

DRAFT JV Science Team Meeting Agenda (30–31 January 2019) **Upper Mississippi River / Great Lakes Joint Venture**

The JV Science Team will meet following the Midwest Fish and Wildlife Conference at the Hilton Hotel in Downtown Cleveland (100 Lakeside Avenue East, Cleveland OH 44114). If staying at this location, you can reserve a room at the Midwest Conference rate (\$139/night until 4 January; group code = MFWC) using the [online reservation site](#) or by calling the Hilton Cleveland at 216-413-5000. Additional hotels are also available within walking distance of the Hilton.

30 January, Wednesday **8:30 AM – 5:00 PM**

JV Waterbird Committee / Midwest Marsh Bird Working Group (8:30AM – 5:00PM)

Location: Superior Ballroom B, 5th Floor (Pierce and Monfils, Co-Chairs)

- Marsh bird project updates and collaboration
- Results of colonial-nesting waterbird meeting in Michigan
- Promoting new JV strategy to implementation network
- Prioritizing research and monitoring objectives

JV Landbird Committee (1:00 – 5:00PM)

Location: Room TBD (VanBeek and Tonra, Co-chairs)

- Landbird Stakeholder Survey preliminary results and completion approach
- JV Landbird Habitat Conservation Strategy discussion
 - Review 2018 JV Waterbird Strategy revision (id critical components)
 - Discuss use of pending stakeholder survey and 2014 survey results
 - Establish strategy completion schedule, with subcommittee leads
- Arrange a Spring 2019 committee meeting (dates and location), strategy focus

JV Waterfowl Committee (1:00 – 5:00PM)

Location: Room TBD (Coluccy and Straub, Co-Chairs)

- Wisconsin breeding wood duck project (Kali Rush, UWSP)
- NAWMP Priority Landscapes Project
- Update on Great Lakes sea duck conservation efforts
- Moving forward with research and monitoring priorities

31 January, Thursday **8:30 PM – 3:30 PM**

Location: Superior Ballroom B, 5th Floor (?)

Full JV Science Team (8:30AM – Noon)

- Science Team introductions, new members, and meeting overview (Soulliere)
- Project / program updates, with questions (**10-20 minutes, plus handouts**)
 - U.S. NABCI Human Dimensions Working Group update and Arkansas social science efforts (Ashley Gramza, Arkansas Fish and Game)
 - Integrating ecological services into waterfowl conservation (Ellen Herbert, DU)
 - Wetlands by Design: Ecological Goods and Services Tool, Wisconsin (Nic Miller, TNC)

- Wisconsin Waterfowl Conservation Strategy – a JV stepdown plan (Jake Straub)
- Overview on NFWF wetland restoration evaluation tool (Bob Gates)
- Moving waterbird conservation forward in the Midwest (Rachael Pierce)
- Modeling and mapping for JV conservation – update (Mohammed Al Saffar)
- Ecological / social assessments for wetland planning in Missouri (Frank Nelson)
- New approaches to JV Landbird Strategy revision (Tonra and VanBeek)
- Great Lakes Stopover Mapping Tool (Ewert)
- Correction factors for marsh bird abundance estimates (Brendan Shirkey)
- Wetlands vs. wet lands: rates of inundation during key periods (John O’Connell)
- JV budget and predicted flex-funds available for evaluation (Sidie-Slettedahl)

Noon – 1:30 PM Lunch (on your own)

Bird-Group Committee Break-out Sessions (1:30 – 3:00PM)

Bird-group Committees Reconvene (same room as Science Team meeting)

- Waterbird Committee (Continued)
- Landbird Committee (Continued)
- Waterfowl Committee (Continued)

Full JV Science Team (3:00 – 3:30PM)

Summaries and review

- Bird-group session summaries reported to full Science Team (Committee Chairs)
- Closing comments

Science Team meeting adjourned (with option for bird-group committees to continue into next day)

Committees of the UM/GL Joint Venture Science Team *(December 2018)*

JV Science Team

Greg Soulliere, Chair

Bird-group Committees

(Ad Hoc committees: Technical guidance through species and modeling expertise for JV conservation planning and evaluation)

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Technical Committee

(Standing committee:
Technical guidance through
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reviews and recommendations
for JV financial support)

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