

Native American Fish & Wildlife Society

27th Annual National Conference

May 18 – 21, 2009

Centennial Hall Conference Center

Hosted by the Alaska Region

Theme: *“Subsistence: Our Way of Life”*

Saturday, May 16, 2009

8:00am-5:00pm NAFWS Board of Directors Meeting, Westmark Baranof Hotel, _____ Room

Sunday, May 17, 2009

8:00am-5:00pm NAFWS Board of Directors Meeting, Westmark Baranof Hotel, _____ Room

2:00pm-2:45pm **Conference Planning Committee Meeting – Miller Room**

3:00pm-4:00pm **Conference Volunteers Meeting – Miller Room**
- Sally Williams

6:00pm-7:00pm **Registration** – Coordinator: Sally Williams, NAFWS

6:00pm Exhibitors / Vendors Set-up – Coordinator: Karen Lynch, NAFWS

Monday, May 18, 2009

7:00am-4:00pm **Conference Registration**

7:30am-4:00pm Exhibitors and Vendors and Silent Auction Set-up

8:00am-5:00pm **Haz-Mat Training**, University of Alabama-Birmingham

8:00am-9:00am **Opening Ceremonies – Sheffield Ballroom 1 and 2 (all day)**

Parade of Colors -

Invocation –

Welcome – Albert Kookesh, Senator of Alaska

Jennifer Hooper, Alaska Regional Director

NAFWS President, Joe Jay Pinkham III, Yakama Nation NAFWS

Executive Director – D. Fred Matt

Conference Overview – Dana Leask Ruaro, Juneau Visitors Bureau, Alaska

9:00am-9:15am **Keynote Address -** Dr. Rosita Worl, Sealaska

9:30 am – 10:00am **The State of Fish and Wildlife Management in Alaska** – Moderator, Patty Brown-Schwalenberg, Chugach Regional Resources Commission

History of Subsistence in Alaska, Carol Jorgensen, EPA, Washington, D.C.

10:00 am-10:30am **Break** – Sponsored By - USFWS Alaska Region

Monday, May 18, 2009 (continued)

- 10:30 am – 12:00 pm **State of Alaska’s Role in Subsistence Management,**
Craig Fleener, Director of Subsistence, Alaska Fish and Game
- The Federal Role in Alaska’s Subsistence Management,**
Michael Feagle, Chairman, Federal Subsistence Board
- Tribal Authority in Subsistence Management,** *Alaska Legal Beagel*
- 12:00pm-1:30pm **Lunch On Your Own**
- 1:30pm-2:45pm **The State of Fish and Wildlife Management in Alaska (continued) –**
- Practical Applications in Subsistence Management,**
Oriville Huntington, Wildlife Biologist, Native Village of Huslia
- Food Security and the Stevens Village Bison Program,**
*Randy Mayo, Bison Farm Manager, and Dewey Schwalenberg, Tribal Natural
Resource Director, Stevens Villag*
- Kodiak National Wildlife Refuge,** *Michael Getman, Alaska, USFWS e Council*
- 2:45pm-3:00pm **Break - Sponsored By**
- 3:00pm-4:30pm **NAFWS Business Meeting – Sheffield Ballroom 1 and 2**
- President’s Report –Joe Jay Pinkham
 Financial Status Report –Ron Rodgers, NAFWS Deputy Director
 Executive Director’s Report – D. Fred Matt
 Michael Hudgins, Executive Director, The Wildlife Society – Proposed
 Partnership between the NAFWS and TWS
 Legislative Update –Joe Jay Pinkham, NAFWS President
 New Business – General Membership
- 6:00 pm Reception at the top of the Goldbelt, Inc Tram

Tuesday, May 19, 2008

- 7:30am - 4:00pm **Exhibitors, Vendors, and Silent Auction Items Set-Up.**
- 8:15am - 5:00pm **Meth Lab Training** (w/optional train the trainer module at conclusion), UAB
Instructors:
- 8:00am – 5:00pm **CWD & Avian Influenza Training,** *Emerson Bullchief, NAFWS*
- 8:00 am 10:00 am **General Session: Being Proactive in the Protection of Tribal Natural
Resources – Sheffield Ballroom 1 and 2**
Moderator, Gerald “Buzz” Cobell, BPA

Tuesday, May 19, 2008 (continued)

10:00 am 10:30 am Break – Sponsored By

10:30 – 12:00 ***General Session: Climate Change – It’s Effects on Native Subsistence Foods – Sheffield Ballroom 1 and 2,***
Moderator – Ron Skates, Great Plains Director

Dr. William Knapp, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Washington, D.C.

Kelly Eningowuk, Native Village of Shishmareff

12:00 – 1:30 pm **Lunch On Your Own**

1:30pm – 3:00pm **Concurrent Sessions**

Session One: Fisheries Management – Hickel Room,
Moderator , William Sharp, Yakima Indian Nation

Brook Trout Population Evaluation Otter Creek, Brett Fessell, Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa

Hatchery Reform, in the Klickitat Basin, William Sharp, YIN

Rio Grande Cutthroat Restoration Project, Gilbert Gutierrez, Santa Clara Pueblo

“Conservation of redbhorse (Moxostoma spp.) and white suckers in Cherokee waters”, Mike LaVoie, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

1:30pm – 3:00pm ***Session Two: Wildlife Management – Egan Room,***
Moderator , Ken Maney, Southeast Regional Director

Developing Fish and Wildlife Rules and Regulations and Enforcement Criteria, Adrian M. Killsnight, Northern Cheyene Tribe

The Pueblo of Acoma Wildlife Management Program: Blending Tribal Cultural Values, Economic Returns and Wildlife Management Principles. Samuel F. Diswood and Ian V. Tator. Acoma Game and Fish Enterprise, Acoma, New Mexico.

