

China Report concerning Conservation and Rehabilitation of Habitats for Key Migratory Birds in North-East Asia

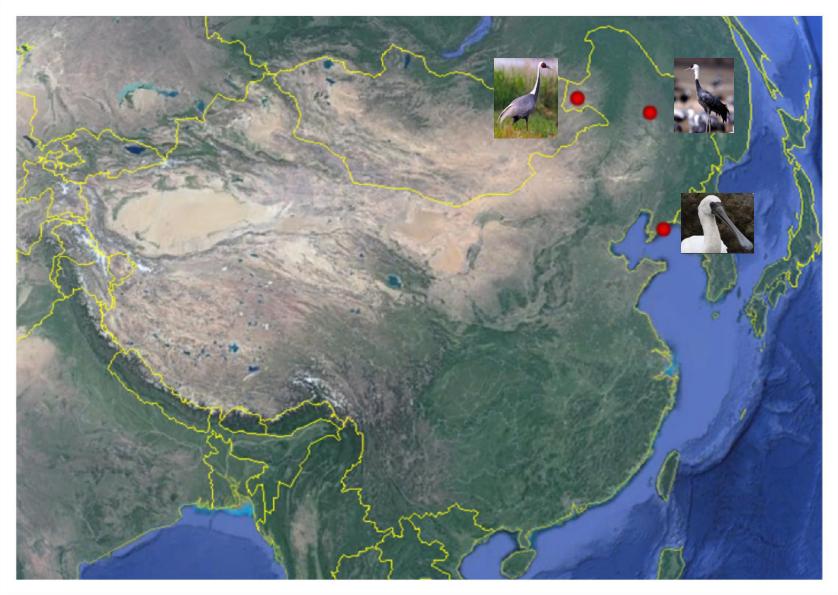
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Scoping Surveys on Black-faced spoonbill *Platalea minor*

• Date: May, 2014

• Sites: Islands along east coasts of Dalian

Surveyors: NBBC,
 Bird research center
 of Liaoning



S47 photoed at Zhuanghe Estuary





Xingrentuo Island, 11 nests



Niuxintuo Island, 10 nests



Conservation

• The greatest threat to the black-faced spoonbill breeding population comes from the potential destruction of the Zhuanghe Estuary coastal beach.



The forage site at Dalian-Zhuanghe Estuary, Dalian



What to do

Firstly, the establishment of a national nature reserve for the longterm protection of the black-faced spoonbill breeding sites.

Secondly, human disturbance is also an important factor threatening the black-faced spoonbill breeding population. The direct protection of the breeding island is also absolutely necessary.

Thirdly, strengthen the relationship between the protection department and local villagers.



Scoping Surveys on White-naped crane Grus vipio

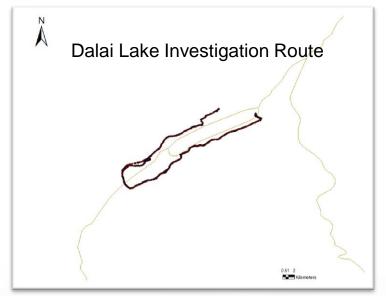
Time: August 31 to September 4, 2014

➤ Surveyors: NBBC. Local NNR

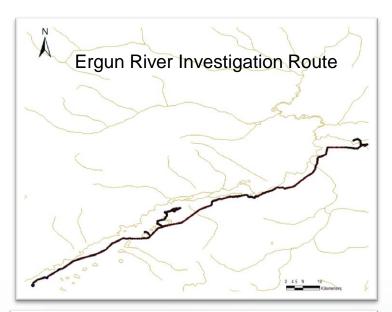
Sites: Dalai Lake, Ergun River Basin, and the Huihe River

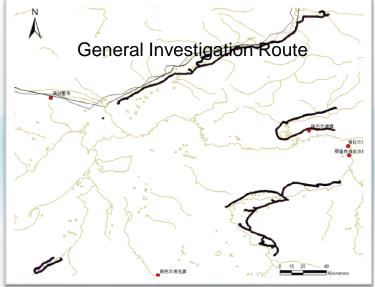














36 white-naped crane were recorded in the Huihe, including 8 families and 10 single individuals;

None were observed in either the Dalai lake NNR or the Ergun River.

