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Dear Colleague,

You were one of over 700 experts contacted to share knowledge on the global distribution of IUCN Red List threatened species and Invasive Alien Vertebrates on islands for the Threatened Island Biodiversity Database. These data are already being used to plan and fund conservation actions to protect globally threatened species from extinction. You can access them any time at <http://tib.islandconservation.org>. Thank you!

Building on this project, we have now expanded the database to include demographic parameters, population sizes on islands, and invasive alien vertebrate impacts for all IUCN critically endangered, endangered, and vulnerable **seabird** species.

We plan to use this expanded database to conduct a series of population viability analyses to model the extinction risk of the world's most endangered seabird species and examine potential conservation scenarios. Once completed, we anticipate that this database and the model built from it will be a powerful tools for informing seabird conservation management. Our goal is to publish our model findings in the peer reviewed literature as well as making it available as an online, interactive, seabird population viability planning tool for seabird conservation practitioners. As in the past, we will acknowledge your invaluable contribution to both platforms.

Now, we are again asking for your help to improve this globally important conservation dataset so we can further refine the type and location of priority conservation actions. Attached is a subset of the data tailored to your species or general area of expertise. We would appreciate it if you could please take a moment to cross check our collected information on demographic parameters, colony locations, colony size, etc., against your own knowledge. In the spreadsheet are detailed instructions on a) how to undertake this review, b) metadata information describing the parameters used, and c) a list of all reviewers contacted. We expect that this review should take you no longer than 30 minutes or so. Please forward this email and request for information to other experts not on our list who may have useful information to contribute to our effort.

Our aim is to conclude this expert review by **October 10th, so we ask you to please provide any**

**corrections or additions by then.** If you have any comments or concerns regarding this process, or would like to be removed from this email list, please don't hesitate to contact us via email at [islands.db@ucsc.edu](mailto:islands.db@ucsc.edu) or telephone at (United States) [831 459 4581](tel:8314594581). We can also arrange communication via Skype.

Thank you for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

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