

Virginia ESI: HYDRO (Hydrography Lines and Polygons)

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Identification_Information:

Citation:

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Originator:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Publication_Date: 200512

Title: Virginia ESI: HYDRO (Hydrography Lines and Polygons)

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Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: Vector digital data

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Series_Name: None

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington.

Other_Citation_Details:

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains vector lines and polygons representing coastal hydrography used in the creation of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) for Virginia. The HYDRO data layer contains all annotation used in producing the atlas. The annotation features are

categorized into three subclasses in order to simplify the mapping and quality control procedures: GEOG for geographic features, SOC for socioeconomic features, and HYDRO for water features.

This data set comprises a portion of the ESI data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 1998

Ending_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 1998 to 2004 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

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Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Hydrography

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

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Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

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Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written. After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent linear and polygonal hydrography for Virginia.

*Positional_Accuracy:**Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:**Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:*

The HYDRO data set was developed from pre-existing digital data and reflects the positional accuracy of these original data. The horizontal positional accuracy of the 1:24,000 U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) topographic quads should conform to National Map Accuracy Standards at scales of 1:24,000. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original source data and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set.

*Lineage:**Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:*

Originator: MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)

Publication_Date: 2003

Title:

RECENT (1988-1995) MARYLAND SHORELINES WITH EROSION RATE ATTRIBUTES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA

Other_Citation_Details:

MARYLAND DNR, CHESAPEAKE BAY AND WATERSHED PROGRAM, MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY,

<<http://www.mgs.md.gov/>>

Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE

*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Range_of_Dates/Times:*

Beginning_Date: 1988

Ending_Date: 1995

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF IMAGERY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: HYDRO INFORMATION

*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:*

Originator: NOAA

Publication_Date: 1996

Title: NORTH CAROLINA ENVIRONMENTAL SENSITIVITY INDEX DIGITAL DATA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA

Other_Citation_Details: NOAA OFFICE OF RESPONSE AND RESTORATION, SEATTLE, WA 98115

Source_Scale_Denominator: 24,000

Type_of_Source_Media: CD-ROM

*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:*

Calendar_Date: 1996

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: HYDRO INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: RESEARCH PLANNING, INC. (RPI)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: RPI LOW ALTITUDE OVERFLIGHTS

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY MAP

Other_Citation_Details: 2004

Source_Scale_Denominator: 24000

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: HYDRO INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: RESEARCH PLANNING, INC. (RPI)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: STUDY AREA INDEX

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Source_Scale_Denominator: 24000

Type_of_Source_Media: DISC

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: HYDRO INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

Publication_Date: VARIES

Title: SCANNED TOPOGRAPHIC QUADRANGLES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY MAP

Other_Citation_Details: DENVER, CO OR RESTON, VA

Source_Scale_Denominator: 24,000

Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: VARIES

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: HYDRO INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Publication_Date: 1998
Title:
 DIGITAL ORTHO QUARTER QUADRANGLES (DOQQ'S) FOR VA,
 DOWNLOADED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA (UVA)
 GEOSPATIAL AND STATISTICAL DATA CENTER
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL RASTER DATA
Other_Citation_Details:
http://fisher.lib.virginia.edu/collections/gis/doq/go_to_html.html
Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 1998
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: HYDRO INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Publication_Date: VARIES
Title: DIGITAL RASTER GRAPHICS FOR VIRGINIA
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL RASTER DATA
Other_Citation_Details: DENVER, CO OR RESTON, VA
Source_Scale_Denominator: 24,000
Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE
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Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: VARIES
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: HYDRO INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: VIRGINIA GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION NETWORK
 (VGIN)
Publication_Date: 2002
Title:
 1 METER HYDROGRAPHY EXTRACTED FROM DIGITAL
 TERRAIN MODELS (DTM'S)
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA
Other_Citation_Details: VIRGINIA GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION
 NETWORK, RICHMOND, VA 23219
Type_of_Source_Media: FTP

*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2002*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* HYDRO INFORMATION*Process_Step:**Process_Description:*

The shoreline was derived primarily from digital coastline data originating from the Virginia Geographic Information Network (VGIN) and provided for the project by the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS). Minor gaps in this data set were digitized from U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) Digital Ortho Quarter Quads (DOQQs), USGS Digital Raster Graphics (DRGs), and scanned USGS topos. In some cases, gross shoreline changes were sketched by Research Planning, Inc. during ESI classification overflights and digitized from the hardcopy field maps. Shoreline from the Maryland Department of Natural Resources (DNR) and the NOAA North Carolina ESI Atlas were used for areas outside of Virginia.

Process_Date: 200505*Process_Contact:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Organization_Primary:**Contact_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact_Person:* Jill Petersen*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* Physical address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.*City:* Seattle*State_or_Province:* Washington*Postal_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact_Voice_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944*Contact_Facsimile_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov*Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:**Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method:* Vector*Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:**SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* GT-polygon composed of chains*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 2911*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Area point*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 2911*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Complete chain*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 23120*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Link*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 2073590*SDTS_Terms_Description:*

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Label Point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 798

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Node, planar graph

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 23135

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

In addition to the geographic data layers, one relational attribute or data table, SOURCES, is used to store the source data information in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing resource information (in this case, HYDRO) is linked to the SOURCES table using the SOURCE_ID. The entity-relationship diagram describes the relationships between the attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: HYDRO.AAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The HYDRO.AAT table contains attribute information for the vector lines representing linear hydrography features in the HYDRO data layer.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: LINE

Attribute_Definition: Type of geographic feature.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: B

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Breakwater

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Extent of Digital Data

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: I

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Index

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: S

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Shoreline

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Spatial data source for the data layer lines that link to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: HYDRO.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The HYDRO.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons representing polygonal hydrography features in the HYDRO data layer.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: WATER_CODE

Attribute_Definition: Specifies a polygon as either water or land.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: L

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Land

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: W

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Water

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: ANNO.GEOG

Entity_Type_Definition:

The spatial data layer HYDRO contains label points representing annotation for geographic features.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: ANNO.HYDRO

Entity_Type_Definition:

The spatial data layer HYDRO contains label points representing annotation for water features.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: ANNO.SOC

Entity_Type_Definition:

The spatial data layer HYDRO contains label points representing annotation for socioeconomic features.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATA_FORMAT

Attribute_Definition: The format of the source material.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PUBLICATION

Attribute_Definition: Additional citation information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SCALE

Attribute_Definition: Description of the source scale.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TIME_PERIOD

Attribute_Definition:

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

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Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: John Kaperick

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical Address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6400

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Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Custom_Order_Process:

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to a wider community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats

include ARC export, MOSS and Shape files, and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcView ESI project and ESI_Viewer product are also included on the distribution CDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 200512

Metadata_Review_Date: 200512

Metadata_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

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Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Shoreline habitats

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Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written. After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent coastal shorelines and habitats classified according to the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) classification system. See also the WETLANDS (Wetland Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional coastal habitat information.

*Positional_Accuracy:**Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:**Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:*

The ESI data set was developed from pre-existing digital sources and reflects the positional accuracy of these original data. The horizontal positional accuracy of the 1:24,000 USGS topographic quads should conform to National Map Accuracy Standards at scales of 1:24,000. The minimum mapping unit (MMU) of the actual shoreline classification segments is estimated at 50 meters where mapping is conducted using 1:24,000 hardcopy fieldmaps. Field verification has shown that the absolute positional accuracy of breaks between shoreline ESI types with a 95-percent error bound is approximately 58 meters. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set.

*Lineage:**Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:*

Originator: MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES (DNR)

Publication_Date: 2003

Title:

RECENT (1988-1995) MARYLAND SHORELINES WITH EROSION RATE ATTRIBUTES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA

Other_Citation_Details:

MARYLAND DNR, CHESAPEAKE BAY AND WATERSHED PROGRAM, MARYLAND GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

<<http://www.mgs.md.gov/>>

Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE

*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Range_of_Dates/Times:*

Beginning_Date: 1988

Ending_Date: 1995

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF IMAGERY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: ESI INFORMATION

*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:*

Originator: RESEARCH PLANNING, INC.

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: RPI LOW ALTITUDE OVERFLIGHTS

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY MAP

Other_Citation_Details: 2004

Source_Scale_Denominator: 24000

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:*

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: ESI INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Publication_Date: VARIES
Title: SCANNED TOPOGRAPHIC QUADRANGLES
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY MAP
Other_Citation_Details: DENVER, CO OR RESTON, VA
Source_Scale_Denominator: 24,000
Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: VARIES
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: ESI INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Publication_Date: 1998
Title:
DIGITAL ORTHOPHOTO QUADRANGLES (DOQQ'S) FOR VA,
DOWNLOADED FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA (UVA)
GEOSPATIAL AND STATISTICAL DATA CENTER
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL RASTER DATA
Other_Citation_Details:
<http://fisher.lib.virginia.edu/collections/gis/doq/go_to_html.html>
Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 1998
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: ESI INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY
Publication_Date: VARIES
Title: DIGITAL RASTER GRAPHICS FOR VA
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL RASTER DATA
Other_Citation_Details: DENVER, CO OR RESTON, VA
Source_Scale_Denominator: 24,000
Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

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Overflights for Virginia occurred in January 2004. The overflights were conducted at altitudes of 400-600 feet and slow air speeds. All flights were planned to maximize time on site during the 2.5 hours preceding and the 2.5 hours following peak low tide. During this work the shoreline depicted on current 1:24,000-scale USGS topographic maps was annotated with the ESI ranking of observed intertidal shoreline habitats. Where appropriate, revisions to the existing shoreline were made and where necessary, multiple habitats were described for each shoreline segment.

Process_Date: 200505*Process_Contact:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Organization_Primary:**Contact_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact_Person:* Jill Petersen*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* Physical address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.*City:* Seattle*State_or_Province:* Washington*Postal_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact_Voice_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944*Contact_Facsimile_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Vector

Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: GT-polygon composed of chains

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 2864

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Area point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 2864

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Complete chain

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 18326

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Link

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 1806859

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Node, planar graph

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 18047

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

In addition to the geographic data layers, one relational attribute or data table, SOURCES, is used to store the source data information in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing resource information (in this case, ESI) is linked to the SOURCES table using the SOURCE_ID. The entity-relationship diagram describes the relationships between the attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: ESI.AAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The ESI.AAT table contains attribute information for the vector lines representing linear shoreline features with ESI classification.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ESI

Attribute_Definition:

The item ESI contains values representing the ESI shoreline type. In many cases

shorelines are ranked with multiple codes, such as "6B/3A" (listed landward to seaward from left to right). The first code, "6B", is the most landward shoreline type and the second code, "3A", is the shoreline type closest to the water. Singular shoreline types are listed below. No multiple codes are listed, but all multiple codes included in the data set can be assembled from the codes described. The ESI rankings progress from low to high susceptibility to oil spills. To determine the sensitivity of a particular intertidal shoreline habitat, the following factors are integrated: (1) Shoreline type (substrate, grain size, tidal elevation, origin); (2) Exposure to wave and tidal energy; (3) Biological productivity and sensitivity; (4) Ease of cleanup. Prediction of the behavior and persistence of oil in intertidal habitats is based on an understanding of the dynamics of the coastal environments, not just the substrate type and grain size. The intensity of energy expended upon a shoreline by wave action, tidal currents, and river currents directly affects the persistence of stranded oil. The need for shoreline cleanup activities is determined, in part, by the slowness of natural processes in removal of oil stranded on the shoreline. The potential for biological injury, and ease of cleanup of spilled oil, are also important factors in the ESI ranking. Generally speaking, areas exposed to high levels of physical energy, such as wave action and tidal currents, and low biological activity rank low on the scale, whereas sheltered areas with associated high biological activity have the highest ranking.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 1B

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Exposed, Solid Man-made Structures

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 2A

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Exposed Wave-cut Platforms in Clay

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 2B

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Exposed Scarps and Steep Slopes in Clay

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 3A

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fine- to Medium-grained Sand Beaches

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 3B

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Scarps and Steep Slopes in Sand

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 4

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Coarse-grained Sand Beaches

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 5

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Mixed Sand and Gravel Beaches

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: 6A
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gravel Beaches
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Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: 7
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Exposed Tidal Flats
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: 8A
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Sheltered Scarps in Clay
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: 8B
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Sheltered, Solid Man-made Structures
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: 8C
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Sheltered Riprap
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: 9A
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Sheltered Tidal Flats
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: 9B
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Sheltered Vegetated Low Banks
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
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Enumerated_Domain_Value: 10A
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Salt- and Brackish-water marshes
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
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Attribute:

Attribute_Label: LINE

Attribute_Definition: Type of geographic feature.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: B

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Breakwater

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: F

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Flat

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: S

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Shoreline

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Spatial data source for the data layer lines that link to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ENVIR

Attribute_Definition: Type of regional environment.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: U

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Unranked

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: ESI.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The ESI.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons representing polygonal features with ESI classification.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ESI

Attribute_Definition: The item ESI contains values representing the ESI polygon type.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* 7*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Exposed Tidal Flats*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* 9A*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Sheltered Tidal Flats*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* U*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Unranked*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* WATER_CODE*Attribute_Definition:* Specifies a polygon as either water or land.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* L*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Land*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* W*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Water*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ENVIR*Attribute_Definition:* Type of regional environment.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Estuarine*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* U*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Unranked*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* SOURCES*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SOURCE_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items

G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATA_FORMAT

Attribute_Definition: The format of the source material.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PUBLICATION

Attribute_Definition: Additional citation information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SCALE

Attribute_Definition: Description of the source scale.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TIME_PERIOD

Attribute_Definition:

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: John Kaperick

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical Address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6400

Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329

Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Custom_Order_Process:

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to a wider community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include ARC export, MOSS and Shape files, and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcView ESI project and ESI_Viewer product are also included on the distribution CDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 200512

Metadata_Review_Date: 200512

Metadata_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Position: GIS Manager

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical Address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6944

Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329

Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Metadata_Standard_Name: Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

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Metadata:

- [Identification Information](#)
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- [Spatial Data Organization Information](#)
- [Spatial Reference Information](#)
- [Entity and Attribute Information](#)
- [Distribution Information](#)
- [Metadata Reference Information](#)

Identification Information:

Citation:

Citation Information:

Originator:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Publication Date: 200512

Title: Virginia ESI: INDEX (Index Polygons)

Edition: 2

Geospatial Data Presentation Form: Vector digital data

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Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains vector polygons representing the boundaries of all hardcopy cartographic products produced as part of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) for Virginia. This data set comprises a portion of the ESI data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats,

sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The INDEX data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness date for the data is 2004 and is documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the

Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

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Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

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Completeness_Report:

These data represent the boundaries of all hardcopy cartographic products produced as part of the Virginia ESI, as well as digital data extents.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

The index polygons in this data layer were generated in ArcInfo from the coordinates of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) 1:24,000 topographic map corners. Some small amount of positional error may be present along the arcs forming the boundaries of these polygons, particularly away from the polygon corners. Some boundaries were developed from pre-existing digital and hardcopy

sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original source data and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: RESEARCH PLANNING, INC.

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: STUDY AREA INDEX

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Source_Scale_Denominator: 24000

Type_of_Source_Media: DISC

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: INDEX INFORMATION

Process_Step:

Process_Description:

Primarily, 1:24,000 U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) topographic maps were used to provide boundaries for cartographic products. In some cases, the polygons represent USGS topographic maps that were re-tiled, moved, or extended to provide better cartographic coverage of the study area.

Process_Date: 200505

Process_Contact:

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Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

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Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Vector

Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: GT-polygon composed of chains

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 129

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Area point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 129

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Complete chain

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 311

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Link

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 6611

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Node, planar graph

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 183

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: INDEX.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The INDEX.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons representing the boundaries of the maps and digital data boundaries used in the creation of the ESI.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TILE-NAME

Attribute_Definition:

The TILE-NAME contains the map number according to the specified layout of the atlas.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: 125

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TOPO-NAME

Attribute_Definition:

USGS Topographic map name, short description of location, or atlas name.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SCALE

Attribute_Definition:

SCALE contains the value of the denominator of the scale at which the map is plotted in the final map product.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 24000

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Scale = 1:24,000

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAPANGLE

Attribute_Definition:

MAPANGLE contains the value to rotate the final map product so that it is situated straight up and down.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 0.0000

Range_Domain_Maximum: 1.4890

Attribute_Units_of_Measure: Degree

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PAGESIZE

Attribute_Definition:

PAGESIZE contains the value of the width and height of the map in the final map product.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 11,17

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Page size= 11" by 17"

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

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State_or_Province: Washington

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Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Custom_Order_Process:

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to a wider community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include ARC export, MOSS and Shape files, and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcView ESI project and ESI_Viewer product are also included on the distribution CDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 200512

Metadata_Review_Date: 200512

Metadata_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

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Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Metadata_Standard_Name: Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

Virginia ESI: Wetlands (Wetland Polygons)

Metadata also available as - [[Parseable text](#)] - [[SGML](#)]

Metadata:

- [Identification Information](#)
- [Data Quality Information](#)
- [Spatial Data Organization Information](#)
- [Spatial Reference Information](#)
- [Entity and Attribute Information](#)
- [Distribution Information](#)
- [Metadata Reference Information](#)

Identification Information:

Citation:

Citation Information:

Originator:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Publication Date: 200512

Title: Virginia ESI: Wetlands (Wetland Polygons)

Edition: 2

Geospatial Data Presentation Form: Vector digital data

Series Information:

Series Name: None

Issue Identification: Virginia

Publication Information:

Publication Place: Seattle, Washington

Publisher:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington.

