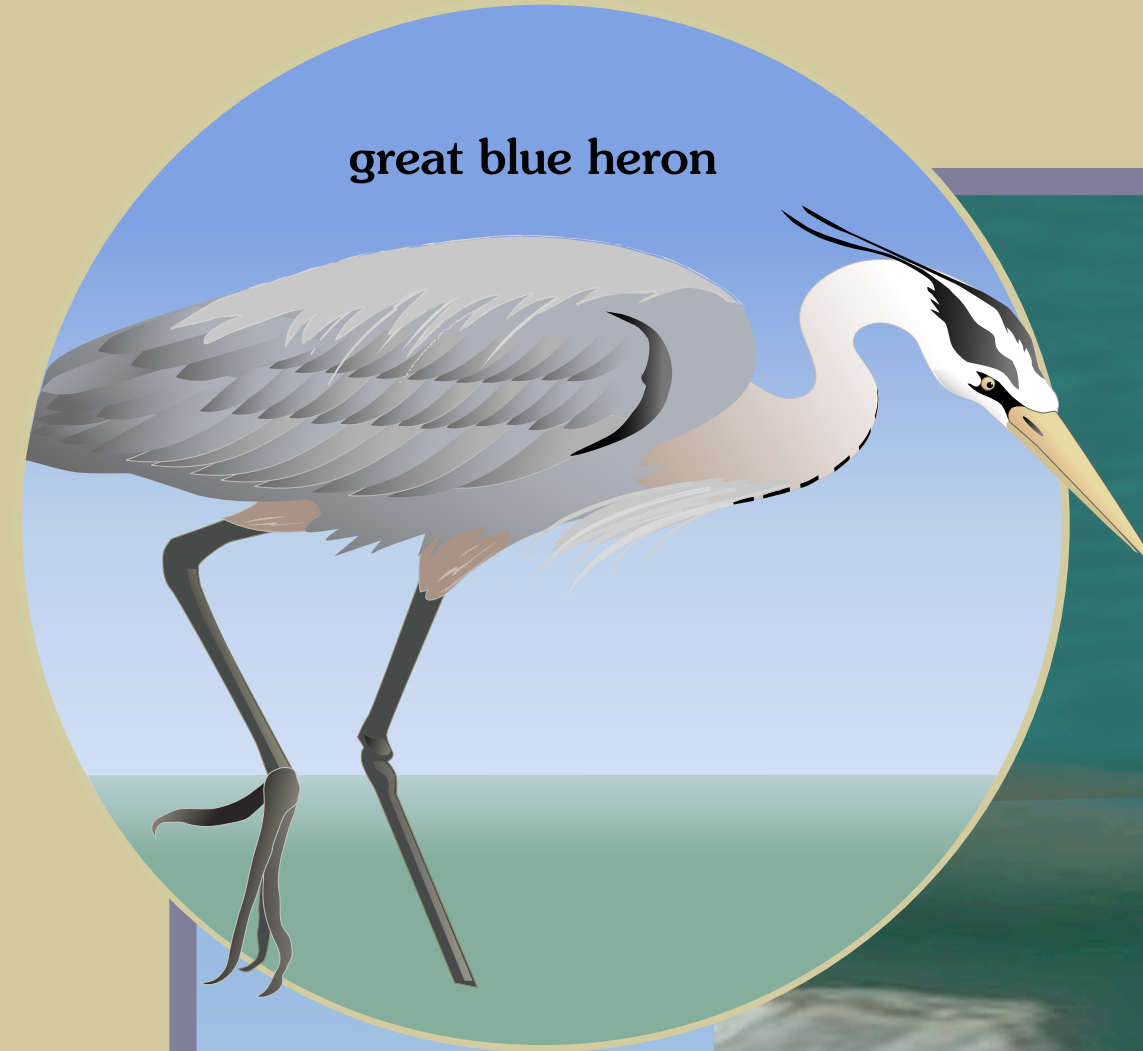
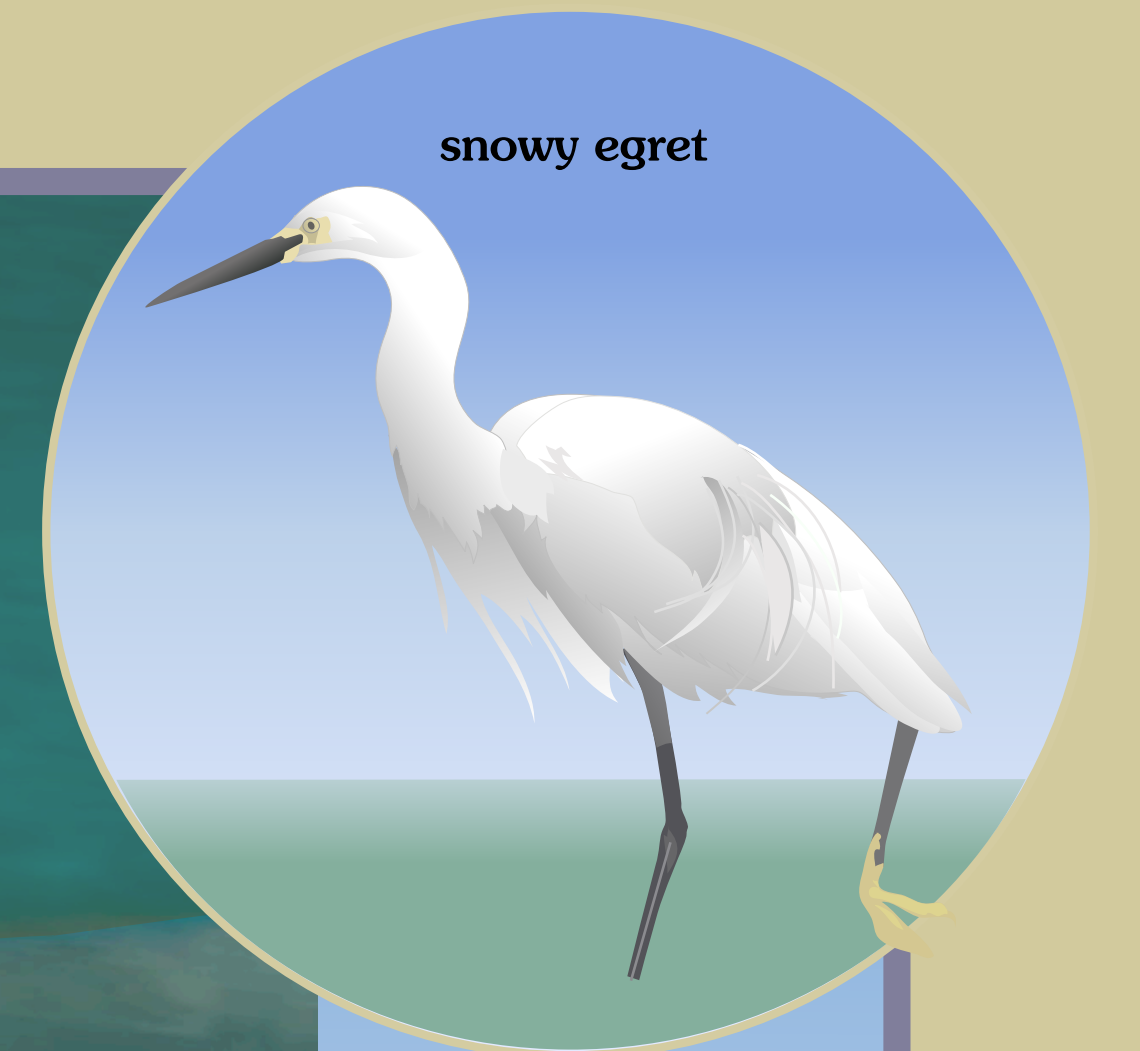


