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Meeting for planning conservation activities of Swan Goose and Baikal Teal
with key persons invited by Anatidae Working Group,
Asia Pacific Migratory Waterbird Conservation Committee
18:00-21:00 Tue 13 Aug 2002
Beijing, China

Agenda

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| 18:10 | 1. | Opening |
| | 2. | Self-introduction of participants |
| | 3. | Introduction from Chair of Anatidae Working Group |
| | 4. | Approval of Agenda |
| 18:25 | 5. | Discussion |
| | 5a. | Task Force for the two threatened species and membership |
| 20:00 | 5b. | Schedule of future work |
| 20:30 | 5c. | Main positions for Action Plans |
| | 5d. | Any other business |
| 21:00 | 6. | Closing |

Participants ([AWG] indicates a member of Anatidae Working Group)

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| China | MA, Ming, Xinjiang Institute of Ecology and Geography
ZHANG, Dehui, State Forestry Administration [proxy AWG] |
| Mongolia | NYAMBAYAR, Batbayar, WWF Mongolia
TSEVEENMYADAG, Natsagdorjiyn, Institute of Biology |
| Korea,
Republic of | KANG, Heui-Young, Kongju National University
KIM, Hyun-Tae, Man-ri-po High School
LEE, Hansoo, Ph.D., ECOTECH Institute of Environmental Ecology [proxy AWG]
LEE, Kisup, Korea Institute of Ecological Research & Information
PAE, Seong-Hwan, Ph.D., Korea Ocean Research & Development Institute
YI, Jeong-Yeon, Ph.D., National Institute of Environmental Research |
| Russia | GOROSHKO, Oleg A., Daursky Nature Reserve
POYARKOV, Nikolay D., Dr., Lomonosov Moscow State University
SYROECHKOVSKI, Evgeny E., Jr., Dr., Institute of Ecology and Evolution [AWG] |
| Japan | KURECHI, Masayuki, Wetlands International Goose Specialist Group [AWG] |
| Support | MIYABAYASHI, Yoshihiko, Anatidae Flyway Officer |

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(RGG) & Japanese Association for Wild Geese Protection (JAWGP)

RECORD OF MEETING

1. Opening

2. Self-introduction of participants

3. Introduction from Chair of Anatidae Working Group

This meeting will discuss on the development of activities on the conservation of Swan Goose *Anser cygnoides* and Baikal Teal *Anas formosa* under the Action Plan for the Conservation of Migratory Anatidae in the East Asian Flyway, a component of Asia Pacific Migratory Waterbird Conservation Strategy: 2001-2005. The Action 5 of the Anatidae Action Plan addressed development of Action Plans for the conservation of these two threatened Anatidae species in the flyway. Task Forces of the Anatidae Working Group for each of two species are to be formed for the development. This meeting gathers the key persons for these two species in the countries in the flyway of these species at the opportunity of 23rd International Ornithological Congress in Beijing, China. This meeting considers and discusses towards the establishment of two Task Forces with membership from these countries and the development of Action Plans.

4. Approval of Agenda

Dr. LEE, H. proposed one additional issue in Agenda 5d: introduction to the Baikal Teal Festival in recently planning at Seosan City, Cheonsu Bay, an Anatidae Network Site in Korea.

Action:

1. The Meeting approved the revised agenda with one additional issue.

5. Discussion: Chaired by Anatidae Working Group Chair

5a. Task Force for the two threatened species and membership

AFO explained organisational arrangements for co-ordination of actions under the Strategy and position of Task Forces established by the Working Group; that Task Forces were responsible for developing the threatened species action plans and co-ordinating their implementation in the flyway; and that each Task Force members could be a key contact for the species in his/her country, could influence situations of his/her country into the role of Task Force, and could co-ordinate the activities towards the conservation of the species in his/her country.

Membership of a Task Force was discussed with two options: basically one member could represent each country; one additional member could join from the wide country where the species breeds and/or stops in some parts and winters in other parts or where the species widely segregated.