Intertribal cougar research and management in north central MT, Tim Vosburgh, Ft. Belknap

Wassalie,

3:00pm-3:15pm **Break Sponsored By: _____**

Tuesday, May 19, 2008 (continued)

3:15pm - 5:00 pm

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Session Three: Eagle Issues and Management – Egan Room

Moderator, Marilyn Ethelbah, Southwest Regional Director

Golden Eagle Population Monitoring on the Jicarilla Nation, New Mexico: 2002-2008, Tom J. Watts, Jicarilla Game and Fish Department

Eagle Issues and Concerns, Joe Early, USFWS Native Liaison, Region ____
Establishing an Eagle Repository in Southeast Alaska, Donald Bremer,
Southeast Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission (check name)

Session Four: Fisheries Management – Hickel Room

Moderator

“Restoration of Lake Sturgeon (*acipenser fulvescens*) on the White Earth Reservation”, Randy Zortman, Fisheries Manager?

“Reintroduction of Sockeye Salmon on the Cle Ellum River”, Brian Saluskin,
Yakama Nation Fisheries

History of fisheries for the three 1854 ceded territory bands of Minnesota,
Brian D. Borkholder, Fond du Lac Reservation and Andrew J. Edwards, 1854
Treaty Authority

" Movement of Roundtail Chub, "Gila robusta" in the Upper San Juan River
Basin. Results from a Telemetry Study on the Jicarilla Apache Nation,
NM." Kevin Terry, Fisheries Biologist Jicarilla Apache Game and Fish
Department

5:30 pm-9:00pm

Traditional Feast – Sponsored by Sealaska Corporation

Wednesday, May 20, 2009

7:30am – 10:00pm

Exhibitors, Vendors, and Silent Auction Items Set-Up.

8:00 am – 5:00pm

Haz Mat Training

8:00am – 5:00pm

Wildlife Diseases Training, Bryan Richards, USGS

8:00am – Until Done

Conservation Officer Shoot Competition

Leave for Range Coordinator, Ted Lame Bull, Jr.

Wednesday, May 20, 2009 (continued)

8:30am-10:00am

General Session: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Liaison Program: Working better with Tribes – Presentations and Roundtable Discussion – Sheffield 1 and 2.

Moderator, Patty Brown-Schwalenberg, CRRC

10:00-10:15am

Break

10:15-12:00pm

General Session Continued

12:00-1:30 p.m.

Lunch on your own

1:30-3:00pm

Concurrent Sessions –

Session One: Environmental Management – Hammond Room

Moderator, Ed Fairbanks, U.S. EPA, Region _____

"Developing Aquatic Life Criteria for Water Quality Standards" - Dan Mosley, Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe – Nevada

Coast Salish Water Quality Gathering Project, Debra Lekanoff

Session Two: Forestry Management – Egan Room

Moderator, DJ Monette, USFWS Native Liaison, Region _____

Ongoing Research on the Genetic Effects of Uranium Mine Tailings and Associated Radiation Exposure on Pinyon Pine (*Pinus edulis*) on the Navajo Nation, Steven Chischilly, Phd. Candidate, Navajo Technical College, New Mexico

Pinyon Pine (*Pinus edulis*) Growth Rates on the Colorado Plateau
Malanie Begay – Navajo Technical College

"Sustainable Forestry from a Native Perspective".

Adrian "Dusty" Miller, President, CEO Menominee Tribal Enterprises

Working with Tribes in Alaska on Forestry Management

Alaska State Forestry Director-

Session Three: Natural Resource Management – Sheffield Ballroom 2

Moderator, David Wolf, CTUIR, Fisheries Program

Hatchery Transition from State to Tribal Operation, Thomas Dittenthaler, Lead Hatchery Culturist, YIN

Importance of Data Management in Tribal Fisheries, Michael Babcock, Data Manager, YIN

Wednesday, May 20, 2009 (continued)

1:30pm – 3:00pm

Concurrent Sessions

Session Four: Youth and Education – Hickel Room

Modertor, Sally Carufel-Williams, NAFWS

Renewable Resources: Our Native Youth?

Bob Aloysius, Calista Elders Council, Kalskag, AK

NAFWS/CRRC Tribal Natural Resources Management Textbook Project

Ida Hildebrand, TNR Education Director, CRRC

Session Five: Fisheries Management: Pacific Lamprey, Sheffield Ballroom 1

Moderator, David Close, Assistant Professor, University of British Columbia

Nez Perce Lamprey Project, Elmer Crow, Nez Perce Fish and Wildlife

Yakama Lamprey Project- Patrick Luke

Warm Springs Lamprey Project - Jen Graham or Mr. Fox

CTUIR Lamprey Project - Aaron Jackson

Siletz Lamprey Project- Stan van de wetering

Yurok LampreyProject - Barry McCovey

3:00pm

Adjourn

6:00pm

Banquet and Auction – Sheffield Ballroom 1 and 2

Conservation Officer Shoot Team Awards: Ted Lamebull Awards?

Chief Sealth Award

Biologist of the Year Award

Conservation Officer of the Year Award

NAFWS Auction (Key Items), Auctioneer

Entertainment – Traditional Story Performance, Nakshi Theatre

Thursday, May 21, 2009

NAFWS Day Trip to Icy Strait Point, Hoonah, Alaska

Depart Juneau for Hoonah at 7:30 am at Auke Bay Harbor

What about Closing the Conference? Can this be done @ Hoonah?

Have a room set aside for Regional Caucuses.