Other Citation Details:

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains vector polygons representing the coastal wetlands for Virginia, classified according to the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) classification system. This data set comprises a portion of the ESI data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive

biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the ESI data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional coastal habitat information.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 1974

Ending_Date: 1988

Currentness_Reference:

The data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 1974 to 1988 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Coastal wetlands

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

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Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in the data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

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Logical_Consistency_Report:

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Completeness_Report:

These data represent coastal wetlands classified according to the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) classification system. See also the ESI data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional coastal habitat information.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

The WETLANDS data set was developed from pre-existing digital sources and

reflects the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

COMPREHENSIVE COASTAL INVENTORY, VIMS, COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY

Publication_Date: 1974-1988

Title: TIDAL MARSH INVENTORY (TMIALL27)

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA

Other_Citation_Details: GLOUCESTER POINT, VA, VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE

Source_Scale_Denominator: 24000

Type_of_Source_Media: DISK

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 1974

Ending_Date: 1988

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF INVENTORY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: WETLANDS INFORMATION

Process_Step:

Process_Description:

The WETLANDS data layer was created by clipping the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) College of William and Mary Tidal Marsh Inventory data set with the ESI Hydrography (HYDRO) layer for this atlas. The existing 12-category wetland classification scheme for the Tidal Marsh Inventory was collapsed to the ESI scale classification.

Process_Date: 200505

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Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Vector

*Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:**SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* GT-polygon composed of chains*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 18725*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Area point*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 18725*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Complete chain*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 20259*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Link*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 1624956*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Node, planar graph*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 19989*Spatial_Reference_Information:**Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:**Geographic:**Latitude_Resolution:* 0.0000001*Longitude_Resolution:* 0.0000001*Geographic_Coordinate_Units:* Decimal degrees*Geodetic_Model:**Horizontal_Datum_Name:* North American Datum of 1927*Ellipsoid_Name:* Clark 1866*Semi-major_Axis:* 6378206.400000*Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio:* 294.978698*Entity_and_Attribute_Information:**Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* ESI.PAT*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The ESI.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons representing polygonal features with ESI classification.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ESI*Attribute_Definition:* The item ESI contains values representing the ESI polygon type.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* 10A*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Salt- and Brackish-Water Marshes*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* 10B*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Freshwater Marshes

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: 10D
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Scrub-shrub Wetlands
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: U
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Unranked
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Distribution_Information:*Distributor*:*Contact_Information*:*Contact_Person_Primary*:*Contact_Person*: John Kaperick*Contact_Organization*: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact_Address*:*Address_Type*: Physical Address*Address*: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.*City*: Seattle*State_or_Province*: Washington*Postal_Code*: 98115-6349*Contact_Voice_Telephone*: (206) 526-6400*Contact_Facsimile_Telephone*: (206) 526-6329*Resource_Description*: ESI Atlas for Virginia*Distribution_Liability*:

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Custom_Order_Process:

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Metadata_Reference_Information:*Metadata_Date*: 200512*Metadata_Review_Date*: 200512*Metadata_Contact*:*Contact_Information*:*Contact_Person_Primary*:*Contact_Person*: Jill Petersen*Contact_Organization*: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

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Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6944

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Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Metadata_Standard_Name: Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

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Metadata:

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- [Data_Quality_Information](#)
- [Spatial_Data_Organization_Information](#)
- [Spatial_Reference_Information](#)
- [Entity_and_Attribute_Information](#)
- [Distribution_Information](#)
- [Metadata_Reference_Information](#)

Identification_Information:

Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Publication_Date: 200512

Title: Virginia ESI: MGT (Management Area Polygons)

Edition: 2

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: Vector digital data

Series_Information:

Series_Name: None

Issue_Identification: Virginia

Publication_Information:

Publication_Place: Seattle, Washington

Publisher:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington.

Other_Citation_Details:

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains boundaries for management areas, national parks, state and local parks, and wildlife refuges in Virginia. Vector polygons in this data set represent the management areas. Location-specific type and source information is stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the SOCECON (Socioeconomic Resource Points and Lines) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional human-use information.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 2001

Ending_Date: 2003

Currentness_Reference:

The MGT data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 2001 to 2003 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Management areas

Theme_Keyword: Human use resources

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

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Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in the data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written. After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of digital boundaries for management areas. These data do not necessarily represent all management areas in Virginia. See also the SOCECON (Socioeconomic

Resource Points and Lines) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional human-use information.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

Spatial components for the human-use data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the human-use data layers are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. Some of the spatial components of the human-use data layers are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION

Publication_Date: 2001

Title: STATE FORESTS

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA

Other_Citation_Details:

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION, RICHMOND, VA

Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2001

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: MGT INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION

Publication_Date: 2001

Title: NATIONAL PARK BOUNDARIES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA

Other_Citation_Details: VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION

Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2001

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: MGT INFORMATION

*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:* VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION*Publication_Date:* 2001*Title:* STATE PARKS AND STATE DEDICATED NATURAL AREA PRESERVES*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form:* DIGITAL VECTOR DATA*Other_Citation_Details:*

VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION, RICHMOND, VA

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VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION, RICHMOND, VA

Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2001*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* MGT INFORMATION*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:* VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES*Publication_Date:* 2003*Title:* WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT AREA BOUNDARIES*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form:* DIGITAL VECTOR DATA*Other_Citation_Details:* UNPUBLISHED*Source_Scale_Denominator:* 24,000*Type_of_Source_Media:* ONLINE*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:*

*Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2003*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* MGT INFORMATION*Process_Step:**Process_Description:*

Five digital coverages were used to depict management areas for this data layer: (1) Department of Game and Inland Fisheries Wildlife Management Areas (WMAs), (2) Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR) National Parks, (3) DCR State Parks, (4) DCR National Wildlife Refuges (NWRs), and (5) DCR State Forests.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the MGT data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a human-use data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used 'as is' or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the MGT data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

Process_Date: 200505*Process_Contact:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Organization_Primary:**Contact_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact_Person:* Jill Petersen*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* Physical address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.*City:* Seattle*State_or_Province:* Washington*Postal_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact_Voice_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944*Contact_Facsimile_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov*Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:**Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method:* Vector*Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:**SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* GT-polygon composed of chains*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 309*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Area point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 309

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Complete chain

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 429

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Link

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 78931

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Node, planar graph

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 413

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

In addition to the geographic data layers, two relational attribute or data tables, SOC_DAT and SOURCES, are used to store the complex socioeconomic data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing socioeconomic data resource information (in this case, MGT) is linked to the Socioeconomic Resources table (SOC_DAT) using the unique ID and the lookup table SOC_LUT, or it can be linked directly using HUNUM. HUNUM is a unique reference number concatenated with the atlas number (for Virginia, the number is 55). ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (55), an element specific number (MGT = 11), and a unique record number. SOC_DAT and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: MGT.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The MGT.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons representing national parks, state and local parks, wildlife refuges, and other management areas. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TYPE

Attribute_Definition:

The human-use features depicted on the maps are those that could be impacted by an oil spill or could provide access for response operations.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: MA

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Management Area

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: MR

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Multiple Records - Signifies that multiple types overlap in the polygon

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: NP

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: National Park

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: P

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Regional or State Park

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: WR

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wildlife Refuge

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the human-use data layers to records in the SOC_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (11), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 551100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 551100312

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: HUNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links directly to the SOC_DAT table. HUNUM values of 0 are holes in the polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000098

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000165

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOC_LUT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOC_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the human-use data layers with the SOC_DAT data table. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: HUNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the SOC_LUT data table to records in the SOC_DAT data table. HUNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000165

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the human-use data layers to records in the SOC_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (SOCECON=10; MGT=11), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 551000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 551000312

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOC_DAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOC_DAT contains both human-use attribute data and items necessary for linking the human-use spatial data layers to the SOURCES data table. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: HUNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the SOC_DAT data table to records in the SOC_LUT data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000165

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TYPE

Attribute_Definition: Identifies the feature type

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: AIRPORT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Airport

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: AQUACULTURE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Aquaculture Site

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BEACH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Beach

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BOAT RAMP

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Boat Ramp

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: COAST GUARD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Coast Guard Station

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HELIPORT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Heliport

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: LOCK AND DAM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Lock and Dam

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: MANAGEMENT AREA

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Management Area

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: MARINA

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marina

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* NATIONAL PARK*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* National Park*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REGIONAL OR STATE PARK*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Regional or State Park*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* WATER INTAKE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Water Intake*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* WILDLIFE REFUGE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Wildlife Refuge*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* NAME*Attribute_Definition:* The feature name*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* CONTACT*Attribute_Definition:* Contact person or entity*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* PHONE*Attribute_Definition:* Contact telephone number*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* G_SOURCE*Attribute_Definition:*

Geographic source identifier that links records in the SOC_DAT data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* A_SOURCE*Attribute_Definition:*

Attribute source identifier that links records in the SOC_DAT data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATA_FORMAT

Attribute_Definition: The format of the source material.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PUBLICATION

Attribute_Definition: Additional citation information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SCALE

Attribute_Definition: Description of the source scale.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TIME_PERIOD

Attribute_Definition:

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: John Kaperick

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical Address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6400

Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329

Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Custom_Order_Process:

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to a wider community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include ARC export, MOSS and Shape files, and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcView ESI project and ESI_Viewer product are also included on the distribution CDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 200512

Metadata_Review_Date: 200512

Metadata_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Position: GIS Manager

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical Address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

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State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6944

Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329

Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Metadata_Standard_Name: Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

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Virginia ESI: SOCECON (Socioeconomic Resource Points and Lines)

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Metadata:

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- [Spatial Data Organization Information](#)
- [Spatial Reference Information](#)
- [Entity and Attribute Information](#)
- [Distribution Information](#)
- [Metadata Reference Information](#)

Identification Information:

Citation:

Citation Information:

Originator:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Publication Date: 200512

Title: Virginia ESI: SOCECON (Socioeconomic Resource Points and Lines)

Edition: 2

Geospatial Data Presentation Form: Vector digital data

Series Information:

Series Name: None

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Publisher:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington.

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Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains data for airports, aquaculture sites, beaches, boat ramps, coast guard stations, heliports, dams, marinas, water intakes, bridges, and state boundaries for Virginia. Vector points and lines in this data set represent the human-use site locations and

political boundaries. Location-specific type and source information is stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the MGT (Management Area Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional human-use information.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 2000

Ending_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The SOCECON data were compiled during 2004 - 2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 2000 to 2004 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Socioeconomic resources

Theme_Keyword: Human use resources

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the

exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in the data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge, available hardcopy reports, and digital data on socioeconomic resources. These data do not necessarily represent all human-use sites in Virginia. See also the MGT (Management Area Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional human-use information.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

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Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: DELORME

Publication_Date: 2000

Title: VIRGINIA ATLAS AND GAZETTEER

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY MAP

Other_Citation_Details: DELORME, P.O. BOX 298, YARMOUTH, MAINE, 80 PP.

Source_Scale_Denominator: 150,000

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2000

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: SOCECON INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: GALLEGOS, J. (U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE [USFWS], VA BEACH)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: BACK BAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SPECIES DISTRIBUTION

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: SOCECON INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator:
 LENEH HARNER, VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND
 INLAND FISHERIES (VDGIF)
Publication_Date: 2003
Title: dgif_boat_ramp03_1783
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2002
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: SOCECON INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: OESTERLING, M., VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE
 SCIENCE (VIMS)
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: DISTRIBUTION AND ABUNDANCE OF SHELLFISH IN VIRGINIA
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: N/A
Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2004
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Source_Contribution: SOCECON INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
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Originator: RESEARCH PLANNING, INC.
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: RPI-LOW ALTITUDE OVERFLIGHTS
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY MAP
Other_Citation_Details: 2004
Source_Scale_Denominator: 24000
Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: SOCECON INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: T. PENN, USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DISTRIBUTION OF CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE
REFUGE SPECIES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: SOCECON INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA LIBRARY

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: THE VIRGINIA GAZETTEER

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL TABLE

Other_Citation_Details: GEOSPATIAL AND STATISTICAL DATA
CENTER

Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

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Source_Citation:

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Title: THE VIRGINIA GAZETTEER

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL TABLE

Other_Citation_Details: GEOSPATIAL AND STATISTICAL DATA
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Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

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Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: SOCECON INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (VIMS)

Publication_Date: 2002

Title: AQUASITES032802

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Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2002

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: SOCECON INFORMATION

Process_Step:

Process_Description:

Five main sources of data were used to depict human-use resources for this data layer: (1) Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) 2002 Aquaculture Sites point data, (2) personal interviews with resource experts from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), (3) Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries' (VDGIF) 2003 owned public boating access sites, (4) University of Virginia Geospatial and Statistical Data Center's Virginia Gazetteer, and (5) digital raster graphics (DRGs) and aerial photographs.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the SOCECON data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a human-use data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; and (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used 'as is' or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the SOCECON data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

Process_Date: 200505

Process_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* Physical address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.*City:* Seattle*State_or_Province:* Washington*Postal_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact_Voice_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944*Contact_Facsimile_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov*Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:**Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method:* Vector*Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:**SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Entity Point*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 423*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Complete chain*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 156*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Link*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 4069*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Node, planar graph*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 230*Spatial_Reference_Information:**Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:**Geographic:**Latitude_Resolution:* 0.0000001*Longitude_Resolution:* 0.0000001*Geographic_Coordinate_Units:* Decimal degrees*Geodetic_Model:**Horizontal_Datum_Name:* North American Datum of 1927*Ellipsoid_Name:* Clark 1866*Semi-major_Axis:* 6378206.400000*Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio:* 294.978698*Entity_and_Attribute_Information:**Overview_Description:**Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:*

In addition to the geographic data layers, two relational attribute or data tables, SOC_DAT and SOURCES, are used to store the complex socioeconomic data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing socioeconomic data resource information (in this case, SOCECON) is linked to the Socioeconomic Resources table (SOC_DAT) using the unique ID and the lookup table SOC_LUT, or it can be linked directly using HUNUM. HUNUM is a unique reference number concatenated with the atlas number (for Virginia, the number is 55). ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (55), an

element specific number (SOCECON = 10), and a unique record number. SOC_DAT and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOCECON.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The SOCECON.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector points representing airports, aquaculture sites, beaches, boat ramps, coast guard stations, heliports, dams, marinas, and water intakes. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TYPE

Attribute_Definition:

The human-use features depicted on the maps are those that could be impacted by an oil spill or could provide access for response operations.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: AQ

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Aquaculture Site

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: B

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Beach

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: A

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Airport

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BR

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Boat Ramp

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: CG

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Coast Guard Station

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HP

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Heliport

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* LD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Lock and Dam*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marina*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* WI*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Water Intake*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ID*Attribute_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the human-use data layers to records in the SOC_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (10), and record number.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 551000001*Range_Domain_Maximum:* 551000423*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* HUNUM*Attribute_Definition:* An identifier that links directly to the SOC_DAT table.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* NOAA*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 55000001*Range_Domain_Maximum:* 55000162*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* SOCECON.AAT*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The SOCECON.AAT table contains attribute information for the vector lines representing bridges and state boundaries. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* TYPE*Attribute_Definition:*

The human-use features depicted on the maps are those that could be impacted by an oil spill or could provide access for response operations.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:*

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* R*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Road, Transportation, or Bridge*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* SB*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* State Border*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* SOC_LUT*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table SOC_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the human-use data layers with the SOC_DAT data table. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* HUNUM*Attribute_Definition:*

An identifier that links records in the SOC_LUT data table to records in the SOC_DAT data table. HUNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 55000001*Range_Domain_Maximum:* 55000165*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ID*Attribute_Definition:*

An identifier that links vector objects in the human-use data layers to records in the SOC_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (SOCECON=10; MGT=11), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 551000001*Range_Domain_Maximum:* 551000312*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* SOC_DAT*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table SOC_DAT contains both human-use attribute data and items necessary for linking the human-use spatial data layers to the SOURCES data table. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:*

Attribute_Label: HUNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the SOC_DAT data table to records in the SOC_LUT data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000165

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TYPE

Attribute_Definition: Identifies the feature type

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: AIRPORT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Airport

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: AQUACULTURE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Aquaculture Site

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BEACH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Beach

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BOAT RAMP

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Boat Ramp

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: COAST GUARD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Coast Guard Station

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HELIPORT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Heliport

