



THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

Leaders in Wildlife Science, Management and Conservation

The Wildlife Society's 28th Annual Conference

Call for Abstracts

Opens February 15, 2021

Deadline: May 14, 2021, 11:59 p.m. EDT

The Wildlife Society will hold its 28th Annual Conference in Virtually November 1 - 4, 2021. The conference will feature on-demand symposium, contributed oral presentations, contributed posters, and student research in progress posters, as well as live Q&A sessions, panel discussions and workshops. We invite you to submit abstracts for prospective contributed oral or poster presentation on topics of wildlife ecology, management, conservation, education, or policy.

Presentation Types:

Contributed Oral Presentations will be scheduled for 12-15 minutes. Speakers will be required to record and upload their talk no later than October 20, 2021. Speakers will be assigned to a live Q&A with other speakers in their session during the conference.

Contributed Posters will be scheduled by topic. Presenters will be required to upload their poster no later than October 20, 2021. Presenters will have the option to record a video narration of their poster.

Student Research in Progress Posters - All undergraduate, M.S., and Ph.D. students with research in progress can submit an abstract for this session. Abstracts submitted can include 1) research that is in progress; 2) a proposed research project (with a focus on study design); 3) results from completed undergraduate research projects; or 4) student chapter research projects that may not be appropriate for the regular poster sessions (these may include a class or group research project). Presenters will be required to upload their poster no later than October 20, 2021. Presenters will have the option to record a video narration of their poster.

Instructions for Submitting Abstracts

The submission site will open on February 15, 2021. A link will to the submission site will be available at twsconference.org. The submission site will lead you through the submission steps; guidelines for submissions are summarized below. You may initiate a submission, save your work, and return to complete or revise your submission as often as you like until the submission deadline. The **submission deadline is May 14, 2020 at 11:59 pm EDT**. Abstracts that miss this deadline will not be considered. Please note: **TWS allows only one contributed paper, contributed poster or student work in progress abstract per primary author.**

Abstracts must be under 300 words, and should include a statement of objectives, brief description of methods, results, and conclusions. Do not include paper/poster title or author information in the abstract. Include scientific names in the abstract but not in the paper/poster title. You will be asked to choose one of the following subject categories.

Big Game
Biological Diversity
Biometrics and Modelling

Endangered Species
Conservation
Fire Ecology

Genetics
GIS, Telemetry, Remote Sensing
Grasslands/Desert Ecology

Habitat Ecology and Management	Mammalogy	Trapping
Herpetology	Natural Resources Economics	Upland Game
Human Dimensions	Natural Resources/Environmental	Urban Wildlife
Human/Wildlife Conflict Management	Education	Waterfowl
Hunting	Ornithology	Wetland Ecology
International Experience	Physiology & Nutrition	Wilderness Ecology
Invasive Species	Policy/Administration	Wildlife Damage Management
	Toxicology	Wildlife Diseases
		Wildlife Population Management

Abstract Evaluation

Contributed abstracts will be evaluated based on technical merit and contribution to our knowledge of species, populations, communities, ecological processes, management practices, conservation initiatives, education models, communication, or policy issues. Oral presentations and posters should present results from **completed studies** or completed phases of long-term projects. Work in progress is more appropriate for presentation at local or regional meetings and will not be accepted. Student Research-in-Progress abstracts do not require that work be completed.

All abstracts will have a **blind** review. Please note that presentations from students are welcome but are not given preferential treatment. We have found that students do just as well as or better than professionals under our blind review process.

Student Presentation Awards

Students who submit abstracts for a contributed presentation may request to be considered for the Best Student Oral Presentation or Poster Award. Please note, abstract quality is an important part of being considered for this award.

Notice of Decision

Final decision on abstracts will be made on or about June 14, 2021. Notices will be sent via email.

Registration

All presenters MUST register and pay the appropriate conference registration fee.

Registration rates for TWS2021 Virtual:	Before July 31	After July 31
Student/Early Career Professionals (TWS Member)	\$ 75	\$ 100
Professional (TWS Member)	\$ 100	\$ 125
Non-member	\$ 325	\$ 325

Questions?

Questions about the conference program may be directed to Program Committee Coordinator, Tricia Fry at tricia@wildlife.org. For all other conference questions, please call (301) 897-9770 or email membership@wildlife.org.