

2017 North American Wildlife & Natural Resources Conference

Workshop: *Bridging Science and Management: maintaining relevancy through organization transformation and professional development*

Organizers: Association of Fish & Wildlife Agencies · American Fisheries Society · The Wildlife Society · U.S.G.S. Cooperative Research Units · Wildlife Management Institute

Date: Tuesday, March 7, 2017

Time: 1:00pm – 5:00pm

Room: TBD

1:00pm Introduction: continuing to build bridges between science and management – Jonathan Mawdsley (AFWA)

1:10pm Transformation to maintain organization relevancy – Steve Williams (WMI)

1:25pm Developing a “Learning Organization” philosophy – Nick Wiley (FL)

1:40pm Continuing education: an investment in your staff and a bridge to relevancy – Jack Buckley (MA)

1:55pm *Audience discussion*

2:10pm Adaptation and staff development in resource-constrained organizations – Paul Johansen (WV) and Chris O’Bara (WV)

2:25pm Strategizing professional development needs - for you and your staff – Kelley Myers (IA) (tentative)

2:40pm *Audience Discussion*

2:55pm BREAK

3:15pm Challenges and opportunities in organization transformation – John Organ (USGS)

3:25pm Blue Ribbon Panel and organization transformation – Collin O’Mara (NWF)

3:45pm Professional development in transforming federal agencies – Rob Harper (USFS)

4:00pm Challenges, options, and gaps in continuing education and leadership development – Gina Main (NCLI/AFWA)

4:15pm Roles of professional societies in professional development and transformation –
Doug Austen (AFS)

4:30pm Audience Discussion

4:50pm Synthesis remarks and next steps – Ken Williams (TWS)

5:00pm Adjourn