



Kirtland's Warbler Recovery Team

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The KW Recovery Team is in the process of forming a committee for the purpose of advising the Team and giving impetus to various phases of research that were expressed in the KW Recovery Plan or that for additional needs that have been or will be recognized. Those persons who will be serving on the committee are listed in a copy of the letter enclosed.

The Team and others have recognized that research on the Kirtland's Warbler should be a coordinated interdisciplinary effort. In order for the research committee to develop this approach, they will require input from the more knowledgeable persons within the several fields involved.

We would appreciate it if you would serve as a resource advisor to this committee. This would involve reviewing various proposals, plans, etc., and making your recommendations on the development of various phases of the programs and how to implement studies. This would be accomplished through mail, telephone, and personal contacts with committee members. It would probably also be advantageous to have an occasional one day meeting between the committee members and as many of the resource advisors as possible.

The committee will be meeting in late March to initiate their work. After they have met and had a chance to look at the needs and outline a plan, it would be advantageous to the committee to meet with the resource advisors to establish lines of communication, review what has and is being done in direct and related research, obtain additional ideas, etc.

If you would be willing to assist this committee, or if you feel you cannot and would like to suggest an alternate, please get in touch with Bill Irvine, U.S. Forest Service, 421 South Mitchell Street, Cadillac, MI 49601 - 616-775-2421.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

