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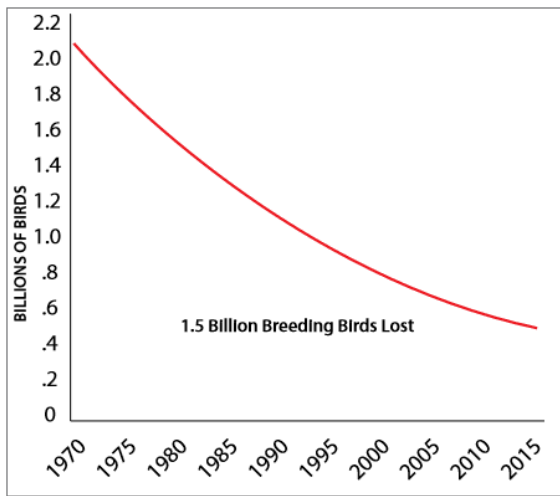
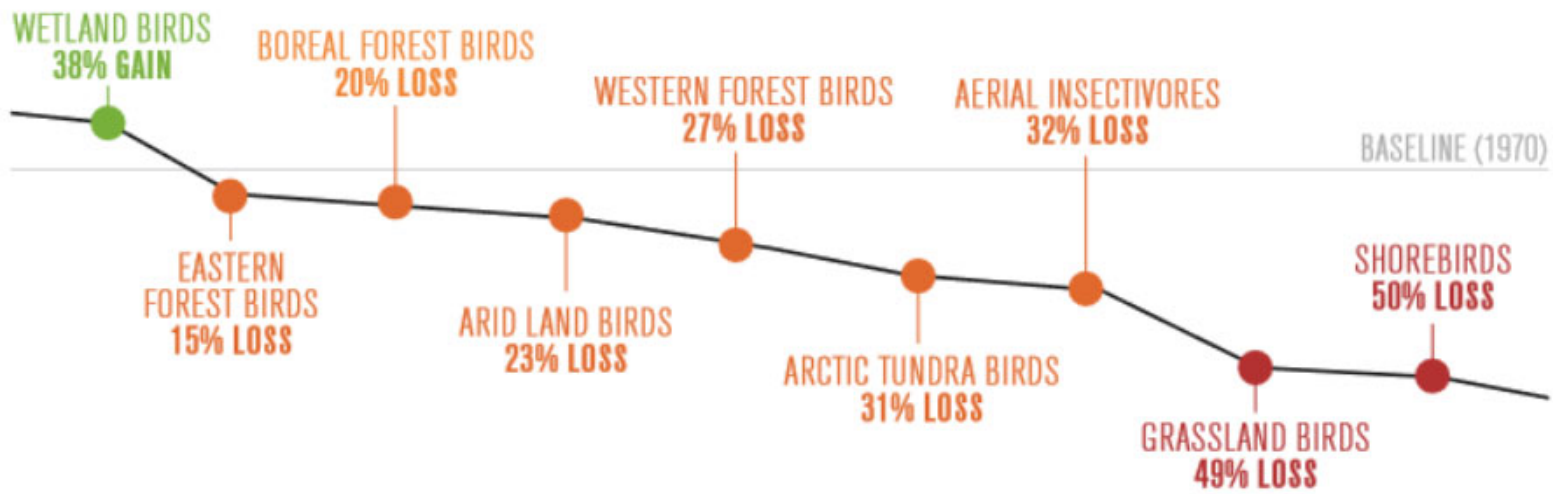


Figure 1. Over the past 40 years, the total loss of abundance across 46 steeply declining landbird species has been staggering and could disrupt the structure and function of the ecosystems of which they are a part.



