WESTERN SANDPIPER

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During their northward migration, Western Sandpipers rely on coastal stopover habitats from the San Francisco Bay to the Copper River Delta in Alaska, where hundreds of thousands of individuals gather to rest and feed. Unlike many shorebird species that undertake long overwater flights, Western Sandpipers migrate south in short "hop" flights from breeding grounds in western Alaska, stopping at mudflats and tidal habitats along the Atlantic and Pacific coasts.

How can you help?

Like people, migrating shorebirds love beaches. Disturbing shorebirds can affect their nesting success-and survival. Give them plenty of room!

KEEP YOUR DOG LEASHED TO HELP SHOREBIRDS Coastal development and loss of wetland habitats pose major threats to Western Sandpipers and other migratory shorebird species.