

# Bird Species at Risk, Management and Information *Virtual Workshop*



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Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2021

FREE Workshop from 7:00pm to 8:30 PM

Register Free: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/5504548146933368080>

**Virtual Event!** Everyone is Welcome to Attend! Tune-in from ANY location!

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### **Birds Canada: Grasslands Conservation Incentives Guide**

Summary: Many prairie producers and landowners want to participate in programs and incentives to aid in their stewardship and conservation activities. However, it can be complicated and time consuming to track these programs and incentives down, and many producers are unaware of all the programs available. Birds Canada has produced a comprehensive guide to the programs and incentives available to prairie producers and landowners to improve, preserve or restore prairie habitats in working landscapes. With over 45 programs and funding sources in this easy to use guide, landowners and producers can make an informed decision on what programs will help achieve their production and ecological goals.

About the Speaker: Ian is a professional agrologist as well as a Certified Crop Advisor and has worked directly with producers in Manitoba for the past several years to help them make management decisions on their farms that are environmentally responsible and economically viable. Agriculture has an important role to play in the biodiversity and climate crises and Ian is passionate about finding solutions that are mutually beneficial for wildlife, the environment, farmers and ranchers, and society at large. As the Grassland Conservation Manager for Birds Canada he gets to work at the interface of agriculture and conservation to find solutions to conserve grassland ecosystems and the birds that make their home there.

### **Saskatchewan Burrowing Owl Interpretive Centre with a live owl!**

Summary: Learn about some of the characteristics, behaviors, habitat, and factors affecting the wild population of Burrowing Owls in Canada.

About the Speaker: The Saskatchewan Burrowing Owl Interpretive Centre (SBOIC) first opened its doors to the public in July 1997 and since then the Centre has been dedicated to raising public awareness about Canada's endangered species, specifically the Burrowing Owl and their prairie habitat. SBOIC is a non-profit organization and our work is funded entirely by public donations and grants. The Centre's mandate is to promote conservation through education, stewardship, and eco-tourism and we do this through in-house tours and displays as well as a out-reach program known as "Owls on Tour". Our

educational programming is highlighted by the involvement of several hand-raised, imprinted Burrowing Owls as well as a small parliament of Burrowing Owls which are part of our permanent collection. Over the years, the Centre has also added a Short Eared Owl and several Richardson's ground squirrel to our permanent population to help highlight the unique and diverse wildlife found here on the Canadian Prairies. Lori Johnson has been the Owl Coordinator at the Saskatchewan Burrowing Owl Interpretive Centre (SBOIC), since 2010.