

Dear Forest Managers and Marbled Murrelet Surveyors,

On behalf of the Pacific Seabird Group's Marbled Murrelet Technical Committee, we are pleased to announce the availability of the publication of the PSG's *Terrestrial Habitat Management Recommendations for Marbled Murrelets* (PSG Technical Publication 7), concurrent with the publication of the revised 2024 Inland Survey Protocol (*A Revised Protocol for Surveying Marbled Murrelets in Forests*; PSG Technical Publication 6 [2024 Inland Survey Protocol]). The recommendations in this document are based on the best available science and the collective knowledge of the authors. We consider this to be a companion document to the 2024 Inland Survey Protocol, each used in conjunction with the other. Both technical publications can be found at <https://pacificseabirdgroup.org/psg-publications/technical-publications/>.

The Habitat Management Recommendations document provides forest management and survey strategy recommendations intended to contribute to the conservation of Marbled Murrelets (*Brachyramphus marmoratus*) and their terrestrial habitat. This document includes recommendations regarding methods to delineate occupied sites beyond survey area boundaries, and methods to manage habitat that are likely to enhance the conservation of the species, such as providing no-cut buffers to occupied sites and minimizing disturbance. In addition, this document provides information on other aspects of Marbled Murrelet habitat management, including how the integrity of the forested landscape can be managed and maintained in ways that may contribute to the goals described in the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's Marbled Murrelet Recovery Plan, and other documents, thus aiding in the species' recovery.

On behalf of the Marbled Murrelet Technical Committee, we thank the co-authors of this document, as well as all members of the Marbled Murrelet Inland Survey Protocol Subcommittee who contributed to previous versions of this document, when it was part of the inland survey protocol document. We consider that this Habitat Recommendations Document, especially when used in conjunction with the 2024 Inland Survey Protocol, will provide useful guidance for conservation of the threatened and endangered Marbled Murrelet.

Sincerely,

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