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Dear Colleagues,

Wetlands represent important natural capital and provide essential ecological services. Over 50% of the planet's wetlands are estimated to have been lost in the past century. The remaining wetlands are being degraded to varying degrees due to adverse effects from human activities, mainly habitat loss due to land use changes, pollution, biological invasions, water resource development, and climate change.

The loss and degradation of wetlands worldwide has negatively affected waterbirds, which depend on wetland habitats. Thus, waterbirds are key biological indicators for assessing the quality and importance of wetlands. Moreover, waterbirds play key functional roles, supporting a variety of ecological services, although these roles are often overlooked. In view of the serious situation of the rapid decrease in waterbird diversity, waterbird conservation has received increasing attention worldwide. How to provide high-quality habitats for waterbirds through effective management is a critical issue in waterbird conservation

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