

Oklahoma Important Bird Areas July/August 2007 Update



What's Happened and What's Going On?

- **Technical Committee Meeting held in Stroud, OK on July 6th.**
- **Technical Committee currently reviewing seven proposed Global Level IBA's**
- **Funding opportunities for a full time paid coordinator position still being pursued.**
- **A presentation was given at the spring meeting of the Oklahoma Ornithological Society at the Black Mesa State Park.**
- **Presentation to be given at Jan 08' meeting of the Tulsa Audubon Society.**
- **Presentation in Stillwater for the Pane County Audubon Society in February 08'**



Meet The Project's Technical Committee

Fortunately Oklahoma's IBA project is in good hands, its Technical Committee is composed of a who's who in Oklahoma Ornithology.

[Dr. Mia Revels](#)– Northeastern OK State

[Berlin Heck](#)– Past Director of the Little River NWR

[Dr. Michael Patten](#)– Univ. of Oklahoma, Oklahoma Biological Survey and Research Director of the Sutton Avian Research Center (GMSARC)

[Dan Reinking](#)– Senior Biologist at GMSARC

[Jay Pruett](#)– The Nature Conservancy (TNC)-Tallgrass Prairie

[Chris Wilson](#)– TNC, Nickel Preserve

[Dr. Michael Husak](#)– Cameron University

[Dr. Doug Wood](#)– Southeastern OK State

[Dr. Donald Winslow](#)– St. Gregory's University

[Jona Reasor](#)– Biologist at the Tishomingo NWR

[Steve Hodge](#)– Biologist at the Wichita Mtns. NWR

[Mark Howery](#)– Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation

[Martin Brown](#)– IBA Steering Committee Chairman

[John Kennington](#)– Oklahoma Audubon Council Chairman

[Eric Beck](#)– Oklahoma IBA Coordinator

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Coordinator's Statement

Things are really moving at the moment for the Oklahoma IBA project. The Technical Committee has started reviewing site descriptions for seven proposed Global IBA's. In a short time this review process will be complete and then we can begin to send data to the National Audubon Society and Birdlife International for their review process. I must say that the Technical Com. is taking this task very seriously, Oklahoma is sure to stand out for the quality of data that they are writing and finding (should we expect anything less?). Everyone is very excited to be a part of this project and we will begin to see some great things happening in the near future after this first review process is finished. I'm excited, the Technical Committee is excited, its time to ask yourself—Are you excited about the Oklahoma Important Bird Areas Project? If you're not, it might be time! You can email me with your questions at brdbrn1979@yahoo.com

