated list may be requested through the IPaC system by completing the same process used to receive the enclosed list.

The purpose of the Act is to provide a means whereby threatened and endangered species and the ecosystems upon which they depend may be conserved. Under sections 7(a)(1) and 7(a)(2) of the Act and its implementing regulations (50 CFR 402 *et seq.*), Federal agencies are required to utilize their authorities to carry out programs for the conservation of threatened and endangered

species and to determine whether projects may affect threatened and endangered species and/or designated critical habitat.

A Biological Assessment is required for construction projects (or other undertakings having similar physical impacts) that are major Federal actions significantly affecting the quality of the human environment as defined in the National Environmental Policy Act (42 U.S.C. 4332(2) (c)). For projects other than major construction activities, the Service suggests that a biological evaluation similar to a Biological Assessment be prepared to determine whether the project may affect listed or proposed species and/or designated or proposed critical habitat. Recommended contents of a Biological Assessment are described at 50 CFR 402.12.

If a Federal agency determines, based on the Biological Assessment or biological evaluation, that listed species and/or designated critical habitat may be affected by the proposed project, the agency is required to consult with the Service pursuant to 50 CFR 402. In addition, the Service recommends that candidate species, proposed species and proposed critical habitat be addressed within the consultation. More information on the regulations and procedures for section 7 consultation, including the role of permit or license applicants, can be found in the "Endangered Species Consultation Handbook" at:

https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/documents/endangered-species-consultation-handbook.pdf

Migratory Birds: In addition to responsibilities to protect threatened and endangered species under the Endangered Species Act (ESA), there are additional responsibilities under the Migratory Bird Treaty Act (MBTA) and the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act (BGEPA) to protect native birds from project-related impacts. Any activity, intentional or unintentional, resulting in take of migratory birds, including eagles, is prohibited unless otherwise permitted by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (50 C.F.R. Sec. 10.12 and 16 U.S.C. Sec. 668(a)). For more information regarding these Acts, see https://www.fws.gov/program/migratory-bird-permit/what-we-do.

The MBTA has no provision for allowing take of migratory birds that may be unintentionally killed or injured by otherwise lawful activities. It is the responsibility of the project proponent to comply with these Acts by identifying potential impacts to migratory birds and eagles within applicable NEPA documents (when there is a federal nexus) or a Bird/Eagle Conservation Plan (when there is no federal nexus). Proponents should implement conservation measures to avoid or minimize the production of project-related stressors or minimize the exposure of birds and their resources to the project-related stressors. For more information on avian stressors and recommended conservation measures, see https://www.fws.gov/library/collections/threats-birds.

In addition to MBTA and BGEPA, Executive Order 13186: *Responsibilities of Federal Agencies to Protect Migratory Birds*, obligates all Federal agencies that engage in or authorize activities that might affect migratory birds, to minimize those effects and encourage conservation measures that will improve bird populations. Executive Order 13186 provides for the protection of both migratory birds and migratory bird habitat. For information regarding the implementation of Executive Order 13186, please visit https://www.fws.gov/partner/council-conservation-migratory-birds.

We appreciate your concern for threatened and endangered species. The Service encourages Federal agencies to include conservation of threatened and endangered species into their project planning to further the purposes of the Act. Please include the Consultation Code in the header of this letter with any request for consultation or correspondence about your project that you submit to our office.

Attachment(s):

- Official Species List
- USFWS National Wildlife Refuges and Fish Hatcheries
- Bald & Golden Eagles
- Migratory Birds
- Marine Mammals
- Coastal Barriers

OFFICIAL SPECIES LIST

This list is provided pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, and fulfills the requirement for Federal agencies to "request of the Secretary of the Interior information whether any species which is listed or proposed to be listed may be present in the area of a proposed action".