Action:

2. Swan Goose Task Force membership.
 - 2a. China proposed two membership: one from breeding area and another from wintering area, and that Mr. ZHANG would inform the nomination after discussion in his country.
 - 2b. Mongolia proposed one membership and that Mr. TSEVEENMYADAG would inform the nomination after discussion in his country.
 - 2c. Korea proposed one membership and that Dr. LEE, H. would inform the nomination after discussion in his country.

- 2d. Russia proposed two membership from two segregated breeding areas in Transbaikalia - Mr. GOROSHKO and in Amur -- Dr. POYARKOV
- 2e. Japan proposed one membership -- Mr. KURECHI.
3. Baikal Teal Task Force membership.
- 3a. China proposed one membership, and that Mr. ZHANG would inform the nomination after discussion in his country.
- 3b. Mongolia proposed one membership and that Mr. TSEVEENMYADAG would inform the nomination after discussion in his country.
- 3c. Korea proposed one membership and that Dr. LEE, H. would inform the nomination after discussion in his country.
- 3d. Russia proposed two membership for breeding areas -- Mr. VOLKOV, Sergei with support from Dr. SYROECHKOVSKI Jr., and from stopover areas -- Dr. POYARKOV
- 3e. Japan suggested one membership -- Mr. OH'HATA, Koji, of Kaga City Kamoike Observation Centre in an Anatidae Network Site, Katano-Kamoike.

One personal to be engaged in the technical support for each Task Force, such as Flyway Officer for Working Group, could be sought from most key country of the species in the flyway.

Action:

4. The Meeting agreed the support for Swan Goose Task Force from Russia and for Baikal Teal Task Force from Korea.
5. Russia proposed that one of the Task Force member, Dr. POYARKOV, would engage himself in the technical support as well for Swan Goose Task Force
6. Korea proposed that Dr. LEE, H. would inform the nomination for Baikal Teal after discussion in his country.
7. It had not decided what the technical support for Task Force could be called. AFO should discuss with Working Groups and Migratory Waterbird Conservation Committee.

5b. Schedule of future work

Development of each Action Plan is a target of 5 years of 2001-2005. There could be a series of procedure towards its finalisation, such as drafting, consulting, awareness workshop, Task Force meeting, finalisation. The Meeting discussed schedule of future works towards the finalisation of the Action Plan could be confirmed by Task Force after its establishment.

Action:

8. The Meeting decided nomination of membership should be informed to Anatidae Flyway Officer by the end of this month (August 2002).
9. The Meeting suggested collection of idea for the Action Plan from countries through Task Force member by the end of December 2002 and the technical support would engage himself in drafting the Action Plan in early 2003.
10. Based on the experiences of Anatidae Working Group, the Meeting suggested the meeting of Task Forces could be in the second half of year 2003 to discuss towards the finalisation of draft Action Plan.

5c. Main positions for Action Plans

Key elements to be incorporated in each Action Plan were suggested, such as:

- Review of legislation on national level
- Research and monitoring
- Threats
- Public awareness and education
- Habitat management / conservation
- Capacity building
- Restoration programme

Action:

11. The Meeting agreed to send the discussion to the Task Force.

5d. Any other business

Korea proposed an awareness event in Cheonsu Bay, an Anatidae Network Site. It was recently in planning and its tentative idea was:

Seosan Baikal Teal Workshop, 4-5 November 2002, a Baikal Teal Festival for public awareness including symposium with international participants organised by the Seosan City Government in consultation with Dr. LEE, H. The large flock of Baikal Teals would concentrate in the Cheonsu Bay. in early November.

Action:

12. The Meeting welcomed the plan and participants were willing to support the event.

RGG & JAWGP prepared an awareness sticker for Swan Goose in Russian in year 2001. Sample copies of it were offered to participants for their references.

