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I became aware of the scoping process for the ghost shrimp management effort only after the close of the comment period. I would like to request that the environmental assessment include, to the extent possible, an evaluation of the potential impacts of ghost shrimp management on migratory shorebirds. In particular, the Red Knot (*Calidris canutus*) is of interest because it is a bivalve specialist, appears to use some bivalves that may be commensal with ghost shrimp, and is a Species of Greatest Conservation Need in Washington. The Red Knot occurs during spring migration in northern areas of both Grays Harbor and Willapa Bay; spring migration begins in late April and extends to about 25 May. It does not occur in appreciable numbers at any other time of year. The population of Red Knots is estimated to be about 17,000 and it appears that the vast majority of Pacific coast knots migrate through one or the other of these two sites.

We can share information with you if you are able to include this topic in your environmental review.

Thanks.

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