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Far Eastern Curlew tracking update - Australia

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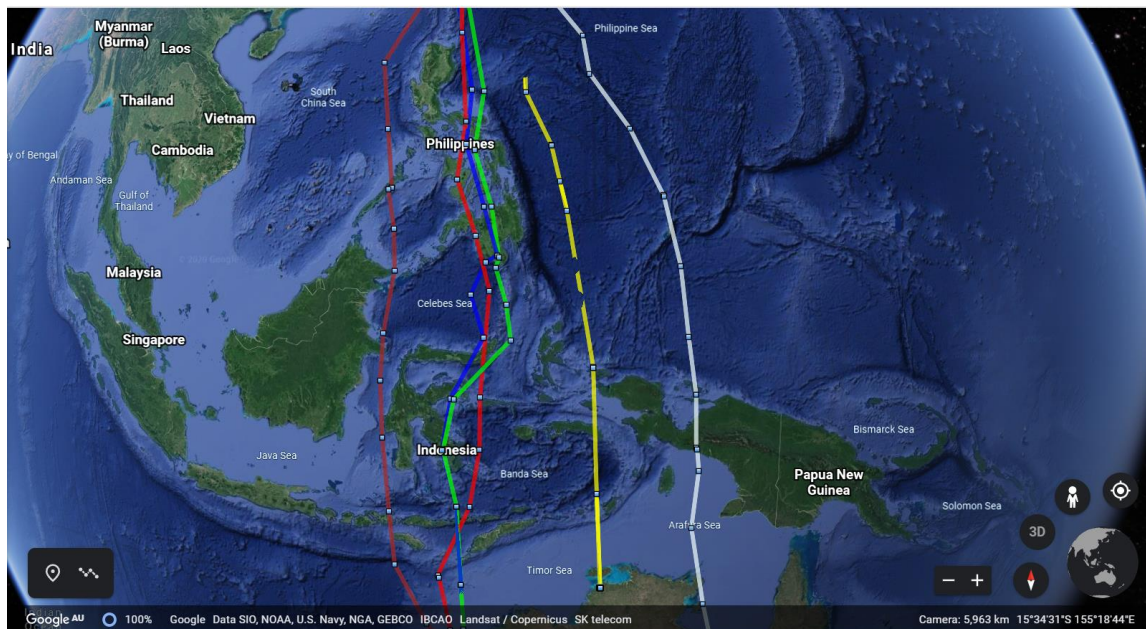
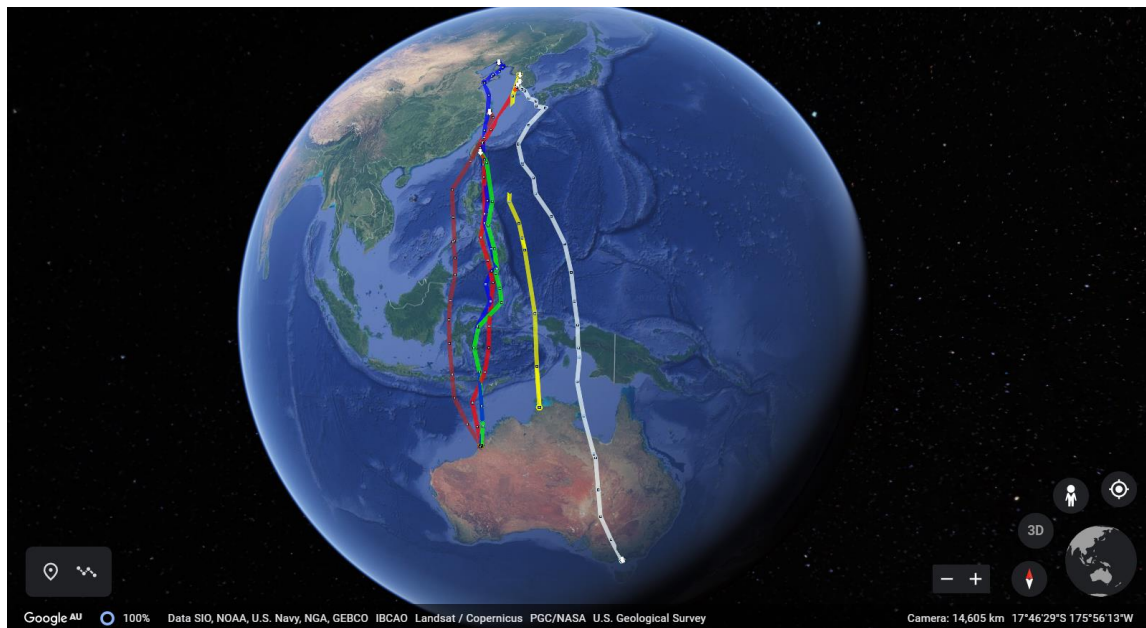
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This is a brief summary of the raw, unfiltered movements of Far Eastern Curlew from three sites.

