LEACH'S STORM-PETREL MANAGEMENT GOAL AND OBJECTIVES 2000 – 2015

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GOAL

Increase the number of Leach's Storm-Petrels nesting on the coast of Maine and increase the publics' awareness and understanding of Maine's nesting seabirds, including Leach's Storm-Petrels.

<u>Population Objective 1</u>: With partners, develop by 2004 and implement by 2005 a program to inventory and monitor nesting Leach's Storm-Petrels in Maine.

<u>Population Objective 2</u>: By 2010, increase and then maintain through 2015, the number of Leach's Storm-Petrels nesting in Maine by 20% from 1995 levels.

<u>Population Objective 3</u>: By 2010, increase and then maintain through 2015, the number of islands from 5 to 10 that support at least 100 nesting pairs of Leach's Storm-Petrels.

<u>Population Objective 4</u>: Maintain at least 2 islands with 3,000 nesting pairs of Leach's Storm-Petrels through 2015.

<u>Population Objective 5</u>: By 2010, increase and then maintain through 2015 the population of Leach's Storm-Petrels at 10 of the smallest colonies from 2000 levels to 25 nesting pairs.

<u>Habitat Objective 1</u>: By 2005, identify and prioritize sites with suitable nesting habitat for Leach's Storm-Petrels and cultivate a relationship with partners and landowners to facilitate management.

<u>Habitat Objective 2</u>: By 2015, increase the number of islands with nesting populations of Leach's Storm-Petrels by 5 from 2000 levels (35 islands), distributed between Penobscot Bay and downeast Maine.

<u>Outreach Objective</u>: By 2002 and in conjunction with partners, develop, expand and implement an outreach plan to promote an understanding and awareness of nesting seabirds in Maine, including Leach's Storm-Petrels.