Eastern Meadowlark by Doris Brookens | Macaulay Library



**AMERICAN BIRD
CONSERVANCY**

**ENDANGERED
BIRDS**

*Protected Area Creation and
Sustainability to Save Species*

BIRDS OF CONSERVATION CONCERN

*Delivering Habitat Management and Landowner Incentives
Across the Continent*

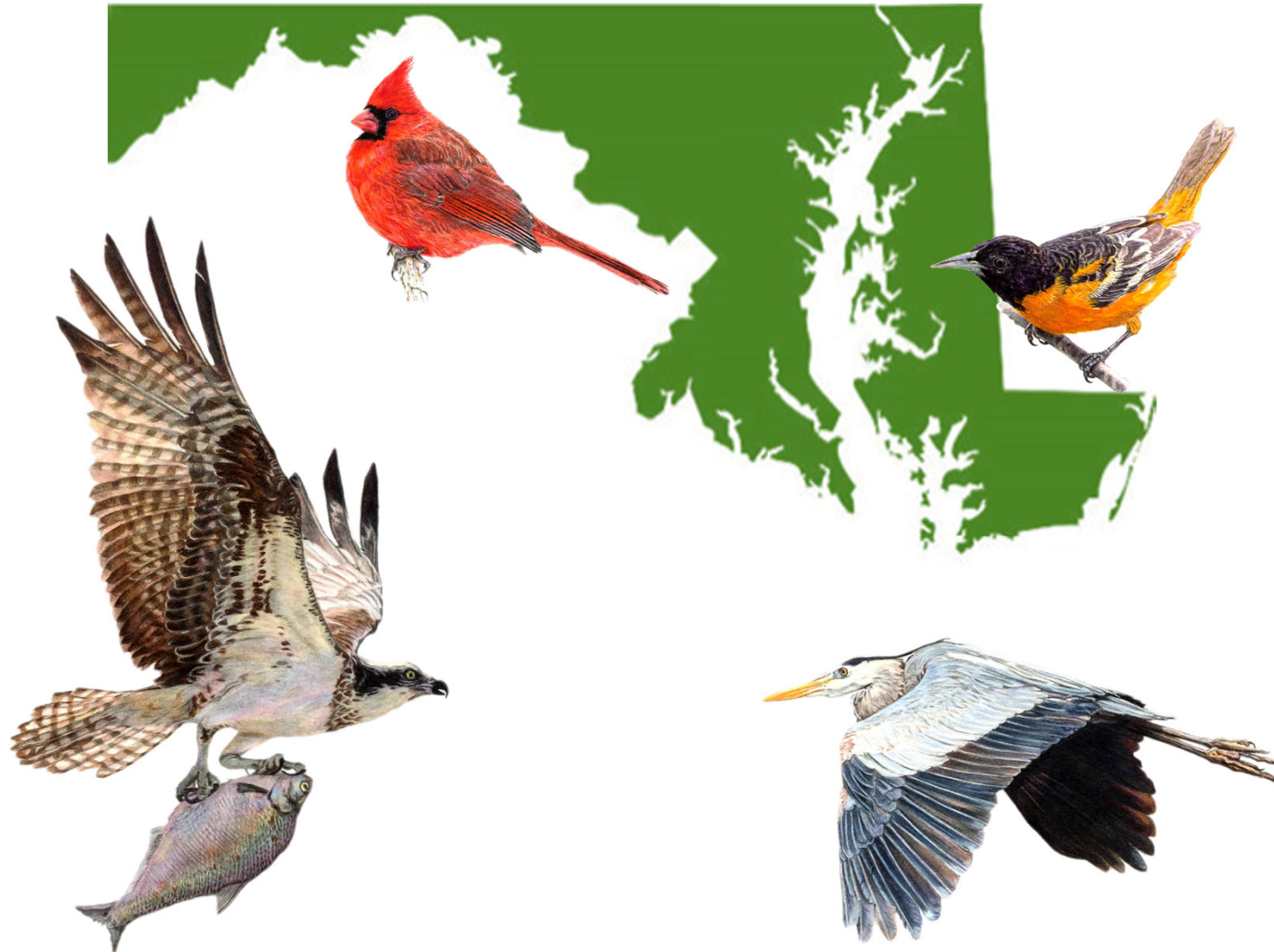
THREATS TO ALL BIRDS

Working to Find Solutions with Policymakers and the Private Sector

BUILDING CONSERVATION CAPACITY

Fueling the Engine that Drives Bird Conservation

Maryland is a bird state and a birding state.

