## Changes in a Marsh: lona Island

1991-2005

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Virgina Rail photo by Matthew White

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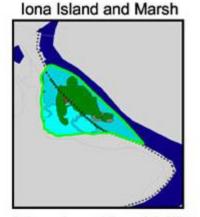
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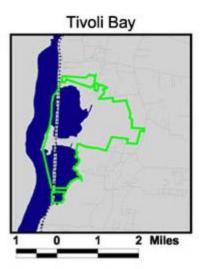


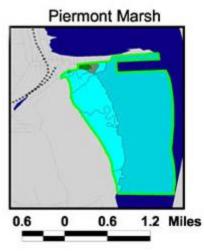
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Source: www.panoramio.com

The Island has been designated a National Natural Landmark and is one of four sites which are part of the Hudson River National Estuarine Research Reserve.









## Common native marsh plant, cattail (*Typha angustifolia*)



Source: http://flora.huh.harvard.edu



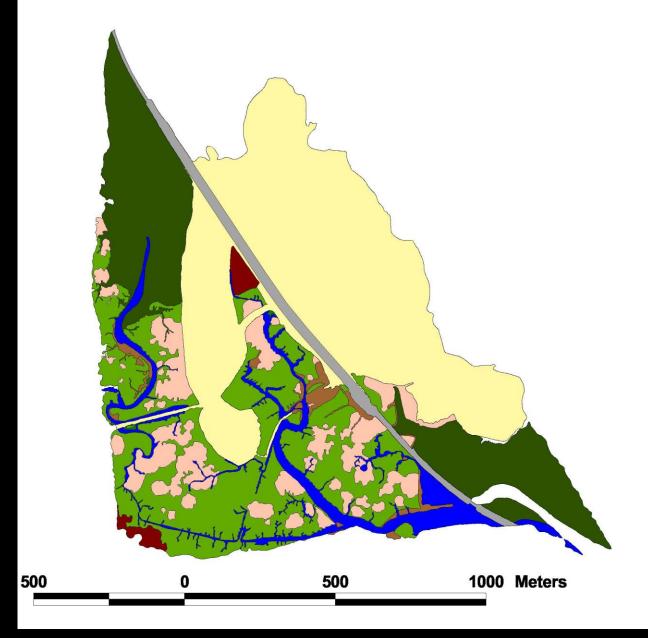
Source: <u>www.tncweeds.ucdavis.edu</u>



Source: Cornelia Harris

### Invasive marsh plant: Common reed (*Phragmites australis*)

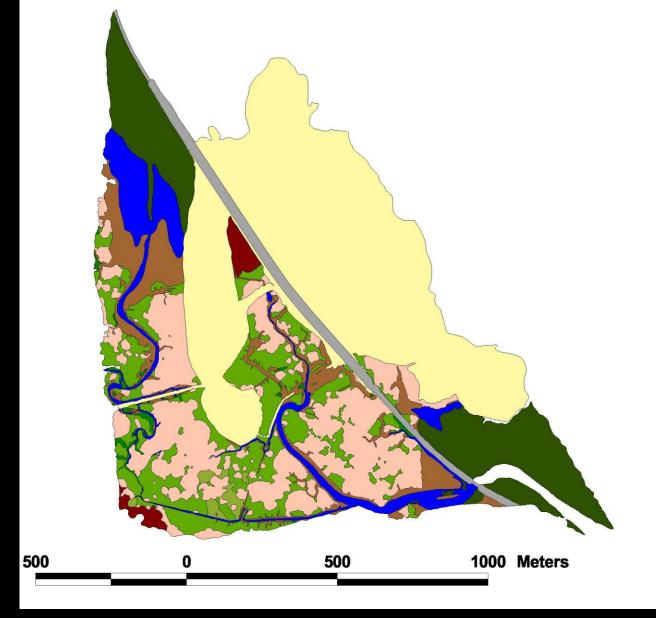
#### Iona 1991





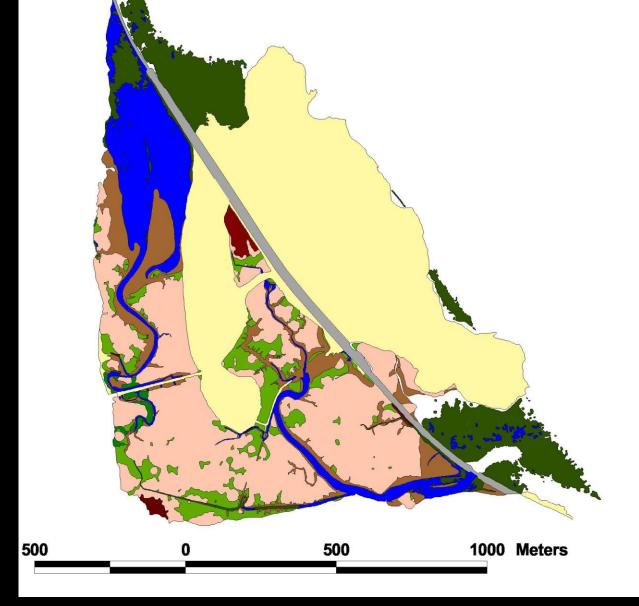


#### Iona 1997





#### Iona 2005









Red-winged Blackbird





Swamp Sparrow



Yellow Warbler



Virginia Rail

Photo Credit: Matthew King



Common Yellowthroat





#### Least Bittern



American Goldfinch













#### Aerial Spread of *Phragmites australis* at Iona 1974-2005

