British Columbia
Important Bird Areas
Program

Protecting BC’s Birds

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Working with communities to protect the birds of British Columbia

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Protecting birds around the world

Birds know no borders

Bird conservation must be world-wide, coordinated, cooperative

Think globally ~ Act locally
Important Bird Areas Program
– international goals

- **Identification** - critical sites for long-term viability of bird populations.
- **Designation** of IBAs based on criteria, followed by listing on website and awareness building.
- **Protection** - through assistance of local community, groups, individuals.
- **Monitoring** – trends in bird populations and conservation threats; field work, research and advocacy are required to safeguard sites.