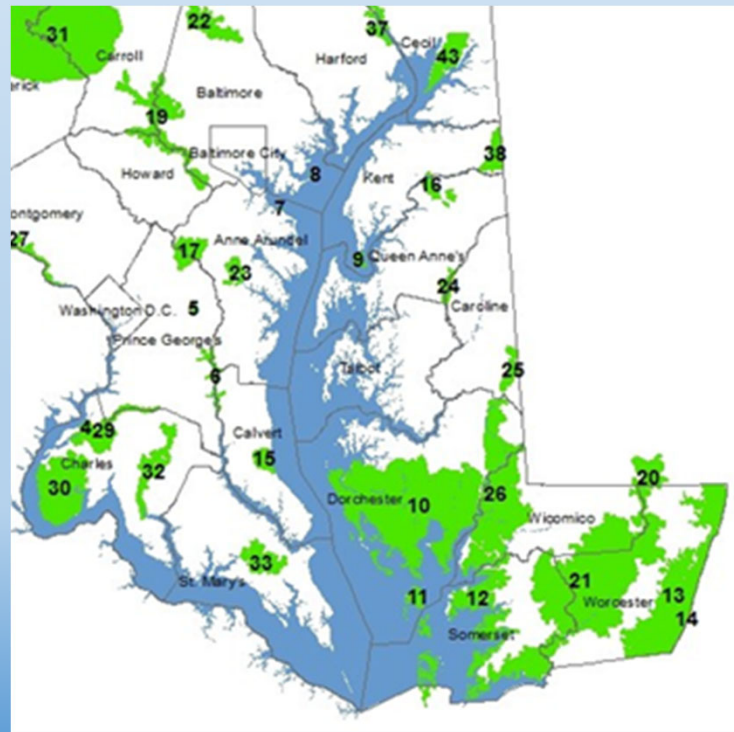


Chesapeake Bay and its marshes are globally important for birds. Especially the western shore of the Delmarva Peninsula.

Maryland is Globally Important for the Bald Eagle, and Osprey.



Several shorebird sites are of critical importance, and need to be managed for this.

