**Attachment B. Priority setting rules for seabird conservation in the East Asian – Australasian Flyway**

*Factors*

**PTE = Population Trend Estimate**

**5 =** significant population decline (p<0.10)

**4 =** apparent population decline

**3 =** apparently stable population or status unknown (if the population trend cannot be classified at all due to lack of appropriate data, the PTE score is represented as ‘U’ for unknown)

**2 =** apparent population increase

**1 =** significant population increase

**PE = Population Estimate**

**5 =** ≤ 25,000

**4 =** 25,000 – 150,000

**3 =** 150,000 – 300,000

**2 =** 300,000 – 1,000,000

**1 =** > 1,000,000

**TB = Threats during Breeding Season**

**5 =** known threats are actually occurring and can be documented (i.e. significant loss to critical habitat)

**4 =** significant potential threats exist but have not yet occurred (i.e. oil spills)

**3 =** no known threats, or information not available

**2 =** threats assumed to be low

**1 =** demonstrably secure

**TN = Threats during non-breeding season**

**5 =** known threats are actually occurring and can be documented (i.e. significant loss to critical habitat). Concentration of birds in an area results in actual risk.

**4 =** significant potential threats exist but have not yet occurred (i.e. oil spills). Concentration of birds in an area results in high potential risk.

**3 =** no known threats, or concentration not a risk, or information not available

**2 =** threats assumed to be low from all factors including concentration

**1 =** demonstrably secure

**BS = Number of Breeding Sites**

**5 =** 1 or 2

**4 =** 3 to 10

**3 =** 11 to 100

**2 =** 101 to 1000

**1 =** > 1000

**ND = Non-breeding Distribution**

**5 =** highly restricted (≤ 250,000 km2, or very restricted coastal areas, or interior rangelands)

**4 =** local (250,000 – 1,000,000 km2 or ≤ 3000 km of coastline)

**3 =** intermediate (1,000,000 – 5,000,000 km2 or 3,000 – 20,000 km of coast)

**2 =** widespread (5,000,000 – 20,000,000 km2 or 20,000 – 50,000 km of coast)

**1 =** very widespread (>20,000,000 km2 or >50,000 km of coast)

*Category and Rule*

**5 = Severe Concern:** All species listed **Critically Endangered,** and species listed **Endangered** with significant population declines **and** only one or two known breeding locations. (a. IUCN rank = 5, or b. IUCN rank = 4 & PTE & BS = 5)

**4 = Species of High Concern:** Species that are listed **Endangered**, **Vulnerable, Data Deficient** or **Near Threatened,** with significant population declines **or** only one or two known breeding locations. (IUCN rank = 4, 3 or 2 & a. PTE = 5 or b. BS = 5)

**3 = Species of Moderate Concern:** Species that are listed **Vulnerable**, **Data** **Deficient** or **Near** **Threatened** and are either: a) apparently declining with moderate threats or small breeding distributions; b) apparently stable with known or potential threats and moderate to restricted distributions, or; c) relatively small populations and restricted distribution: (IUCN rank = 4, 3 or 2, &: a. PTE = 4 & BS, TB or TN = 4 or 5; b. PTE = 3 & BS, PE, TB, TN or ND = 4 or 5; c. PE = 4 or 5 & BS or ND = 4 or 5)

**2 = Species of Low Concern:** Species are either a) stable with moderate threats and distribution; b) increasing but with known or potential threats and moderate to restricted distributions; or c) stable population of moderate size: (IUCN rank = 1 or 2, &: a. PTE = 3 & BS, TB, TN or ND = 3, 4 or 5; b. PTE = 2 & BS, TB, TN or ND = 3; or c. PTE = 3 & PE = 1, 2 or 3)

**1 = Species Not at Risk:** All other species