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News Release

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Strategic Habitat Conservation has landed in Eastern North Carolina and SE Virginia!

On February 27th -28th , a group of 40+ professional biologists, ecologists, managers, and outreach specialists met at Pocosin Lakes National Wildlife Refuge to kick-start Strategic Habitat Conservation (SHC) in the Eastern North Carolina/Southeast Virginia SHC Team work area (formerly the Roanoke-Tar-Neuse-Cape Fear Ecoteam work area) and conduct a two-day workshop to educate staff and USGS partners on the strategic habitat conservation framework; outline current national, regional and SHC team activities, and participate in a workshop activity to begin identifying biological planning information on migratory birds, threatened and endangered species, and inter-jurisdictional fishes.



Jean Richter, biologist for Roanoke River NWR, summarizes the work of the "Inter-jurisdiction Fishes" group for the planning exercise.



Pete Campbell delivers the FWS national perspective on SHC.



These professional biologists, managers, ecologists, and outreach specialists came together to set the pace for wildlife conservation in northeastern NC and southeastern Virginia for the coming years.... and, this is only the beginning.....

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Additional details will be provided at a later date so stay tuned to learn more about this event that is "The Right Stuff in the Right Places at the Right Time" for wildlife conservation in northeastern North Carolina and southeastern Virginia!