

Our Mission in Action

Research

We are building on more than 40 years of success with archived, long-term data and biological samples, collaborating with scientists to advance conservation, and developing innovative lab and field methods. Our work combines nesting area surveys with remote sensing, drone technology, GIS modeling, and advanced data storage for effective management.

Outreach

Our research, data and findings are added to the body of science and provided to government agencies at all levels. This information is vital to managing avian populations, monitoring water quality, cleaning up Areas of Concern and engaging the public on critical environmental issues. By strengthening community involvement and sharing our methods globally, we work to ensure both conservation and the health of the ecosystem.

Education

Our expertise forms a bridge between a founding generation of environmental scientists who were the first to link significant health, reproductive, and population problems to pollutants and stressors in Great Lakes birds and the future generations who will carry this work through the 21st century.

Your Support Matters

Funding for our work has diminished, but with your help we can maintain and grow this important work

- Increase the amount and types of biological research on more species
- Increase the number of students who will be the next generation of researchers
- Increase the number of citizens reached to inspire stewardship and action



The Wings Over Water Research Institute is under the fiscal sponsorship of Social and Environmental Entrepreneurs (SEE) and is proud to be a part of several current collaborative research projects:

- Great Lakes Colonial Waterbird Population Monitoring Program
- Great Lakes Colonial Waterbird Contaminant-Bioeffects Health Monitoring Program
- Great Lakes Eagle Research Project
- SEA EAGLE a global consortium of eagle researchers

