

## **Important Bird Area Information Workshop**

Monday, August 15<sup>th</sup>, 4 – 6 PM, Lyme Town Hall, 480 Hamburg Road (RT 156), Lyme, CT

On July 11, 2016, the Lyme Forest Block and the Mouth of the Connecticut River were two of five landscape scale Important Bird Areas (IBA) officially designated in this region. The





Important Bird Area program is a global effort to identify the most important places for bird populations and to focus conservation efforts on those sites.

Once sites are recognized, Audubon works with landowners to increase local knowledge on the value of these sites to birds. Any landowner within the boundaries of the IBA are eligible for the benefits of recognizing their properties as part of the IBA, including eligibility of IBA small grants or utilizing IBA status as a way to bolster other grant applications.

On Monday August 15, 2016, the Eightmile River Wild & Scenic Coordinating Committee will be hosting Audubon Connecticut for an Information Workshop on what designation means to the local community and landowners and what additional resources will be available as part of designation.

