



**World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) Small Grant 2020
Application Form**

WMBD Small Grant 2020 for East Asian - Australasian Flyway
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About World Migratory Bird Day 2020

The 2020 theme of World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) is " Birds Connect Our World", and was chosen to highlight the importance of conserving and restoring the ecological connectivity and integrity of ecosystems that support the natural movements of migratory birds and that are essential for their survival and well-being. WMBD is an annual awareness-raising campaign highlighting the need for the conservation of migratory birds and their habitats. It has a global outreach and is an effective tool to help raise global awareness of the threats faced by migratory birds, their ecological importance, and the need for international cooperation to conserve them. In 2018, WMBD unified the planet's major migratory bird corridors, or flyways: the African-Eurasian flyway, the East Asian-Australasian flyway, and the Americas flyways. **WMBD is now celebrated twice a year, on the Second Saturday in May and in October. In 2020, WMBD will be held on 9 May and 10 October.** The EAAFP Secretariat encourages Partners to celebrate WMBD twice a year.

Introduction of EAAFP WMBD 2020 Small Grant

The Small Grant for 2020 [World Migratory Bird Day](#) (WMBD) has been established to provide financial support to [EAAFP Partners](#) and collaborators from [EAAFP Task Forces and Working Groups](#) who plan to organize **public events and/or conservation action-oriented workshops** at national or local levels through participating in the World Migratory Bird Day. We strongly encourage EAAFP Partners and collaborators to make an application for any suitable event or development of WMBD materials in local language that aims to raise awareness on the need of conserving migratory waterbirds and the value of their habitats in East Asian – Australasian Flyway.

Eligibility Criteria

EAAFP Partners who plan to organize an event to celebrate World Migratory Bird Day 2020 in Partner countries included in the DAC list of ODA Recipients are our priority to support. (If you are not sure, please see the [list of EAAFP Partners](#), and [DAC list of ODA Recipients](#)). If you are not the country focal point of EAAFP, please consult and plan with EAAFP focal point of your country before you apply.

Please note that this grant is to initiate a WMBD event, not to cover the costs for the existing WMBD event expenses. Applications with similar contents (location, target participants etc.) to previous years may not be accepted.

*Due to COVID-19, we encouraged applicants to carry out activities which prevent face-to-face activities to reduce risk of spreading COVID-19. All activities organization has to follow

national guidelines of the country to prevent COVID-19. We also encourage proposals to promote Flyway Network Sites for the WMBD activities.

Information of the application

Firstly, Applicants must meet the eligibility criteria set for funding assistance under EAAFP WMBD 2020 Small Grants Programme.

For your budget planning, please note a maximum of 1,000 USD will be allocated to each county. The small-scale grant will be allocated on a first come first served basis, we recommend you submit the application as early as possible.

The deadline for application is **3 September 2020**. Please submit an application to Ms. Vivian Fu, Communication Officer via email (Word or PDF document) at communication@eaaflyway.net and wmbd@eaaflyway.net.

After the Secretariat receives your application, the approval of successful proposals is made by the Secretariat. Applicant will hear of the result within two weeks after the deadline. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Successful applicants have a responsibility to help translate the World Migratory Bird Day materials into their own languages which will be shared on the World Migratory Bird Day website (<https://www.worldmigratorybirdday.org/>).

Date of Application: 03 September 2020

1. Applicant Contact information

	Name of applicant:	Amy M. Lecciones
a.	Name of the organization:	Society for the Conservation of Philippine Wetlands, Inc.
b.	Name(s) of the division and/or position:	Vice-President and Executive Director; Ramsar NGO CEPA Focal Point
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If there will be more than one organization to arrange the event, please specify all above.

The event will be organized in partnership with the Department of Environment and Natural Resources – Biodiversity Management Bureau and Region 3 and Pampanga State Agricultural University.

