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Dear **Seasoned** IBA Observer,

We thank you again for your participation as an observer for the Rocky River IBA project. Believe it or not we are into our second year. The more accurate data we gather the better it will be for the statistical analyses to share with landholders regarding the conservation and management of habitats in the Rocky River watershed and ultimately, the protection of the plants, wildlife and waters.

As of this letter, the points sampled last year have been reflagged. This field season, additional points are being assessed in new areas ... stay tuned. *To be consistent we would like to have a refresher to make sure all aspects are done correctly and questions are answered regarding the bulleted points below ...*

- Taking data at the same points as in 2006
- Locating points, filling out the data sheet (or have my recorder filling out the data sheet) and sending data in
- Identifying the calls and songs of breeding birds
- Estimating the distances of the songs and calls heard

To see further information such as the IBA observer's letter from 2006 and the IBA data sheet, see the WCAS website, www.wcasohio.org and click on Rocky River IBA. The date and time for the refresher is Sunday, May 20 at 1 PM at the Rocky River Nature Center. Field season begins on May 25 so please contact one of us below to let us know if you *will* or *will not* be able to attend the refresher.

Thank you again.

Sincerely,

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