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: LOCK AND DAM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Lock and Dam

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: MANAGEMENT AREA

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Management Area

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: MARINA

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marina

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: NATIONAL PARK

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: National Park

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REGIONAL OR STATE PARK

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Regional or State Park

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: WATER INTAKE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Water Intake

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: WILDLIFE REFUGE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wildlife Refuge

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NAME

Attribute_Definition: The feature name

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: CONTACT

Attribute_Definition: Contact person or entity

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PHONE

Attribute_Definition: Contact telephone number

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: G_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Geographic source identifier that links records in the SOC_DAT data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: A_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Attribute source identifier that links records in the SOC_DAT data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM

for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATA_FORMAT

Attribute_Definition: The format of the source material.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PUBLICATION

Attribute_Definition: Additional citation information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SCALE

Attribute_Definition: Description of the source scale.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TIME_PERIOD

Attribute_Definition:

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: John Kaperick

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

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Address_Type: Physical Address

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State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6400

Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329

Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 200512

Metadata_Review_Date: 200512

Metadata_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Position: GIS Manager

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Address_Type: Physical Address

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State_or_Province: Washington

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Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6944

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Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Metadata_Standard_Name: Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

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Virginia ESI: BIRDS (Bird Polygons)

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Metadata:

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- [Data Quality Information](#)
- [Spatial Data Organization Information](#)
- [Spatial Reference Information](#)
- [Entity and Attribute Information](#)
- [Distribution Information](#)
- [Metadata Reference Information](#)

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Citation:

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Originator:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

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Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for wading birds, shorebirds, waterfowl, raptors, diving birds, pelagic birds, passerine birds, and gulls and terns in Virginia. Vector polygons in this data set represent bird nesting, wintering, migratory staging, and other spatial/temporal concentration areas. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables

(described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the NESTS (Nest Points) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional bird information.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 1991

Ending_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The biological data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 1991 to 2004 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Birds

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of

field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

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Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new

ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge and available hardcopy documents, survey data, maps, and digital data on bird nesting, wintering, migratory staging, and other spatial/temporal concentration areas. See also the NESTS (Nest Points) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional bird information. These data do not necessarily represent all bird occurrences in Virginia. The following species are included in this data set: (Species_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 1, Common loon, *Gavia immer*; 3, Red-throated loon, *Gavia stellata*; 4, Red-necked grebe, *Podiceps grisegena*; 5, Horned grebe, *Podiceps auritus*; 6, Eared grebe, *Podiceps nigricollis*; 8, Double-crested cormorant, *Phalacrocorax auritus*; 11, Tundra swan, *Cygnus columbianus*; 12, Canada goose, *Branta canadensis*; 13, Brant, *Branta bernicla*; 15, Snow goose, *Chen caerulescens*; 16, Mallard, *Anas platyrhynchos*; 17, Northern pintail, *Anas acuta*; 18, Green-winged teal, *Anas crecca*; 20, Northern shoveler, *Anas clypeata*; 21, Canvasback, *Aythya valisineria*; 23, Lesser scaup, *Aythya affinis*; 24, Common goldeneye, *Bucephala clangula*; 26, Bufflehead, *Bucephala albeola*; 27, Long-tailed duck, *Clangula hyemalis*; 29, White-winged scoter, *Melanitta fusca*; 30, Surf scoter, *Melanitta perspicillata*; 32, Common merganser, *Mergus merganser*; 33, Red-breasted merganser, *Mergus serrator*; 34, American coot, *Fulica americana*; 38, Herring gull, *Larus argentatus*; 40, Ring-billed gull, *Larus delawarensis*; 42, Bonaparte's gull, *Larus philadelphia*; 45, Common tern, *Sterna hirundo*; 54, Great blue heron, *Ardea herodias*; 55, Whimbrel, *Numenius phaeopus*; 56, Spotted sandpiper, *Actitis macularia*; 58, Greater yellowlegs, *Tringa melanoleuca*; 59, Lesser yellowlegs, *Tringa flavipes*; 60, Red knot, *Calidris canutus*; 61, Pectoral sandpiper, *Calidris melanotos*; 62, Least sandpiper, *Calidris minutilla*; 63, Dunlin, *Calidris alpina*; 64, Short-billed dowitcher, *Limnodromus griseus*; 66, Western sandpiper, *Calidris mauri*; 67, Sanderling, *Calidris alba*; 69, Semipalmated plover, *Charadrius semipalmatus*; 70, Killdeer, *Charadrius vociferus*; 71, Black-bellied plover, *Pluvialis squatarola*; 73, Ruddy turnstone, *Arenaria interpres*; 76, Bald eagle, *Haliaeetus leucocephalus*; 77, Osprey, *Pandion haliaetus*; 86, Least tern, *Sterna antillarum*; 87, Little blue heron, *Egretta caerulea*; 88, Great egret, *Ardea alba*; 89, Snowy egret, *Egretta thula*; 90, Black-crowned night-heron, *Nycticorax nycticorax*; 91, Glossy ibis, *Plegadis falcinellus*; 92, Great black-backed gull, *Larus marinus*; 93, Cattle egret, *Bubulcus ibis*; 94, Tricolored heron, *Egretta tricolor*; 97, Green heron, *Butorides virescens*; 98, Laughing gull, *Larus atricilla*; 107, Peregrine falcon, *Falco peregrinus*; 118, Brown pelican, *Pelecanus occidentalis*; 120, Yellow-crowned night-heron, *Nyctanassa violacea*; 124, Redhead, *Aythya americana*; 125, Clapper rail, *Rallus longirostris*; 133, Black skimmer, *Rynchops niger*; 134, Gull-billed tern, *Sterna nilotica*; 135, Sandwich tern, *Sterna sandvicensis*; 136, Caspian tern, *Sterna caspia*; 137, Royal tern, *Sterna maxima*; 138, Forster's tern, *Sterna forsteri*; 142, Black-necked stilt, *Himantopus mexicanus*; 148, Ruddy duck, *Oxyura jamaicensis*; 150, Black rail, *Laterallus jamaicensis*; 152, American oystercatcher, *Haematopus palliatus*; 153, Piping plover, *Charadrius melodus*; 154, Wilson's plover, *Charadrius wilsonia*; 155, Willet, *Catoptrophorus semipalmatus*; 156, Semipalmated sandpiper, *Calidris pusilla*; 162, Gadwall, *Anas strepera*; 167, Northern gannet, *Morus bassanus*; 169, American wigeon, *Anas americana*; 178, Least bittern, *Ixobrychus exilis*; 179, Pied-billed grebe, *Podilymbus podiceps*; 180,

Ring-necked duck, *Aythya collaris*; 181, Northern harrier, *Circus cyaneus*; 182, American kestrel, *Falco sparverius*; 184, King rail, *Rallus elegans*; 185, American bittern, *Botaurus lentiginosus*; 186, American black duck, *Anas rubripes*; 187, Virginia rail, *Rallus limicola*; 188, Sora, *Porzana carolina*; 190, Blue-winged teal, *Anas discors*; 191, Wood duck, *Aix sponsa*; 192, Common moorhen, *Gallinula chloropus*; 195, American woodcock, *Scolopax minor*; 197, Black scoter, *Melanitta nigra*; 213, Stilt sandpiper, *Calidris himantopus*; 217, Mute swan, *Cygnus olor*; 218, Red-shouldered hawk, *Buteo lineatus*; 219, Sharp-shinned hawk, *Accipiter striatus*; 220, Merlin, *Falco columbarius*; 224, Sedge wren, *Cistothorus platensis*; 225, Marsh wren, *Cistothorus palustris*; 229, Swamp sparrow, *Melospiza georgiana*; 230, Red-tailed hawk, *Buteo jamaicensis*; 231, Broad-winged hawk, *Buteo platypterus*; 238, White-rumped sandpiper, *Calidris fuscicollis*; 271, Rails, n/a; 278, Saltmarsh sharp-tailed sparrow, *Ammodramus caudacutus*; 299, Scaup, *Aythya* spp.; 301, Mergansers, n/a; 302, Scoters, *Melanitta* spp.; 393, Lesser black-backed gull, *Larus fuscus*; 462, Loons, *Gavia* spp.; 535, Striated heron, *Butorides striatus*; 736, Henslow's sparrow, *Ammodramus henslowii*; 1001, Gulls, n/a; 1002, Shorebirds, n/a; 1004, Wading birds, n/a; 1005, Raptors, n/a; 1008, Terns, n/a; 1013, Dabbling ducks, n/a; 1015, Egrets, n/a; 1016, Herons, n/a; 1019, Sea ducks, n/a; 1027, Swans, *Cygnus* spp.; 1032, Bitterns, n/a.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

BOETTCHER, R. (VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES [VDGIF], PAINTER)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DISTRIBUTION OF WILDLIFE ALONG THE EASTERN SHORE

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:*

COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY CENTER FOR
 CONSERVATION BIOLOGY (CCB), VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF
 GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES (VDGIF), THE NATURE
 CONSERVANCY (TNC)

Publication_Date: 2003

Title: ANNUAL AMERICAN OYSTERCATCHER BREEDING SURVEY

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL TABLE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: EMAIL

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

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Calendar_Date: 2003

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:*

Originator: COSTANZO, G. & BIDROWSKI, T. (VDGIF)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: WATERFOWL DISTRIBUTION AND SEASONALITY

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

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Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:*

DENMON, P. (U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE [USFWS],
 CAPE CHARLES)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: SPECIES DISTRIBUTION AT FISHERMANS ISLAND NWR

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

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Originator: EASTERN VIRGINIA RIVERS NWR
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: WILDLIFE AT PLUM TREE ISLAND NWR
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
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Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION
Source_Information:
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Citation_Information:
Originator:
FIELD, D. (VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION [DCR], WACHAPREAGUE)
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM DATA
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
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Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: FORSELL, D.J.
Publication_Date: 2004
Title:
DRAFT SPECIAL REPORT ON THE DIST. & ABUNDANCE OF WINTERING SEADUCKS & WATERBIRDS
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY MAP
Other_Citation_Details: U.S. FWS, CHESAPEAKE BAY FIELD OFFICE, ANNAPOLIS, MD. 10 PP.
Type_of_Source_Media: EMAIL
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:

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BIRD AND INVERT SEASONALITY AND DISTRIBUTION IN EASTERN VA RIVERS NWR COMPLEX

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE*Other_Citation_Details:* UNPUBLISHED*Type_of_Source_Media:* PERSONAL COMMUNICATION*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2004*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF COMMUNICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* BIRDS INFORMATION*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:* Manomet Center*Publication_Date:* 2004*Title:*

BARRIER ISLANDS WESTERN HEMISPHERE SHOREBIRD RESERVE NETWORK (WHSRN) SITE DESCRIPTION

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT*Other_Citation_Details:*

<http://www.manomet.org/WHSRN/viewsite.php?id=23>

Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: T. PENN, USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DISTRIBUTION OF CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SPECIES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

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Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

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Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: TRUITT, B.

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: SHOREBIRD SEASONALITY

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: EMAIL

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Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: TRUITT, B., R. BOETTCHER, A. WILKE

Publication_Date: 2004

Title:

2003 WINTER AMERICAN OYSTERCATCHER ROOST SURVEY:
SEASIDE-EASTERN SHORE-NOV.12-18

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL TABLE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

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Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

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Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2003

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: USFWS, ANNAPOLIS, MD

Publication_Date: 1991

Title: CHESAPEAKE BAY BALD EAGLE FACT SHEET

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details: USFWS, APRIL 1991

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 1991

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

Source_Information:

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Citation_Information:

Originator: USFWS, CAPE CHARLES, VA

Publication_Date: 1992

Title:

BIRDS: EASTERN SHORE OF VIRGINIA AND FISHERMAN
ISLAND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE
SERVICE, BROCHURE

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 1992

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

Source_Information:

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Citation_Information:

Originator: USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND, VA

Publication_Date: 1999

Title: USFWS CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE BIRDS

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details: USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND, VA, 10 PP.

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 1999

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

Source_Information:

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Citation_Information:

Originator: USFWS, MIGRATORY BIRD MANAGEMENT

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: MID-WINTER WATERFOWL SURVEY: 2001-2003

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA

Other_Citation_Details:

<http://birddata.fws.gov/databases/mwi/mwidb.html>

Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 2001

Ending_Date: 2003

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

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Source_Information:

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Citation_Information:

Originator: USFWS, VIRGINIA BEACH, VA

Publication_Date: 2003

Title: BIRDS: BACK BAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE
SERVICE, BROCHURE

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

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Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

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Citation_Information:

Originator: VA DEPT. OF GAME & INLAND FISHERIES

Publication_Date: 2003

Title: VIRGINIA PLOVER SURVEY 2001-2003
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL TABLE
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: EMAIL
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Originator: VA NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: WRECK ISLAND BIRD COLONIES 2003
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY MAP
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Originator: VDGIF-FISH & WILDLIFE INFO SERVICES
Publication_Date: 2000
Title: EAGLE CONCENTRATION ZONES - JAMES RIVER,
 RAPPAHANNOCK RIVER
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY MAP
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 SERVICES

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Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:
Originator: WILKE, A. (COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY CCB)

Publication_Date: 2003

Title:

BREEDING SURVEYS, BANDING, & PRODUCTIVITY OF
AMOY'S ON THE BARRIER ISLANDS OF VA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL MAP

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Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

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Source_Information:

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Citation_Information:

Originator: WILKE, A. (COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY CCB)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: AMERICAN OYSTERCATCHER SEASONALITY

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

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Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

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Citation_Information:

Originator: WITT, J. (WOODBRIDGE, VA)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title:

SPECIES DISTRIBUTION AND SEASONALITY AT THE
POTOMAC RIVER NWR COMPLEX

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

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Calendar_Date: 2004

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Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: BIRDS INFORMATION

Process_Step:

Process_Description:

Three main sources of data were used to depict bird distribution and seasonality for

this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF), College of William and Mary Center for Conservation Biology (CCB), and The Nature Conservancy (TNC); (2) numerous published and unpublished documents and maps (dates range from 1991-2004); and (3) survey/location data in digital format (dates range from 2000-2004).

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the BIRDS data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the BIRDS data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

Process_Date: 200505

Process_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

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Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Vector

Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: GT-polygon composed of chains

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 8869

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Area point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 8869

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Complete chain

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 23942

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Link

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 1601837

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Node, planar graph

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 18096

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, BIRDS) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Virginia atlas, the number is 55), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G_SOURCE, S_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or

BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIRDS.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The BIRDS.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing bird nesting, wintering, migratory staging, and other spatial/temporal concentration areas. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (1), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 550129294

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000721

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIO_LUT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIO_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking

vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIO_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (1), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 553600012

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIORES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 055000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 055000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: CONC

Attribute_Definition:

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values, and may contain counts of individuals for each species present at a particular site or a term that describes relative abundance of birds at a particular site. The field may contain counts of individuals (e.g., XX ADULTS), and in some cases, the counts are generalized into ranges (e.g., XX-XXX BIRDS). In cases where no quantitative count data were available, the field may contain descriptive terms, such as "HIGH", "LOW-MODERATE", ">100", or "<10 NESTS". If no concentration information was available from any source, the field is populated with "-". Counts and descriptive terms were derived from multiple surveys and conversations with resource experts (see the Lineage section) and may range in date.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: G_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1
Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the BIORRES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SPECIES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NAME

Attribute_Definition: Species common name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: GEN_SPEC

Attribute_Definition: Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SUBELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* bivalve*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Bivalve*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* crab

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Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Diadromous fish
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Diving bird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: dolphin
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Dolphin
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_nursery
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine nursery fish
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_resident
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine resident
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: freshwater
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Freshwater fish
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: gastropod
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gastropod
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: gull_tern
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gull or tern
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: insect
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Insect
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_benthic
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine benthic fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_pelagic
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine pelagic fish
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: passerine
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Passerine bird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: pelagic
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pelagic bird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: pinniped
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pinniped
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: plant
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Plant
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: raptor
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Raptor
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: sav
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Submerged aquatic vegetation
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: shorebird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Shorebird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Small mammal
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: turtle
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Turtle
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

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Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SEASONAL

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JAN

Attribute_Definition: January

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in January

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: FEB

Attribute_Definition: February

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in February

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAR

Attribute_Definition: March

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in March*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* APR*Attribute_Definition:* April*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in April*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* MAY*Attribute_Definition:* May*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in May*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* JUN*Attribute_Definition:* June*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in June*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* JUL*Attribute_Definition:* July*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in July*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* AUG*Attribute_Definition:* August*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in August*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SEP

Attribute_Definition: September

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in September

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: OCT

Attribute_Definition: October

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in October

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NOV

Attribute_Definition: November

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in November

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DEC

Attribute_Definition: December

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in December

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g.

ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1;

EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

*Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* BREED*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE_SEA*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORRES and SEASONAL data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* MONTH*Attribute_Definition:*

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* 12*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* BREED1*Attribute_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* Y*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* N*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED2

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED3

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not

present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED4

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED5

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not

present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month.