This species list is provided by:

Raleigh Ecological Services Field Office

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PROJECT SUMMARY

Project Code:2024-0048393Project Name:Surf City CSRMProject Type:Beach nourishmentProject Description:Provide Coastal Storm Risk Management for 50-years along SC.Project Location:Vertice Coastal Storm Risk Management for 50-years along SC.

The approximate location of the project can be viewed in Google Maps: <u>https://www.google.com/maps/@34.41268707976262,-77.48403015374768,14z</u>



Counties: Onslow and Pender counties, North Carolina

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT SPECIES

There is a total of 18 threatened, endangered, or candidate species on this species list.

Species on this list should be considered in an effects analysis for your project and could include species that exist in another geographic area. For example, certain fish may appear on the species list because a project could affect downstream species.

IPaC does not display listed species or critical habitats under the sole jurisdiction of NOAA Fisheries¹, as USFWS does not have the authority to speak on behalf of NOAA and the Department of Commerce.

See the "Critical habitats" section below for those critical habitats that lie wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction. Please contact the designated FWS office if you have questions.

1. <u>NOAA Fisheries</u>, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

MAMMALS

| NAME | STATUS |
|--|------------------------|
| Northern Long-eared Bat <i>Myotis septentrionalis</i> | Endangered |
| No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9045</u> | |
| Tricolored Bat <i>Perimyotis subflavus</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10515</u> | Proposed Endangered |
| West Indian Manatee <i>Trichechus manatus</i> There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat. <i>This species is also protected by the Marine Mammal Protection Act, and may have additional</i> | Threatened |
| consultation requirements. | |
| Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4469</u> | |

BIRDS

| NAME | STATUS |
|---|------------|
| Eastern Black Rail <i>Laterallus jamaicensis ssp. jamaicensis</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10477</u> | Threatened |
| Piping Plover Charadrius melodus Population: [Atlantic Coast and Northern Great Plains populations] - Wherever found, except those areas where listed as endangered. There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat. Species profi le: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6039</u> | Threatened |
| Red-cockaded Woodpecker <i>Picoides borealis</i> No critical hibitat has been designated for this species. Species profi le: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/7614</u> | Endangered |
| Roseate Tern <i>Sterna dougallii dougallii</i> Population: N ortheast U.S. nesting population No critical h ibitat has been designated for this species. Species profi le: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/2083</u> | Endangered |
| Rufa Red Kn t <i>Calidris canutus rufa</i> There is pro osed critical habitat for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1864</u> | Threatened |

REPTILES

| NAME | STATUS |
|--|---|
| American Alligator Alligator mississippiensis No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/776</u> | Similarity of Appearance (Threatened) |
| Green Sea Turtle <i>Chelonia mydas</i> Population: North Atlantic DPS There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat. Species profi le: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6199</u> | Threatened |
| Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtle <i>Lepidochelys kempii</i> There is pro osed critical habitat for this species. Species profi le: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5523</u> | Endangered |
| Leatherback Sea Turtle <i>Dermochelys coriacea</i> There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location does not overlap the critical habitat. Species profi le: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1493</u> | Endangered |
| Loggerhead S ^c a Turtle <i>Caretta caretta</i> Population: N orthwest Atlantic Ocean DPS There is final critical habitat for this species. Your location overlaps the critical habitat. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1110</u> | Threatened |

INCLOSE

| NAME | STATUS |
|--|------------|
| Monarch Butterfly <i>Danaus plexippus</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9743</u> | Candidate |
| FLOWERING PLANTS NAME | STATUS |
| Cooley's Meadowrue <i>Thalictrum cooleyi</i> No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/3281</u> | Endangered |
| Pondberry Lindera melissifolia No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1279</u> | Endangered |
| Rough-leaved Loosestrife Lysimachia asperulaefolia No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/2747</u> | Endangered |
| Seabeach Amaranth Amaranthus pumilus No critical habitat has been designated for this species. Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8549</u> | Threatened |

There is 1 critical habitat wholly or partially within your project area under this office's jurisdiction.

| NAME | STATUS |
|---|--------|
| Loggerhead Sea Turtle Caretta caretta | Final |
| https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1110#crithab | |

USFWS NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE LANDS AND FISH HATCHERIES

Any activity proposed on lands managed by the <u>National Wildlife Refuge</u> system must undergo a 'Compatibility Determination' conducted by the Refuge. Please contact the individual Refuges to discuss any questions or concerns.

