

**SCIENTIFIC COUNCIL COMMENTS**

(arising from ScC-SC8)

**PROPOSAL FOR THE INCLUSION OF THE HUDSONIAN WHIMBREL (*NUMENIUS PHAEOPUS HUDSONICUS*) ON APPENDIX I OF THE CONVENTION  
UNEP/CMS/COP15/Doc.30.2.7**

(ScC-SC8 Agenda item 13.2.7)

**GENERAL COMMENTS ON THE DOCUMENT**

The Sessional Committee welcomed the proposal and mentioned that there is one important shorebird initiative not mentioned in the proposal, the Pacific Shorebird Conservation Initiative.

**RECOMMENDATIONS TO COP15**

The Scientific Council recommends to adopt the proposal including the proposed addition stated below.

**COMMENTS ON SPECIFIC SECTIONS/ INCLUDING POSSIBLE PROPOSALS FOR TEXT REVISION**

The following paragraph is proposed for addition under paragraph 7.1 on page 8 of the Listing Proposal document.

Examples of existing initiatives dedicated to promoting concerted actions towards the conservation of the Hudsonian whimbrel and its habitat include the Atlantic Flyway Shorebird Initiative (AFSI; <https://atlanticflywayshorebirds.org/>), the Pacific Shorebird Conservation Initiative (PSCI; <https://pacificflywayshorebirds.org/>), the Midcontinent Shorebird Conservation Initiative (MSCI; <https://midamericasshorebirds.org/>), and Road to Recovery (R2R; <https://r2rbirds.org/>). AFSI, PSCI and MSCI all identified priority actions to reverse the decline of focal shorebird species in the Americas.