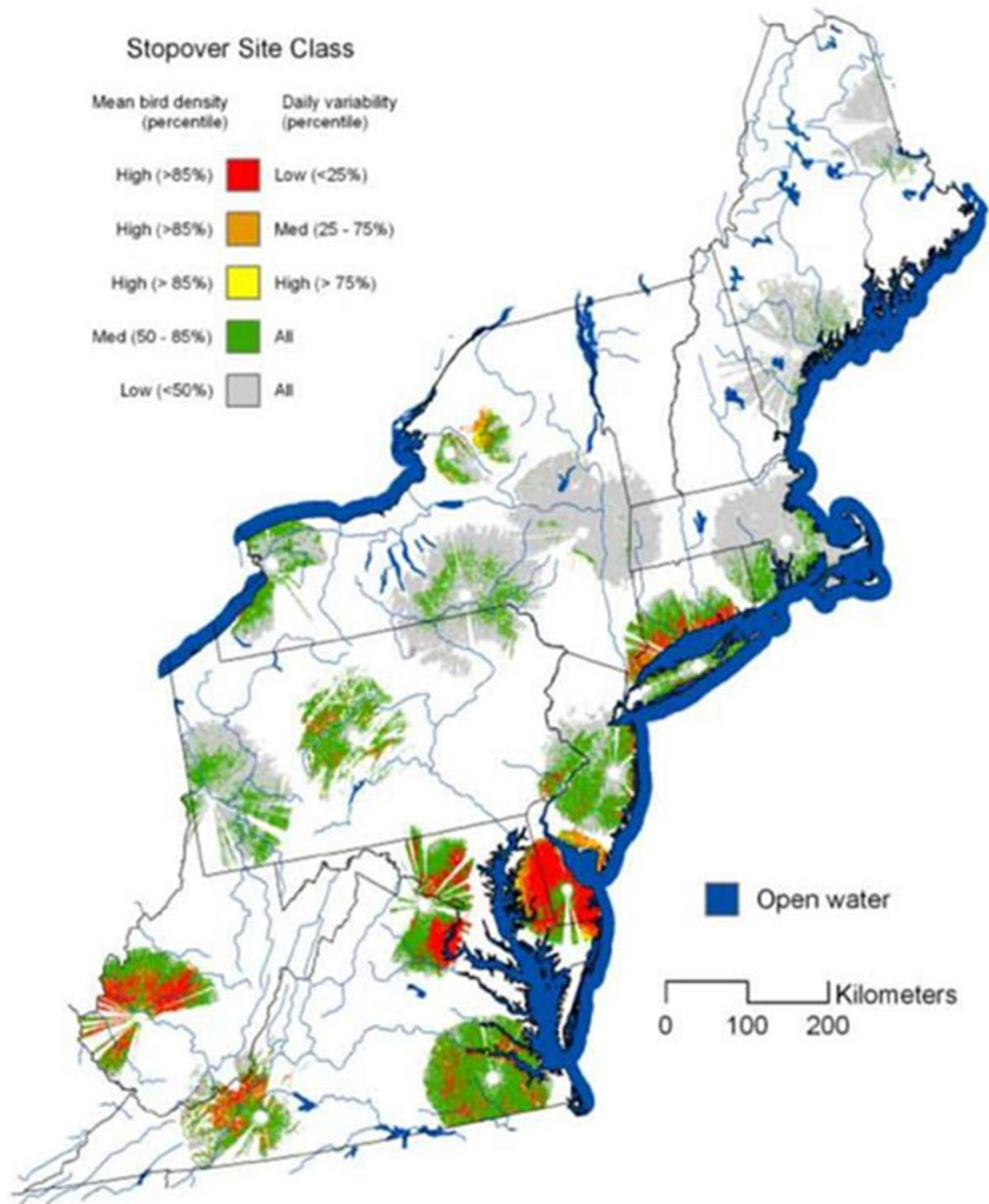


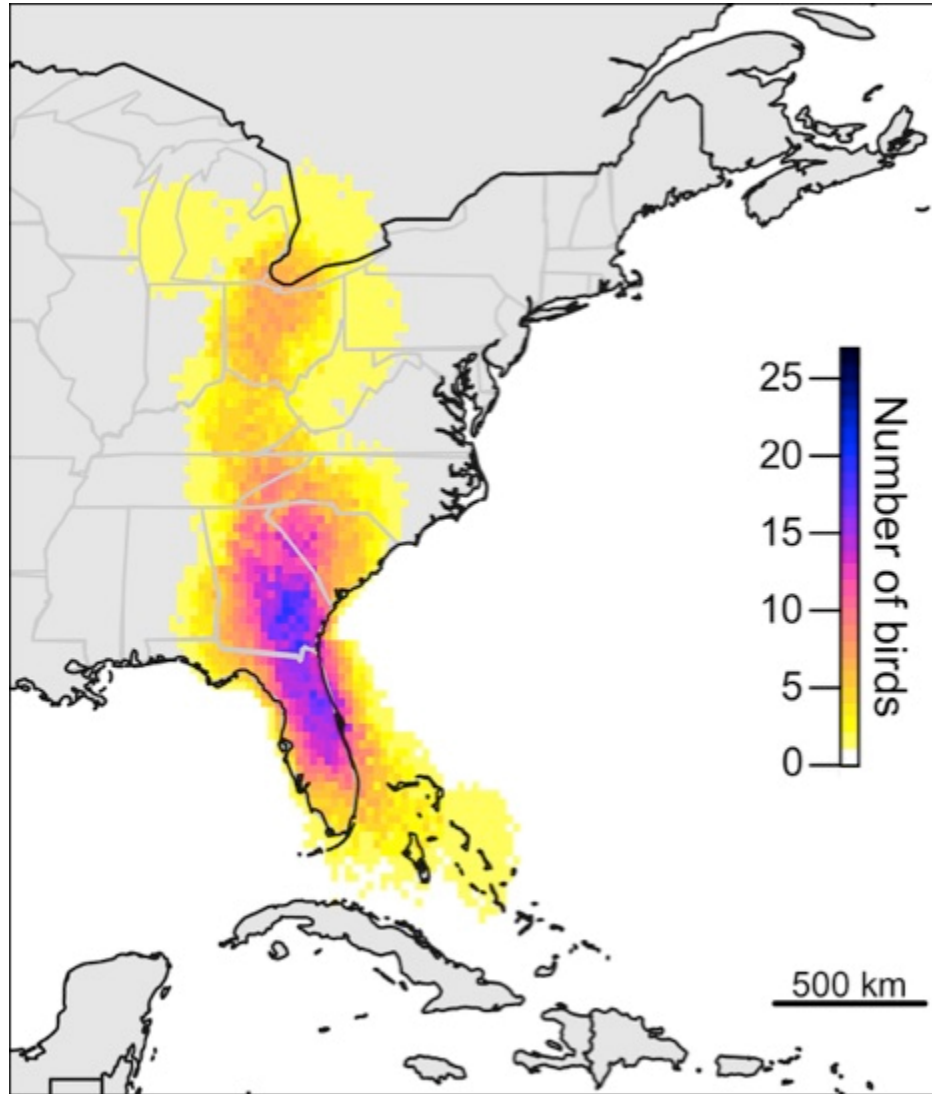
The eastern Black Rail is going extinct and Whip-poor-will and Northern Bobwhite are disappearing from the state and the mid-Atlantic as a whole.

Maryland falls along a critical migration route and you can do a lot of damage to eastern migratory bird populations with light pollution, the loss of habitat refugia, and other threats.

Stopover Site Class

Mean bird density (percentile)	Daily variability (percentile)
High (>85%)	Low (<25%)
High (>85%)	Med (25 - 75%)
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Med (50 - 85%)	All
Low (<50%)	All