THERE ARE NO REFUGE LANDS OR FISH HATCHERIES WITHIN YOUR PROJECT AREA.

BALD & GOLDEN EAGLES

Bald and golden eagles are protected under the Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act^1 and the Migratory Bird Treaty Act^2 .

Any person or organization who plans or conducts activities that may result in impacts to bald or golden eagles, or their habitats³, should follow appropriate regulations and consider implementing appropriate conservation measures, as described in the links below. Specifically, please review the <u>"Supplemental Information on Migratory Birds and Eagles"</u>.

- 1. The <u>Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act</u> of 1940.
- 2. The Migratory Birds Treaty Act of 1918.
- 3. 50 C.F.R. Sec. 10.12 and 16 U.S.C. Sec. 668(a)

There are bald and/or golden eagles in your project area.

For guidance on when to schedule activities or implement avoidance and minimization measures to reduce impacts to migratory birds on your list, see the PROBABILITY OF PRESENCE SUMMARY below to see when these birds are most likely to be present and breeding in your project area.

| NAME | BREEDING SEASON |
|---|-----------------|
| Bald Eagle Haliaeetus leucocephalus | Breeds Sep 1 to |
| This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention | Jul 31 |
| because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain | |
| types of development or activities. | |
| https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1626 | |

PROBABILITY OF PRESENCE SUMMARY

The graphs below provide our best understanding of when birds of concern are most likely to be present in your project area. This information can be used to tailor and schedule your project activities to avoid or minimize impacts to birds. Please make sure you read <u>"Supplemental Information on Migratory Birds and Eagles"</u>, specifically the FAQ section titled "Proper Interpretation and Use of Your Migratory Bird Report" before using or attempting to interpret this report.

Probability of Presence (

Green bars; the bird's relative probability of presence in the 10km grid cell(s) your project overlaps during that week of the year.

Breeding Season (

Yellow bars; liberal estimate of the timeframe inside which the bird breeds across its entire range.

Survey Effort ()

Vertical black lines; the number of surveys performed for that species in the 10km grid cell(s) your project area overlaps.

No Data (-)

A week is marked as having no data if there were no survey events for that week.

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| SPECIES | JAN | FEB | MAR | APR | MAY | JUN | JUL | AUG | SEP | ОСТ | NOV | DEC |
| Bald Eagle Non-BCC Vulnerable | | | | | | | | | | | 1101 | |

Additional information can be found using the following links:

- Eagle Management https://www.fws.gov/program/eagle-management
- Measures for avoiding and minimizing impacts to birds <u>https://www.fws.gov/library/</u> collections/avoiding-and-minimizing-incidental-take-migratory-birds
- Nationwide conservation measures for birds <u>https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/</u> documents/nationwide-standard-conservation-measures.pdf
- Supplemental Information for Migratory Birds and Eagles in IPaC <u>https://www.fws.gov/</u> media/supplemental-information-migratory-birds-and-bald-and-golden-eagles-may-occurproject-action

