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mine how predictable or variable the use of herring roe is by migrant shorebirds, the degree of their dependence upon this resource, and its energetic importance to subsequent breeding success. Dependency by other species, such as Wandering Tattlers (Heteroscelus incanus), Rock Sandpipers (Calidris ptilocnemis), and Ruddy Turnstones, on herring roe may have escaped our notice in 1989. The possible role of gulls in shorebirds' ability to locate feeding opportunities deserves attention. Finally, if spawning by herring and the dynamics of migration by Surfbirds and Black Turnstones are strongly linked, how have these links developed and survived through the Pleistocene and Holocene?

As a public-policy consequence of the findings to date and in the future, it may be timely to outline steps to include northern Montague Island in the Western Hemisphere Shorebird Reserve Network. Such consideration would bring this segment of Prince William Sound to equal and appropriate footing with habitats in the better known Copper River Delta system.

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