

**OFWIM 2005 Annual Meeting and Conference
“Protecting Fish and Wildlife Through Technology”**

Tallahassee, Florida
October 18 – 20, 2005

Monday, October 17, 2005

Field Trip(s):

Morning	St. Marks National Wildlife Refuge; St. Marks Lighthouse
Afternoon	Wakula Springs State Park; river tour, hike

Tuesday, October 18, 2005

Opening Session	
09:00 – 09:10	President’s Welcome, Bruce Schmidt, PSMFC
09:10 – 09:20	Welcome to Florida
09:20 – 09:40	Facilitating Data Management Henry Norris, FWC
09:40 – 10:00	Information Quality Act: An Overview Thomas O. Melius, USFWS
09:40 – 10:00	- - -
10:20 – 10:40	Break / Raffle
10:40 – 11:00	The Data Life Cycle: Gleaning Information from Data Danny K. Hunt
11:00 – 11:20	Using Old Technology in New Way: Can Microsoft Excel ? Scott Anderson, North Carolina Wildlife Resources Commission
11:20 – 11:40	IT Coalesces Conservation Actions into Ecological Pathways Helen J-H, Whiffen & William Uihlein, USFWS & USGS
11:40 – 12:00	New Directions in the National Gap Program Jocelyn L. Aycrigg, National gap Analysis Program

12:00 – 01:30	Lunch
01:30 – 01:40	Raffle

Data Management	
01:40 – 02:00/	Tracking Restoration Project Costs in Detail: Examples from the California Habitat Restoration Project Database Robin Carlson & Stan Allen, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
02:00 – 02:20	Virginia’s Habitat Affinity Database: Data Management for the Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy Adam Phelps & Sam Hall, VA Department of Game & Inland Fisheries

02:20 – 02:40	Sharing Data Through the Use of Clearinghouse Mechanisms Chandresh Chhatpar, Conservation Management Institute (VT)
02:40 – 03:00	Lessons from SCMEP: Why biologists need data managers
03:00 – 03:20	Break / Raffle

Data Quality Act:	
03:20 – 05:00	Panel Discussion: Implementation of the Data Quality Act by Natural Resource Agencies

06:30 – 08:00	HACKER'S BALL: Posters and Application Demonstrations
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Wednesday, October 19, 2005

Concurrent Session I:

Internet Data Dissemination	
09:00 – 09:20	Using the BLM's GeoCommunicator Website to Protect Fish and Wildlife Habitats Larry Money, Bureau of Land Management / USFS
09:20 – 09:40	Arizona's Online Environmental Review System Sabra Schwartz, ADG&F, Heritage Data Management System
09:40 – 10:00	Using Internet Technology to Support Fisheries Management in the South Atlantic Region Tina Udouj, Florida Fisheries and Wildlife Conservation Commission
10:00 – 10:20	CalFish: An Integrated Web-Bases Fisheries Data and Information System Stan Allen & Robin Carlson – Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission
10:20 – 10:40	Break / Raffle

Mobile Data Collection / Applications	
10:40 – 11:00	Mobile GIS Applications for Wildlife Law Enforcement David Morton & Sam Hall, VA Department of Game & Inland Fisheries
11:00 – 11:20	Use of Industry Standard Handheld Bar Code Scanners to Collect Commercial Fishery Biological Data in Remote Field Situations John A. Wilcock & Philippe Damerval, Alaska Department of Fish and Game
11:20 – 11:40	Mobile GIS Technology Assists in the Conservation of the Federally Endangered Mitchell's Satyr Butterfly in Michigan Darla Hyde & Helen Enander, Michigan Natural Features Inventory
11:40 – 12:00	Mobile Data Entry Hardware and Software Selection Rick Lorenzen, Minnesota Department of Natural Resources

12:00 – 02:30	LUNCH / BUSINESS MEETING
02:30 – 02:40	Raffle

GIS Applications & Their Uses	
02:40 – 03:00	Identification and Prioritization of Potential Conservation Opportunity Areas Using Land Cover and Elemental Occurrence Data Matt Elliott, Liz Kramer, Chris Caralos & Jon Ambrose
03:00 – 03:20	Using Spatial Datasets to Define Habitat for Species of Greatest Conservation Concern Kendell Jenkins & Shelly Miller, VA Department of Game & Inland Fisheries
03:20 – 03:40	BREAK / RAFFLE
03:40 – 04:00	Evaluating the Thermal Landscape of Quail Habitat in North Texas Alexander Rybak, Samuel Fuhlendorf & David Leslie, Oklahoma Department of Wildlife Conservation & Oklahoma CFWRU
04:00 – 04:40	Assessment of Presettlement Vegetation and Natural Fire Regimes of Fort Stewart, Georgia
04:40 – 05:00	Mapping Stream Data Using a Routed Hydrography Bruce Schmidt, Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission

Wednesday, October 19, 2005

Concurrent Session II: State Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategies: Innovative Approaches to Planning and Adaptive Implementation

Becky Wajda, Moderator

09:00 – 10:30	Turning State Wildlife Strategies Into Wildlife Action Plans Dave Chadwick
10:30 – 11:00	Partnering Information Management and Field Inventory: The Montana State Wildlife Grants Experience Janet Hess-Hebert
11:00 – 11:20	BREAK / RAFFLE
11:20 – 12:00	Arkansas' Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Database: A Tool for Adaptive Management Jeff Johnson

12:00 – 02:30	LUNCH / BUSINESS MEETING
02:30 – 02:40	Raffle

02:40 – 03:00	The Nebraska Natural Legacy Project: Using Spatial Data to Identify Priority Landscapes for Conservation in Nebraska Rick Schneider
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03:00 – 03:20	SGCNs, Subsections, and Selecting Key Habitat: A Minnesota Perspective Daren Carlson
03:20 – 03:40	(continued – next page) Vermont's Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy: Organizing Information at the Species and Natural Communities Levels and Future Opportunities for Tracking Results Everett Marshall

03:40 – 04:00	BREAK / RAFFLE
04:00 – 05:00	DISCUSSION PANEL: Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategy

05:30 – 06:00	Social
06:00 – 08:00	BANQUET

Thursday, October 20, 2005

09:00 – 09:20	How to Get Money Jefferson Waldon, Conservation Management Institute, VA Tech
09:20 – 09:50	Researching / Finding Grant Resources Bill Bibby, Grants Coordinator – Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission
09:50 – 10:20	Tips on Grant Writing
10:20 – 10:50	The and Outs of Grant Administration
10:50 – 11:10	BREAK / RAFFLE
11:10 – 10:30	Report on Successes Bill Bibby, Grants Coordinator – Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission
10:30 – 11:50	Wetland Funding Initiative Olustee, Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission
11:50 - 12:10	Office of Grants Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission

Friday, October 21, 2005

09:00 – 12:00	Training Workshop: What's New in ArcGIS 9 David Kelly, ESRI Instructor
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