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Americas over the five years, since its inception. More than three million banding records have been taken in and archived overall; and including census observations, brings that total to just about twice that number. Banding stations in Arizona have contributed to the total and are typical of other states. Of the 25 Arizona stations we have documented, about three have submitted their data for permanent repository. We are actively seeking

sources of banding data and encourage members of the WBBA to sleuth out hidden or incomplete records. This is important since, of the other data repositories, only IBP archives and processes the full data set including such fields as measurements and effort (e.g., trap or net hours). Neither the US Bird Banding Lab, the Canadian Bird Banding Office, nor the Canadian Migration Monitoring Network has done so.

WBBA TO MEET IN NORTHERN CALIFORNIA ON HUMBOLDT BAY



The Western Bird Banding Association will meet at the peak of landbird migration for its 2014 annual meeting at the Humboldt Bay Bird Observatory, **18 to 21 Sep 2014**. HBBO is affiliated closely with the Klamath Bird Observatory and is situated beside an estuary within a National Wildlife Refuge. Near Arcata, home of Humboldt State University, it is in the mild, coastal climate of northwestern California. Nearby rivers, wetlands, and old-growth redwoods offer plenty of possibilities for birding trips and recreation. The meeting is not to be missed, and will have exciting demonstrations and workshops on a diverse array of bird research, banding, data management, and analysis of banding data. Located at a long-running banding site that has operated nets and traps for more than 30 years, two stations a half km apart will be operating in a riparian corridor amongst a coastal dune forest and pastures. The station will offer camping with outdoor cooking facilities with several motels only 15 minutes away. Paper and poster presentations can reflect original research, summarize existing information, or address the use of banding as a tool in avian research and monitoring. NABC certifications for banders and trainers are also planned. Please submit abstracts for papers or workshops electronically **by 15 Aug** to C. J. Ralph (cjr2@humboldt.edu), specifying workshop, paper, or poster. For additional information on abstract submission and about WBBA's 2014 meeting, please visit the WBBA website:

(URL: <http://www.westernbirdbanding.org/next-meetings.html>), or contact C.J. at 707 499-9707.