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* DATA_FORMAT*Attribute_Definition:* The format of the source material.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* PUBLICATION*Attribute_Definition:* Additional citation information.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SCALE*Attribute_Definition:* Description of the source scale.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* TIME_PERIOD*Attribute_Definition:*

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* STATUS*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:*

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SPECIES_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* STATE*Attribute_Definition:* Two-letter state abbreviation.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* COUNTRY*Attribute_Definition:* Three-letter country abbreviation.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* S*Attribute_Definition:* State threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:*

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Endangered on state list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Threatened on state list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* C*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Species of Special Concern*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* F*Attribute_Definition:* Federal threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Endangered on federal list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Threatened on federal list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* C*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Species of Special Concern*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* I*Attribute_Definition:* International threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Endangered on international list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Threatened on international list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* C*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign international status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Distribution_Information:**Distributor:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Person_Primary:**Contact_Person:* John Kaperick*Contact_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* Physical Address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.*City:* Seattle*State_or_Province:* Washington*Postal_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact_Voice_Telephone:* (206) 526-6400*Contact_Facsimile_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Resource_Description:* ESI Atlas for Virginia*Distribution_Liability:*

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Custom_Order_Process:

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to a wider community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include ARC export, MOSS and Shape files, and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcView ESI project and ESI_Viewer product are also included on the distribution CDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

*Metadata_Reference_Information:**Metadata_Date:* 200512*Metadata_Review_Date:* 200512*Metadata_Contact:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Person_Primary:**Contact_Person:* Jill Petersen*Contact_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact_Position:* GIS Manager*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* Physical Address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.*City:* Seattle*State_or_Province:* Washington*Postal_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact_Voice_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944*Contact_Facsimile_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

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Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

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Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for wading birds, shorebirds, raptors, diving birds, passerine birds, and gulls and terns in Virginia. Vector points in this data set represent bird nesting locations. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the BIRDS (Bird Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional bird information.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 1977

Ending_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The biological data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 1977 to 2004 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Nest

Theme_Keyword: Bird

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known

concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element

is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of bird nesting locations. See also the BIRDS (Bird Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional bird information. These data do not necessarily represent all nest occurrences in Virginia. The following species are included in this data set: (Species_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 8, Double-crested cormorant, *Phalacrocorax auritus*; 38, Herring gull, *Larus argentatus*; 45, Common tern, *Sterna hirundo*; 54, Great blue heron, *Ardea herodias*; 76, Bald eagle, *Haliaeetus leucocephalus*; 77, Osprey, *Pandion haliaetus*; 86, Least tern, *Sterna antillarum*; 87, Little blue heron, *Egretta caerulea*; 88, Great egret, *Ardea alba*; 89, Snowy egret, *Egretta thula*; 90, Black-crowned night-heron, *Nycticorax nycticorax*; 91, Glossy ibis, *Plegadis falcinellus*; 92, Great black-backed gull, *Larus marinus*; 93, Cattle egret, *Bubulcus ibis*; 94, Tricolored heron, *Egretta tricolor*; 98, Laughing gull, *Larus atricilla*; 107, Peregrine falcon, *Falco peregrinus*; 115, White ibis, *Eudocimus albus*; 118, Brown pelican, *Pelecanus occidentalis*; 120, Yellow-crowned night-heron, *Nyctanassa violacea*; 133, Black skimmer, *Rynchops niger*; 134, Gull-billed tern, *Sterna nilotica*; 135, Sandwich tern, *Sterna sandvicensis*; 136, Caspian tern, *Sterna caspia*; 137, Royal tern, *Sterna maxima*; 138, Forster's tern, *Sterna forsteri*; 142, Black-necked stilt, *Himantopus mexicanus*; 152, American oystercatcher, *Haematopus palliatus*; 735, Brown-headed cowbird, *Molothrus ater*.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

BOETTCHER, R. (VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES [VDGIF], PAINTER)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DISTRIBUTION OF WILDLIFE ALONG THE EASTERN SHORE

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: NESTS INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator:
DENMON, P. (U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE [USFWS],
CAPE CHARLES)
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: SPECIES DISTRIBUTION AT FISHERMANS ISLAND NWR
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
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Citation_Information:
Originator:
FIELD, D. (VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND
RECREATION [DCR], WACHAPREAGUE)
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM DATA
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
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Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: NESTS INFORMATION
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Originator: T. PENN, USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: DISTRIBUTION OF CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE

REFUGE SPECIES

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(CONTACT: JOHN PORTER, BARRY TRUITT)*Type_of_Source_Media*: EMAIL*Source_Time_Period_of_Content*:*Time_Period_Information*:*Single_Date/Time*:*Calendar_Date*: 1998*Source_Currentness_Reference*: DATE OF SURVEY*Source_Citation_Abbreviation*: NONE*Source_Contribution*: NESTS INFORMATION*Source_Information*:*Source_Citation*:*Citation_Information*:*Originator*:THE NATURE CONSERVANCY (TNC), COLLEGE OF WILLIAM
& MARY CENTER FOR CONSERVATION BIOLOGY (CCB),
VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES
(VDGIF)*Publication_Date*: 2003*Title*: AMERICAN OYSTERCATCHER WINTER ROOST SURVEYS*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form*: DIGITAL TABLE*Other_Citation_Details*: UNPUBLISHED*Type_of_Source_Media*: EMAIL*Source_Time_Period_of_Content*:*Time_Period_Information*:*Single_Date/Time*:*Calendar_Date*: 2003*Source_Currentness_Reference*: DATE OF SURVEY*Source_Citation_Abbreviation*: NONE*Source_Contribution*: NESTS INFORMATION*Source_Information*:*Source_Citation*:

*Citation_Information:**Originator:* TRUITT, B.*Publication_Date:* 2004*Title:* SHOREBIRD SEASONALITY*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form:* EXPERT KNOWLEDGE*Other_Citation_Details:* UNPUBLISHED*Type_of_Source_Media:* EMAIL*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2004*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF COMMUNICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* NESTS INFORMATION*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:* TRUITT, B., R. BOETTCHER, A. WILKE*Publication_Date:* 2004*Title:*2003 WINTER AMERICAN OYSTERCATCHER ROOST SURVEY:
SEASIDE-EASTERN SHORE-NOV.12-18*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form:* DIGITAL TABLE*Other_Citation_Details:* UNPUBLISHED*Type_of_Source_Media:* EMAIL*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2003*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* NESTS INFORMATION*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:* USFWS, ANNAPOLIS, MD*Publication_Date:* 1991*Title:* CHESAPEAKE BAY BALD EAGLE FACT SHEET*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form:* HARDCOPY TEXT*Other_Citation_Details:* USFWS, APRIL 1991*Type_of_Source_Media:* PAPER*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 1991*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* NESTS INFORMATION*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:*

Originator: USFWS, CAPE CHARLES, VA

Publication_Date: 1992

Title:

BIRDS: EASTERN SHORE OF VIRGINIA AND FISHERMAN
ISLAND NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE
SERVICE, BROCHURE

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 1992

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

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Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND, VA

Publication_Date: 1999

Title: USFWS CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE BIRDS

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details: USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND, VA, 10 PP.

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

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Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

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Source_Citation:

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Originator: USFWS, VIRGINIA BEACH, VA

Publication_Date: 2003

Title: BIRDS: BACK BAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details:

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE
SERVICE, BROCHURE

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DIGITAL ATLAS OF COLONIAL WATERBIRDS IN COASTAL VIRGINIA: 2003 BREEDING SEASON

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA*Other_Citation_Details:*

CCBTR-04-05. CENTER FOR CONSERVATION BIOLOGY, COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY, WILLIAMSBURG, VA.

Type_of_Source_Media: CD-ROM*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2003*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF SURVEY*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* NESTS INFORMATION*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:* WILKE, A. (COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY CCB)*Publication_Date:* 2003*Title:*

BREEDING SURVEYS, BANDING, & PRODUCTIVITY OF AMOY'S ON THE BARRIER ISLANDS OF VA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL MAP*Other_Citation_Details:* UNPUBLISHED*Type_of_Source_Media:* EMAIL*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2003

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: NESTS INFORMATION

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Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: WILKE, A. (COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY CCB)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: AMERICAN OYSTERCATCHER SEASONALITY

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

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Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: NESTS INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: WITT, J. (WOODBIDGE, VA)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title:

SPECIES DISTRIBUTION AND SEASONALITY AT THE
POTOMAC RIVER NWR COMPLEX

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

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Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: NESTS INFORMATION

Process_Step:

Process_Description:

Three main sources of data were used to depict bird distribution and seasonality for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF), College of William and Mary Center for Conservation Biology (CCB), and The Nature Conservancy (TNC); (2) published and unpublished documents and maps (dates range from 1992-2004); and (3) survey/location data in digital format (publication dates range from 1998-2004).

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the NESTS data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S.

Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the NESTS data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

Process_Date: 200505

Process_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6944

Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329

Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Vector

Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Entity Point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 632

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES,

BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, NESTS) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Virginia atlas, the number is 55), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G_SOURCE, S_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: NESTS.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The NESTS.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector points in this data set representing bird nesting locations. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (5), and record number.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550500001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 550500633

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000004

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000432

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIO_LUT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIO_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIO_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (5), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 553600012

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIORES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 055000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 0550000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: CONC

Attribute_Definition:

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values and may contain counts of individuals or nests for each species present at a particular site (e.g., XX ADULTS or XX NESTS). In cases where no quantitative data were available, the field may contain a descriptive term such as "HIGH". If no concentration information was available from any source, the field is populated with "-". Counts were derived from multiple surveys and conversations with resource experts and may range in date from 1998-2004.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* G_SOURCE*Attribute_Definition:*

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* S_SOURCE*Attribute_Definition:*

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SPECIES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NAME

Attribute_Definition: Species common name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: GEN_SPEC

Attribute_Definition: Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SUBELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* bivalve*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Bivalve*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* crab*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Crab*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* diadromous*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Diadromous fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* diving*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Diving bird*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* dolphin*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Dolphin*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* e_nursery*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Estuarine nursery fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* e_resident*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Estuarine resident*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* freshwater

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Freshwater fish
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: gastropod
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gastropod
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: gull_tern
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gull or tern
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: insect
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Insect
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_benthic
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine benthic fish
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_pelagic
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine pelagic fish
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: passerine
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Passerine bird
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: pelagic
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pelagic bird
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: pinniped
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pinniped
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: plant
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Plant
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: raptor
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Raptor

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: sav
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Submerged aquatic vegetation
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: shorebird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Shorebird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: sm_mammal
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Small mammal
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: turtle
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Turtle
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: upland
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Upland habitat
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: wading
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wading bird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: waterfowl
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Waterfowl
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: wetland
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wetland
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: whale
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Whale
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute:
 Attribute_Label: NHP
 Attribute_Definition: Natural Heritage Program global ranking.
 Attribute_Definition_Source: Network of Natural Heritage Program
 Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Codeset_Domain:**Codeset_Name:* NHP Global Conservation Status Rank*Codeset_Source:* Natural Heritage Program*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* DATE_PUB*Attribute_Definition:* Date of NHP listing.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* YYYYMM*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* 0*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Date unspecified*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* SEASONAL*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:*

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SPECIES_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SEASON_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* JAN

Attribute_Definition: January

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in January

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: FEB

Attribute_Definition: February

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in February

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAR

Attribute_Definition: March

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in March

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: APR

Attribute_Definition: April

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in April

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAY

Attribute_Definition: May

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in May

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUN

Attribute_Definition: June

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in June

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUL

Attribute_Definition: July

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in July

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: AUG

Attribute_Definition: August

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in August

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEP

Attribute_Definition: September

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in September

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: OCT

Attribute_Definition: October

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in October

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NOV

Attribute_Definition: November

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in November

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DEC

Attribute_Definition: December

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in December*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE_SEA*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g.

ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1;

EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* BREED*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE_SEA*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g.

ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1;

EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* MONTH*Attribute_Definition:*

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:*

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1
Range_Domain_Maximum: 12

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED1

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED2

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED3

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED4

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED5

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month.

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATA_FORMAT

Attribute_Definition: The format of the source material.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PUBLICATION

Attribute_Definition: Additional citation information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SCALE

Attribute_Definition: Description of the source scale.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TIME_PERIOD

Attribute_Definition:

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: STATUS

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

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Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: STATE

Attribute_Definition: Two-letter state abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: COUNTRY

Attribute_Definition: Three-letter country abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

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Attribute_Label: S

Attribute_Definition: State threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on state list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on state list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F

Attribute_Definition: Federal threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I

Attribute_Definition: International threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign international status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: John Kaperick

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical Address

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City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6400

Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329

Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Custom_Order_Process:

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to a wider community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include ARC export, MOSS and Shape files, and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcView ESI project and ESI_Viewer product are also included on the distribution CDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format

(see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 200512

Metadata_Review_Date: 200512

Metadata_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Position: GIS Manager

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Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

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Metadata:

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- [Data_Quality_Information](#)
- [Spatial_Data_Organization_Information](#)
- [Spatial_Reference_Information](#)
- [Entity_and_Attribute_Information](#)
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- [Metadata_Reference_Information](#)

Identification_Information:

Citation:

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Originator:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Publication_Date: 200512

Title: Virginia ESI: FISH (Fish Polygons)

Edition: 2

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: Vector digital data

Series_Information:

Series_Name: None

Issue_Identification: Virginia

Publication_Information:

Publication_Place: Seattle, Washington

Publisher:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington.

Other_Citation_Details:

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for marine, estuarine, anadromous, and brackishwater fish species in Virginia. Vector polygons in this data set represent fish distribution, concentration areas, and spawning areas. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 1979

Ending_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The biological data were compiled during 2004 - 2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 1979 to 2004 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Fish

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as

endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is

represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge, hardcopy reports, and hardcopy maps for fish distribution, concentration areas, and spawning areas. These data do not necessarily represent all fish occurrences in Virginia. The following species are included in this data set: (Species_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 65, Bluefish, Pomatomus saltatrix; 81, Spiny dogfish, Squalus acanthias; 85, Alewife, Alosa pseudoharengus; 86, Blueback herring, Alosa aestivalis; 87, American shad, Alosa sapidissima; 88, Winter flounder, Pleuronectes americanus; 90, White hake, Urophycis tenuis; 93, Striped killifish, Fundulus majalis; 94, Atlantic silverside, Menidia menidia; 95, Mummichog, Fundulus heteroclitus; 97, Tautog, Tautoga onitis; 98, American eel, Anguilla rostrata; 101, Shortnose sturgeon, Acipenser brevirostrum; 102, Atlantic sturgeon, Acipenser oxyrinchus; 103, Threadfin shad, Dorosoma petenense; 104, Striped bass, Morone saxatilis; 105, Hickory shad, Alosa mediocris; 107, Spotted seatrout, Cynoscion nebulosus; 108, Summer flounder, Paralichthys dentatus; 109, Red drum, Sciaenops ocellatus; 110, Black sea bass, Centropristis striata; 113, Bay anchovy, Anchoa mitchilli; 115, Atlantic menhaden, Brevoortia tyrannus; 119, Silver perch, Bairdiella chrysoura; 121, Spot, Leiostomus xanthurus; 122, Black drum, Pogonias cromis; 123, Atlantic croaker, Micropogonias undulatus; 124, Southern kingfish (whiting), Menticirrhus americanus; 127, Spanish mackerel, Scomberomorus maculatus; 138, Weakfish, Cynoscion regalis; 142, Crevalle jack, Caranx hippos; 145, White perch, Morone americana; 146, Atlantic herring, Clupea harengus; 147, Atlantic mackerel, Scomber scombrus; 148, Silver hake, Merluccius bilinearis; 150, Scup (porgy), Stenotomus chrysops; 151, Northern puffer, Sphoeroides maculatus; 152, Yellow perch, Perca flavescens; 153, Northern kingfish, Menticirrhus saxatilis; 154, Pollock, Pollachius virens; 155, Red hake, Urophycis chuss; 158, Butterfish, Peprilus triacanthus; 159, Banded killifish, Fundulus diaphanus; 162, Common carp, Cyprinus carpio; 163, Gizzard shad, Dorosoma cepedianum; 179, Largemouth bass, Micropterus salmoides; 181, Black crappie, Pomoxis nigromaculatus; 182, Bluegill, Lepomis macrochirus; 191, Shorthead redhorse, Moxostoma macrolepidotum; 200, Blue catfish, Ictalurus furcatus; 201, Channel catfish, Ictalurus punctatus; 211, Brown bullhead, Ameiurus nebulosus; 212, Pumpkinseed, Lepomis gibbosus; 218, Bowfin, Amia calva; 271, Inland silverside, Menidia beryllina; 283, Killifish, Fundulus spp.; 290, Striped anchovy, Anchoa hepsetus; 292, Chain pickerel, Esox niger; 294, Spotted hake, Urophycis regia; 310, Atlantic spadefish, Chaetodipterus faber; 312, Harvestfish, Peprilus alepidotus; 335, Silversides, n/a; 366, Hogchoker, Trinectes maculatus; 464, Longnose gar, Lepisosteus osseus; 466, Minnows, n/a; 482, Northern pipefish, Syngnathus fuscus; 483, Northern searobin, Prionotus carolinus; 506, White catfish, Ameiurus catus; 616, Quillback, Carpiodes cyprinus; 648, Chubsucker, Erimyzon sp.; 966, Clearnose skate, Raja eglanteria; 967, Sandbar shark, Carcharhinus plumbeus; 984, Bluespotted sunfish, Enneacanthus gloriosus; 985, Redbreast sunfish, Lepomis auritus; 986, Tessellated darter, Etheostoma olmstedti; 1029, Gobies, n/a.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial

components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: BONZEK, C., VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (VIMS)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: FISH DISTRIBUTIONS FOR CHESAPEAKE BAY

