



## NATIVE AMERICAN FISH & WILDLIFE SOCIETY

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Native American Fish & Wildlife Society

### RESOLUTION

#### **Title: Membership with American Wildlife Conservation Partners**

**Resolution No. 2025-002**

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 NAFWS purposes include "*To protect, preserve and conserve the wise use and management of tribal fish, wildlife and recreation resources*"; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS purposes include "*To educate Native Americans involved in fish and wildlife management, policy, decision-makers, community members and others similarly dedicated to tribal natural resource management of the best natural resource management practices*"; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS purposes include "*To provide administrative support, expertise and advice to tribal governments, relating to tribal fish, wildlife and recreation resources*"; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS purposes include "*To improve the general welfare of tribal people through educational, charitable, as well as fish and wildlife enhancement activities*"; and

WHEREAS, the NAFWS purposes include "*To provide professional publications and promotional activities for disseminating pertinent information regarding Native American fish and wildlife resources to Society members, Indian and non-Indian organizations, public officials and the general public*"; and

WHEREAS, the American Wildlife Conservation Partners (AWCP) was founded in 2000 by leading conservationists who recognized the need to bring together organizations with a focus on wildlife conservation, ethical hunting and responsible wildlife management; and

WHEREAS, the AWCP consists of 52 organizations, but no Tribal organizations; and

WHEREAS, NAFWS is also committed to wildlife conservation, ethical hunting and responsible wildlife management; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the NAFWS seeks to join the AWCP to enhance our shared goals and purposes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that NAFWS has identified several potential partners within AWCP to support our membership, and

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Native American Fish & Wildlife Society seeks to become a member of the American Wildlife Conservation Partners and requests that the Executive Director work on the application process for the betterment of conservation on Tribal lands.

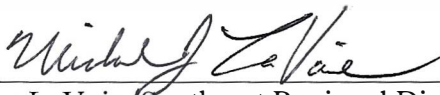
#### Certification

This resolution was enacted by the affirmative vote of the NAFWS membership who attended the National Business meeting held May 14, 2025. The vote is 57 voting in favor, 0 voting against and 5 members abstaining.

Dated this 14<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025.



Donald J. Reiter, Great Lakes Regional Director and NAFWS President



Mike LaVoie, Southeast Regional Director and NAFWS Vice-President

Attest:



Darren Talayumptewa Southwest Regional Director and NAFWS Secretary/Treasurer