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State-Level Policies Scale Conservation Efforts and Earn Victories for Birds and People



At a time when Congress is gridlocked and federal policy moves slowly, state legislatures offer a chance to scale conservation efforts and make meaningful progress for birds. ABC works on bird-friendly policies throughout the U.S., supporting localized conservation solutions that benefit birds and ecosystems. Whether it's protecting horseshoe crabs to keep Red Knots fueled for migration, or nixing

neonicotinoids and other harmful pesticides, **ABC's policy team** helps secure positive outcomes for birds across the country.

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Tell Congress: Don't Roll Back Progress for the Lesser Prairie-Chicken

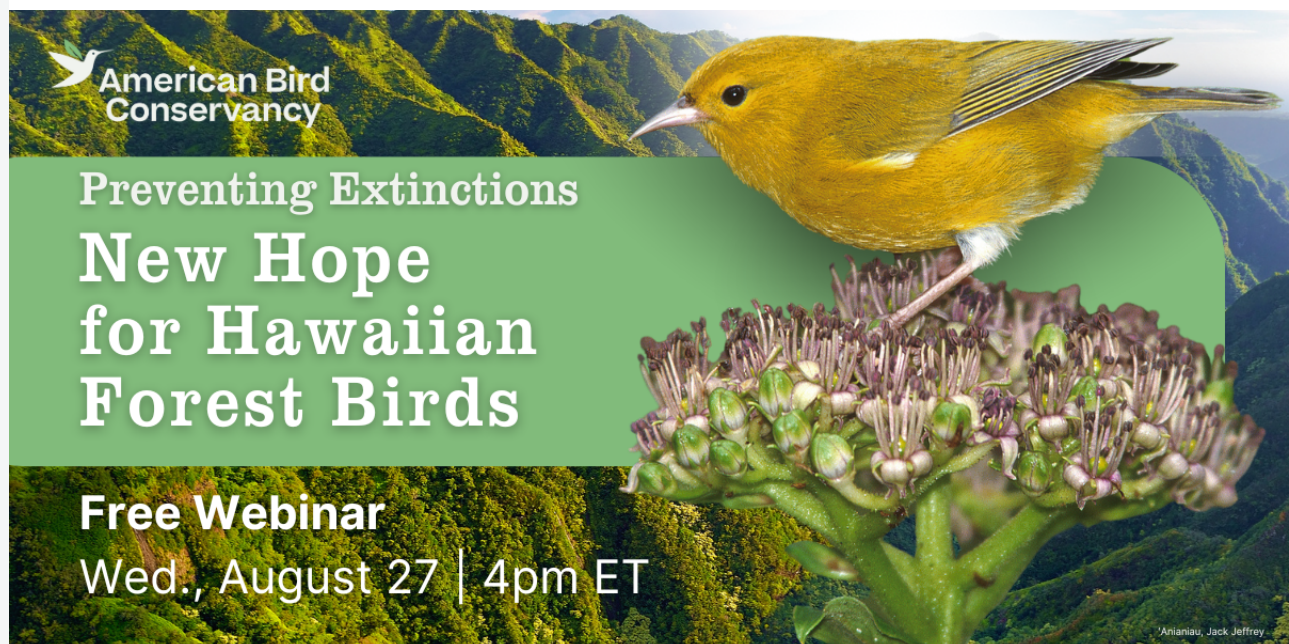
With fewer than 1 percent of its historic population surviving today, the **Lesser Prairie-Chicken** is emblematic of grassland species on the brink of blinking out. Federal protections from the Endangered Species Act (ESA) have helped to stave off the looming threat of extinction for the prairie-chicken. However, **new policy riders attached to federal funding bills and standalone legislation seek to strip the Lesser Prairie-Chicken of these**

safeguards and permanently block the imperiled species from any future ESA protections.

Urge your representatives to prioritize the Lesser Prairie-Chicken and remove this harmful language from federal spending bills »

TAKE ACTION NOW

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Preventing Extinctions
**New Hope
for Hawaiian
Forest Birds**

Free Webinar
Wed., August 27 | 4pm ET

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Webinar: Bold Action and Hope for Hawai'i's Forest Birds

Hawai'i's birds are facing an extinction crisis. **Of the more than 55 species of native honeycreepers that once filled the islands'**

species of native honeycreepers that once filled the island's forests, only 17 species remain. Join ABC to meet the passionate conservationists working to prevent these vulnerable species from vanishing forever.

These experts will share stories from the field and reflect on their efforts to prevent extinctions, restore habitat, mitigate threats, engage their communities, and create a hopeful future for Hawai'i's birds.

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How Hawai'i's Tiny Millerbird Made a Mighty Comeback

Endemic species in Hawai'i face an uphill battle, but decades of research, habitat restoration, collaboration, and innovation have

research, habitat restoration, collaboration, and innovation have **helped birds rebound before**. Look no further than the inspiring story of the **Millerbird**, detailed in the Spring 2024 issue of *Bird Conservation*. More than 20 years of habitat restoration, multiple 650-mile boat journeys, and countless hours of research later, **the Millerbird was downlisted from Critically Endangered to Endangered, its population thriving**.

[READ THE STORY](#)



Webinar Rewind: Stories of Seabird Kinship

Missed our most recent webinar? **Tune in for stories and insights about seabirds** who have been guides and companions since humans first explored the seas. Storytellers with ABC's Conservation and Justice Fellowship share tales of kinship with seabirds from the coast of Maine to the artisanal fisheries of Ecuador, using stop-motion

coast of Maine to the artisanal fisheries of Ecuador, using stop-motion animation, prose, and public murals to **celebrate the enduring bonds of maritime communities and the birds that soar the skies above them.**

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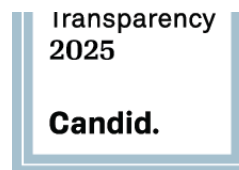
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