MIGRATORY BIRDS

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| American Kestrel Falco sparverius paulus This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9587</u> | Breeds Apr 1 to Aug 31 |
| American Oystercatcher <i>Haematopus palliatus</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8935</u> | Breeds Apr 15 to Aug 31 |
| Audubon's Shearwater <i>Puffinus lherminieri</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9635</u> | Breeds Mar 1 to Aug 5 |
| Bachman's Sparrow Aimophila aestivalis This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6177</u> | Breeds May 1 to Sep 30 |
| Bald Eagle <i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/1626</u> | Breeds Sep 1 to Jul 31 |
| Black Scoter <i>Melanitta nigra</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10413</u> | Breeds elsewhere |
| Black Skimmer <i>Rynchops niger</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/5234</u> | Breeds May 20 to Sep 15 |
| Brown Pelican <i>Pelecanus occidentalis</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/6034</u> | Breeds Jan 15 to Sep 30 |
| Brown-headed Nuthatch <i>Sitta pusilla</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9427</u> | Breeds Mar 1 to Jul 15 |

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|---|----------------------------|
| Chimney Swift <i>Chaetura pelagica</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9406</u> | Breeds Mar 15 to Aug 25 |
| Coastal (waynes) Black-throated Green Warbler Setophaga virens waynei This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/11879</u> | Breeds May 1 to Aug 15 |
| Common Loon <i>gavia immer</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4464</u> | Breeds Apr 15 to Oct 31 |
| Gull-billed Tern <i>Gelochelidon nilotica</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9501</u> | Breeds May 1 to Jul 31 |
| King Rail <i>Rallus elegans</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8936</u> | Breeds May 1 to Sep 5 |
| Lesser Yellowlegs <i>Tringa flavipes</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9679</u> | Breeds elsewhere |
| Marbled Godwit <i>Limosa fedoa</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9481</u> | Breeds elsewhere |
| Painted Bunting Passerina ciris This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9511</u> | Breeds Apr 25 to Aug 15 |
| Pectoral Sandpiper <i>Calidris melanotos</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9561</u> | Breeds elsewhere |
| Prairie Warbler <i>Dendroica discolor</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9513</u> | Breeds May 1 to Jul 31 |

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| Prothonotary Warbler <i>Protonotaria citrea</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9439</u> | Breeds Apr 1 to Jul 31 |
| Razorbill <i>Alca torda</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10461</u> | Breeds Jun 15 to Sep 10 |
| Red-breasted Merganser <i>Mergus serrator</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10693</u> | Breeds elsewhere |
| Red-headed Woodpecker <i>Melanerpes erythrocephalus</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9398</u> | Breeds May 10 to Sep 10 |
| Red-throated Loon <i>Gavia stellata</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9589</u> | Breeds elsewhere |
| Ring-billed Gull <i>Larus delawarensis</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10468</u> | Breeds elsewhere |
| Royal Tern <i>Thalasseus maximus</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10471</u> | Breeds Apr 15 to Aug 31 |
| Ruddy Turnstone Arenaria interpres morinella This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10633</u> | Breeds elsewhere |
| Rusty Blackbird <i>Euphagus carolinus</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) only in particular Bird Conservation Regions (BCRs) in the continental USA <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9478</u> | Breeds elsewhere |

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|--|----------------------------|
| Saltmarsh Sparrow Ammodramus caudacutus This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9719 | Breeds May 15 to Sep 5 |
| Short-billed Dowitcher <i>Limnodromus griseus</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9480</u> | Breeds elsewhere |
| Surf Scoter <i>Melanitta perspicillata</i> This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10463</u> | Breeds elsewhere |
| Swallow-tailed Kite <i>Elanoides forficatus</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/8938</u> | Breeds Mar 10 to Jun 30 |
| Willet <i>Tringa semipalmata</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10669</u> | Breeds Apr 20 to Aug 5 |
| Wilson's Plover <i>Charadrius wilsonia</i> This is a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) throughout its range in the continental USA and Alaska. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/9722</u> | Breeds Apr 1 to Aug 20 |
| Wilson's Storm-petrel Oceanites oceanicus This is not a Bird of Conservation Concern (BCC) in this area, but warrants attention because of the Eagle Act or for potential susceptibilities in offshore areas from certain types of development or activities. <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/10416</u> | Breeds elsewhere |

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Probability of Presence (

Green bars; the bird's relative probability of presence in the 10km grid cell(s) your project overlaps during that week of the year.

