#### 2016 North American Wildlife & Natural Resources Conference

Workshop: Barriers and Bridges in Reconnecting Natural Resources Science and

Management

Organizers: Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies

American Fisheries Society

The Wildlife Society

**USGS** Cooperative Research Units

Date: Tuesday, March 15, 2016

Time: 1:00pm - 5:00pm

Room: TBD

1:00pm Introduction – Framing the Issues and Identifying Objectives

John Organ, USGS Cooperative Fish & Wildlife Research Units

# Part 1 - Validating the Problem and Pinpointing the Challenges

1:10pm Science Capacity in State Agencies

Dave Chanda, New Jersey Department of Fish and Wildlife

1:25pm Changes in University Research and Education

Steve McMullin, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University

1:40pm Panel Discussion: Challenges, Barriers, and Concerns in Reconnecting Science

and Management, facilitated by Dave Case, DJ Case & Associates

Bob Ziehmer, Missouri Department of Conservation

Nick Wiley, Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission

John Hayes, Colorado State University and NAUFWP

Chad Bishop, University of Montana

2:20pm Audience Discussion with Panel, facilitated by Dave Case, DJ Case & Associates

2:45pm *Break* 

### Part 2 – Case Studies: Evaluating the Process of Science and Management Decisions

3:00pm Introduction

Paul Souza, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

3:10pm Adaptive Harvest Management

Fred Johnson, USGS

Dale Humberg, Ducks Unlimited

3:25pm Audience Discussion, facilitated by Paul Souza, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

3:30pm Fisheries Management Councils
Rich Seagraves, Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Management Council
Chris Moore, Mid-Atlantic Fisheries Management Council
Robert Beal, Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission

3:45pm Audience Discussion, facilitated by Paul Souza, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

1:50pm Lesser Prairie Chicken Conservation
Dave Haukos, USGS Cooperative Research Units
Jeff Prendergast, Kansas Wildlife, Parks, and Tourism

## Part 3 – Analyzing What Works and What Doesn't

4:10pm Take-home Messages - Similarities in Process Challenges and Opportunities in Case Studies

Wendi Weber, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Audience Discussion, facilitated by Paul Souza, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

4:30pm Final Facilitated Audience Discussion Dave Case, DJ Case & Associates

### Part 4 – Conclusions and Looking Forward

4:45pm Next Steps in reconnecting natural resources science and management Ken Williams, The Wildlife Society Doug Austen, American Fisheries Society

5:00pm Adjourn

4:05pm