Action:

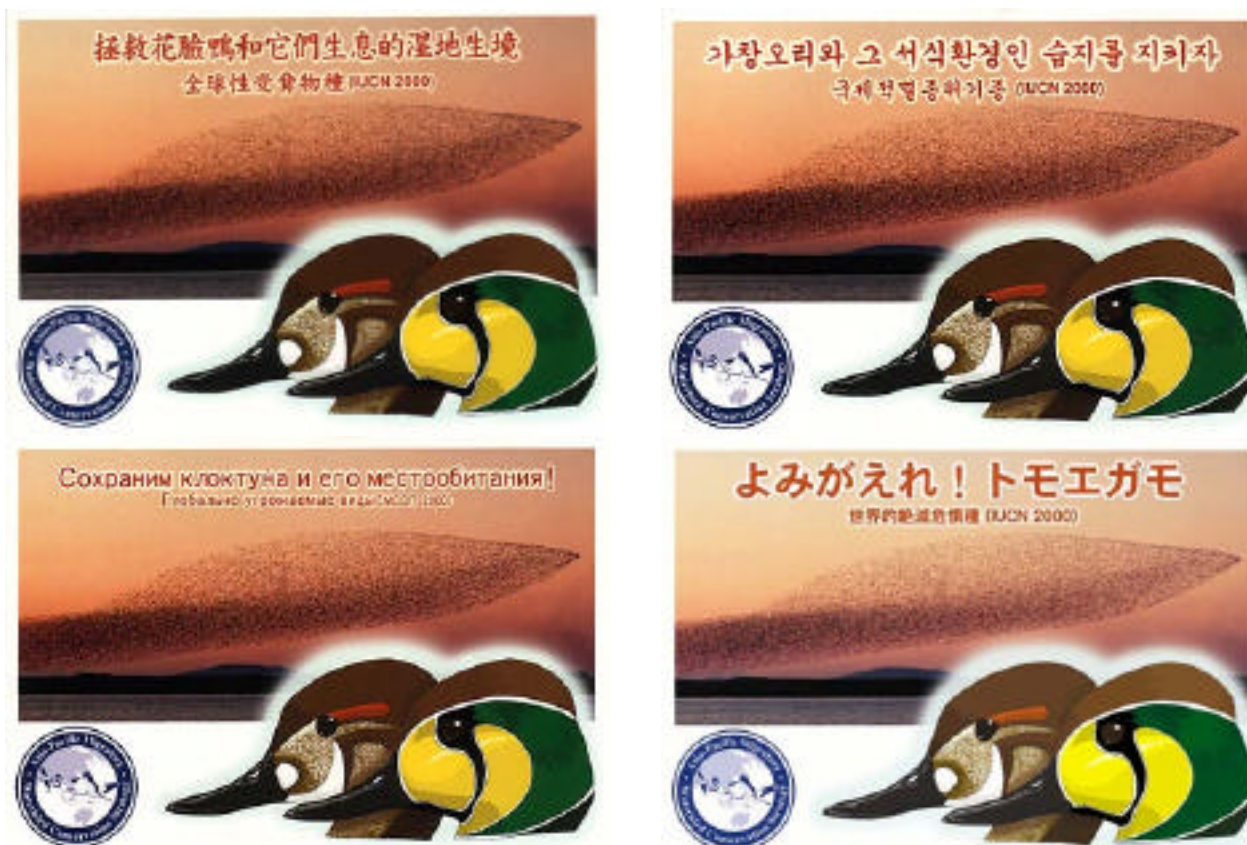
13. Publication of the sticker in other languages could be input in the future plan of activities for the species.



An awareness sticker for Baikal Teal in four language of Chinese, Korean, Russian and Japanese were just prepared in Japan for the Meeting. The background photo was taken by Mr. KIM, Hyun-Tae, and it was designed with illustration by Mr. YAMAMOTO, Hironobu of Wild Bird Society of Japan. Hundreds of copies were offered to each country for their use in the country.

Action:

14. The Meeting appreciated these supports to the sticker as permission to use the picture, the illustration and design, and the financial support.
15. The Task Force member and colleagues would build a plan of distribution of the sticker for raising awareness effectively in each country.
16. A set of four language editions were / would be provided to each Task Force member for his/her reference.



6. Closing

The Anatidae Working Group Chair expressed appreciation to a series of fruitful discussions by the participants and request of collaboration with regular communications in the future joint efforts to the conservation of these two species in the flyway. The Meeting decided to go to have a dinner to bring more communication and information exchange.