

**Estimating area-specific contributions to the population dynamics of migratory species
NIMBioS Spring 2014 Meeting 1 Agenda**

Day 1, 8:00-9:00am Monday, breakfast at meeting location

Day 1, 9:00am Monday: Introductory stuff:

- 1) 9:00-9:15 Introductions & logistics [Wayne] **(15 min)**
- 2) 9:15-9:45 History/motivation of group - conservation of migratory species and migratory processes; why need for migratory contribution metric
 - a. difficulties with Ds [Darius] **(30 min, with discussion)**
- 3) 9:45-10:15 Animal Migration, establishing a common lexicon [John Fryxell] **(30 min)**
- 4) 10:15-10:30 Discussion of objectives, goals, and desired outcomes. [Brady] **(15 min)**
 - a. Overarching goals for working group
 - b. How we envision group structure & team member roles
 - i. Organize around species but can also organize around other topics.
 1. MTFB, Pintail, Monarchs, Wildebeest
 2. Mathematical issues, carry over, density dependence.
 - c. Rough sketch of each meeting
 - d. Goals for Meeting 1:
 - i. Come to consensus on meaning of Ds/Cr (i.e., spatial dependencies)
 - ii. List of planned publications (as a means of focusing group efforts)
 - iii. List of potential symposium or conference presentations (as a means of focusing group efforts)
- 5) 10:30-11:30 Review the Wiederholt et al Cr matrix modeling framework, [Ruscena, Wayne] **(1 hr, with discussion)**
 - a. Briefly review model equations (15 min)
 - b. Sensitivity analyses results thus far (10 min)
 - c. As an example, show preliminary results for 'full' pintail model [Wayne] (10 min)
 - d. Go over current model code (10 min)
- 6) 11:30-12:00 Present other approaches/perspectives to this general question [Ryan Norris] **(30 min, with discussion)**
- 7) 12:00-1:00 Lunch on site **(1 hr)**
- 8) 1:00-2:00 Summarize future modeling ideas [Jay] **(1 hour)**
 - a. Modify/existing Cr approach: Incorporate males, Annual variability, Migratory stopover sites, Carryover effects, Additional age cohorts, Density dependence
 - b. Alternatives to Cr as currently described
 - c. Fashion Ds from the perspective of paths, not nodes, in a network [Wayne]
 - d. Others proposed by working group participants

9) 2:00-5:00 Go over agenda/goals for species-specific breakouts on Tuesday (**3 hours**)

10) 5:30 Reception (onsite) followed by Group Dinner

Day 2, 8:00-9:00am Tuesday, breakfast at meeting location

Day 2, Tuesday: Breakouts

11) 9:00-10:00 Plenary, go over results of previous afternoon discussions (1 hr)

12) 10:00-10:30 Planning the timing of next meeting (Ruscena)

13) 10:30-11:00 Proposed means of intermeeting collaboration (Wayne)

❖ Google Drive

➤ NIMBioS CrMig folder

- Access via institutional or personal email (personal only for the Fed folks)
- For working manuscripts, consider using Google Docs named by date and author initials
- For equations, share as pdfs (sharing and group editing might best occur via email)
- If you do share via email, be sure to upload a file to the group folder
- Literature folder (please upload any recommended readings)

❖ Conference call number and web meeting

- TBD; Provided by NIMBioS

❖ Others (e.g., Skype, Etherpad)?

14) 11:00-12:00, 1:00-3:30 Breakouts (lunch on site @ 12:00-1:00)

❖ Species-specific breakouts (available relevant models listed for each):

➤ Mexican Free-tailed Bats [Ruscena]

- Wiederholt et al Cr Mig model
- MFTB network model

➤ Pintails [Brady/Mike R.]

- Mattsson et al population model
- Wiederholt et al Cr Mig model

➤ Monarchs [Jay]

- Brice Semmens' population model
- L Ries milkweed availability map/model

➤ Wildebeests [Darius/John F.]

❖ “Topic”-based (cross-species/synthetic) groups

➤ General mathematics of Cr, Ds, etc.

- Alternative approaches to estimating Cr
- Directly estimating Ds

➤ Life history complexities

- Carry over effects.
 - Density dependence.compensatory vs additive issues and contributions of a patch
- Applications of Cr & Ds (decision analysis, policy, etc.) [Tara M./Mike R.]

❖ 3:30-5:00 End of day, **goals, structured as a list of publications.**

❖ Main topics to discuss in species-specific breakouts:

- 1) What does Cr mean, really??
- 2) Model additions/refinements -- proposed elements to incorporate
 - a. Incorporate males
 - b. Annual variability – e.g., climate change, land use change
 - c. Migratory stopover sites
 - d. Carryover effects
 - e. Age-specific vital rates (beyond juveniles & adults only)
 - f. Density dependence
- 3) Plans for sensitivity analyses – started in straw man paper
- 4) Applied angles -- decision analysis, SDM, etc.

Model additions/refinements -- proposed elements to incorporate	MFTBats	Wilbebeests	Pintails	Monarchs
Incorporate males	y		Y	n
Annual variability – e.g. climate change, land use change	n		Y	not explicit
Migratory stopover sites	n		Y	regional approach
Carryover effects	n		n	n
Age specific vital rates (beyond juveniles & adults only)	n		Y	n
Density dependence	y		Y	n

Day 3, 8:00-9:00am Wednesday, breakfast on site

Day 3, Wednesday:

15) 9:00am Plenary

- ❖ AM: Species-specific groups report back in plenary; lay out achievable goals through Thursday morning
- ❖ PM: A field trip to Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Day 4, 8:00-9:00am Thursday, breakfast

Day 4, Thursday.

16) 9:00am Plenary

Expected outcomes:

Planned publications (as a means of focusing group efforts)

Symposium or conference presentations

Assign tasks. Most will leave this afternoon.

Groups: