



Organization of Fish & Wildlife Information Managers
2011 CONFERENCE AGENDA
**“Managing Fish and Wildlife Data
to Adapt to Changing Environments”**

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE AT-A-GLANCE:

SUN, Oct 16

7:00 PM — 9:00 PM OFWIM ExComm Meeting (Jolliet Room)

MON, Oct 17

7:30 AM — 3:00 PM Monsanto Research Center, Missouri Botanical Gardens
3:00 PM — 5:00 PM Gateway Arch visit
5:00 PM — 7:00 PM Welcome/Social Dinner
7:00 PM — 9:00 PM Registration (Hotel Lobby)

TUE, Oct 18

7:30 AM Registration (Cavalier Room)
8:00 AM — 9:00 AM Welcome & Opening Session (Lewis/Sacagawea Room)
9:00 AM — 12:00 PM Accessing and Using National/Regional Data Session
12:00 PM — 1:00 PM LUNCH (on your own)
1:30 PM — 4:00 PM Social Media Panel Discussion (Lewis/Sacagawea Room)
4:00 PM — 5:00 PM Miscellaneous Session
6:00 PM — 9:00 PM Poster & Technical Presentations “Hacker’s Ball” (York Rm)

WED, Oct 19

8:00 AM — 10:00 AM Student Scholarship Awards Session
10:15 AM — 12:00 PM Tools That Improve Efficiency Session
12:00 PM — 2:00 PM Business Meeting/Lunch
2:00 PM — 3:15 PM Mobile Technologies Session
3:30 PM — 5:00 PM Accessing and Using National/Regional Data Session
5:30 PM — 6:30 PM Guest Presentation
6:45 PM — 9:00 PM Banquet

THU, Oct 20

8:00 AM — 10:00 AM Data Sharing Panel Discussion
10:15 AM — 12:00 PM Potential Funding Sources Session
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MONDAY—OCTOBER 17, 2011

Monsanto Research Center, Missouri Botanical Gardens Site Visit

- 7:30 AM Depart Drury Plaza Hotel
- 7:30 AM Guided tour of Monsanto Center Library/Herbarium Collections for research projects
- 12:00 PM LUNCH (on your own)
- 1:00 PM Missouri Botanical Gardens—explore on your own
- 2:30 PM Return to Drury Plaza Hotel
- 3:00 PM St. Louis Gateway Arch (optional)
- 5:00 PM Welcome/Social Dinner at The Old Spaghetti Factory, Laclede’s Landing
- 7:00 PM OFWIM ExComm Meeting
- Conference Registration (Drury Plaza Hotel) - until 9:00 pm

TUESDAY MORNING—OCTOBER 18, 2011

Welcome & Opening Session

- 7:30 AM Conference Registration (outside Cavalier Room) - all day
- 8:00 AM **OFWIM Welcome**
Keith Wethington, President
- 8:15 AM **Welcome to Missouri**
Speaker, Affiliation
- 8:45 AM **GO! GeoCache OFWIM**
Don Katnik, President-Elect
- 9:00 AM **Raffle / Break (15 min)**



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Accessing and Using National/Regional Data

Moderator: *Sabra Schwartz, Arizona Game & Fish Dept.*

- 9:15 AM **Obstacles and Opportunities: The Winding Path to a Centralized Canadian Wildlife Data Management System**
Paul Knaga, Canadian Wildlife Service
- 9:40 AM **The Evolution of CalFish: Adaptation to User’s Needs**
Robin Carlson, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
- 10:05 AM **Biotics 5: a National System to Increase Conservation Effectiveness and Efficiency**
Rob Solomon, NatureServe
- 10:30 AM Raffle / Break (15 min)
- 10:45 AM **Regional Data Sharing: Data Warehouses and Early Steps Toward Regional Systems in the PNW, and Lessons for the Future**
Bruce Schmidt, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
- 11:10 AM **Coordinated Assessments: a New State/Tribal Effort to Share Data**
Bruce Schmidt, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
- 11:35 AM **Potential Barriers to Use of Regionalized Datasets and Thoughts on Overcoming Them**
Don Schrupp, Retired (Colorado Division of Wildlife)
- 12:00 AM Raffle / LUNCH (1.5 hours)



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TUESDAY AFTERNOON—OCTOBER 18, 2011

Social Media Session

Moderator: *Dean Jue, Florida State University*

- 1:30 PM Raffle
- 1:35 PM **Social Media Overview**
Kirk Keller, Missouri Department of Conservation
- 2:00 PM **Mining Twitter for Wildlife Health Events**
Megan Hines, Wildlife Disease Information Node
- 2:25 PM **Should Your Organization be Twittering and Facebooking? A Case Study for Wildlife Health**
Cris Marsh, Univ. of Wisconsin Nelson Institute for Environmental Studies
- 2:50 PM Raffle / BREAK (15 min)
- 3:05 PM **Social Media Outreach**
Chris Cloyd, Missouri Department of Conservation
- 3:30 PM **Panel Q&A**
Speakers, Affiliations

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Moderator: *Jim Husband, Virginia Dept. of Game & Inland Fisheries*

- 4:00 PM **Presentation TBA**
Speaker, Affiliation
- 4:25 PM **Presentation TBA**
Speaker, Affiliation
- 4:50 PM Raffle / Break (1 hour, 10 min)



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TUESDAY EVENING—OCTOBER 18, 2011