Breeding Season (

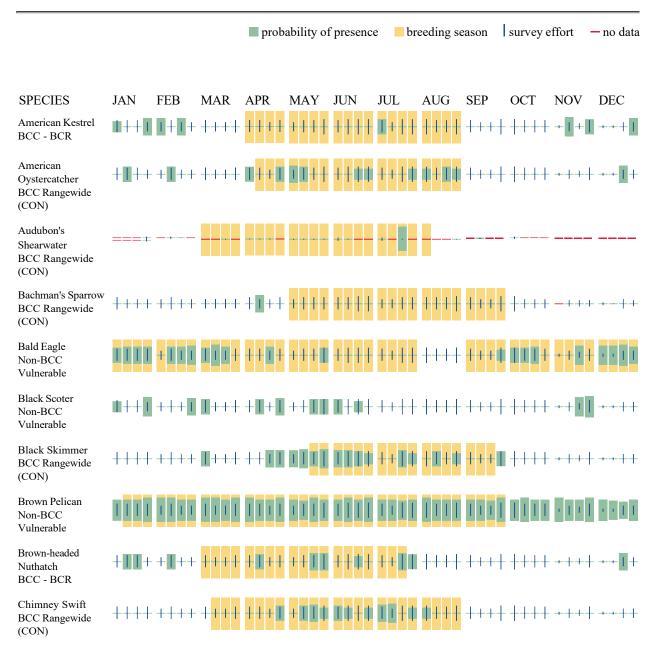
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Survey Effort (|)

Vertical black lines; the number of surveys performed for that species in the 10km grid cell(s) your project area overlaps.

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| Coastal (waynes) Black-throated Green Warbler BCC - BCR | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | <u>∎</u> ++∔ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | <mark>┼</mark> ┼┼┼ | ++++ | - ++++ | | • •++ |
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| Common Loon Non-BCC Vulnerable | 111 | + + | +++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++ | <u> </u> | +111 | ∎∔∔∔ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | + | · · + I |
| SPECIES Gull-billed Tern BCC Rangewide (CON) | JAN ++++ | FEB ++++ | MAR ++++ | APR ++++ | | JUN | JUL + | AUG ++++ | SEP ++++ | ОСТ ++++ | NOV +++ | DEC |
| King Rail BCC Rangewide (CON) | +++ | -+-+ | 1+ | ++++ | · · · I | ··++ | ++++ | ++++ | | + + | | + |
| Lesser Yellowlegs BCC Rangewide (CON) | ++++ | ++++ | ++1+ | + | ++++ | ┼┼┼║ | +++++ | ┼┼┼║ | +++# | + ++ | • • + + + + | ++ |
| Marbled Godwit BCC Rangewide (CON) | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ┼┼║┼ | ++++ | • ┼┼┼║ | ++++ | · + <mark>· </mark> + |
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| Prothonotary Warbler BCC Rangewide (CON) | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | +∎++ | + ∔ ∎∔ | ++++ | <u></u> ++∎∔ | ++++ | ++++ | - ++++ | • • + + + | - + + + + |
| Razorbill Non-BCC Vulnerable | +++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | + <mark>+</mark> +++ | ++++ | ++++ | <mark>┼</mark> ┼┼┼ | ++++ | • • + + + + | · ++ I + |
| Red-breasted Merganser Non-BCC Vulnerable | | 111 | 1111 | 111+ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | - ++++ | · +++ | • • + 1 |
| Red-headed Woodpecker BCC Rangewide (CON) | ₩ + ₩ + | + I ++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++∎ŧ | ++++ | <mark>∎</mark> ++∔ | ╶┼║┼┼ | - +++∔ | • • • • + + |
| Red-throated Loon Non-BCC Vulnerable | | + + | +++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | ++++ | · +++ | •++1 |
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| Ring-billed Gull Non-BCC Vulnerable | |
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| Royal Tern Non-BCC Vulnerable | **** |
| Ruddy Turnstone BCC - BCR | +++++ +++++ +++++ MM + MM + HM +++ MMMMMMMMMMMMM |
| Rusty Blackbird BCC - BCR | +++ -+-+ +++ -+++++++++++++ |
| Saltmarsh Sparrow BCC Rangewide (CON) | +++++ ++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++ |
| Short-billed Dowitcher BCC Rangewide (CON) | +++++ +++ u + + u ++ + uu + u ++++ ++++++++++ |
| Surf Scoter Non-BCC Vulnerable | +++++ +++++ +++++ ++++ +++++ +++++++++ |
| Swallow-tailed Kite BCC Rangewide (CON) | ╶┼┼┼┽╺┼┽┽╴ <mark>╡┇╎╡╶┇┇╎╡╶╖┇╡╎╴╖╪╎╎</mark> ╶┼┼┼┥┼┼┼┤┼┼┼┤ <mark>╎┼┼╴</mark> ╾╸╸╸╸ |
| Willet BCC Rangewide (CON) | TTTE TTE TETT TOTT TOTT THE THE TETT TOTT TO |
| Wilson's Plover BCC Rangewide (CON) | +++++ +++++ |
| Wilson's Storm- petrel Non-BCC Vulnerable | |