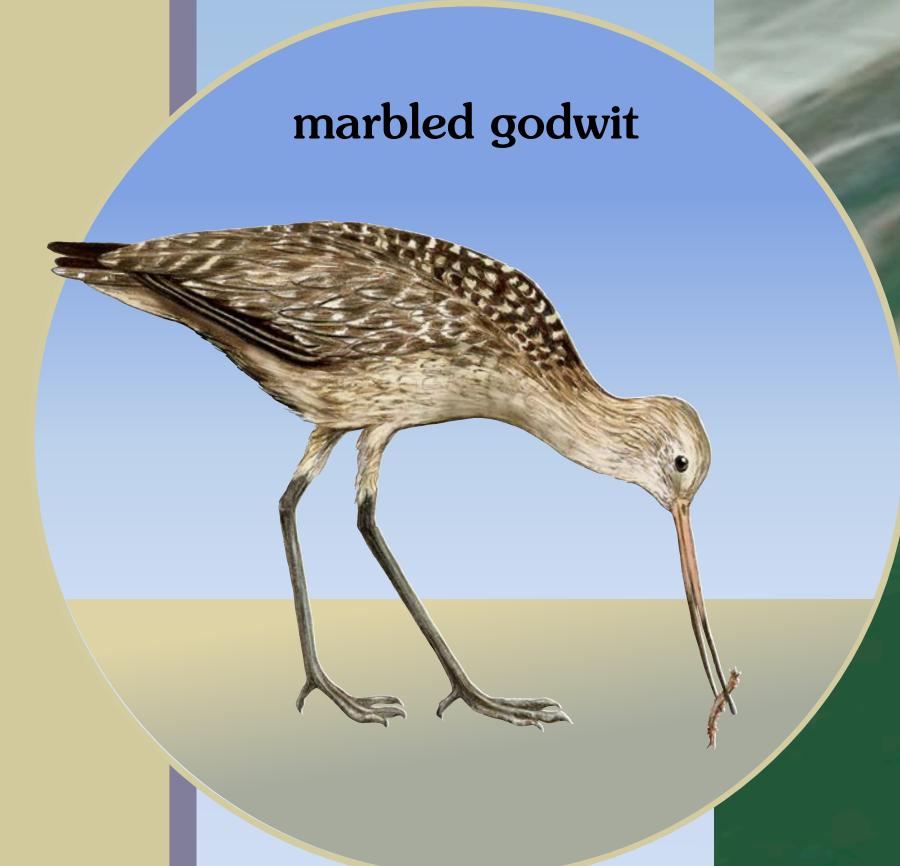
Cogswell Marsh



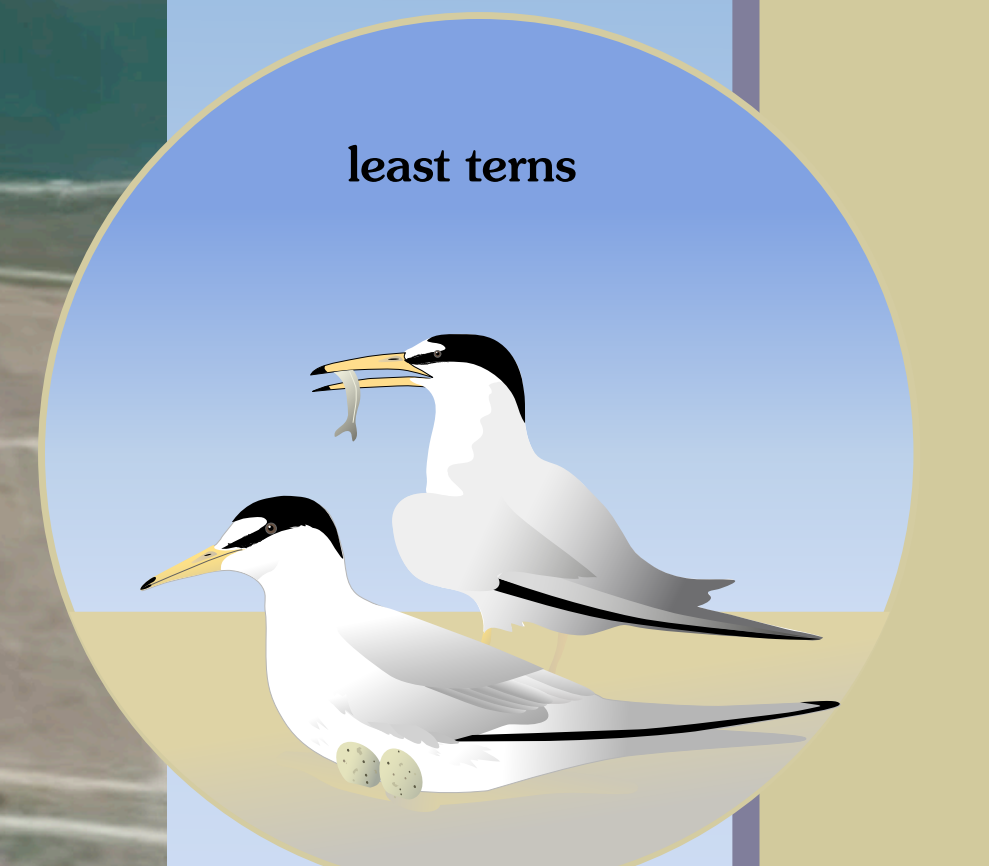
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