



NATIVE AMERICAN FISH & WILDLIFE SOCIETY
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Native American Fish & Wildlife Society
RESOLUTION

Title: The Creation of NPWMWG-NAFWS Liaison

Board of Directors Resolution No. 2023-002

WHEREAS, the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society ("NAFWS") was established in recognition of the importance and respect accorded to fish and wildlife by Native American people; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS is composed of Indian Tribes, organizations and people as well as federal and state agency representatives forming "a national Native American organization to aid in the development and protection of Native American fish and wildlife resources"; and

WHEREAS The Native American Fish and Wildlife Society (NAFWS) is the premier knowledge source for Scientific Rigor regarding Traditional Ecological Knowledge and Indian Policy Issues concerning wildlife and fisheries on traditional and contemporary Tribal Lands and waters for the United States because of its mission, membership and activities; and

WHEREAS The Native Peoples Wildlife Management Working Group of The Wildlife Society (NPWMWG) is a working group of tribal wildlife professionals that functions as part of the National and International community of practice on wildlife as a separate and equal source of knowledge about Tribal lands and waters for Native American and Indigenous topics concerning wildlife and fisheries on tribal lands and in waters of the United States because of its mission, membership and activities; and

WHEREAS To create better communication between these two Native American wildlife science and management communities it is recognized that a liaison role would benefit both groups; and

WHEREAS Benefits would include membership communication and network expansion, coordinated efforts for initiatives that concern commonly held interests, and the ability of one

party or the other (NAFWS or NPWMWG) to address topics that build synergy and communication capacity for one or the other interested parties; and

WHEREAS Each organization has its strengths and weaknesses in addressing topics concerning wildlife and fisheries and a liaison would be able to help identify and call to action each party in a coordinated way; and

WHEREAS The NPWMWG Board supports the creation of this role, has voted and approved a volunteer to serve it's executive team; one Ann Herring-MacLeod who is a member of both organizations and agrees to a temporary 1 year term of appointment to the aforementioned role; and

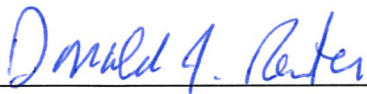
THEREFORE BE IT SO RESOLVED that The NAFWS recognizes these aforementioned topics and therefore be it resolved that NAFWS supports the creation of a NPWMWG-NAFWS Liaison.

BE IT FUTHER RESOLVED that after the temporary 1-year appointment to this role, NPWMWG and NAFWS will work together to create a process for a more permanent role and duties recognized by both organizations.

Certification

This resolution was enacted by the affirmative vote of the Society's Membership who participated at a Business meeting on April 26, 2023. The vote was 26 voting in favor, 0 voting against and 2 abstaining.

Dated this 26th day of April, 2023.



Regional Board Member and Society President



Regional Board Member and Society Vice-President

Attest:



Regional Board Member and Society Secretary/Treasurer
Native American Fish and Wildlife Society