Besides the white-naped crane, a total of 72 red-crowned cranes, including 9 families and 40 single individuals in the Huihe NNR.

21 hooded and 27 common cranes







The three sites are important breeding sites for cranes, great bustard Otis tarda, swan goose, these areas have become the migration route and important stopover sites for migratory birds.







Conservation

- habitat loss and degradation were the primary factors threatening the cranes.
- rince 2000, Dalai Lake and its surrounding area have had serious drought, and the lake area has continued to decrease, which affects crane habitats.
- human disturbance has also had a negative influence on the crane at the Dalai NNR.



What to do

we must take effective measures to reduce the human activities, such as public awareness education.







Scoping Surveys on Hooded crane Grus monacha

Time: April and May

of 2015

Surveyors: NBBC,

Local NNR

Sites: Lindian wetland in Heilongjiang





230 and 450 hooded cranes were recorded, respectively.

14 red-crowned, 4 white-naped, 47 common cranes, and 4 oriental white stork.







Conservation

There are no effective management measures for the protection of hooded cranes at Lindian Wetland.





What to do

Firstly, demonstrate the best management practices for key habitats of Hooded Cranes, such as agriculture plantation and management pattern change.

Secondly, local governments should increase monitoring efforts, and conduct public awareness education.





Migration of Some Important Birds in China































































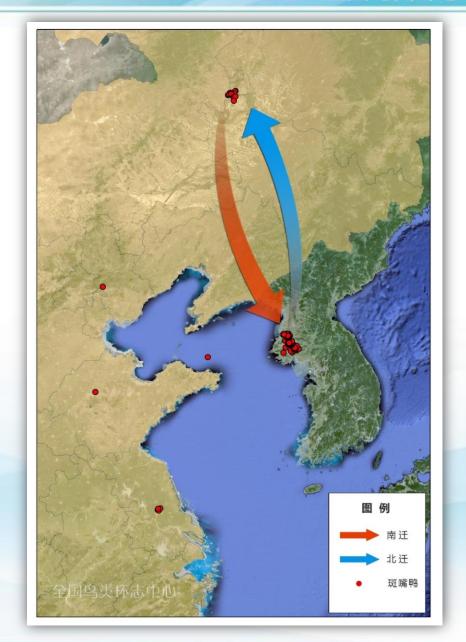




斑嘴鸭 Spot-billed Duck





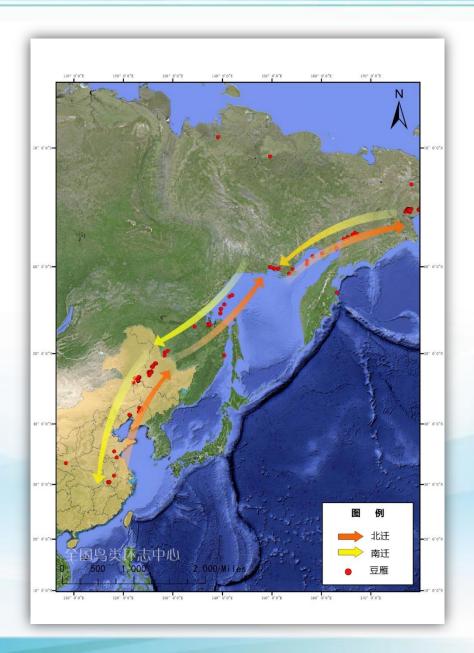




豆雁 Bean Goose



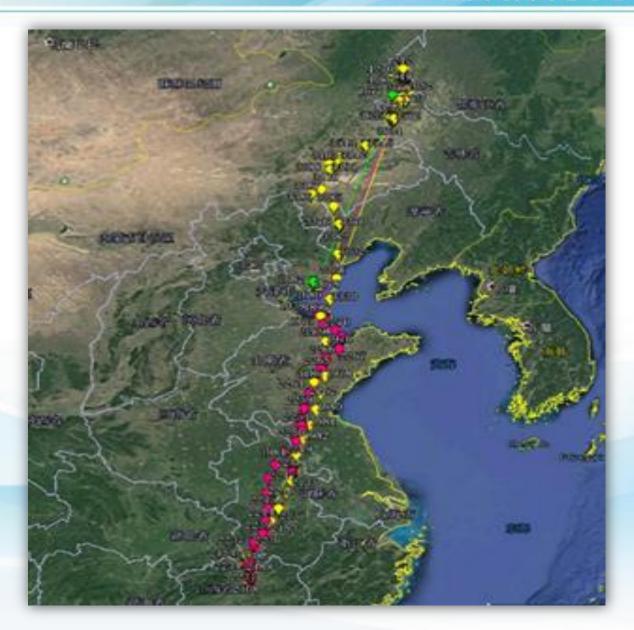






灰雁 Greylag Goose



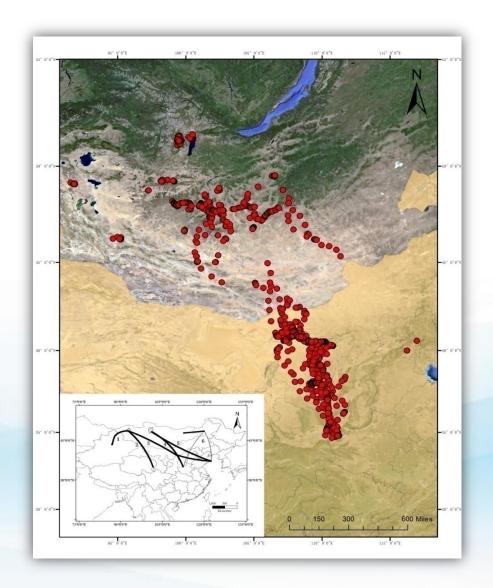




大天鹅 Whooper Swan