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: N/A

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: FISH INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: CHESMMAP TRAWL PROGRAM GROUP

Publication_Date: 2004

Title:

CHESAPEAKE BAY MULTISPECIES MODELLING AND ASSESSMENT PROGRAM (CHESMMAP), 2002 AND 2003

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details: N/A

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 2002

Ending_Date: 2003

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: FISH INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: GALLEGOS, J. [U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE (USFWS), VA BEACH]

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: BACK BAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SPECIES

DISTRIBUTION

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE*Other_Citation_Details*: UNPUBLISHED*Type_of_Source_Media*: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION*Source_Time_Period_of_Content*:*Time_Period_Information*:*Single_Date/Time*:*Calendar_Date*: 2004*Source_Currentness_Reference*: DATE OF COMMUNICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation*: NONE*Source_Contribution*: FISH INFORMATION*Source_Information*:*Source_Citation*:*Citation_Information*:*Originator*: GEER, P.*Publication_Date*: 1999*Title*: JUVENILE FISH AND BLUE CRAB STOCK ASSESSMENT PROGRAM*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form*: HARDCOPY TEXT*Other_Citation_Details*: COLLEGE OF WILLIAM AND MARY, GLOUCESTER POINT, VA*Type_of_Source_Media*: PAPER*Source_Time_Period_of_Content*:*Time_Period_Information*:*Single_Date/Time*:*Calendar_Date*: 1998*Source_Currentness_Reference*: DATE OF SURVEY*Source_Citation_Abbreviation*: NONE*Source_Contribution*: FISH INFORMATION*Source_Information*:*Source_Citation*:*Citation_Information*:*Originator*: GRUBBS, D.*Publication_Date*: 2001*Title*:

NURSERY DELINEAT, HABITAT UTILIZ, MVMTS, AND MIGRAT OF JUV CARCHARHINUS PLUMBEUS

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*Citation_Information:**Originator:* HEWITT, M., (VIMS)*Publication_Date:* 2004*Title:* DISTRIBUTION AND ABUNDANCE FOR JUVENILE FINFISH*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form:* HARDCOPY TEXT*Other_Citation_Details:* N/A*Type_of_Source_Media:* PAPER*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2004*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF COMMUNICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* FISH INFORMATION*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:* HOFFMAN, J., VIMS*Publication_Date:* 2004*Title:* DISTRIBUTION OF ANADROMOUS FISH IN VIRGINIA*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form:* EXPERT KNOWLEDGE*Other_Citation_Details:* UNPUBLISHED*Type_of_Source_Media:* PERSONAL COMMUNICATION*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2004*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF COMMUNICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* FISH INFORMATION*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:* HOUDE, E. UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND*Publication_Date:* 2004*Title:* DISTRIBUTION OF ANADROMOUS FISHES IN THE POTOMAC RIVER*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form:* EXPERT KNOWLEDGE*Other_Citation_Details:* N/A*Type_of_Source_Media:* EMAIL*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2004*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF COMMUNICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* FISH INFORMATION*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:* LIPPSON, A.J., ET AL.

Publication_Date: 1979

Title: ENVIRONMENTAL ATLAS OF THE POTOMAC ESTUARY

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details:

ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER, MARTIN MARIETTA
CORPORATION, POWER PLANT SITING PROGRAM, MD DEPT
OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

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Calendar_Date: 1979

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: FISH INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: MURDY, E.O., R.S. BIRDSONG, J.A. MUSICK

Publication_Date: 1997

Title: FISHES OF CHESAPEAKE BAY

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details: SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION PRESS,
WASHINGTON, DC

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 1997

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: FISH INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: MUSICK, J., VIMS

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DISTRIBUTION OF FISH AND MARINE MAMMALS OF
VIRGINIA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: N/A

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

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Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: FISH INFORMATION

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SHORE OF VIRGINIA*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form:* HARDCOPY TEXT*Other_Citation_Details:*VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE, COLLEGE OF
WILLIAM AND MARY, VA MARINE RESOURCE REPORT #99-5*Type_of_Source_Media:* PAPER*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 1999*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF PUBLICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* FISH INFORMATION*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:* OLNEY, J., VA INST. MAR. SCI. (VIMS)*Publication_Date:* 2004*Title:* DISTRIBUTION AND ABUNDANCE DATA FOR ANADROMOUS
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Two main sources of data were used to depict fish distribution and seasonality for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS), the University of Maryland, and the National Wildlife Refuges (NWRs); and (2) hardcopy reports (e.g., Environmental Atlas of the Potomac Estuary, ChesMMA Trawl Program reports).

Resource experts and hardcopy reports provided concentration and seasonality information.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the FISH data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the FISH data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

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In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES,

BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, FISH) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Virginia atlas, the number is 55), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G_SOURCE, S_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: FISH.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The FISH.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing fish distribution, concentration areas, and spawning areas. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below.

See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (2), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550200002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 550200746

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000722

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000765

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIO_LUT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIO_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIO_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (2), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 553600012

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIORES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 055000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 055000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: CONC

Attribute_Definition:

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values of a species at a particular location. No quantitative data was available for fish, so the concentration field contains "-".

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* G_SOURCE*Attribute_Definition:*

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* S_SOURCE*Attribute_Definition:*

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SPECIES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a

nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NAME

Attribute_Definition: Species common name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: GEN_SPEC

Attribute_Definition: Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SUBELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: bivalve

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Bivalve

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: crab

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Crab

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: diadromous

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Diadromous fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: diving

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Diving bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: dolphin

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Dolphin

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_nursery

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine nursery fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_resident

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine resident

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: freshwater

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Freshwater fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

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Enumerated_Domain_Value: sav

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Submerged aquatic vegetation

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: shorebird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Shorebird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: sm_mammal

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Small mammal

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: turtle

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Turtle

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: upland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Upland habitat

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: wading

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wading bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: waterfowl

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Waterfowl

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: wetland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wetland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: whale

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Whale

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NHP

Attribute_Definition: Natural Heritage Program global ranking.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Network of Natural Heritage Program

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Codeset_Domain:

Codeset_Name: NHP Global Conservation Status Rank

Codeset_Source: Natural Heritage Program

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* DATE_PUB*Attribute_Definition:* Date of NHP listing.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* YYYYMM*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* 0*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Date unspecified*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* SEASONAL*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JAN

Attribute_Definition: January

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in January*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* FEB*Attribute_Definition:* February*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in February*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* MAR*Attribute_Definition:* March*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in March*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* APR*Attribute_Definition:* April*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in April*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* MAY*Attribute_Definition:* May*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in May*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* JUN*Attribute_Definition:* June*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in June*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* JUL

Attribute_Definition: July

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in July

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: AUG

Attribute_Definition: August

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in August

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEP

Attribute_Definition: September

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in September

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: OCT

Attribute_Definition: October

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in October

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NOV

Attribute_Definition: November

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in November

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DEC

Attribute_Definition: December

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in December

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BREED

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MONTH

Attribute_Definition:

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: 12

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED1

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED2

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* BREED3*Attribute_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* Y*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* N*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* -*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* BREED4*Attribute_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* Y*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* N*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* -*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED5

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M_MAMMAL, HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* DATE_PUB*Attribute_Definition:*

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* YYYYMM*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month.*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* TITLE*Attribute_Definition:* Title of source material or data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* DATA_FORMAT*Attribute_Definition:* The format of the source material.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* PUBLICATION*Attribute_Definition:* Additional citation information.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SCALE*Attribute_Definition:* Description of the source scale.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* TIME_PERIOD*Attribute_Definition:*

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* STATUS*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse_Graphic

section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: STATE

Attribute_Definition: Two-letter state abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: COUNTRY

Attribute_Definition: Three-letter country abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S

Attribute_Definition: State threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on state list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on state list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F

Attribute_Definition: Federal threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* I*Attribute_Definition:* International threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Endangered on international list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Threatened on international list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* C*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Species of Special Concern*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* S_DATE*Attribute_Definition:*

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* YYYYMM*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* F_DATE*Attribute_Definition:*

Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* YYYYMM*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* I_DATE*Attribute_Definition:*

Publication date of source material used to assign international status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: John Kaperick

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical Address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6400

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Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for marine, estuarine, and rare invertebrate species in Virginia. Vector polygons in this data set represent invertebrate distribution and concentration areas. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 1994

Ending_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The biological data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 1994 to 2004 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Invertebrate

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as

endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

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Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is

represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge and hardcopy reports on invertebrate distribution. These data do not necessarily represent all invertebrate occurrences in Virginia. The following species are included in this data set: (Species_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 42, Northern quahog (hard clam), *Mercenaria mercenaria*; 43, Eastern oyster, *Crassostrea virginica*; 44, Horseshoe crab, *Limulus polyphemus*; 46, Channeled whelk, *Busycon canaliculatum*; 47, Knobbed whelk, *Busycon carica*; 49, Blue crab, *Callinectes sapidus*; 82, Brackishwater clam, *Rangia cuneata*; 285, Northeastern beach tiger beetle, *Cicindela dorsalis dorsalis*; 505, Monarch butterfly, *Danaus plexippus*; 506, Carolina marsh clam, *Polymesoda caroliniana*; 507, Little white tiger beetle, *Cicindela lepida*.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: AUSTIN, H., VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (VIMS)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: FISH AND HORSESHOE CRAB DATA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: N/A

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: BRINDZA, L.J.

Publication_Date: 2002

Title: MONARCH BUTTERFLY MIGRATION PROJECT: A SUMMARY FROM 1998-2001

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details:

IN FIELD RESEARCH REPORT 1995-2002: COASTAL VIRGINIA WILDLIFE OBSERVATORY, EASTVILLE VA, PP. 92-96.

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 1998

Ending_Date: 2001

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: CHESMMAAP TRAWL PROGRAM GROUP

Publication_Date: 2004

Title:

CHESAPEAKE BAY MULTISPECIES MODELLING AND ASSESSMENT PROGRAM, 2002 AND 2003

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details: N/A

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 2002

Ending_Date: 2003

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

FIELD, D. (VA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION [DCR], WACHAPREAGUE)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM DATA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: GALLEGOS, J. (U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE [USFWS], VA BEACH)
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: BACK BAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SPECIES DISTRIBUTION
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: HARAMIS, M., U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY (USGS)
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: DISTRIBUTION OF HORSESHOE CRAB IN CHESAPEAKE BAY
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: N/A
Type_of_Source_Media: EMAIL
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: HATA D., VIRGINIA TECH
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: DISTRIBUTION AND ABUNDANCE OF HORSESHOE CRABS
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: N/A
Type_of_Source_Media: EMAIL
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: MCCAULEY, J. (USFWS, WARSAW, VA)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title:

BIRD AND INVERT SEASONALITY AND DISTRIBUTION IN
EASTERN VA RIVERS NWR COMPLEX

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: MONTANE, M., VIMS

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: ABUNDANCE AND DISTRIBUTION OF FINFISH AND BLUE
CRAB OF VIRGINIA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: OESTERLING, M., VIMS

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DISTRIBUTION AND ABUNDANCE OF SHELLFISH IN VIRGINIA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: N/A

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: STONE, S.L. ET AL.
Publication_Date: 1994
Title:
 DISTRIBUTION AND ABUNDANCE OF FISHES AND
 INVERTEBRATES IN MID-ATLANTIC ESTUARIES
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT
Other_Citation_Details:
 NOAA/NOS STRATEGIC ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS
 DIVISION, SILVER SPRING, MD
Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Range_of_Dates/Times:
Beginning_Date: 1985
Ending_Date: 1994
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: T. PENN, USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: DISTRIBUTION OF CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE
 REFUGE SPECIES
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: VIMS, DEPT OF FISHERIES SCIENCE
Publication_Date: 2003
Title:
 ESTIMATION OF RELATIVE ABUNDANCE OF
 RECREATIONALLY IMPORTANT JUVENILE FINFISH
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT
Other_Citation_Details: VA MARINE RESOURCES COMMISSION,
 GLOUCESTER POINT, VA

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 2002

Ending_Date: 2003

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: INVERT INFORMATION

Process_Step:

Process_Description:

Two main sources of data were used to depict invertebrate distribution for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University (VA Tech), and Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation Division of Natural Heritage (VA DCR DNH); and (2) numerous published reports.

Resource experts and hardcopy reports provided concentration and seasonality information.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the INVERT data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the INVERT data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

Process_Date: 200505

Process_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

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*Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:**Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method:* Vector*Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:**SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* GT-polygon composed of chains*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 2547*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Area point*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 2547*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Complete chain*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 6615*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Link*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 1683233*SDTS_Terms_Description:**SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type:* Node, planar graph*Point_and_Vector_Object_Count:* 6345*Spatial_Reference_Information:**Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:**Geographic:**Latitude_Resolution:* 0.0000001*Longitude_Resolution:* 0.0000001*Geographic_Coordinate_Units:* Decimal degrees*Geodetic_Model:**Horizontal_Datum_Name:* North American Datum of 1927*Ellipsoid_Name:* Clark 1866*Semi-major_Axis:* 6378206.400000*Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio:* 294.978698*Entity_and_Attribute_Information:**Overview_Description:**Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:*

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, INVERT) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Virginia atlas, the number is 55), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also

post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G_SOURCE, S_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: INVERT.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The INVERT.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing invertebrate distribution and concentration areas. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (7), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550700002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 550702507

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE

table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000774

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000818

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIO_LUT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIO_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIO_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (7), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 553600012

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIORES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 055000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 055000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: CONC

Attribute_Definition:

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values, and may contain counts or the approximate density (e.g., 1000s) of a species at a particular location. In cases where no quantitative data were available, descriptive terms such as "LOW-MED" and "HIGH" were used to describe the relative abundance of a species at a specific location. In cases where no concentration information was available from any source, the field was populated with "-".

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: G_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SPECIES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NAME

Attribute_Definition: Species common name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: GEN_SPEC

Attribute_Definition: Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SUBELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* bivalve*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Bivalve*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* crab*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Crab*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* diadromous*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Diadromous fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* diving*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Diving bird*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* dolphin*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Dolphin*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* e_nursery*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Estuarine nursery fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* e_resident*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Estuarine resident*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* freshwater*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Freshwater fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* gastropod*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Gastropod*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* gull_tern*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Gull or tern*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: insect

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Insect

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_benthic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine benthic fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_pelagic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine pelagic fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: passerine

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Passerine bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: pelagic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pelagic bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: pinniped

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pinniped

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: plant

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Plant

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: raptor

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Raptor

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: sav

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Submerged aquatic vegetation

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: shorebird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Shorebird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: sm_mammal

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Small mammal

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: turtle

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Turtle

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: upland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Upland habitat

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: wading

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wading bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: waterfowl

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Waterfowl

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: wetland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wetland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: whale

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Whale

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NHP

Attribute_Definition: Natural Heritage Program global ranking.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Network of Natural Heritage Program

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Codeset_Domain:

Codeset_Name: NHP Global Conservation Status Rank

Codeset_Source: Natural Heritage Program

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition: Date of NHP listing.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* 0*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Date unspecified*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* SEASONAL*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SPECIES_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SEASON_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* JAN*Attribute_Definition:* January*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in January*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* FEB*Attribute_Definition:* February*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in February
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAR
Attribute_Definition: March
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: X
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in March
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: APR
Attribute_Definition: April
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: X
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in April
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAY
Attribute_Definition: May
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: X
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in May
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUN
Attribute_Definition: June
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: X
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in June
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUL
Attribute_Definition: July
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: X
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in July
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: AUG
Attribute_Definition: August
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in August

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEP

Attribute_Definition: September

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in September

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: OCT

Attribute_Definition: October

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in October

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NOV

Attribute_Definition: November

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in November

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DEC

Attribute_Definition: December

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in December

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:*

Entity_Type_Label: BREED

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MONTH

Attribute_Definition:

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:*

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: 12

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED1

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED2

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED3

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED4

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED5

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month.

