



Pacific Shorebird Conservation Initiative

RIVER GATES



**PACIFIC SHOREBIRD
CONSERVATION INITIATIVE**

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USFWS/USAID- Shorebird Conservation in Latin America
Grant program and projects cancelled (\$9 M)

Story Map updated by partners in 2026
incl. 4 new projects and 3 updated projects



Collection

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This collection of StoryMaps provides an overview of the Pacific Shorebird Conservation Initiative and showcases the partners' accomplishments under seven different strategies.

Get started



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2 Cultivate and Empower Conservation Constituencies



3 Manage and Conserve Existing Habitats



4 Conservation Initiatives with Natural Resource Industries



5 Strengthen Compliance and Enforcement



6 Develop Environmental and Wildlife Protection Policies



7 Improve Knowledge of Present and Future Habitats



8 Increase Partner and Stakeholder Capacity



9 Ways You Can Help

Pacific Shorebird Conservation Story Map



Manage and Conserve Existing Habitats

Projects

● Creating Shorebird Habitat on Private Wetlands during Migration

● Audubon California Salton Sea Program

● Population assessment and management for the conservation of the American Oystercatcher on the coast of Sinaloa

● Management and Conservation of Shorebird Habitat in Bahía de Ceuta, Sinaloa, Mexico

● Hydrogeomorphological Management Plan for the Huizache - Caimanero Lagoon System, Rosario, Sinaloa, Mexico

● Surveys for Migrant Arctic Shorebirds in Guatemala

● Contribution to the Climate Adaptation Plan of Punta Soldado Island, Colombia

● Solutions for the Sustainable Coexistence between Humans and Aquatic Birds in La Segua, Ecuador

● Conserving Ecuasal, a priority IBA for migratory shorebirds in Ecuador

● "Our Hands, Their Wings": Shorebirds in Chile and Threats Reduction at the Maipo River Delta, a



Project Investment

\$6.4M

USD (cash and in-kind)