**6:00 pm Poster Session and Technical Demonstrations—York Room
“Hacker’s Ball” Dinner Buffet (provided)**

- **Social Media Demonstrations**
OFWIM Data Standards & Technology Trends Committee
- **A Project to Model the Distribution of Wet Meadows in Arid and Semi-arid Patagonia, Argentina: Assessing Current Distribution and Predicting Response to Climate Change**
Ramiro Crego, Clayton K. Nielsen, and Karl Didier; Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
- **Obstacles and Opportunities: The Winding Path to a Centralized Canadian Wildlife Data Management System**
Paul Knaga, Canadian Wildlife Service
- **GAP’s New On-Line Species Viewer— a National Picture of Species Distributions**
Jill Maxwell, Gap Analysis Program
- **Coastal Virginia Ecological Value Assessment (VEVA)**
Kendell Ryan, Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries
- **Development of an Online Hatchery Release Data Mapping Application**
Lynnae Sutton, Fish Passage Center



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WEDNESDAY MORNING—OCTOBER 19, 2011

Student Scholarship Awards

Moderator: *Beth Stys?*

- 8:00 AM Raffle / GO! Update
- 8:15 AM **Application of the Fish Invasiveness Scoring Kit (FISK) to Non-native Freshwater Fish Species in Peninsular Florida**
Larry Lawson, University of Florida
- 8:40 AM **Scale-dependent Pattern in Mussel Community Composition**
Carla Atkinson, University of Oklahoma
- 9:05 AM **Movement Patterns Around Dens in Two Illinois Beaver Populations**
Ramiro Crego, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale
- 9:30 AM **Presentation, TBA**
Michelle Nuanez, Affiliation
- 9:55 AM Raffle / Break (20 min)

Tools That Improve Efficiency Session

Moderator: *Toni Spicci, Missouri Department of Conservation*

- 10:15 AM Raffle
- 10:20 AM **Development of an Online Hatchery Release Data Mapping Application**
Lynnae Sutton, Fish Passage Center
- 10:45 AM **The Missouri River Public Use Assessment: Developing a Database to Present Statistical Results**
Tom Treiman, Missouri Department of Conservation
- 11:10 AM **Assessing the Validity of Online Surveys**
Ron Reitz, Missouri Department of Conservation
- 11:35 AM **Adapting to the High-tech World of Tracking Wild Animals—3 Years of Using GPS Collars and Harnesses in Missouri**
Joel Sartwell, Missouri Department of Conservation



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WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON—OCTOBER 19, 2011

Lunch and Business Meeting

- 12:00 PM LUNCH (provided)
- 12:45 PM Business Meeting & Service Awards
- 1:55 PM Raffle

Mobile Technologies & More Cool Tool Session

Moderator: Jill Maxwell, Gap Analysis Program

- 2:00 PM **Evaluating the Use of Mobile Applications for Fisheries Stream Surveys**
Kendell Ryan, Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries
- 2:25 PM **Mobile GIS Options for Fish and Wildlife Organizations**
Chris Gerecke, Timmons Group
- 2:50 PM **Opening the Door to Aquatic Data: Improving Accessibility of Long Term Aquatic Sampling Data**
Julie Fleming, Missouri Department of Conservation
- 3:15 PM Raffle / Break (15 min)

Potential Funding Sources / Revising State Wildlife Action Plans

Moderator: Thomas Kulowiec, Missouri Department of Conservation

- 3:30 PM **Citizen Science—The Problem of Messy Data**
Jon Purvis, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department
- 3:55 PM **U. S. Fish & Wildlife Service TRACS Reporting, Tracking, and Decision Support Tool for the Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration (WSFR) Programs**
James Husband, Virginia Department of Game & Inland Fisheries
- 4:20 PM **Presentation, TBA**
Speaker, Affiliation
- 4:45 PM Raffle / Break (45 min)



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Banquet Presentation

- 5:30 PM **The Missouri River: From the Voyage of Discovery to the Road of Recovery**
Vince Travnichek, Missouri Department of Conservation
- 6:45 PM **Banquet (depart from Hotel Lobby)**

THURSDAY MORNING—OCTOBER 20, 2011

Data Sharing Discussion Panel—Lewis/Sacagawea Room

Moderator: *Robin Carlson, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission*

- 8:00 AM Raffle
- 8:05 AM **Discussion Panel Introduction**
Robin Carlson (Moderator), Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
- 8:15 AM **Organization Perspectives on Data Sharing**
Don Katnik, Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife
Keith Wethington, Kentucky Department of Fish & Wildlife Resources
Danny Lewis/Dean Jue, OFWIM Data Standards & Technology Trends
Paul Knaga, Canadian Wildlife Services
Sabra Schwartz, Arizona Game & Fish Department
Bruce Schmidt, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
- 8:45 AM **Open Discussion on Data Sharing Issues/Panel Q&A**
Speaker, Affiliation
- 10:00 AM Raffle / Break (15 min)

Miscellaneous & Overflow Session

Moderator: *Susan Lanier, TWRA*

- 10:15 AM Raffle
- 10:20 AM **Database Integrity—Looking For Change**
Don Katnik, Maine Department of Inland Fisheries & Wildlife



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- 10:45 AM Emerging Trends in Fish and Wildlife Decision Support Systems**
Chris Friel, ESRI
- 11:10 AM Leveraging Workflow Manager for ArcGIS**
Brynda Hatch, ESRI
- 11:35 AM Final Raffle, Closing Remarks, & GO! Award**
Don Katnik, OFWIM President-Elect
- 12:00 PM ADJOURN**