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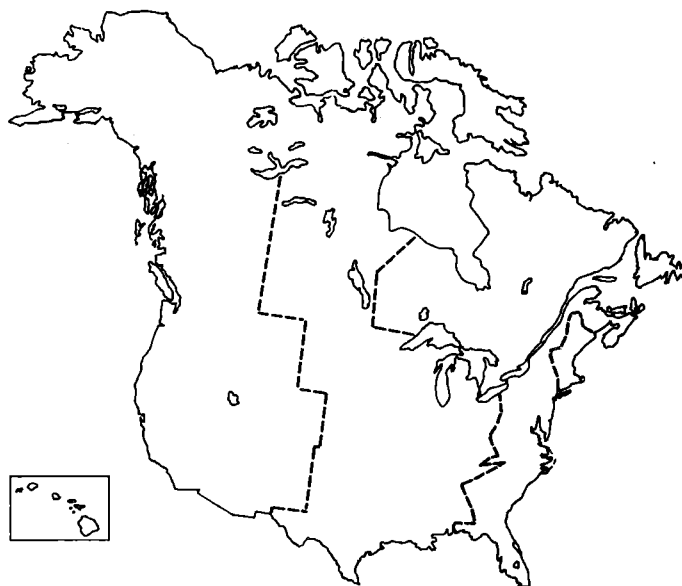
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We are very pleased to announce that, beginning with this issue, the Inland Bird Banding Association is joining with the Eastern and Western Bird Banding Associations in the publication of *North American Bird Bander*. Thus, *North American Bird Bander* will in fact, and not just in name, be truly North American in scope and thus reach many more banders in this area. We expect that the increased circulation will attract more authors and manuscripts for this increased readership. The result should be a bigger and better journal and better communication among banders, which — after all — is the principal goal of the respective banding associations.

This is a long and eagerly awaited milestone in the history of bird banding in North America, and we are grateful to all those who have made it possible.

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We wish to take this opportunity to welcome Inland Bird Banding Association and its editor, Dr. Jerome Jackson, into the co-production of *North American Bird Bander*.

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