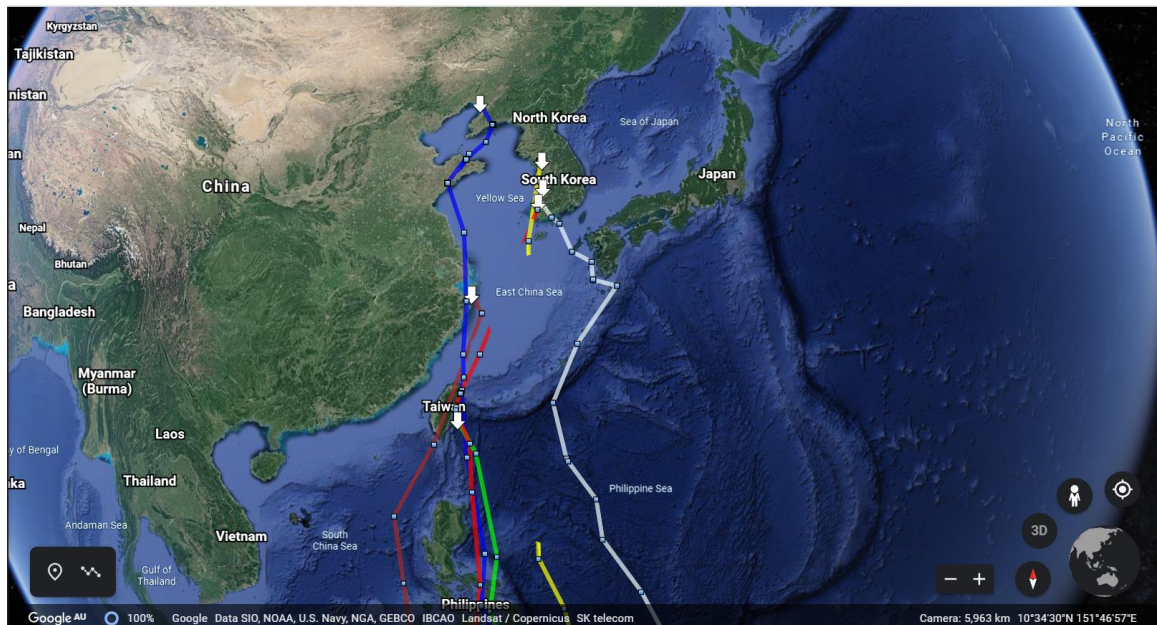
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Of the 14 GPS tags that were deployed on Far Eastern Curlews (2017, 2018, 2019) in the NT, NWA and VIC, there are seven that are still operating and sending us signals. All seven birds have left Australia. One bird from Victoria is out of GSM range so is presumed to be on migration.



One bird stopped just south of Taipei in Taiwan on migration. This was Curlew with ELF 18 from north-Western Australia (named MAUREEN after Maureen Christie). This bird migrated to the exact spot in Taiwan last year too.



Thanks To Chung-Yu Chiang for photographing this bird (ELF 18 / MAUREEN) in the field in Taiwan on Sunday 19th April 2020.

