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ON THE COVER: Loggerhead Shrike is declining throughout its range for reasons unknown. This *mearnsi* Loggerhead Shrike was photographed 15 October 2002 on San Clemente Island, California, where this subspecies is endemic. Listed as federally Endangered because of its tiny population (down to 14 birds in the wild in 1998), restricted range, susceptibility to introduced predators, and loss of habitat, its population has increased to 76 birds (2004), thanks to the San Clemente Loggerhead Shrike Recovery Project, managed by the U. S. Navy's Natural Resources Office. *Photograph by U. S. Navy/Brian L. Sullivan.*