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MEETINGS OF INTEREST

Fifth Alaska Bird Conference and Workshop, Anchorage, Alaska, 19-22 November 1991.

For information write to: Robert E. Gill, Jr., U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, 1011 E. Tudor Rd., Anchorage, AK 99507.

Seventh North American Arctic Goose Conference, California Maritime Academy, Vallejo, California, 1-12 January 1992.

For information contact: Bob McLandress, Co-chair, California Waterfowl Association, 3840 Rosin Ct., Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95834.

Pacific Seabird Group Annual Meeting, Oregon Institute of Marine Biology, University of Oregon, Charleston, Oregon, 15-19 January 1992.

For information write to: Palmer Sekora, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Finley Wildlife Refuge, 26208 Finley Refuge Rd., Corvallis, OR 97333.

Missouri River Piping Plover and Least Tern Symposium/Workshop, Lincoln, Nebraska, 4-6 February 1992.

For information contact: Kenneth F. Higgins, P.O. Box 2206, South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD 57007.

Eastern Bird Banding Association Annual Meeting, Keller Conference Center, Penn State University, State College, Pennsylvania, 27-29 March 1992.

For information call: Janet Shaffer, 814-356-3553.

STENDELL, R. C., D. S. GILMER, N. A. COON, AND D. M. SWINEFORD. 1988. Organochlorine and mercury residues in Swainson's and Ferruginous Hawk eggs collected in North and South Dakota, 1974-79. *Environ. Monit. Assess.* 10:37-41.

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GRANTS FOR NONGAME WILDLIFE RESEARCH IN MINNESOTA

The Minnesota Nongame Wildlife Program is soliciting proposals for projects to be conducted during the 1992 and/or 1993 field seasons (or longer). Proposals should be for work contributing to the conservation and management of nongame wildlife (vertebrate or invertebrate) in Minnesota. High priority will be given to projects focusing on state endangered, threatened, or special concern species, native grassland species, wetland/aquatic species, and topics relevant to the management of state parks. Appropriate projects may include censuses/surveys, studies of life history/population dynamics/habitat requirements, assessment or identification of habitat quality/quantity, design of long-term monitoring programs, development/evaluation of land use/management techniques, and a wide variety of other topics. Awards average \$3000 per year, but requests up to \$10,000 per year will be considered. The deadline for submitting proposals is January 1, 1992. Decisions will be announced no later than March 1, 1992. For program guidelines, proposal format, list of research ideas, E&T species list, and other information, please contact: Richard J. Baker, Nongame Wildlife Program, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources, Box 7, 500 Lafayette Road, St. Paul, MN 55155-4007 (or call at 612-297-3764). Funding comes from contributions to the Minnesota Nongame Wildlife Tax Checkoff and Minnesota State Parks merchandise sales.

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SIGURD T. OLSON COMMON LOON RESEARCH AWARD

LoonWatch is accepting applications for its seventh annual award for research on Common Loons in the Western Upper Great Lakes region of the United States and Canada. To apply for cash awards up to \$1000, a brief description (maximum 10 pp.) of the proposed research program and curriculum vitae should be submitted by the principal investigator to Terry Daulton Dunn, Coordinator, LoonWatch, Sigurd Olson Environmental Institute, Northland College, Ashland, Wisconsin 54806. Proposals must be received by January 10, 1992. Proposals by students should be accompanied by 2 letters of recommendation. The award will be granted on the basis of the project's potential to better understand and manage Upper Great Lakes populations of Common Loons. Guidelines for applicants are available from LoonWatch.

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The International Osprey Foundation Grant

The International Osprey Foundation seeks applications for its third grant to support graduate research on Ospreys or other raptors. Applicants should submit a proposal outlining the project and the intended use of the funds by 31 December 1991. The project description should be no more than two pages. Send an itemized estimate of expenses, and the name, address and phone number of the graduate supervisor to TIOF, Endowment Fund, P.O. Box 250, Sanibel, FL 33957-0250.

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The Birds of North America Project

The Birds of North America Project invites inquiries from ornithologists interested in producing thorough accounts of the biology of avian species breeding in the USA and Canada. Modern authoritative accounts are needed for sound conservation planning and management of game and nongame species, as well as to catalyze further research. Each account, 30-40 double-spaced typewritten pages in length, will be available electronically and as an individual, printed fascicle fitted to an attractive loose-leaf binder, ensuring rapid, economical distribution and accessibility without the rigid sequence constraints and production delays of book publication. Contributors, amateur and professional alike, can expect a modest administrative subsidy, a discount on the series, and recognition as an authority on their species. If you would like to participate, call or write soon; species are being assigned quickly. Alan F. Poole, Managing Director, Birds of N. America/ANSP, 1900 Franklin Pkwy, Philadelphia, PA 19103-1195.