

Call for Contributed Papers and Posters



The Wildlife Society 19th Annual Conference

Portland, Oregon
October 13-18, 2012
Deadline: April 13, 2012



The Wildlife Society will hold its 19th Annual Conference in Portland, Oregon from October 13-18, 2012. The meeting will include workshops, symposia, panel discussions, breakfast roundtables, special poster sessions, contributed papers (oral presentations), and contributed posters. We invite submission of contributed papers and posters on topics of wildlife ecology, management, conservation, education, or policy. Presentations will not be published, so we encourage reports from the author's most recent scientific investigations and management experiences. Presentations will be audio recorded and made available to conference attendee at the conclusion of the conference.

All contributed papers (oral presentations) will be scheduled for 20 minutes, which includes 15 minutes for the presentation and 5 minutes for questions.

We urge participants to consider presentation of their work as posters, as posters provide an opportunity for authors to participate in more detailed communication with attendees. Posters are displayed for a half day and authors are requested to attend their posters during scheduled breaks.

Instructions for Submitting Abstracts

TWS is working with Coe Truman Technologies - OASIS for abstract submission and conference program planning. The submission site will be open by February 15, 2012. The site is accessed via a link from www.wildlife.org. The OASIS site will lead you through the submission steps; guidelines for submissions are summarized below. You may initiate a submission, leave it, and return to complete or revise your submission as often as you like until the submission deadline. The submission deadline is April 13, 2012 at midnight CST. Abstracts that miss this deadline will not be considered. **Only one contributed paper or poster maybe submitted per primary author.**

Complete submission details can be found on the OASIS site, Highlights are listed here to aid in preparing your abstract. Abstracts must be under 300 words, and should include a statement of objectives, brief description of methods, principal results, and conclusions. Include scientific names in the abstract but not in the paper/poster title. Do not abbreviate place names (e.g. state or country) in the paper/poster title. Do not include paper/poster title or author information in the abstract. This information must be entered in the spaces provided on the site. You will be asked to choose one of the following subject categories for your paper/poster.

- Conservation and Management of Birds
- Ecology and Habitat Relationships of Birds
- Population Dynamics of Birds
- Conservation and Management of Mammals
- Ecology and Habitat Relationships of Mammals
- Population Dynamics of Mammals
- Reptiles and Amphibians
- Biometrics
- Conservation of Communities, Ecosystems, and Landscapes

- Human Dimensions, Conservation Education, and Conservation Policy
- Wildlife Damage Management
- Wildlife Diseases and Toxicology
- New Technology and Applications
- Biology, management, and conservation of pikas and other montane animals

Abstract Evaluation

Papers and posters will be accepted based on their technical merit and contribution to our knowledge of species, populations, communities, ecological processes, management practices, conservation initiatives, education models, or policy issues. Papers and posters should present results from **completed studies** or completed phases of long-term projects. Work in progress is more appropriate for presentation at local or regional meetings and will not be accepted. Students can submit research-in-progress abstracts as part of a separate poster session. Information and a separate call for abstracts for the Student Research in Progress Poster Session can be found on the conference website under 'Students'. Do not submit abstracts for Student Research in Progress poster session at this time.

All abstracts will be **blindly** reviewed by 2-3 reviewers. Please note that presentations from students are welcome but are not given preferential treatment. We have found that students do as well as or better than professionals under our blind review process. However, time/space is a limiting factor and we will not be able to accept all papers/posters submitted (whether from students or professionals).

Notice of Decision

Notice of acceptance will be made by Early June 2012 .

Registration

All presenters MUST register and pay the appropriate conference registration fee. Advance registration is strongly recommended. Registration information will be posted on TWS' website, www.wildlife.org, in July.

Questions?

Questions about the conference program may be directed to Program Committee Coordinator, Tricia Fry at tricia@wildlife.org. For all other conference questions, please call (301) 897-9770 or membership@wildlife.org.