

TWELFTH MEETING OF PARTNERS OF THE EAST ASIAN – AUSTRALASIAN FLYWAY PARTNERSHIP
Cebu, Philippines, 8-14 November 2025



Decision 9

Revisions to the EAAFP Flyway Network Site Information Sheet (SIS) and the Guidance for its Completion

Submitted by the Technical Sub-Committee

Background

1. During its reviews of Site Information Sheets (SISs) submitted by Partners for Flyway Site Network (FNS) designation during the 2023-2025 cycle, the Technical Sub-committee (TSc) identified a number of gaps and inconsistencies in the SIS format (v2017) and the guidance for filling it in.
2. The TSc reported on these matters, with proposals to resolve them, to Partners at MOP11. This review and its proposals are available as EAAFP/MOP11/Document 13 (https://eaaflyway.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/MOP11_Doc13_Issues-and-considerations-for-improving-the-structure-content-and-utility-of-the-EAAFP-SIS.pdf).
3. In the light of these proposals, MOP11 adopted Decision 5 (*Proposals to improve the use of the Flyway Network Site Information Sheet (FNS SIS)*) (https://eaaflyway.net/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/MOP11_D5_Proposed-Amendments-to-Improve-the-Use-of-the-Flyway-Site-Network-Site-Information-Sheet-FNS-SIS.pdf). This Decision requested the TSc, with the input of the Secretariat and Partners and Working Group/Task Force leads, to prepare a draft revised FNS SIS which addresses the issues and recommendations to address them as set out in Annex 1 of MOP11 Decision 5, for consideration by Partners at MOP12.
4. In mid-2024, the TSc and the Secretariat prepared a consultation draft of revisions to the SIS and its accompanying guidance, which was circulated to all Partners and Working Group/Task Force leads for advice and comment. The draft was also presented at regional meetings, including the ASEAN training-of-trainers course in Singapore, in September 2024 and feedback was sought from ASEAN Flyway Network National Focal Points, EAAFP National Focal Points, site managers and experts. Their advice and comments have been taken into account by the TSc in the preparation of the attached draft SIS v2025 documents for consideration by Partners at MOP12.
5. In light of the consultation comments, the SIS v2025 itself and the accompanying guidance for filling in the SIS have been separated into two documents, provided as Attachments A and B to this draft MOP12 Decision.

Annex 1

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Recognising the importance to the implementation of the East Asian – Australasian Flyway Partnership (EAAFP) of establishing and managing a network of Flyway Network Sites (FNS) of international importance for migratory waterbirds and managing them for the benefit of these birds;

Also recognising that EAAFP Partners propose the designation of FNSs through the completion and submission of a Site Information Sheet (SIS) documenting the international importance of the site for migratory waterbirds using the EAAF;

Noting that the most recent available iteration of the SIS is its version issued in 2017;

Recalling that at MOP11 in 2022 the Technical Sub-committee (TSc) advised EAAFP Partners of a range of issues and problems with the SIS v2017 and the guidance for filling it in;

Also recalling that at MOP11 Partners, through Decision 5, requested the TSc to revise the content and structure of the SIS v2017 and its associated guidance, and to provide this to Partners at MOP12 for their approval; and

Aware that some Partners are preparing proposals to designate new, or to update existing, Flyway Network Sites using the SIS v2017;

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1. *Thanks* the Technical Sub-committee, the Secretariat, Partners, and Working Groups/Task Force leads for preparing and advising on the 2025 revisions to the Site Information Sheet (SIS) and its accompanying guidance for filling it in, provided in Attachments A and B to this Decision;
2. *Agrees* to retire the SIS v2017;
3. *Approves* the EAAFP Site Information Sheet (SIS) v2025 and its accompanying guidance for filling it in, provided in Attachments A and B to this Decision, for the future use by Partners in preparing Flyway Network Sites for designations and updates;

4. *Requests* any Partner preparing proposals to designate new, or to update existing, Flyway Network Sites using the SIS v2017 to submit these to the Secretariat not later than 31 March 2026; and
5. *Instructs* the Secretariat to finalise the SIS v2025 and its accompanying guidance in the light of MOP12 decisions, and to issue these to all Partners as soon as possible for their use in preparing future designations of Flyway Network Sites.