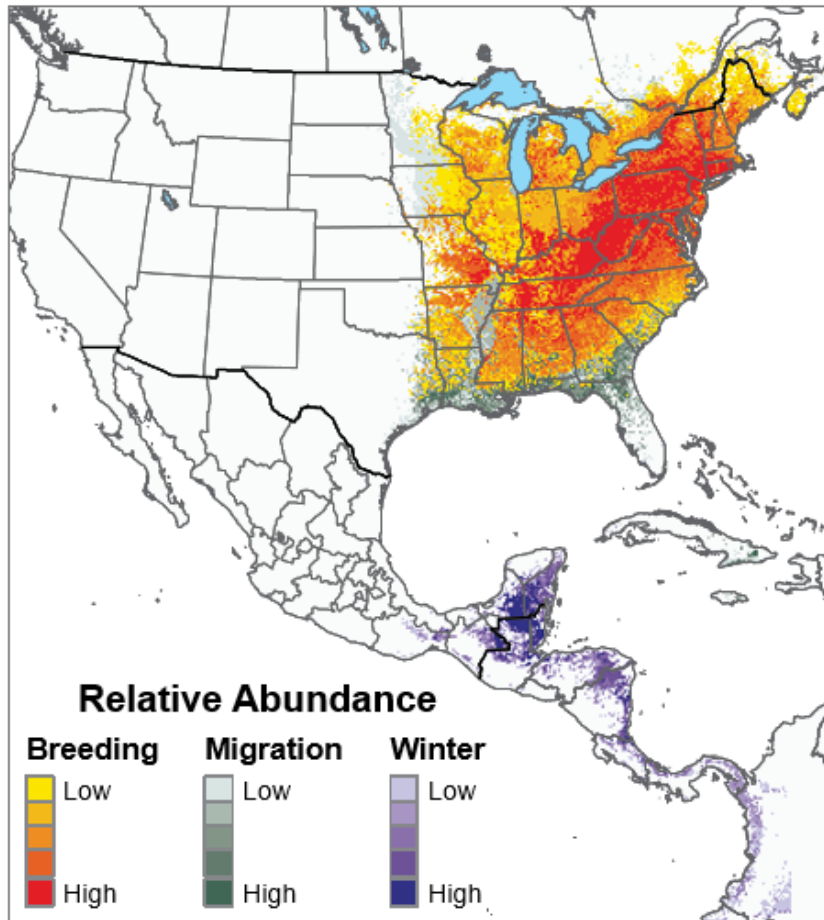


Kirtland's Warbler photo by USFWS; Joel Trick

**You can't protect all habitat -
so you have to work with
landowners in production
landscapes in farmland,
pasture, and forest.**

**You cannot
conserve**

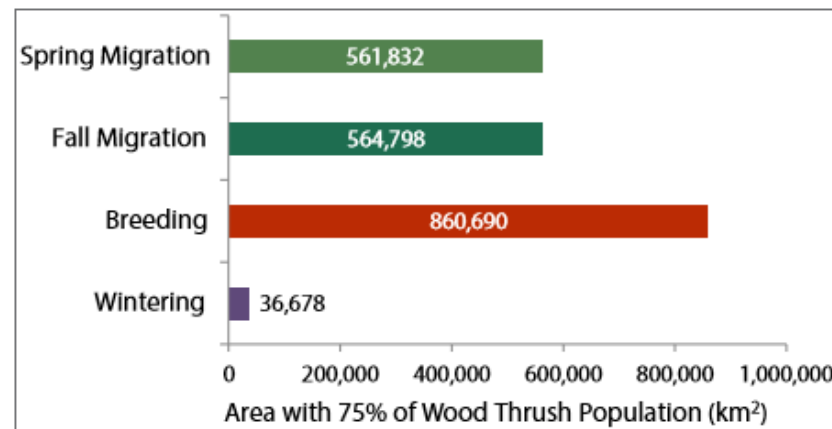
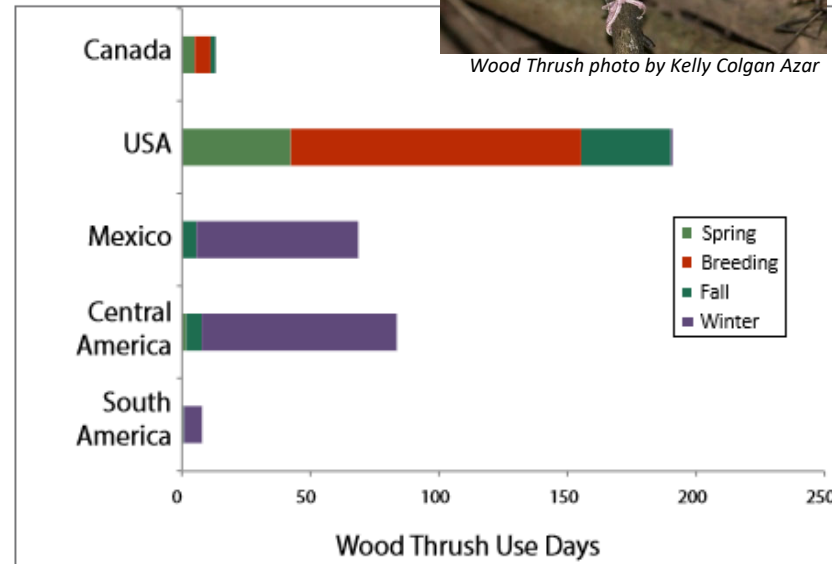
**Maryland's birds by
working only in
Maryland.**



Figures 4,5,6 (starting left and moving clockwise). eBird data for Wood Thrush helps guide new conservation efforts throughout the hemisphere.