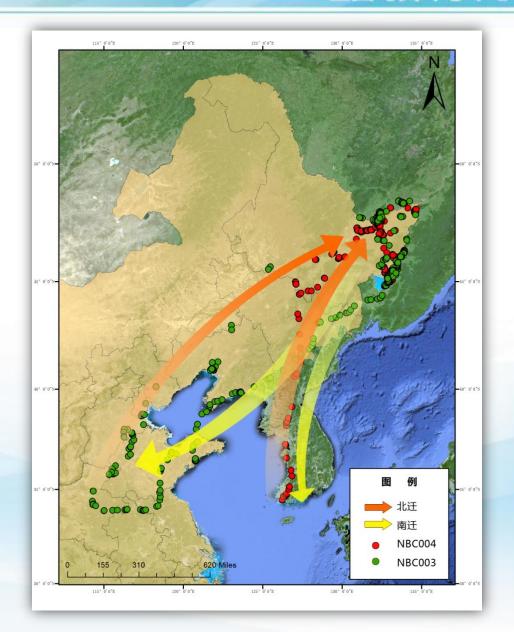




东方白鹳 Oriental White Stork



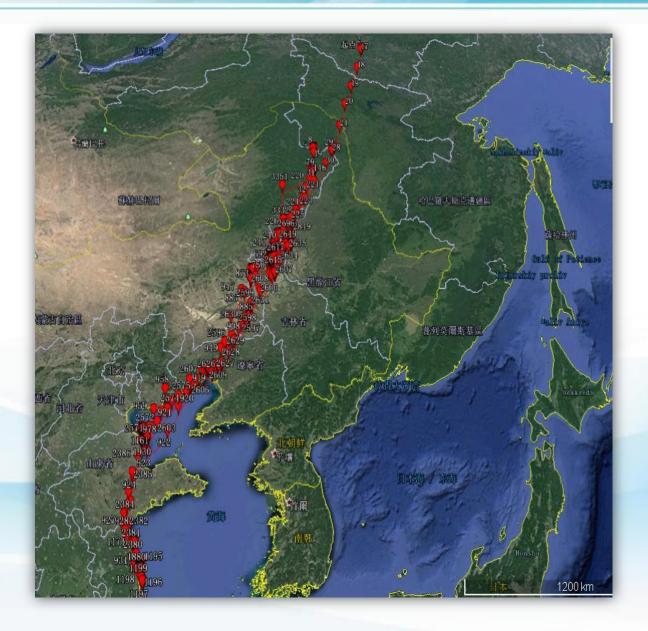






灰鹤 Common Crane



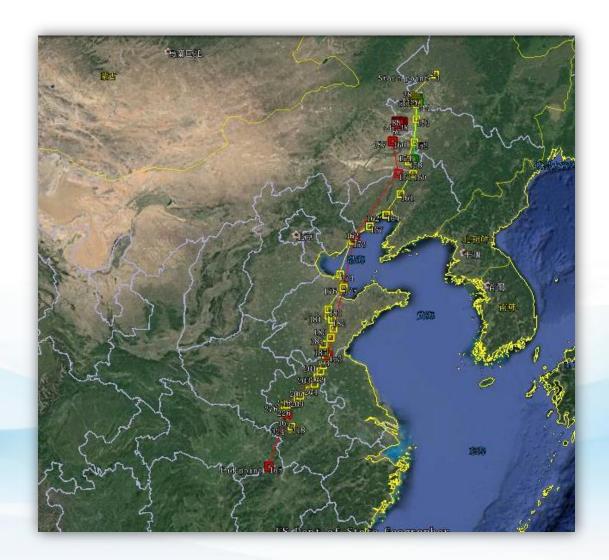




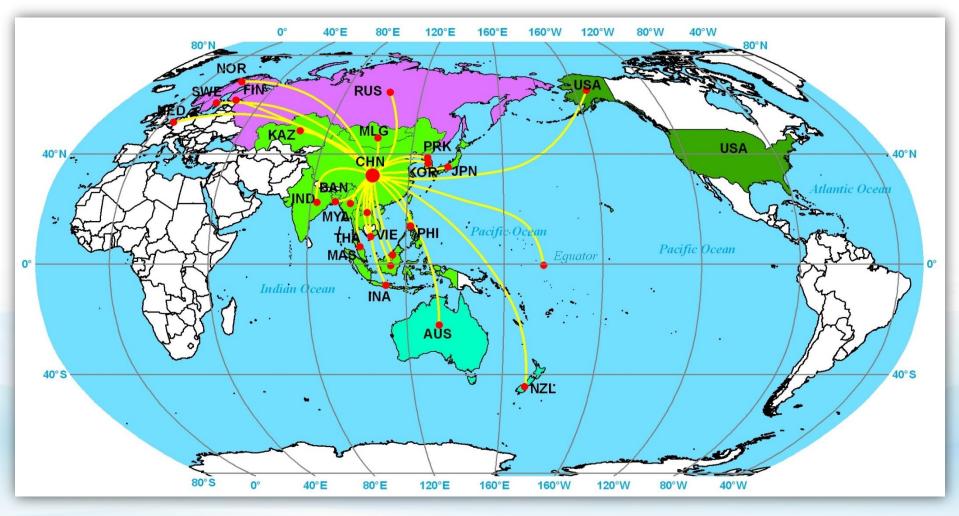
白鹤 Siberian Crane











Since 1983, a total of 832 species 3,425,971 birds were banded or color marked, and 223 species 13,044 birds recovered or resighted.











Population surveys

Endangerment mechanism researches

Habitat Rehabilitation

Reintroduction



Future

- 1. Enhance information exchange (color marking observation)
- 2. Organize the coordinated and simultaneous surveys on migratory birds with common interests
- 3. Demonstrate the best management practices for key habitats of threatened cranes, such as Red-crowned Cranes and Hooded Cranes
- 4. Initiate the international natural school for increasing the public awareness education











Thanks for your attention