

SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS
(arising from ScC-SC2)

ACTION PLAN FOR THE AMERICAS FLYWAYS
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GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT

- Rob Clay recommends not to submit the document at this stage until key North American stakeholders are consulted

COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS/ INCLUDING POSSIBLE PROPOSALS FOR TEXT REVISION

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Page 16, 2.1.3.3

- Amend typo gadfly petrels

BirdLife International

Background

Page 2, point 2:

- Resolution on flyways – which?

Page 2, point 4:

- Is the Task Force just for the Americas - Would be good if throughout it could say Americas Task Force.

Page 3, 5th paragraph

- Preambular 'Acknowledging': needs to be updated.

Page 7 point 2

- Not clear that WHMSI still exists?

Page 4, paragraph 1

- Clarify 'Flyways POW'

Page 4, paragraph 2-4

- These seem very confusing and repetitive eg para 2, last line, has targets 11 and 12 the wrong way around.

Page 5, paragraph 5 and Page 6 paragraph 1

- Isn't it out of date to mention Future Shape?

Page 6, last 7 paragraphs

- Given that this is the overall flyways resolution, it makes it very unbalanced that these paras focus on the Americas and the document lacks similar elements for the other flyways.

Page 6, paragraph 9

- It is not clear if this para refers only to the Americas and whether 'almost all species' refers only to shorebirds.

Page 7, point 4

- Should surely come before Point 3 as it establishes a – presumably Americas – Task Force to develop a – presumably – Americas Action Plan whereas point 3 adopts the Action Plan. Would be good if throughout it could say Americas Action Plan.

Page 7, point 6, line 1

- 'accordance with the'.

- Page 7, point 7, line 1
UN Environment.
- Page 7, point 8
Flyways WG could also provide a function of helping to coordinate coordinators of various Working Groups and Task Forces. Eg IKB, Poisoning, Landbirds, Energy, SAPs, Coasts.
- Page 8, point 9, line 1
'Framework as global tools to contribute'.
- Page 8, point 11
'partnership, within and outside the UN, relating'
- Page 8, point 14
Would be good to cross ref to climate change resolution.
- Page 8, point 16
Would be good to cross ref to coasts resolution

Annex 2

- Page 11, point 4
Could this also mention the resolutions/task forces on poisoning, energy, illegal killing?
- Page 12, point 11
Append ToR.
- Page 12, point 13, line 5
Replace 'unplanned' with 'inadequately planned'.
- Page 15, 1.1.6.5
Cross ref to the MIKT and its Scoreboard.
- Page 16, 3.1.1.4
d): socioeconomic and ecological.
- Page 17, 3.1.2
This action should be integrated under each relevant action, not stand alone.
- Page 17 5.2
Should this read Reporting on implementation of the global Programme of Work on Migratory Birds via the Americas Flyways Framework and its Action Plan as facilitated by its Americas Task Force.
- Page 18 6.1.1
Not clear what is meant by 'time guideline'

RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP12

The Conference of Parties should provide advice on the development of the Americas Flyways Action Plan.