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATA_FORMAT

Attribute_Definition: The format of the source material.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PUBLICATION

Attribute_Definition: Additional citation information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SCALE

Attribute_Definition: Description of the source scale.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TIME_PERIOD

Attribute_Definition:

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: STATUS

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the [Browse_Graphic](#) section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: STATE

Attribute_Definition: Two-letter state abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: COUNTRY

Attribute_Definition: Three-letter country abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* S*Attribute_Definition:* State threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Endangered on state list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Threatened on state list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* C*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Species of Special Concern*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* F*Attribute_Definition:* Federal threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Endangered on federal list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Threatened on federal list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* C*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Species of Special Concern*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* I*Attribute_Definition:* International threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Endangered on international list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign international status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORRES and SPECIES data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Distribution_Information:**Distributor:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Person_Primary:**Contact_Person:* John Kaperick*Contact_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* Physical Address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.*City:* Seattle*State_or_Province:* Washington*Postal_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact_Voice_Telephone:* (206) 526-6400*Contact_Facsimile_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Resource_Description:* ESI Atlas for Virginia*Distribution_Liability:*

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Custom_Order_Process:

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to a wider community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include ARC export, MOSS and Shape files, and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcView ESI project and ESI Viewer product are also included on the distribution CDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

*Metadata_Reference_Information:**Metadata_Date:* 200512*Metadata_Review_Date:* 200512*Metadata_Contact:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Person_Primary:**Contact_Person:* Jill Petersen*Contact_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact_Position:* GIS Manager*Contact_Address:*

Address_Type: Physical Address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

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Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Metadata_Standard_Name: Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

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Virginia ESI: REPTILES (Reptile Polygons)

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- [Metadata Reference Information](#)

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Citation:

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Originator:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Publication Date: 200512

Title: Virginia ESI: REPTILES (Reptile Polygons)

Edition: 2

Geospatial Data Presentation Form: Vector digital data

Series Information:

Series Name: None

Issue Identification: Virginia

Publication Information:

Publication Place: Seattle, Washington

Publisher:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington.

Other Citation Details:

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for sea turtles and estuarine turtles in Virginia. Vector polygons in this data set represent turtle distribution and nesting areas. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer. This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity

Index (ESI) data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the REPTPT (Reptile Points) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional reptile information.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The biological data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness date for the data is 2004 and is documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Reptile

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers,

contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is

represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge and available hardcopy reports on turtle distribution. See also the REPTPT (Reptile Points) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional reptile information. These data do not necessarily represent all reptile occurrences in Virginia. The following species are included in this data set: (Species_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 2, Green sea turtle, *Chelonia mydas*; 4, Kemp's ridley sea turtle, *Lepidochelys kempii*; 5, Leatherback sea turtle, *Dermochelys coriacea*; 6, Loggerhead sea turtle, *Caretta caretta*; 7, Diamondback terrapin, *Malaclemys terrapin*.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

BOETTCHER, R. (VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES [VDGIF], PAINTER)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DISTRIBUTION OF WILDLIFE ALONG THE EASTERN SHORE

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: REPTILES INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

DENMON, P. (U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE [USFWS],
CAPE CHARLES)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: SPECIES DISTRIBUTION AT FISHERMANS ISLAND NWR

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: REPTILES INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: HARAMIS, G.M. (U.S. Geological Survey [USGS], LAUREL,
MD)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DIAMONDBACK TERRAPIN DISTRIBUTION AND
SEASONALITY

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: REPTILES INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: MANSFIELD, K., VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE
SCIENCE (VIMS)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE OF SEA TURTLES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: N/A

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: REPTILES INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

*Citation_Information:**Originator:* T. PENN, USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND*Publication_Date:* 2004*Title:* DISTRIBUTION OF CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SPECIES*Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form:* EXPERT KNOWLEDGE*Other_Citation_Details:* UNPUBLISHED*Type_of_Source_Media:* PERSONAL COMMUNICATION*Source_Time_Period_of_Content:**Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:**Calendar_Date:* 2004*Source_Currentness_Reference:* DATE OF COMMUNICATION*Source_Citation_Abbreviation:* NONE*Source_Contribution:* REPTILES INFORMATION*Process_Step:**Process_Description:*

Two main sources of data were used to depict reptile distribution for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS), Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (VDGIF), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and U.S. Geological Survey (USGS); and (2) numerous published and unpublished reports.

Resource experts provided concentration and seasonality information.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the REPTILES data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the REPTILES data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

Process_Date: 200505*Process_Contact:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Organization_Primary:**Contact_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact_Person:* Jill Petersen*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* Physical address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.*City:* Seattle*State_or_Province:* Washington*Postal_Code:* 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6944
Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329
Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Vector

Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: GT-polygon composed of chains

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 3393

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Area point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 3393

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Complete chain

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 10234

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Link

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 872479

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Node, planar graph

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 8483

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORRES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, REPTILES) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORRES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Virginia atlas, the number is 55), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas

number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G_SOURCE, S_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: REPTILES.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The REPTILES.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing turtle distribution and nesting areas. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (6), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550600002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 550611429

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000827

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000845

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIO_LUT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIO_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIO_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (6), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 553600012

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIORES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO_LUT data table to

other associated data tables. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 055000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 055000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: CONC

Attribute_Definition:

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values of a species at a particular location. No quantitative data were available for the REPTILE data set, so the field may contain a descriptive term such as "VERY HIGH". Descriptive terms were based on local resource expert opinion. If no concentration information was available from any source, the field is populated with "-".

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: G_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SPECIES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* NAME*Attribute_Definition:* Species common name for the entire ESI data set.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* GEN_SPEC*Attribute_Definition:* Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SUBELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* bivalve*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Bivalve*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* crab*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Crab*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* diadromous*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Diadromous fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* diving*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Diving bird*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* dolphin*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Dolphin*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* e_nursery*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Estuarine nursery fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* e_resident*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Estuarine resident*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* freshwater*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Freshwater fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* gastropod*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Gastropod*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: gull_tern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gull or tern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: insect

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Insect

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_benthic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine benthic fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_pelagic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine pelagic fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: passerine

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Passerine bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: pelagic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pelagic bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: pinniped

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pinniped

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: plant

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Plant

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: raptor

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Raptor

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: sav

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Submerged aquatic vegetation

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: shorebird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Shorebird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: sm_mammal

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Small mammal

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: turtle

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Turtle

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: upland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Upland habitat

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: wading

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wading bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: waterfowl

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Waterfowl

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: wetland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wetland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: whale

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Whale

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NHP

Attribute_Definition: Natural Heritage Program global ranking.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Network of Natural Heritage Program

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Codeset_Domain:

Codeset_Name: NHP Global Conservation Status Rank

Codeset_Source: Natural Heritage Program

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition: Date of NHP listing.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 0

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Date unspecified

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SEASONAL

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SPECIES_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SEASON_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* JAN*Attribute_Definition:* January*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in January*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* FEB

Attribute_Definition: February

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in February

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAR

Attribute_Definition: March

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in March

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: APR

Attribute_Definition: April

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in April

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAY

Attribute_Definition: May

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in May

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUN

Attribute_Definition: June

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in June

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUL

Attribute_Definition: July

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in July

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: AUG

Attribute_Definition: August

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in August

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEP

Attribute_Definition: September

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in September

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: OCT

Attribute_Definition: October

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in October

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NOV

Attribute_Definition: November

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in November

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DEC

Attribute_Definition: December

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in December

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data

tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BREED

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORRES and SEASONAL data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MONTH

Attribute_Definition:

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: 12

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED1

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute

is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED2

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED3

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 =

interesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED4

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED5

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is

"REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert

source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month.

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATA_FORMAT

Attribute_Definition: The format of the source material.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PUBLICATION

Attribute_Definition: Additional citation information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SCALE

Attribute_Definition: Description of the source scale.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TIME_PERIOD

Attribute_Definition:

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: STATUS

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: STATE

Attribute_Definition: Two-letter state abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: COUNTRY

Attribute_Definition: Three-letter country abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S

Attribute_Definition: State threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on state list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on state list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F

Attribute_Definition: Federal threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I

Attribute_Definition: International threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign international status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Distribution_Information:**Distributor:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Person_Primary:*

Contact_Person: John Kaperick

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Address_Type: Physical Address

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State_or_Province: Washington

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Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329

Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Custom_Order_Process:

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to a wider community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include ARC export, MOSS and Shape files, and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcView ESI project and ESI_Viewer product are also included on the distribution CDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 200512

Metadata_Review_Date: 200512

Metadata_Contact:

Contact_Information:

*Contact_Person_Primary:**Contact_Person:* Jill Petersen*Contact_Organization:* NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration*Contact_Position:* GIS Manager*Contact_Address:**Address_Type:* Physical Address*Address:* 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.*City:* Seattle*State_or_Province:* Washington*Postal_Code:* 98115-6349*Contact_Voice_Telephone:* (206) 526-6944*Contact_Facsimile_Telephone:* (206) 526-6329*Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address:* Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov*Metadata_Standard_Name:* Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata*Metadata_Standard_Version:* FGDC-STD-001-1998

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Metadata:

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- [Spatial Data Organization Information](#)
- [Spatial Reference Information](#)
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Identification Information:

Citation:

Citation Information:

Originator:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Publication Date: 200512

Title: Virginia ESI: REPTPT (Reptile Points)

Edition: 2

Geospatial Data Presentation Form: Vector digital data

Series Information:

Series Name: None

Issue Identification: Virginia

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Publication Place: Seattle, Washington

Publisher:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington.

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Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for sea turtles in Virginia. Vector points in this data set represent nesting sites. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for

Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources. See also the REPTILES (Reptile Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional reptile information.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 2002

Ending_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The biological data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 2002 to 2004 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Reptile

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly

important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written. After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In

the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge and available hardcopy reports and digital data on turtle nesting sites. See also the REPTILES (Reptile Polygons) data layer, part of the larger Virginia ESI database, for additional reptile information. These data do not necessarily represent all reptile occurrences in Virginia. The following species are included in this data set: (Species_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 6, Loggerhead sea turtle, *Caretta caretta*.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

BOETTCHER, R. (VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES [VDGIF], PAINTER)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DISTRIBUTION OF WILDLIFE ALONG THE EASTERN SHORE

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: REPTILE INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: BOETTCHER, R., VDGIF

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: VIRGINIA SEA TURTLE NESTING SITES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA

Other_Citation_Details: N/A

Type_of_Source_Media: EMAIL

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 2002

Ending_Date: 2003

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: REPTILE INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: MANSFIELD, K., VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (VIMS)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE OF SEA TURTLES

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: N/A

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: REPTILE INFORMATION

Process_Step:

Process_Description:

Three main sources of data were used to depict the distribution of reptile nesting sites for this data layer: (1) digital data of nesting points from the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries (DGIF), (2) personal interviews with resource experts from DGIF, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS), and (3) numerous published and unpublished reports.

Resource experts provided concentration and seasonality information.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the REPTPT (Reptile Points) data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews are conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the REPTPT data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final

hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

Process_Date: 200505

Process_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

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Address_Type: Physical address

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State_or_Province: Washington

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Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Vector

Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Entity Point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 12

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, REPTPT) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Virginia atlas, the number is 55), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these

groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G_SOURCE, S_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: REPTPT.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The REPTPT.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector points in this data set representing nesting sites. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (36; 30 because it is a point feature, plus 6, the element value for REPTILES), and record number.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 553600001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 553600012

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000835

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000836

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIO_LUT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIO_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIO_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (36; 30 because it is a point feature, plus 6, the element value for REPTILES), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 553600012

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIORES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary

for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 055000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 055000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: CONC

Attribute_Definition:

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values of a species at a particular location. Each reptile point refers to one nest based on the digital survey data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: G_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* S_SOURCE*Attribute_Definition:*

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIoRES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SPECIES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NAME

Attribute_Definition: Species common name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: GEN_SPEC

Attribute_Definition: Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SUBELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: bivalve

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Bivalve

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: crab

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Crab

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: diadromous

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Diadromous fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: diving

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Diving bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: dolphin

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Dolphin

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_nursery

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine nursery fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_resident

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine resident

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: freshwater

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Freshwater fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: gastropod

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gastropod

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: gull_tern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gull or tern
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: insect
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Insect
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_benthic
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine benthic fish
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_pelagic
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine pelagic fish
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: passerine
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Passerine bird
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: pelagic
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pelagic bird
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: pinniped
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pinniped
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: plant
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Plant
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: raptor
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Raptor
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: sav
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Submerged aquatic vegetation
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
Enumerated_Domain:
Enumerated_Domain_Value: shorebird
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Shorebird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: sm_mammal

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Small mammal

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: turtle

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Turtle

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: upland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Upland habitat

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: wading

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wading bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: waterfowl

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Waterfowl

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: wetland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wetland

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: whale

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Whale

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NHP

Attribute_Definition: Natural Heritage Program global ranking.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Network of Natural Heritage Program

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Codeset_Domain:

Codeset_Name: NHP Global Conservation Status Rank

Codeset_Source: Natural Heritage Program

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition: Date of NHP listing.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: 0

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Date unspecified

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SEASONAL

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SPECIES_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SEASON_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* JAN*Attribute_Definition:* January*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in January*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* FEB*Attribute_Definition:* February

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in February

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAR

Attribute_Definition: March

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in March

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: APR

Attribute_Definition: April

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in April

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAY

Attribute_Definition: May

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in May

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUN

Attribute_Definition: June

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in June

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUL

Attribute_Definition: July

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in July

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* AUG*Attribute_Definition:* August*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in August*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SEP*Attribute_Definition:* September*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in September*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* OCT*Attribute_Definition:* October*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in October*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* NOV*Attribute_Definition:* November*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in November*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* DEC*Attribute_Definition:* December*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in December*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE_SEA*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BREED

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MONTH

Attribute_Definition:

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: 12

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED1

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED2

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED3

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This

attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED4

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED5

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD,

M_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month.

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATA_FORMAT

Attribute_Definition: The format of the source material.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PUBLICATION

Attribute_Definition: Additional citation information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SCALE

Attribute_Definition: Description of the source scale.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TIME_PERIOD

Attribute_Definition:

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: STATUS

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SPECIES_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* STATE*Attribute_Definition:* Two-letter state abbreviation.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* COUNTRY*Attribute_Definition:* Three-letter country abbreviation.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* S*Attribute_Definition:* State threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Endangered on state list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Threatened on state list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* C*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Species of Special Concern*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* F*Attribute_Definition:* Federal threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Endangered on federal list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Threatened on federal list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* C*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Species of Special Concern*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* I*Attribute_Definition:* International threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign international status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: John Kaperick

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical Address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6400

Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329

Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Custom_Order_Process:

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to a wider community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include ARC export, MOSS and Shape files, and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcView ESI project and ESI_Viewer product are also included on the distribution CDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 200512

Metadata_Review_Date: 200512

Metadata_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Position: GIS Manager

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical Address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

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Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6944

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Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Metadata_Standard_Name: Content Standards for Digital Geospatial Metadata

Metadata_Standard_Version: FGDC-STD-001-1998

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Virginia ESI: M_MAMMAL (Marine Mammal Polygons)

Metadata also available as - [[Parseable text](#)] - [[SGML](#)]

Metadata:

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- [Data_Quality_Information](#)
- [Spatial_Data_Organization_Information](#)
- [Spatial_Reference_Information](#)
- [Entity_and_Attribute_Information](#)
- [Distribution_Information](#)
- [Metadata_Reference_Information](#)

Identification_Information:

Citation:

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Originator:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Publication_Date: 200512

Title: Virginia ESI: M_MAMMAL (Marine Mammal Polygons)

Edition: 2

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: Vector digital data

Series_Information:

Series_Name: None

Issue_Identification: Virginia

Publication_Information:

Publication_Place: Seattle, Washington

Publisher:

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington.

