



Idaho Chapter

Call for Presentation and Poster Abstracts for the 2018 Meeting

Deadline December 15, 2017

**Idaho Chapter of The Wildlife Society Meeting
March 6 -March 8, 2018
Shilo Inn, Idaho Falls, ID**

THEME: "The Future of the Wildlife Profession"

Tentative Schedule:

March 6 – Workshops, Working Group Meetings, Evening Welcome Reception

March 7 – Plenary and Special Sessions, Paper and Poster Presentations, Business Meeting, Student/Professional Mixer

March 8 – Paper and Poster Presentations, Banquet

We are accepting Contributed Papers for a wide range of fish and wildlife topics.

We invite abstracts for presentations and posters on all wildlife research and management, vertebrate biology, habitat management, conservation programs and practices, and application of research findings to conservation and management practices.

We strongly encourage students to present posters or oral talks. All student presentations (full oral and poster) will be considered for "best presentation" and "best poster" awards.

Abstracts for Presentations and Posters are due December 15, 2017.

Contributed Paper Oral Presentations (Full Oral): Maximum 20 minute presentation. Plan approximately 15-18 minutes for the presentation and 2-3 minutes to answer audience questions. Power Point presentations are encouraged but are not required.

IGNITE! Presentations: These short, to-the-point talks provide a fun platform for people to quickly share project updates, notes from the field, or other important topics that don't require a full 20-minute presentation. IGNITE! talks are 5 minutes long, and each slide in the presentation must advance automatically every 15 seconds (we will send a template and instructions if your abstract is accepted). Topics can be inspirational, funny, or informative, but all should strive to be engaging and entertaining.

Poster Presentations: Topic is presented on a 4x4 foot or smaller poster. A formal poster session is provided for viewers and authors to ask and answer questions.

Abstracts for all oral presentations and posters must be submitted electronically as Microsoft Word documents by **December 15, 2017**. Please follow abstract preparation instructions below. (Instructions are also available at www.ictws.org.)

Volunteer Opportunities: Assistance at the conference is always needed! Please consider volunteering some time to help your Chapter during the event. Whether you have a particular area you would like to help with or are willing to help in whatever capacity is needed, get in touch with one of the Steering Committee Chairs below and we will match your interest and availability with where assistance is needed.

For more information or to volunteer, contact Steering Committee Chairs:

Ross Winton (ross.winton@idfg.idaho.gov) ICTWS

Or

Andrew Mackey (andrew.mackey@idfg.idaho.gov) ICTWS

Meeting information is also found at:

www.ictws.org

2018 ICTWS Meeting Abstract Submission Form:

ABSTRACT GUIDELINES (Poster and Oral Presentations):

Please submit the following information as a Word document to
andrew.mackey@idfg.idaho.gov

The deadline for submitting abstracts and background information is **December 15, 2017**.

1) Background information

Name:

Mailing Address:

City, State, Zip:

e-mail:

2) Presentation type:

Please indicate two session topics that would best fit the topic of your paper.

Session topics:

Wildlife ecology

Landscape ecology

Climate change

Methodologies/Modeling/Sampling

Disease/contaminants

Genetics

Habitat Use and Management

Human Dimensions

Population dynamics – Wildlife

Wildlife management

Wildlife Law Enforcement

Other (_____)

Presentation type (check one): Full Oral IGNITE! Poster

Student presenter (check one): Yes No

3) Biographical sketch (2-3 sentences to be used by session chairs in their introductions)

4) **Abstract.**

Please follow the abstract format below. You will be notified of the receipt of your abstract within 1-2 days. Abstracts not meeting this format will be returned for editing and re-submission.

- Use Times New Roman 12 point font
- The title should be capitalized and in bold font
- Capitalize the name of the presenting author. Include affiliation and location information (city, state, and zip code)
- List names and affiliations of co-authors.
- Student presenters should put an * at the end of their name
- Include a single space between the title block and the abstract
- The abstract should be 300 words or less

EXAMPLE ABSTRACT:

FLATTS, BUBBA* and D. Roads. Plugged Culvert University, Big Windy, Idaho 12345. **FACTORS AFFECTING MIGRATION PATTERNS OF TUMBLE WEEDS IN THE INTER-MOUNTAIN WEST.**

We studied Tumble Weeds (*Sticky pokerous*) in 4 study areas of public land: Southeastern Washington, Eastern Oregon, Southern Idaho, and Western Wyoming. Radio-transmitters (14 g) were attached to randomly selected tumbleweeds (n=123) with 3 diameter sizes: itty-bitty (< 60 cm), pretty-good-sized (61-200 cm), and boone-and-crockett (> 200 cm). Radio-tags were woven into the main stalk of weeds prior to dormancy in mid-summer and before migration. Stepwise logistic regression analysis separated migrating from non-migrating tumble weeds with an 84% prediction accuracy using 3 variables in the model: wind velocity, wind exposure, and weed diameter. Tumble weeds were most likely to migrate during winds > 40 kph, growing in areas > 20 m from wind blocking structures, and with diameters > 47 cm. Home ranges could not be determined due to only 2 data points/weed (start and end of migration). Migration direction averaged 920+170 but distance traveled varied depending on distance to nearest management structure. Barb-wire fences, gates, canal ditches, water control structures, and leeward hillsides were preferred destinations. The longest distance traveled (175 km) was by a Western Wyoming tumbleweed caught in the grill of a pick-up truck but was not included in our analysis.

POSTER PRESENTATION GUIDELINES:

Each poster should be contained within a maximum 4 foot-high x 4 foot-wide area. Contact the Steering Committee Chairs directly if you have additional questions about display boards and/or the size of your poster.

Be sure to submit an abstract for your poster by **December 15, 2017** - See abstract guidelines.

NOTE FOR ORAL PRESENTATION ILLUSTRATIONS (Contributed Papers and IGNITE!):

Visual support for oral presentations will only be allowed in PowerPoint format for PCs (Apple-based format will not be acceptable). PowerPoint presentations should be MS-Office 2010 or earlier version to ensure greatest compatibility with anticipated projection equipment and computer support. As always, give credit where credit is due by naming the image owner. If an image is copyrighted, then get permission from the image owner before using it.

Video Clips in Oral Presentations:

Additional details on video clip compatibility and format will be forthcoming and available on the websites.