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for the  
6<sup>th</sup> International Sea Duck Conference  
6-12 February 2017



San Francisco, California

*“From Bay to Boreal:  
Challenges of Full Annual Cycle Management of Sea Ducks”*

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We are pleased to announce that the 6<sup>th</sup> International Sea Duck Conference (6<sup>th</sup> ISDC) will be held from 6-12 February 2017 near San Francisco, California. The theme of the 6<sup>th</sup> ISDC will be: *“From Bay to Boreal: Challenges of Full Annual Cycle Management of Sea Ducks.”* 6<sup>th</sup> ISDC will include plenary talks by leading experts as well as wide-ranging topics including effects of climate change, harvest management, migration ecology, population modeling, productivity, and wintering ground challenges. Field trips will be organized to visit sea ducks in their wintering habitats immediately following the conference on 10–11 February.

In follow-up to the excellent 5<sup>th</sup> International Sea Duck Conference held in 2014 at Reykjavík, Iceland, the 6<sup>th</sup> Conference will be hosted on the Pacific coast of North America on San Francisco Bay. The estuary represents a highly urbanized region and key sea duck wintering area in the Pacific Flyway where we can experience first-hand the numerous conservation challenges for management of sea ducks.

San Francisco is one of the top destination cities in North America, and the region is renowned for its setting and natural resource values. Populations of sea ducks including surf scoters, common goldeneyes, buffleheads, and common mergansers are regular wintering visitors in the estuary which also supports numerous bay ducks including canvasbacks, greater and lesser scaup, and ruddy ducks.

## **What:**

The 6<sup>th</sup> International Sea Duck Conference: *“From Bay to Boreal: Challenges of Full Annual Cycle Management of Sea Ducks”*

## **When:**

6-12 February 2017

## **Where:**

San Francisco, California

## **Travel:**

Flights to four international airports within one hour (San Francisco SFO; Oakland OAK) or two hours (Sacramento SMF; San Jose SJC) and train service to Oakland. Shuttle service may be organized depending on demand.

## **Organizing Committee Co-Chairs:**

Susan De La Cruz, US Geological Survey

Fritz Reid, Ducks Unlimited

John Takekawa, National Audubon Society

## **International Science Committee:**

Tim Bowman, US Fish and Wildlife Service, US Representative

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