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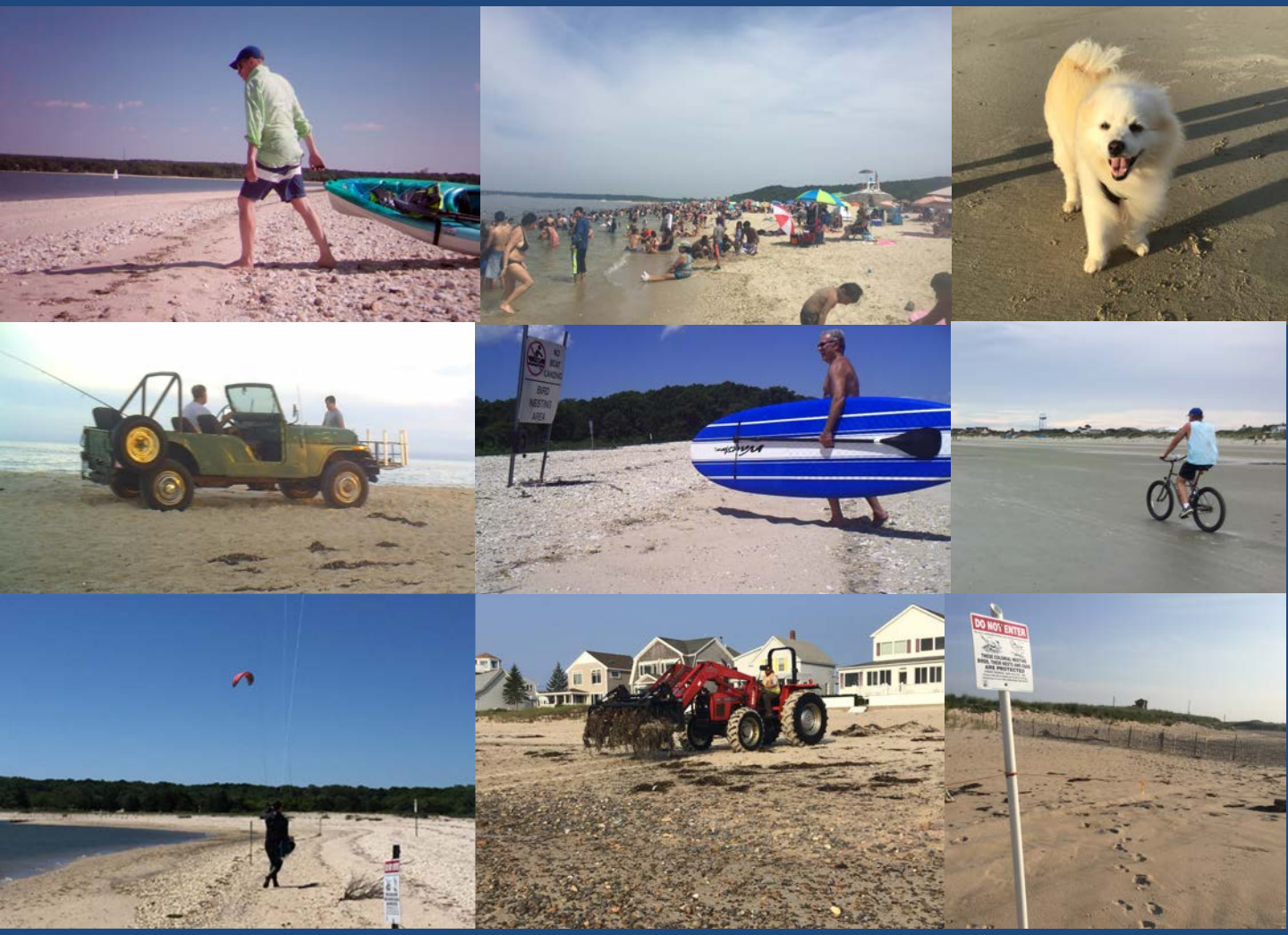


## • Literature Review •

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The goal of this literature review was to compile information on the impacts of human disturbances to shorebird, their habitats, their prey, and information on management recommendations for reducing human disturbances to shorebirds. We focused on human disturbance to breeding, migrating, and wintering shorebirds along the Atlantic Flyway. For topics where there was limited research along the Atlantic Flyway, we also included pertinent information from other areas around the world. Similarly, for topics where there was minimal research related to shorebirds, we included information related to non-shorebird, coastal species.

We conducted the literature review in 2017-2018. We started by searching for articles related to the Atlantic Flyway Shorebird Initiative's fifteen focal species and top ranked human disturbances (Mengak and Dayer, 2018) throughout online databases such as JSTOR, Science Direct, Google Scholar, Research Gate, and Springer Link. To ensure a complete and thorough search, backwards and forward reference searching was implemented to verify that the review was complete. As the literature was compiled from various sources, it was reviewed, organized, and tagged in a Mendeley database. Tags are key terms or text labels that are used to identify the contents of an article and group articles of similar topics. We tagged articles based on their study location, the focal species of the study, the season in which the research was conducted, the migration status of the focal species (i.e. migrant or non-migrant), the breeding status of the focal species (i.e. breeding or non-breeding), the study foci (i.e. the main themes of the study such as education, abundance, signage, nest-site selection, etc.), and disturbance types (i.e. walking, driving, boating, etc.).

The literature review contains 632 citations that are organized into two documents: Version I contains a list of the citations in alphabetical order, and Version II contains the citations organized by key terms/tags. Although these lists are current as of 2017, the documents should continue to be updated as new information on human disturbance is revealed.

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