

**36th Annual National Conference**  
**Crowne Plaza Providence - Warwick Hotel**  
**Hosted by the Northeast Region, Narragansett Tribe**

**Sunday – May 6**

8:00am – 5:00pm NAFWS Board of Directors Meeting (Bristol Room)

**Monday – May 7**

*Travel Day*

3:00pm Conference Planning Committee & Volunteers Meeting (Newport Room)  
 4:00pm – 6:00pm Early Registration – NAFWS Staff & Volunteer (Wickford Room)  
 4:00pm – 6:00pm Exhibitors and Silent Auction- Karen Lynch, Tammy Cowapoo (Newport Foyer)  
 7:00pm – 9:00pm Northeast, Southeast Regional Dinner (The Crossings)

**Tuesday – May 8**

7:30 am – 4:00pm Conference Registration – NAFWS Staff, MPI Staff (Newport Foyer)  
 7:30am – 4:00pm Exhibitors and Silent Auction – Karen Lynch, Tammy Cowapoo (Newport Foyer)  
 9:00 am **Opening Ceremonies** (Grand Ballroom)

Parade of Colors – Lt. Robin Spears Jr.  
 Welcome – Dinalyn Spears  
 Invocation – TBD  
 Welcome – BIA – Ira New Breast, Chief, Division of Natural Resources  
 Welcome – US Forest Service - Alicia Bell-Sheetter, Policy Analyst  
 Welcome – NAFWS President – Don Reiter  
 Welcome – NAFWS Executive Director – D. Fred Matt

10:00 am – 10:15am Break  
 10:30 am – 11:30am **Keynote** – Cassius Spears Jr., Councilman, Narragansett Tribe  
 11:30 am – 12:00pm USFWS Keynote – Wendi Weber, USFWS, Northeast Regional Director  
 12:00 pm – 2:00pm NAFWS Business Lunch Meeting (Atrium Room)

President’s Report – Don Reiter  
 Presentation- National Wildlife Federation, Resolution  
 Financial Status Report – Elveda Martinez  
 Executive Director’s Report – D. Fred Matt  
 Region Updates – Regional Directors

2:00 pm – 4:30pm Law Enforcement Training (Salon 1, Salon 2)  
 Robin Spears, Beaufort Joe

*General Session (continue)*

2:00 pm - 3:00pm Michael Stover, US EPA, Tribal Initiative  
 3:00pm – 3:30pm Break –  
 3:30pm – 4:30pm Dr. Terry Clark, National Tribal Liaison, APHIS  
 4:30pm – 5:00pm BIA Updates, Ira New Breast, Chief, Division of Natural Resources

**Wednesday – May 9**

7:30 am – 4:00pm Conference Registration - NAFWS staff, MPI staff (Newport Foyer)  
 7:30 am – 4:00pm Exhibitors, Vendors and Silent Auction Set Up (Newport Foyer)  
 8:30am – 4:00 pm Law Enforcement Training – Robyn Spears, Beaufort Joe, Eddie Benally  
 8:30am – 12:00pm Breakout Sessions – (Begin)

Time	Track Bristol (Mitzi)	Bristol B (Darren)	Track Tiverton (Orville)
8:30am – 9:30am	Dr. Robyn Rose Ash Trees and the future of Emerald Ash Borer Program	*General Session	*General Session
9:30am – 9:45am	Break –	Break –	Break –
9:45am – 10:45am	Ira New Breast, BIA, Budget	*General Session	*General Session
10:45am – 11:45am	Elaine Harvey and Ralph Kiona Rock Creek Fish and Habitat	Chad Smith Golden Eagle Occupancy Reproduction	David Moen Eagle Stewardship: Non-Lead Hunting
11:45am – 1:15pm	Lunch –	Lunch –	Lunch –

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1:15pm – 2:15pm	Tim Pauls Wild Pig Strategies	Daniel Driscoll Movements and Migration of Golden Eagles Tagged on Hopi Lands in Arizona	Douglas Craven LTBB Youth Conservation Corp
2:15pm – 3:15pm	Jay Tischendorf The Compelling Case for Carnivore Restoration	Rick Bennett, USFWS Hurricane Sandy Recovery & Resilience	Dan McCaw Maine Wildlife Management
3:15pm – 3:30pm	Break –	Break –	Break –
3:30pm – 4:30pm	Jennifer White RI National Wildlife Refuge Complex	Russell Benford Invitation to Sponsor the Conservation Careers Symposium	Kelly Clayton Yakama Nation Fish Habitat Biologist

6:30 pm – 9:00pm Traditional Feast – (please sign up for transportation at registration table includes agenda/map)

**Thursday, May 10**

8:00am – 4:00pm National Shoot Competition – Narragansett Shooting Range

8:30am – 11:30am Breakout Sessions

Thursday	Track Bristol (Dinalyn)	Track Bristol B (Norman)	Track Tiverton (Carl)
8:30am – 9:30am	Dr. Marcella Thompson Narragansett Tribe Fish Tissue Study	Tom Wittig, USFWS Eagle Policy and Permitting	Daniel Sorenson, Game Biologist, Wildlife & Ecosystems Management Program – Hopi Tribe - Hopi Hunting- Establishing Sound Management Practices
9:30am – 9:45pm	Break –	Break –	Break –
9:45am – 10:45am	Amy Gottfried-Mayer Bobcat Study Univ. of RI	Shavonne Smith Shinnecock Indian Nation Change Adaption Plan	Casey Thornbrugh Climate Change USET
10:45am – 11:45pm	Orville Huntington Hunting & Fishing in AK	David Wolf First Foods Management Plan	Jeremy Coleman, USFWS Bat and White Nose Syndrome
11:45am – 12:45pm	Lunch –	Lunch –	Lunch –

1:15pm – 4:00 pm Law Enforcement Training (Salon 1, Salon 2)

1:15 pm **Tour** - Rhode Island Wildlife Refuge (sign up for transportation bus loaded 1:30pm)

6:00pm **Banquet** (Plaza Ballroom)

Emcee- Fred Matt

Awards Comittee presentation

NAFWS Awards (Chief Sealth, Biologist of the Year, Conservation Officer of the Year)

NAFWS Shoot Competition Awards and Recognition

Silent Auction, Live Auction, Rifle Raffle, Other Raffle Items

Closing - Don Reiter

Announcement of 2019 National Conference

Retire Colors - Robin Spears