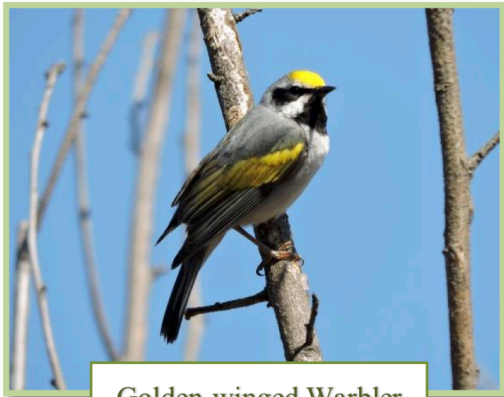
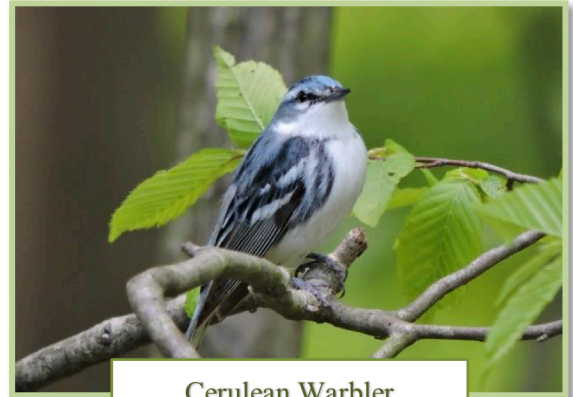


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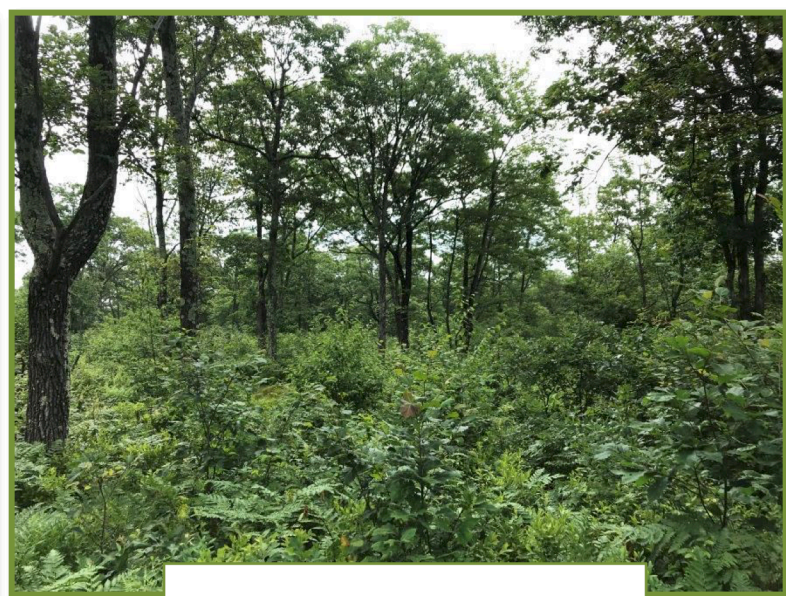
Golden-winged Warbler



Cerulean Warbler



Young Forest Harvest



Shelterwood Harvest

A Conservation Effects Assessment Project (CEAP)

Assessing Wildlife Response to the Natural Resources
Conservation Service's (NRCS) Conservation Programs
Promoting Forest Health & Wildlife Habitat

Dear Longwood Lake Cabin Owners,

We are excited to share with you the results of our fourth year of Golden-winged Warbler, Cerulean Warbler, and songbird surveys.

As you may know, Golden-winged Warbler and Cerulean Warbler populations have been declining for decades, primarily due to habitat loss in the United States. These two bird species (see cover photos) and many other species of birds, mammals, and reptiles rely on diverse forest habitats during some or all of their life.

Since 2012, 357 private landowners in 7 different states have created 10,805 acres of young forest habitat through NRCS conservation projects, with thousands more acres under contract. In addition, since 2016, 123 private landowners in Pennsylvania and Maryland have been working to improve 5,213 acres of forest habitat through NRCS conservation projects, with thousands more acres planned for the remaining 2 years of the Cerulean Warbler RCPP program. The critically important forest habitat you and other participants have created provides an essential home for an abundant diversity of native wildlife. Together, you are making a positive difference for wildlife in your region!

Your property was visited on 2 occasions (May 21 & June 7 or 8, 2018) to survey for Golden-winged Warblers and other songbirds. We conducted surveys at 3 point locations in the areas where you have conducted forest management for Golden-winged Warblers. Along with this letter we have enclosed a map showing where on your property we surveyed for birds.

On your property we did not detect any Golden-winged Warblers. Although there were no Golden-winged Warblers, it is early in the creation of habitat and there is still time for them to find the site as it regenerates. While we did not detect any Golden-winged Warblers on your project, we detected 45 other species during our surveys (please see below). Moreover, of the 45 species we detected, 9 are currently considered at risk species (denoted in the list with an asterisk) so your project is already having meaningful benefits to birds! Along with the list of species, we have included photos of 10 bird species that benefit from young forest harvests on private lands.

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| 1. American Crow | 17. Chipping Sparrow |
| 2. American Goldfinch | 18. Common Grackle |
| 3. American Redstart | 19. Common Yellowthroat |
| 4. American Robin | 20. Eastern Bluebird |
| 5. Baltimore Oriole | 21. Eastern Phoebe |
| 6. Black-and-white Warbler* | 22. Eastern Towhee* |
| 7. Black-capped Chickadee | 23. Eastern Wood-Pewee |
| 8. Blackpoll Warbler | 24. Field Sparrow* |
| 9. Blue Jay | 25. Gray Catbird |
| 10. Blue-gray Gnatcatcher | 26. Great Crested Flycatcher |
| 11. Blue-winged Warbler* | 27. Indigo Bunting |
| 12. Brewster's Warbler | 28. Magnolia Warbler |
| 13. Brown-headed Cowbird | 29. Mourning Dove |
| 14. Carolina Wren | 30. Northern Cardinal |
| 15. Cedar Waxwing | 31. Northern Flicker |
| 16. Chestnut-sided Warbler | 32. Ovenbird |

- 33. Pileated Woodpecker
- 34. Prairie Warbler*
- 35. Red-bellied Woodpecker
- 36. Red-eyed Vireo
- 37. Rose-breasted Grosbeak
- 38. Ruby-throated Hummingbird
- 39. Scarlet Tanager*

- 40. Tufted Titmouse
- 41. Veery*
- 42. White-breasted Nuthatch
- 43. Wood Thrush*
- 44. Yellow Warbler
- 45. Yellow-throated Vireo*

Thank you for allowing us to conduct these surveys on your property! We look forward to continue working with you to manage and maintain healthy forest habitat to benefit wildlife like Golden-winged Warblers and Cerulean Warblers on your property and across the region. We are also always looking for more participants, so if anyone you know is interested in forest management opportunities please contact Emily Heggenstaller (below) and/or your local Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS) office.

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