



New Jersey Important Bird and
Birding Areas Program
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Guide to Working with Landowners

The NJ IBBA program is not a regulatory program, rather the program seeks to identify a network of sites providing habitat essential to birds, and sites exceptional for birding in New Jersey. In all likelihood, qualifying sites will represent the type of land stewardship and positive management practices that yield long-term conservation benefits for birds and other wildlife. The NJ IBBA Program offers potential recognition and assistance for good land stewardship and should be used to foster trust and cooperation with landowners and managers.

The cooperation and participation of private landowners and public land managers is key to the success of the NJ IBBA Program. When considering any site as an Important Bird or Birding Area, whether public or private, NJ Audubon Society and our volunteers should respect the right of privacy and the rights and authority of landowners and managers.

If you, as a nominator, have any doubts about how an NJ IBBA nomination will be received by a private landowner or manager, do not attempt to contact them. Instead, simply fill out the nomination form(s), and indicate any concerns in the Additional Comments/Supporting Information section. If you have any further questions contact the IBBA Coordinator at 609-861-0700 or cristina.frank@njaudubon.org.