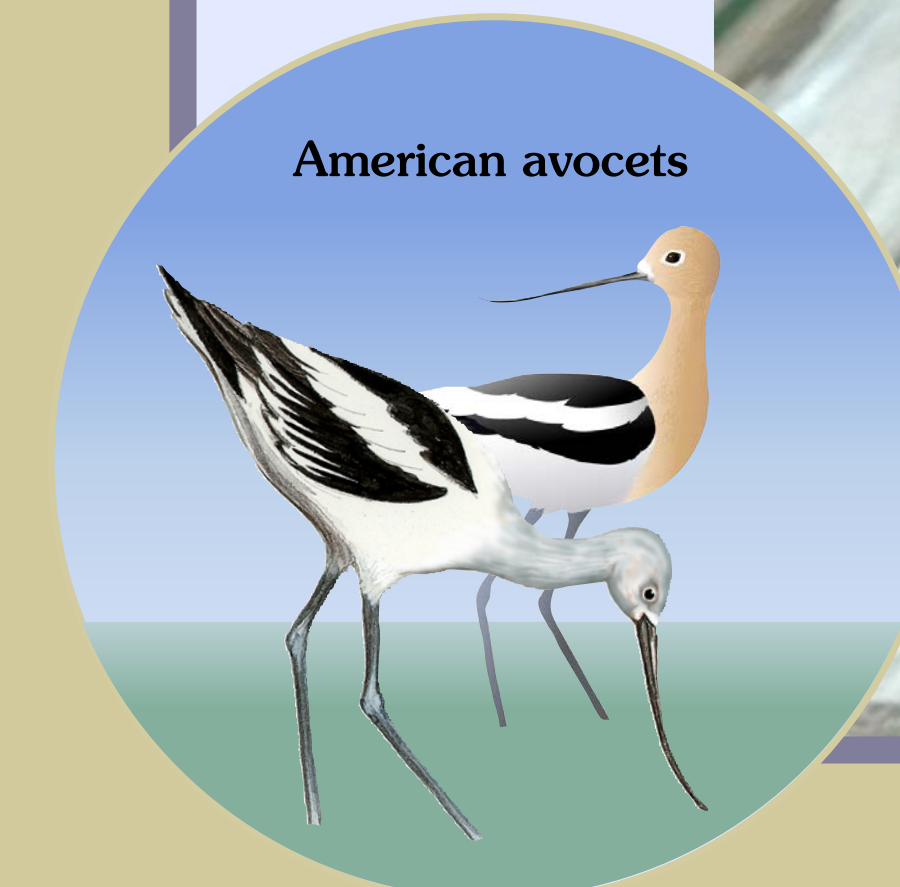
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western sandpipers