Number of hectares

161.5k

restored, protected, enhanced, or prepared for climate resilience

Individuals reached digitally

388.6k

by outreach, training, or technical assistance activities

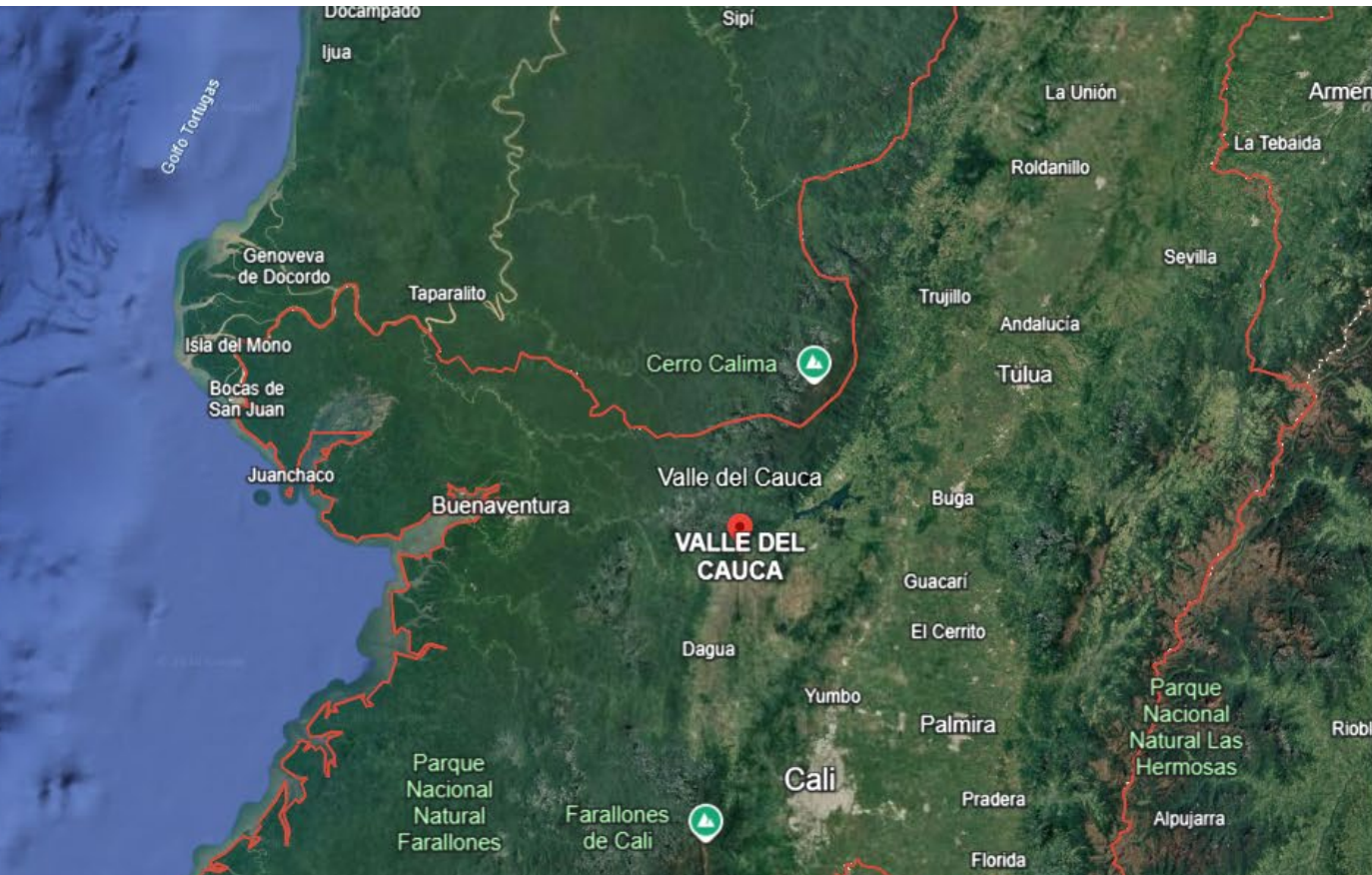
Best Management Practices

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created or implemented



Cauca Valley Colombia



📍 Valle del Cauca



Valle del Cauca is a department in southwestern Colombia. Along its Pacific Ocean coastline are beaches, while inland are the Andes Mountains. Capital city Santiago de Cali is renowned as a center for salsa dancing and music. The hilltop San Antonio Church has a collection of wooden religious statuary from the 1600s. Whitewashed La Merced Church dates to the 16th century.

📌 Save to project



Shorebird capture and banding trainings

- Worked with graduate students at ICESE to capture Lesser Yellowlegs and equip with Lotek Sunbird Pinpoint tags (2g)
- Invited local partners to participate in shorebird capture workshop for 5 days at the rice farm.



Professional exchange during
a NABC Passerine Banding
Training hosted by CHIC



Worked with research assistants on
capturing shorebirds at 2 coastal sites in
Puerto Williams

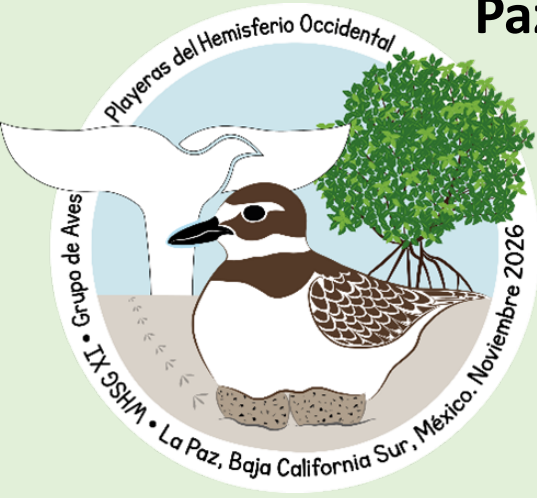


White-rumped Sandpiper Motus





11th Western Hemisphere Shorebird Group held in La Paz, Baja California Sur, Mexico, November 9-13, 2026



Science program

Workshops and side-meetings

Travel awards

Sponsors/ local organizers

North American Banding Council (NABC)
shorebird capture and banding training
workshop

Lifetime and Student Achievement Awards



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