Other_Citation_Details:

Prepared by Research Planning, Inc., Columbia, South Carolina for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for dolphin, seals, whales, and porpoise in Virginia. Vector polygons in this data set represent marine mammal distribution, haul-out sites, and calving sites. Species-specific abundance, seasonality,

status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 1989

Ending_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The biological data were compiled during 2004 - 2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 1989 to 2004 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Marine Mammal

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known

concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas

number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge and available digital and hardcopy reports on marine mammal distribution. These data do not necessarily represent all marine mammal occurrences in Virginia. The following species are included in this data set: (Species_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 2, Harbor seal, *Phoca vitulina*; 6, Harbor porpoise, *Phocoena phocoena*; 13, Humpback whale, *Megaptera novaeangliae*; 17, Bottlenose dolphin, *Tursiops truncatus*; 60, Common dolphin, *Delphinus delphis*.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

BOETTCHER, R. (VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF GAME AND INLAND FISHERIES [VDGIF], PAINTER)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DISTRIBUTION OF WILDLIFE ALONG THE EASTERN SHORE

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: M_MAMMAL INFORMATION

Source_Information:

*Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:**Originator:*

DENMON, P. (U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE [USFWS],
CAPE CHARLES)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: SPECIES DISTRIBUTION AT FISHERMANS ISLAND NWR

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

*Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:*

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: M_MAMMAL INFORMATION

*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:*

Originator: MORGAN, L.W., J.A.MUSICK, C.W.POTTER

Publication_Date: 2002

Title:

TEMPORAL AND GEOG. OCCUR. OF CETACEAN STRANDINGS
AND MANATEE SIGHTINGS IN VA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT

Other_Citation_Details: JOURNAL OF NORTH CAROLINA ACADEMY
OF SCIENCE, VOL 118 (1)

Type_of_Source_Media: PAPER

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

*Time_Period_Information:**Range_of_Dates/Times:*

Beginning_Date: 1983

Ending_Date: 1989

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF PUBLICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: M_MAMMAL INFORMATION

*Source_Information:**Source_Citation:**Citation_Information:*

Originator: MUSICK, J., VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE
[VIMS]

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: DISTRIBUTION OF FISH AND MARINE MAMMALS OF
VIRGINIA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: N/A

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

*Time_Period_Information:**Single_Date/Time:*

Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: M_MAMMAL INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: SWINGLE, W.M. AND S. BARCO
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: VMSM STRANDING PROGRAM 2003 GRANT REPORT
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: HARDCOPY TEXT
Other_Citation_Details: VA MARINE SCIENCE MUSEUM [VMSM], VIRGINIA BEACH, VA
Type_of_Source_Media: CD-ROM
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2003
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: M_MAMMAL INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: T. PENN, USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: DISTRIBUTION OF CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SPECIES
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: M_MAMMAL INFORMATION

*Process_Step:**Process_Description:*

Two main sources of data were used to depict distributions of marine mammals for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from the Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS), U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS), and the Virginia Marine Science Museum (VMSM) and (2) numerous published and unpublished reports.

Resource experts provided concentration and seasonality information.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the M_MAMMAL data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information

gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the M_MAMMAL data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

Process_Date: 200505

Process_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical address

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Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Vector

Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: GT-polygon composed of chains

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 1620

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Area point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 1620

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Complete chain

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 3946

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Link

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 1042006

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Node, planar graph

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 3918

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, M_MAMMAL) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Virginia atlas, the number is 55), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G_SOURCE, S_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships

between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: M_MAMMAL.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The M_MAMMAL.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing marine mammal distribution, haul-out sites, and calving sites. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (4), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550400002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 550401437

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000819

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000826

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIO_LUT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIO_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIO_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in

polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (4), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 553600012

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIORES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 055000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 055000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: CONC

Attribute_Definition:

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values. No quantitative count data were available for the M_MAMMAL data set, so the field may contain a descriptive term such as "HIGH". Descriptive terms were based on local resource expert opinion. If no concentration information was available from any source, the field is populated with "-".

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: G_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SPECIES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NAME

Attribute_Definition: Species common name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: GEN_SPEC

Attribute_Definition: Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

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Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Dolphin

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_nursery

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine nursery fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_resident

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine resident

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: freshwater

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Freshwater fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: gastropod

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gastropod

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: gull_tern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gull or tern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: insect

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Insect

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_benthic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine benthic fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_pelagic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine pelagic fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: passerine

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Passerine bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: pelagic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pelagic bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: pinniped
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Pinniped
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: plant
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Plant
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: raptor
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Raptor
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: sav
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Submerged aquatic vegetation
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: shorebird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Shorebird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: sm_mammal
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Small mammal
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: turtle
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Turtle
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: upland
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Upland habitat
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: wading
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Wading bird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: waterfowl
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Waterfowl
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

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Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* SEASONAL*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SEASON_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* JAN*Attribute_Definition:* January*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in January*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* FEB*Attribute_Definition:* February*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in February*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* MAR*Attribute_Definition:* March*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in March*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* APR*Attribute_Definition:* April*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* X*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Present in April*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* MAY

Attribute_Definition: May

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in May

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUN

Attribute_Definition: June

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in June

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUL

Attribute_Definition: July

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in July

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: AUG

Attribute_Definition: August

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in August

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEP

Attribute_Definition: September

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in September

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: OCT

Attribute_Definition: October

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in October

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NOV

Attribute_Definition: November

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in November

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DEC

Attribute_Definition: December

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in December

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIoRES and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BREED

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIoRES and SEASONAL data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MONTH

Attribute_Definition:

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: 12

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED1

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED2

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED3

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED4

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or

T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED5

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data

structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month.

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATA_FORMAT

Attribute_Definition: The format of the source material.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: PUBLICATION

Attribute_Definition: Additional citation information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SCALE

Attribute_Definition: Description of the source scale.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TIME_PERIOD

Attribute_Definition:

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: STATUS

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SPECIES_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* STATE*Attribute_Definition:* Two-letter state abbreviation.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* COUNTRY*Attribute_Definition:* Three-letter country abbreviation.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* S*Attribute_Definition:* State threatened or endangered status.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Endangered on state list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Threatened on state list*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* C*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Species of Special Concern*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* NOAA ESI Guidelines*Attribute:*

Attribute_Label: F

Attribute_Definition: Federal threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I

Attribute_Definition: International threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign international status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Distribution_Information:**Distributor:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Person_Primary:*

Contact_Person: John Kaperick

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Address_Type: Physical Address

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Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Custom_Order_Process:

Contact NOAA for distribution options (see Distributor). ESI data are processed into multiple formats to make them useful to a wider community of GIS/mapping users. Distribution formats include ARC export, MOSS and Shape files, and MARPLOT map folders. An ArcView ESI project and ESI_Viewer product are also included on the distribution CDs for ease of use of the ESI data. The database files are distributed both in the NOAA standard relational database format (see NOAA Technical Memorandum NOS ORCA 115) and in a simplified desktop flat file format. This metadata document includes information on both of these database formats.

Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 200512

Metadata_Review_Date: 200512

Metadata_Contact:

Contact_Information:

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Address: 7600 Sand Point Way, N.E.

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Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for the northern river otter in Virginia. Vector polygons in this data set represent terrestrial mammal distribution. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are

stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The biological data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness date for the data is 2004 and is documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Terrestrial Mammal

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not

necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written. After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is

normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge on terrestrial mammal concentration areas. These data do not necessarily represent all terrestrial mammal occurrences in Virginia. The following species are included in this data set: (Species_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 8, Northern river otter, *Lutra canadensis*.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

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*Process_Step:**Process_Description:*

The main source of data used to depict terrestrial mammal distribution and seasonality for this data layer was personal interviews with resource experts from U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS).

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the T_MAMMAL data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the T_MAMMAL data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

Process_Date: 200505

*Process_Contact:**Contact_Information:**Contact_Organization_Primary:*

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

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Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Vector

Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: GT-polygon composed of chains

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 81

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Area point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 81

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Complete chain

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 152

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Link

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 34435

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Node, planar graph

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 152

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, T_MAMMAL) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Virginia atlas, the number is 55), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also

post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G_SOURCE, S_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: T_MAMMAL.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The T_MAMMAL.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing terrestrial mammal distribution. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (9), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550900002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 550900030

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE

table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000846

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000847

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIO_LUT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIO_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIO_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (9), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 553600012

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIORES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 055000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 055000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: CONC

Attribute_Definition:

The field CONC refers to "concentration," abundance, or density values. No concentration data were available for the T_MAMMAL data set, so the CONC field contains "-".

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: G_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records

in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE_SEA*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* SPECIES*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SPECIES_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* NAME*Attribute_Definition:* Species common name for the entire ESI data set.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* GEN_SPEC

Attribute_Definition: Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SUBELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: bivalve

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Bivalve

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Diadromous fish
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: diving
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Diving bird
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Dolphin
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine nursery fish
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_resident
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine resident
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Freshwater fish
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gastropod
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gull or tern
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:
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 Enumerated_Domain_Value: insect
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Insect
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

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Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SEASONAL

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JAN

Attribute_Definition: January

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in January

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: FEB

Attribute_Definition: February

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in February

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAR

Attribute_Definition: March

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in March

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: APR

Attribute_Definition: April

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in April

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAY

Attribute_Definition: May

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in May

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUN

Attribute_Definition: June

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in June

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUL

Attribute_Definition: July

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in July

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: AUG

Attribute_Definition: August

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in August
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEP
Attribute_Definition: September
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: X
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in September
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: OCT
Attribute_Definition: October
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: X
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in October
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NOV
Attribute_Definition: November
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: X
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in November
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DEC
Attribute_Definition: December
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: X
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in December
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA
Attribute_Definition:
 Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORRES and BREED data tables.
Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.
Attribute_Domain_Values:
 Enumerated_Domain:
 Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####
 Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:
 Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g.

ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1;
EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BREED

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MONTH

Attribute_Definition:

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: 12

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED1

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* N*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* -*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* BREED2*Attribute_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* Y*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* N*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* -*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* BREED3*Attribute_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* Y*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* BREED4*Attribute_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* Y*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* N*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* -*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* BREED5*Attribute_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* Y*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

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Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* SOURCES*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SOURCE_ID*Attribute_Definition:*

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* N*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ORIGINATOR*Attribute_Definition:* Author or developer of source material or data set.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* DATE_PUB*Attribute_Definition:*

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* YYYYMM*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month.*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* TITLE*Attribute_Definition:* Title of source material or data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* DATA_FORMAT*Attribute_Definition:* The format of the source material.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* PUBLICATION*Attribute_Definition:* Additional citation information.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SCALE*Attribute_Definition:* Description of the source scale.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* TIME_PERIOD*Attribute_Definition:*

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* STATUS*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: STATE

Attribute_Definition: Two-letter state abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: COUNTRY

Attribute_Definition: Three-letter country abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S

Attribute_Definition: State threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on state list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on state list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F

Attribute_Definition: Federal threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I

Attribute_Definition: International threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign international status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

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State_or_Province: Washington

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Resource_Description: ESI Atlas for Virginia

Distribution_Liability:

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Metadata_Reference_Information:

Metadata_Date: 200512

Metadata_Review_Date: 200512

Metadata_Contact:

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- [Spatial_Data_Organization_Information](#)
- [Spatial_Reference_Information](#)
- [Entity_and_Attribute_Information](#)
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Description:

Abstract:

This data set contains sensitive biological resource data for submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) and rare terrestrial plants/communities in Virginia. Vector polygons in this data set represent habitat distribution. Species-specific abundance, seasonality, status, life history, and source information are stored in relational data tables (described below) designed to be used in conjunction with this spatial data layer.

This data set comprises a portion of the Environmental Sensitivity Index (ESI) data for Virginia. ESI data characterize the marine and coastal environments and wildlife by their sensitivity to spilled oil. The ESI data include information for three main components: shoreline habitats, sensitive biological resources, and human-use resources.

Purpose:

The ESI data were collected, mapped, and digitized to provide environmental data for oil spill planning and response. The Clean Water Act with amendments by the Oil Pollution Act of 1990 requires response plans for immediate and effective protection of sensitive resources.

Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Range_of_Dates/Times:

Beginning_Date: 2002

Ending_Date: 2004

Currentness_Reference:

The biological data were compiled during 2004-2005. The currentness dates for the data range from 2002 to 2004 and are documented in the Lineage section.

Status:

Progress: Complete

Maintenance_and_Update_Frequency: None Scheduled

Spatial_Domain:

Bounding_Coordinates:

West_Bounding_Coordinate: -77.50000

East_Bounding_Coordinate: -75.12500

North_Bounding_Coordinate: 38.87500

South_Bounding_Coordinate: 36.50000

Keywords:

Theme:

Theme_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Theme_Keyword: ESI

Theme_Keyword: Sensitivity maps

Theme_Keyword: Coastal resources

Theme_Keyword: Oil spill planning

Theme_Keyword: Coastal Zone Management

Theme_Keyword: Wildlife

Theme_Keyword: Habitats

Place:

Place_Keyword_Thesaurus: None

Place_Keyword: Virginia

Access_Constraints: None

Use_Constraints:

DO NOT USE MAPS FOR NAVIGATIONAL PURPOSES. Besides the above warning, there are no use constraints on these data. Note that the ESI database should not be used to the exclusion of other pertinent data or information held by state or federal agencies or other organizations. Likewise, information contained in the database cannot be used in place of consultations with environmental, natural resource, and cultural resource agencies, or in place of field surveys. Recognize that the information contained in the ESI database represents known concentration areas or occurrences of natural, cultural, and human-use resources, but does not necessarily represent the full distribution or range of each species or resource. This is particularly important to recognize when considering potential impacts to protected resources, such as

endangered species, wetlands, etc. Acknowledgment of the originators, publishers, contributors, and sources listed would be appreciated in products derived from these data.

Browse_Graphic:

Browse_Graphic_File_Name: [datafig.jpg](#)

Browse_Graphic_File_Description:

Depicts the relationships between spatial data layers and attribute data tables for the Virginia ESI data.

Browse_Graphic_File_Type: JPEG

Data_Set_Credit:

This project was supported by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), National Ocean Service, Office of Response and Restoration, Hazardous Materials Response Division, Seattle, Washington and NOAA Chesapeake Bay Office, Gloucester Point, Virginia.

Native_Data_Set_Environment:

The software packages used to develop the atlas are Environmental Systems Research Institute's ARC/INFO(r) (version 8.3) and SQL SERVER(r) (version 7.0). The hardware configuration is PC's with Windows Operating System (NT4.0/2000).

The Spatial_Data_Organization Information section refers only to the source files in the ARC export format. The following files are included in that data set: birds.e00, esi.e00, fish.e00, habitats.e00, hydro.e00, index.e00, invert.e00, m_mammal.e00, mgt.e00, nests.e00, reptiles.e00, reptpt.e00, socecon.e00, t_mammal.e00, wetlands.e00. Associated relational and desktop data tables provided in Arc export and text format are bio_lut, biofile, biores, breed, breed_dt, seasonal, soc_dat, soc_lut, sources, species, and status.

Data_Quality_Information:

Attribute_Accuracy:

Attribute_Accuracy_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. The process includes a standardized data entry methodology, hardcopy data review by in-house and external resource experts, a final Quality Assurance/Quality Control (QA/QC) process, and multiple automated logical consistency checks. Quantitative data (such as densities, counts, abundances, or concentrations) provided by resource experts for inclusion in the data set may vary widely in attribute accuracy, depending upon the methodology used to collect and compile such data. For a more detailed evaluation of source data attribute accuracy, contact the sources listed in the Lineage section.

Logical_Consistency_Report:

A multi-stage error checking process, described in the above Attribute_Accuracy_Report, is used to verify both attribute accuracy and logical consistency throughout data production. This process includes multiple automated logical consistency checks that test the files for missing or duplicate data, rules for proper coding, GIS topological consistencies (such as dangles, unnecessary nodes, etc.), and SQL SERVER(r) to ARC/INFO(r) consistencies. A final review is made by the GIS manager, where the data are written to CD-ROM and the metadata are written.

After the data are delivered to NOAA, they are again subjected to a number of quality and consistency checks. In the process of checking for topological and database consistencies, new ID's and RARNUM's or HUNUM's are also generated. The new ID's are a combination of atlas number, element number, and record number. In addition, the value used to represent the element is modified to reflect the type of feature being mapped. In the case of an element that is normally represented by a point or polygon, a value of 20 is added to the standard element value for mapping of linear features. In the case where an element usually mapped as a polygon is

represented by a point, a value of 30 is added to the regular element value. The RARNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number, so multiple atlases can be combined and RARNUM's remain unique. RARNUM's are redefined on an element basis, so "resource at risk" groupings will contain only a single element. HUNUM's are also modified to include the atlas number.

Completeness_Report:

These data represent a synthesis of expert knowledge and digital data on habitat distribution. These data do not necessarily represent all habitat occurrences in Virginia. The following species are included in this data set: (Species_ID, Common Name, Scientific Name [n/a if not applicable]): 145, Seabeach amaranth, *Amaranthus pumilus*; 187, Sea-beach knotweed, *Polygonum glaucum*; 214, Rare plant, n/a; 609, Submerged aquatic vegetation, n/a; 610, Dixie sandmat, *Chamaesyce bombensis*; 611, Maritime dune scrub, n/a; 1035, Sea level fen, n/a; 1053, Native coastal strand vegetation, n/a.

Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy:

Horizontal_Positional_Accuracy_Report:

Spatial components for the biological data layers can come from expert interviews, hardcopy, or digital sources. Most of the spatial components of the biological data layers are developed using regional experts who estimate concentration areas. It is difficult to estimate the positional accuracy of such data, except to state that they are compiled on hardcopy base maps with a scale of 1:24,000. Some of the spatial components of the biological data sets are developed from pre-existing digital or hardcopy sources and reflect the positional accuracy of these original data. See the Lineage and Process_Description sections for more information on the original data source and how these data were integrated or manipulated to create the final data set. Note that biological resource data by their very nature are considered "fuzzy", and this should be understood when considering the positional accuracy of vector digital objects representing these resources.