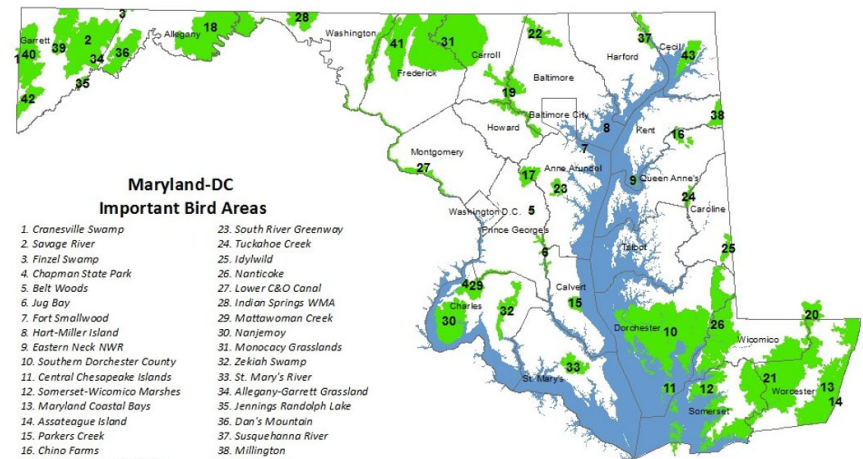
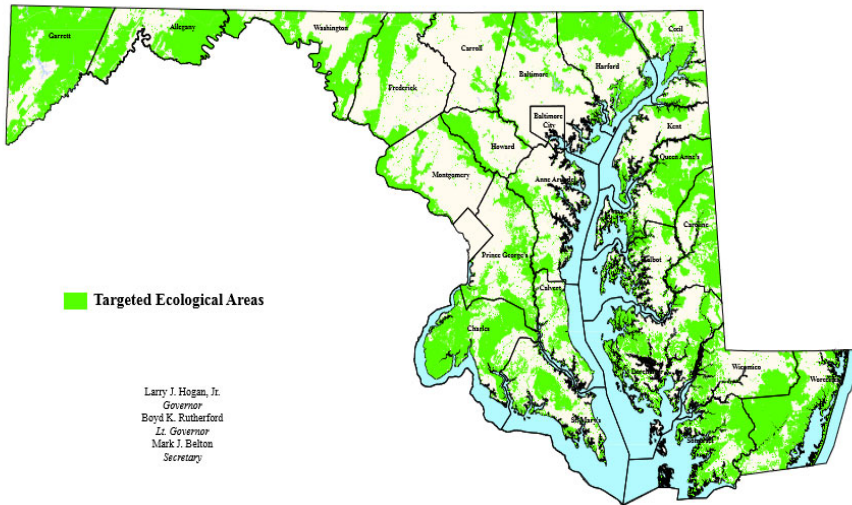
Wood Thrush photo by Kelly Colgan Azar



A broad-based partnership with DNR, Audubon, and local bird groups, will be vital to success linking to national and regional initiatives such as Bird City, Safe Skies, the AMJV, the ACJV and others.

Conserving Important Bird Areas and proper planning through GreenPrint, along with Farm Bill and other incentives for best management are vitally important.

POS Stateside - Targeted Ecological Areas



**Science is key and especially to
to understand Black Rail
management needs, shorebird
management needs, forest and
grassland best management
practices.**