2. Proposed Event Plan and Expected Outcome

Please tick the relevant categories of your proposed event:

Public awareness activity – local and/or national	√
Birdwatching - field trip	
Monitoring/survey – field trip	
Educational activity/lecture (webinar)	√
Festival	
Media Event	
Movie/video	
Others – specify (translation of WBMD video)	√

Please specify your proposed event plan and expected outcome

Please include the following information; Title, Date, Location, Organiser, Target participants, Expected number of participants (max. 500 words)

Title: Migratory Birds and Farming Communities in Harmony

Date: 10 October 2020

Organizer/s:

Society for the Conservation of Philippine Wetlands, Inc (Lead)

Pampanga State Agricultural University (PSAU - Partner)

Target Participants:

Primary: Municipal Agricultural Officers of Bulacan, Pampanga and Nueva Ecija (Municipalities comprising the vast Candaba Wetlands)

Secondary: Agricultural students at the Pampanga State Agricultural University

Rationale and Objectives:

The SCPW had been working with farmers in a 135-hectare rice farm in Candaba, Pampanga which is part of the approximately 32,000 hectares of wetlands straddling three provinces (Bulacan, Pampanga and Nueva Ecija). The Candaba Wetlands is an important area for agricultural and fisheries production, water irrigation, and natural flood retention. It is a Key Biodiversity Area (KBA #31) and an Important Bird Area (PH007) within the East Asian-Australasian Flyway (EAAF).

Candaba Swamp continues to be drained or converted into wet agriculture, severely limiting habitat for waterfowls. The change in land use has been observed in the towns comprising the Candaba Wetlands where large tracts of wetlands have been filled to give way to the housing subdivision and commercial establishments.

In celebration of World Migratory Bird Day this year and taking note of the theme “Birds Connect People”, the SCPW will conduct a webinar to highlight how farming communities and migratory birds can be in harmony with each other. The webinar will primarily reach out to local government officers in agricultural and environment and natural resources offices of local governments in the Candaba Wetlands, so that they understand the link between conserving the wetland (especially as habitats for migratory birds) and the health and well-being of people. It will also invite agricultural students in the PSAU so that they will appreciate the value of conserving wetlands for both the well-being of nature and people as well.

Expected Outcome/s:

It is expected that the webinar will increase the awareness of local government officials, particularly in agriculture and natural resources, about the link between nature and well-being of people and consider integrating wetland conservation in their local land use plans. Conserving the wetlands will ensure safe habitats for migratory birds.

- Post-event: The SCPW will continue to work with the local agriculture and natural resources officers in the Candaba Wetlands to help them initiate the process of

integrating wetland conservation and migratory bird protection in their local plans. SCPW members in the PSAU will continuously promote the wetlands conservation and migratory bird protection (particularly in Candaba) to their agriculture majors students.

Webinar Design

- There will be three Resource Persons who will talk about the following topics:
 - About the EAAF and Importance of Migratory Birds
 - Wetlands Conservation, Waterbirds and Managing Health Risks
 - The Candaba Wetlands: Rice-Farming Communities and Migratory Birds - how they can co-exist
- Moderated Open Forum and Sharing
- The SCPW will also translate the WMBD2020 video into Filipino language with corresponding voice-over. This will be shown during the webinar.

3. Proposed Event Budget Plan:

Please specify budget plan of your proposed event

Total: 1000 USD

Please note that ideal budget scale is approximately 1,000 USD to each country

Budget breakdown:

Translation of the WBMD video and voice-over editing	600USD
Coordination cost (staff time, communication, etc)	400USD
Total budget requested from EAAFP	1000USD
Contributions from organizers and partners	
Resource Persons (4 pax including Facilitator) Honorarium	400USD
Documentation	100USD
Total Project Cost	1500USD
Others – specify	
Please indicate contributions fee from other sources for this event	

In addition, please register your event(s) at the following websites as well for regional and global statistics of WMBD participation. It won't take you long to fill in the form as it is a simple process. Registration of your event(s) at Global WMBD website (<http://www.worldmigratorybirdday.org/register-your-event>)

After any of your WMBD materials are published and your awareness event is held, it is required to provide an event report (see ANNEX I). The Report should include copies of any materials produced under the project. Published materials should be submitted with the report in both hard and electronic copy with suitable photographs illustrating the activities undertaken. **Logos of WMBD and EAAFP have to be shown on all your printed and digital promotional materials.**

Report deadline:	No later than 26 October 2020 or within two weeks after the event(s)
Required information:	Name of organiser, target participants, programme, outcome summary and finance supporting documents
Submit to:	to Ms. Vivian Fu, Communication Officer via email (Word or PDF document) at communication@eaaflyway.net and wmbd@eaaflyway.net .