Lineage:

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator:

FIELD, D. (VIRGINIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND RECREATION [VA DCR], WACHAPREAGUE)

Publication_Date: 2004

Title: NATURAL HERITAGE PROGRAM DATA

Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE

Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED

Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION

Source_Time_Period_of_Content:

Time_Period_Information:

Single_Date/Time:

Calendar_Date: 2004

Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION

Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE

Source_Contribution: HABITATS INFORMATION

Source_Information:

Source_Citation:

Citation_Information:

Originator: GALLEGOS, J. (U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE)

[USFWS], VA BEACH)
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: BACK BAY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SPECIES DISTRIBUTION
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: HABITATS INFORMATION
Source_Information:
Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: T. PENN, USFWS, CHINCOTEAGUE ISLAND
Publication_Date: 2004
Title: DISTRIBUTION OF CHINCOTEAGUE NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE SPECIES
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: EXPERT KNOWLEDGE
Other_Citation_Details: UNPUBLISHED
Type_of_Source_Media: PERSONAL COMMUNICATION
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Single_Date/Time:
Calendar_Date: 2004
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF COMMUNICATION
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: HABITATS INFORMATION
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Source_Citation:
Citation_Information:
Originator: VIRGINIA INSTITUTE OF MARINE SCIENCE (VIMS)
Publication_Date: 2003
Title: CHESAPEAKE BAY SUBMERGED AQUATIC VEGETATION (SAV) COVERAGE
Geospatial_Data_Presentation_Form: DIGITAL VECTOR DATA
Other_Citation_Details: VIMS, GLOUCESTER POINT, VA
Source_Scale_Denominator: 24,000
Type_of_Source_Media: ONLINE
Source_Time_Period_of_Content:
Time_Period_Information:
Range_of_Dates/Times:
Beginning_Date: 2002
Ending_Date: 2003
Source_Currentness_Reference: DATE OF SURVEY
Source_Citation_Abbreviation: NONE
Source_Contribution: HABITATS INFORMATION
Process_Step:

Process_Description:

Two main sources of data were used to depict habitat distribution and seasonality for this data layer: (1) personal interviews with resource experts from the Virginia Department of Conservation and Recreation's Division of Natural Heritage and the U.S. FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE (USFWS), and (2) a 2003 Virginia Institute of Marine Science (VIMS) Chesapeake Bay Submerged Aquatic Vegetation digital vector data coverage.

The above digital and/or hardcopy sources were compiled by the project biologist to create the HABITATS data layer. Depending on the type of source data, three general approaches are used for compiling a biology data layer: (1) information gathered during initial interviews and from hardcopy sources are compiled onto U.S. Geological Survey 1:24,000 topographic quadrangles and digitized; (2) hardcopy maps are digitized at their source scale; (3) digital data layers are evaluated and used "as is" or integrated with the hardcopy data sources. See the Lineage section for additional information on the type of source data for this data layer. The compiled ESI, biology, and human-use data are plotted onto hardcopy draft maps. Following the delivery of draft maps to the participating resource experts, a second set of interviews is conducted to review the maps. If necessary, edits to the HABITATS data layer are made based on the recommendations of the resource experts, and final hardcopy maps and digital data are created.

Process_Date: 200505

Process_Contact:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Organization_Primary:

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Person: Jill Petersen

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

City: Seattle

State_or_Province: Washington

Postal_Code: 98115-6349

Contact_Voice_Telephone: (206) 526-6944

Contact_Facsimile_Telephone: (206) 526-6329

Contact_Electronic_Mail_Address: Jill.Petersen@noaa.gov

Spatial_Data_Organization_Information:

Direct_Spatial_Reference_Method: Vector

Point_and_Vector_Object_Information:

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: GT-polygon composed of chains

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 1368

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Area point

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 1368

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Complete chain

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 2169

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Link

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 249474

SDTS_Terms_Description:

SDTS_Point_and_Vector_Object_Type: Node, planar graph

Point_and_Vector_Object_Count: 1771

Spatial_Reference_Information:

Horizontal_Coordinate_System_Definition:

Geographic:

Latitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Longitude_Resolution: 0.0000001

Geographic_Coordinate_Units: Decimal degrees

Geodetic_Model:

Horizontal_Datum_Name: North American Datum of 1927

Ellipsoid_Name: Clark 1866

Semi-major_Axis: 6378206.400000

Denominator_of_Flattening_Ratio: 294.978698

Entity_and_Attribute_Information:

Overview_Description:

Entity_and_Attribute_Overview:

In addition to the geographic data layers, six relational attribute or data tables, BIORES, BREED, SEASONAL, SOURCES, SPECIES, and STATUS, are used to store the complex biological data in the ESI data structure. The geographic data layer containing biological resource information (in this case, HABITATS) is linked to the Biological Resources table (BIORES) using the unique ID and the lookup table BIO_LUT, or it can be linked directly using RARNUM. The ID is a unique combination of the atlas number (for the Virginia atlas, the number is 55), an element/layer specific number (BIRDS are layer 1, FISH are layer 2, etc.), and a unique record number. The RARNUM represents a unique combination of species, seasonalities, concentrations, and source information. For each of these groupings, a number is generated. That number is concatenated with the atlas number to create a "resource at risk" number that is unique across atlases. BIORES and the other relational data tables are described below in detail. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way these tables relate to the geographic data layers and other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Due to the complexity of the relational database model, the data items are also post-processed into a flat file format. This table, called BIOFILE, may be used in place of the relational files described below to ease simple data queries. The items in the flat file are ELEMENT, SUBELEMENT, NAME, GEN_SPEC, S, F, NHP, DATE_PUB, CONC, JAN, FEB, MAR, APR, MAY, JUN, JUL, AUG, SEP, OCT, NOV, DEC, BREED1, BREED2, BREED3, BREED4, BREED5, RARNUM, G_SOURCE, S_SOURCE, and BREED. All of these items are the same as their counterparts in the individual data tables described below, except the BREED1-BREED5 and BREED items. BREED is a newly generated variable used to link to the BREED_DT data table, a modified, more compact version of the relational BREED data table. BREED1-BREED5 give a text summary of when each life stage occurs within the associated map object. The life stages referred to are the same as those listed in the Detailed_Description of the BREED data table. The link to the BIOFILE may be made through the BIO_LUT, using ID to link to RARNUM, or BIOFILE may be linked directly to the RARNUM in each of the geographic layer's

attribute data tables. As mentioned, BREED_DT is an auxiliary support data table to the flat file structure, which allows the user to do searches based on month for seasonal breeding activities. The link from the flat file to BREED_DT is the BREED item.

A second supporting data table is SOURCES. This is the same as the source file described above, and the link from the flat file is both G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE. It should be noted that although the flat file eases data query, it is not a normalized database structure, and actual updates performed by the states and other responsible agencies should be done using the relational data tables. The entity-relationship diagram, describing relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure, does NOT include the BIOFILE data table, and this data table is NOT described in detail below.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: HABITATS.PAT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The HABITATS.PAT table contains attribute information for the vector polygons in this data set representing habitat distribution. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the relationships between attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (3), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550300002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 550301351

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links directly to the BIORES table or the flat format BIOFILE table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000766

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000773

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIO_LUT

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIO_LUT is a lookup table that contains items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers with the BIORES data table. Note that all attribute information is stored in a series of relational files, described below. See the

Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIO_LUT data table to records in the BIORES data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table. RARNUM values of 0 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 55000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 55000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ID

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links vector objects in the biology data layers to records in the BIO_LUT data table. ID is a concatenation of atlas number (55), element number (3), and record number. ID values of 9999 are holes in polygons and do not contain information.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 550100002

Range_Domain_Maximum: 553600012

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BIORES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BIORES contains both biological attribute data and items necessary for linking vector objects in the biological data layers via the BIO_LUT data table to other associated data tables. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: RARNUM

Attribute_Definition:

An identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the BIO_LUT data table or the flat format BIOFILE data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: NOAA

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 055000001

Range_Domain_Maximum: 055000847

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: CONC

Attribute_Definition:

The field CONC refers to a "concentration," abundance, or density value of a habitat at a particular location. The field may contain percent cover of submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) (e.g., 0%-40% COVER or >40% cover) in individual polygons. No quantitative or qualitative information on concentrations of rare plants/communities was available, therefore this field was populated with "-" for terrestrial habitats.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: G_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Geographic source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_SOURCE

Attribute_Definition:

Seasonality source identifier that links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SOURCES data table.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* INVERT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Invertebrates*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* M_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Marine Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* REPTILE*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Reptiles and Amphibians*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* T_MAMMAL*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Terrestrial Mammals*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SPECIES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BIORES data table to records in the SEASONAL and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:*

Entity_Type_Label: SPECIES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SPECIES identifies all species in the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure. Refer to the Completeness_Report for a list of layer-specific species.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:*

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NAME

Attribute_Definition: Species common name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: GEN_SPEC

Attribute_Definition: Species scientific name for the entire ESI data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SUBELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Element subgroup delineating a logical grouping of species.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: bivalve

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Bivalve

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: crab

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Crab

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: diadromous

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Diadromous fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: diving

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Diving bird

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: dolphin

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Dolphin

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_nursery

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine nursery fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: e_resident

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Estuarine resident

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: freshwater

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Freshwater fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

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Enumerated_Domain_Value: gastropod

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gastropod

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

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Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Gull or tern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: insect

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Insect

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_benthic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine benthic fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: m_pelagic

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine pelagic fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* passerine*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Passerine bird*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* pelagic*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Pelagic bird*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* pinniped*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Pinniped*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* plant*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Plant*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* raptor*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Raptor*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* sav*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Submerged aquatic vegetation*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* shorebird*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Shorebird*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* sm_mammal*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Small mammal*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* turtle*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Turtle*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* upland*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Upland habitat*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:*

*Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* wading*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Wading bird*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* waterfowl*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Waterfowl*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* wetland*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Wetland*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* whale*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Whale*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* NHP*Attribute_Definition:* Natural Heritage Program global ranking.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Network of Natural Heritage Program*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Codeset_Domain:**Codeset_Name:* NHP Global Conservation Status Rank*Codeset_Source:* Natural Heritage Program*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* DATE_PUB*Attribute_Definition:* Date of NHP listing.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* YYYYMM*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* YYYY for year and optionally MM for month*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* 0*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Date unspecified*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links records in the SPECIES data table to records in the BIORES and STATUS data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:*

Entity_Type_Label: SEASONAL

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SEASONAL contains information on the seasonal presence of each species associated with each spatial vector object. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ELEMENT

Attribute_Definition: Major categories of biological data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: BIRD

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Birds

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: FISH

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Fish

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: HABITAT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Habitats and Plants

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEASON_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for the unique monthly presence and life history characteristics of each species at a given location.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JAN

Attribute_Definition: January

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in January

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: FEB

Attribute_Definition: February

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in February

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAR

Attribute_Definition: March

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in March

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: APR

Attribute_Definition: April

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in April

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: MAY

Attribute_Definition: May

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in May

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUN

Attribute_Definition: June

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in June

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: JUL

Attribute_Definition: July

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in July

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: AUG

Attribute_Definition: August

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in August

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SEP

Attribute_Definition: September

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in September

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: OCT

Attribute_Definition: October

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in October

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: NOV

Attribute_Definition: November

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in November

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DEC

Attribute_Definition: December

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: X

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Present in December

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE_SEA

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the SEASONAL data table to records in the BIORES and BREED data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g.

ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1;

EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: BREED

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table BREED identifies the monthly presence of certain life-history stages or activities for each species at a given location.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* EL_SPE_SEA*Attribute_Definition:*

Concatenation of ELEMENT, SPECIES_ID, and SEASON_ID. This item links records in the BREED data table to records in the BIORES and SEASONAL data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* E#####*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT, the next five characters are SPECIES_ID, and the last two characters are SEASON_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD', SPECIES_ID = 1 and SEASON_ID = 1; EL_SPE_SEA = 'B0000101').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* MONTH*Attribute_Definition:*

Two-digit calendar month. Each life history stage or activity type for a particular species can have up to 12 records to account for each month of the year.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Range_Domain:**Range_Domain_Minimum:* 1*Range_Domain_Maximum:* 12*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* BREED1*Attribute_Definition:*

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED1 = spawning; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED1 = nesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED1 = mating. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* Y*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity present*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* N*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* -*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:*

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED2

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED2 = migrating; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED2 = eggs; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED2 = hatching; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED2 = calving. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED3

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "BIRD" then BREED3 = molting; if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED3 = larvae; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED3 = interesting; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED3 = pupping. This attribute is not used for HABITAT or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED4

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED4 = juveniles; if ELEMENT is "M_MAMMAL" then BREED4 = molting. This attribute is not used for BIRD, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: BREED5

Attribute_Definition:

Life history stage or activity type, where: if ELEMENT is "FISH" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "INVERT" then BREED5 = adults; if ELEMENT is "REPTILE" then BREED5 = adults. This attribute is not used for BIRD, M_MAMMAL, HABITAT, or T_MAMMAL elements.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: Y

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity present

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: N

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Life-history stage or activity not present or not reported

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: -

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Breed category not used or not appropriate for record(s) in question
Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Detailed_Description:

Entity_Type:

Entity_Type_Label: SOURCES

Entity_Type_Definition:

The data table SOURCES contains the primary sources used to create the ESI data set. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SOURCE_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Source identifier that links records in the SOURCES data table to the items G_SOURCE and A_SOURCE in the SOC_DAT table; G_SOURCE and S_SOURCE in the BIORES table; and SOURCE_ID in the ESI and HYDRO data layers.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: ORIGINATOR

Attribute_Definition: Author or developer of source material or data set.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATE_PUB

Attribute_Definition:

Date of source material, publication, or date of personal communication with expert source.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month.

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: TITLE

Attribute_Definition: Title of source material or data.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: DATA_FORMAT

Attribute_Definition: The format of the source material.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* PUBLICATION*Attribute_Definition:* Additional citation information.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* SCALE*Attribute_Definition:* Description of the source scale.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* TIME_PERIOD*Attribute_Definition:*

Date(s) of data collection that the source material is based upon.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Unrepresentable_Domain:* Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.*Detailed_Description:**Entity_Type:**Entity_Type_Label:* STATUS*Entity_Type_Definition:*

The data table STATUS identifies the species that are listed as either threatened or endangered by a state, federal, or international authority. See the Browse_Graphic section for a link to the entity-relationship diagram, which describes the way this table relates to other attribute tables in the ESI data structure.

Entity_Type_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute:**Attribute_Label:* ELEMENT*Attribute_Definition:* Major categories of biological data.*Attribute_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* BIRD*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Birds*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* FISH*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Fish*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:**Enumerated_Domain_Value:* HABITAT*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:* Habitats and Plants*Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source:* Research Planning, Inc.*Attribute_Domain_Values:**Enumerated_Domain:*

Enumerated_Domain_Value: INVERT

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Invertebrates

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: M_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Marine Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: REPTILE

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Reptiles and Amphibians

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T_MAMMAL

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Terrestrial Mammals

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: SPECIES_ID

Attribute_Definition:

Numeric identifier for each species that is unique within each element and refers to a nationwide master ESI species list maintained at NOAA.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Range_Domain:

Range_Domain_Minimum: 1

Range_Domain_Maximum: N

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: STATE

Attribute_Definition: Two-letter state abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: COUNTRY

Attribute_Definition: Three-letter country abbreviation.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Unrepresentable_Domain: Acceptable values change from atlas to atlas.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S

Attribute_Definition: State threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on state list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on state list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F

Attribute_Definition: Federal threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on federal list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I

Attribute_Definition: International threatened or endangered status.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Endangered on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: T

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Threatened on international list

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: C

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: Species of Special Concern

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: NOAA ESI Guidelines

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: S_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign state status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: F_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign federal status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: I_DATE

Attribute_Definition:

Publication date of source material used to assign international status values for each species, if used.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: YYYYMM

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition: YYYY for year and optionally MM for month

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute:

Attribute_Label: EL_SPE

Attribute_Definition:

Concatenation of ELEMENT and SPECIES_ID. This item links the STATUS data table to the BIORES and SPECIES data tables.

Attribute_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Attribute_Domain_Values:

Enumerated_Domain:

Enumerated_Domain_Value: E#####

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition:

Where E is the first character of ELEMENT and the next five characters are SPECIES_ID (e.g. ELEMENT = 'BIRD' and SPECIES_ID = 1; EL_SPE = 'B00001').

Enumerated_Domain_Value_Definition_Source: Research Planning, Inc.

Distribution_Information:

Distributor:

Contact_Information:

Contact_Person_Primary:

Contact_Person: John Kaperick

Contact_Organization: NOAA, Office of Response and Restoration

Contact_Address:

Address_Type: Physical Address

Address: 7600 Sand Point Way N.E.

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