marsh wren



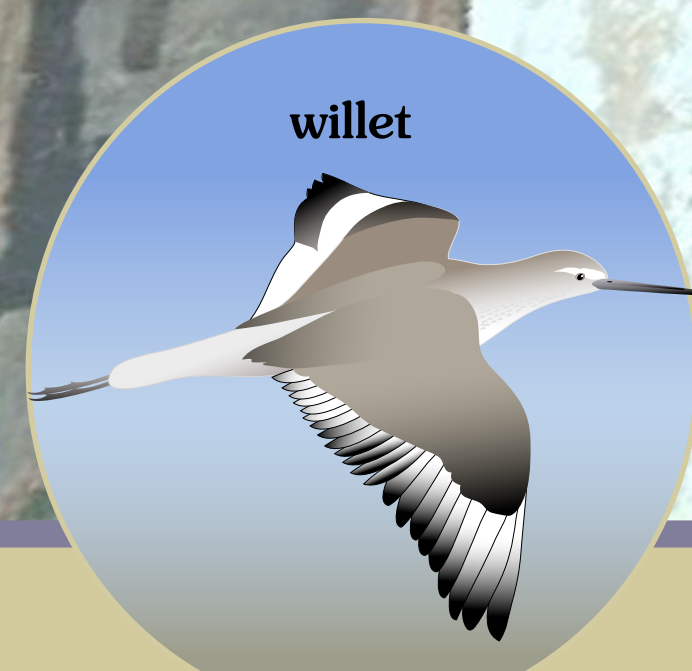
American avocets



black-necked stilt



northern harrier



willet



common yellowthroat



Dr. Howard Cogswell 1915–2006

Cogswell Marsh is a part of Hayward Regional Shoreline operated by the East Bay Regional Park District. This area was used historically for the production of salt. In 1980, 200 acres of former salt evaporating ponds were converted to salt marsh. This marsh restoration project was accomplished by digging channels, creating islands, and breaching dikes to permit natural tidal action.

Today the marsh serves as a splendid example of what can be accomplished when nature is given the chance to heal itself. The marsh provides significant habitat to more than 93 species of birds, as well as a variety of fish, mammals, and invertebrates. Dr. Howard Cogswell was a retired professor of environmental biology at the California State University at Hayward and served for twelve years on the EBRPD Board of Directors.

He played an instrumental role in the planning and creation of this park. His legacy continues to inspire research studies along this shoreline. Through his vision, knowledge, and dedication, this restored wetland became a reality for all to enjoy.

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