§ 11-2003. Advisory committee.

There shall be created within the department a New York state bird conservation area program advisory committee whose non-governmental members shall serve without pay, meet not less than twice each year, and whose sole purpose shall be to advise as to the designation, management, educational research and utilization of those sites that are individually designated as part of and collectively comprise the New York state bird conservation area program. Provided, however, the utilization of such sites shall be consistent with the mission of the state agency or entity designating a New York state bird conservation area pursuant to section 11-2001 of this title. In addition to representatives of the department, the advisory committee shall consist of, but not be limited to one representative each from the department of state, the Conservation Fund Advisory Board, the Conservation Council, the office of parks, recreation and historic preservation, the state museum, Cornell Laboratory of Ornithology, the Nature Conservancy, the National Audubon Society, Ducks Unlimited, the New York State Biodiversity Research Institute, and the Federation of New York State Bird Clubs. The commissioner may appoint additional members as appropriate, who shall serve at his pleasure.