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OFFICE OF MIGRATORY BIRD MANAGEMENT
LAUREL, MARYLAND 20708

MTAB 64
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MEMORANDUM

TO: All Banders

FROM: Chief, Bird Banding Laboratory
Office of Migratory Bird Management
Laurel, MD 20708

SUBJECTS: 1. MTAB 63 corrections
2. BBM, Vol. I, AOU Additions
3. Completion of card Form 3-860a
4. Band size for Black-capped Vireos
5. Band size
6. WBBA Meeting
7. IBBA Meeting

1. Page 1 - Add to last paragraph "The Alpha Code is to be used in place of (not in addition to) the Common Name on schedules. The schedule will be redesigned during our next printing. We will require the use of the Alpha Code in place of the Common Name effective September 1, 1988. We will use the Alpha Common Name and the Numeric Species Codes for entry through an edit and into the computer files and avoid a clerical edit of these columns. This will save us a considerable amount of editing time. We will much appreciate your cooperation in making this change.

AOU SORT (The underlining indicates a change)

Page 1 - Change AOU 1062 code to BANP
Page 3 - Change AOU 2810 to MOUP
Page 3 - Add AOU 2790 MONP MONGOLIAN PLOVER
Page 5 - Change AOU 5390 to MC COWN'S
Page 5 - Change AOU 5350 to MC KAY'S and MKBU
Page 6 - Change AOU 5990 code to LAZB
Page 6 - Change AOU 6800 to MAC GILLIVRAY'S
Page 6 - Change AOU 6170 to NRWS and Northern-Rough winged Swallow
Page 7 - Add AOU 7450 BLACK-EARED BUSHTIT BEBU

ALPHABETICAL SORT (The underlining indicates a change)

- Page 1 - Add BLACK-EARED BUSHTIT 7450 BEBU
- Page 1 - Change BAND-RUMPED STORM-PETREL TO BANP
- Page 4 - Change LAZULI BUNTING code to LAZB
- Page 5 - Change MACGILLIVRAY'S to MAC GILLIVRAY'S
- Page 5 - Change MCCOWN'S to MC COWN'S
- Page 5 - Change MCKAY'S to MC KAY'S and MKBU
- Page 5 - Change MOUNTAIN PLOVER to MOUP
- Page 5 - Add MONGOLIAN PLOVER 2790 MONG
- Page 6 - Change ROUGH-WINGED SWALLOW to NORTHERN ROUGH- WINGED SWALLOW and NRWS

NOTE: Mongolian Plover and Mountain Plover conflict; thus, the codes follow the three-and-one rule.

2. Add AOU 2790 Mongolian Plover Size 2 (p. 5A-9 Bird Banding Manual, Vol.1). Add AOU 7450 Black-eared Bushtit Size 2 (p.5A-23 Bird Banding Manual, Vol.1).
3. When you receive the pink card Form 3-860a, please complete it and return the entire two-part form. Fold your address in and scotch tape the open end of the two-part card. Please do not use a staple, which tends to jam in the postal machine. We suggest folding this over because the postmarks all too often obliterate part of your information. Please, it is very important for you to remember this and help us to protect our data quality.
4. Researchers working with Black-capped Vireos have noted that size 0 bands are a better fit than size 1 as listed in the Bird Banding Manual. Please change the band size for Black-capped Vireo (p.5A-19 Vol. 1) to 0. Remember that endangered species authorization is required to band Black-capped Vireos.
5. Please use the recommended band size for birds with the exception of Snowy Plover bands, please do not cut-down bands.
6. The Western Bird Banding Association Annual Meeting is October 7-9, 1988 in Arcata, CA. For further information contact, C.J. Ralph, Redwood Science Laboratory, U.S. Forest Service, 1700 Bayview Drive, Arcata, CA. 95521. Phone (707) 822-3691.
7. The Inland Bird Banding Association Annual Meeting is November 4-6, 1988 at the Aullwood Audubon Center and Farm in Dayton, Ohio. For further information contact Robert Thobaben, 1835 State Route 380, Wilmington, OH. 45177. Phone (513) 382-4739.

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