Additional information can be found using the following links:

- Eagle Management https://www.fws.gov/program/eagle-management
- Measures for avoiding and minimizing impacts to birds <u>https://www.fws.gov/library/</u> collections/avoiding-and-minimizing-incidental-take-migratory-birds
- Nationwide conservation measures for birds <u>https://www.fws.gov/sites/default/files/</u> <u>documents/nationwide-standard-conservation-measures.pdf</u>
- Supplemental Information for Migratory Birds and Eagles in IPaC <u>https://www.fws.gov/</u> <u>media/supplemental-information-migratory-birds-and-bald-and-golden-eagles-may-occur-</u> <u>project-action</u>

COASTAL BARRIERS

Projects within the John H. Chafee Coastal Barrier Resources System (CBRS) may be subject to the restrictions on Federal expenditures and financial assistance and the consultation requirements of the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (CBRA) (16 U.S.C. 3501 et seq.). For more information, please contact the local Ecological Services Field Office or visit the CBRA Consultations website. The CBRA website provides tools such as a flow chart to help determine whether consultation is required and a template to facilitate the consultation process.

| UNIT | NAME | ТҮРЕ | SYSTEM UNIT ESTABLISHMENT DATE | FLOOD INSURANCE PROHIBITION DATE |
|------|---------|---------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| L06 | Topsail | UNKNOWN | 10/18/1982 | 10/1/1983 |

MARINE MAMMALS

Marine mammals are protected under the <u>Marine Mammal Protection Act</u>. Some are also protected under the Endangered Species Act^{1} and the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora².

The responsibilities for the protection, conservation, and management of marine mammals are shared by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service [responsible for otters, walruses, polar bears, manatees, and dugongs] and NOAA Fisheries³ [responsible for seals, sea lions, whales, dolphins, and porpoises]. Marine mammals under the responsibility of NOAA Fisheries are **not** shown on this list; for additional information on those species please visit the <u>Marine Mammals</u> page of the NOAA Fisheries website.

The Marine Mammal Protection Act prohibits the take of marine mammals and further coordination may be necessary for project evaluation. Please contact the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Field Office shown.

- 1. The Endangered Species Act (ESA) of 1973.
- 2. The <u>Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora</u> (CITES) is a treaty to ensure that international trade in plants and animals does not threaten their survival in the wild.
- 3. <u>NOAA Fisheries</u>, also known as the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), is an office of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration within the Department of Commerce.

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West Indian Manatee *Trichechus manatus* Species profile: <u>https://ecos.fws.gov/ecp/species/4469</u>

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