

Call for Papers – Wildlife Management on Tribal Lands

Tribes have ownership or jurisdiction over some of the wildest, most wildlife-filled areas of North America. This is no accident: in addition to a deep reverence for the land and strong history of environmental stewardship, tribes have been conducting some of the best fish and wildlife management practices and projects around. This is a story that is largely not told – but it should be.

We believe that the fish, wildlife, and habitat management and research conducted by or occurring on tribal lands would be of interest to the wildlife managers and the general public. We are developing a volume of essays written by tribal fish and wildlife managers or researchers about the work they do. **On July 3, we signed a contract with Johns Hopkins University Press**, a well-respected academic institute, that will publish and publicize the volume. **All profits from the book for three years will benefit the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society.** After three years, all material will become open-source.

Potential topics include:

- Case studies of successful and innovative projects
- Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK)
- Cultural importance of key species
- History of modern fish and wildlife management on tribal lands
- Legal battles for treaty rights, management authority, and funding
- Tribes and the Endangered Species Act
- First foods and food sovereignty (e.g. salmon and northwest fisheries)
- Other fisheries management
- Migratory bird management
- Many others!

Some chapters will be written at the level of a peer-reviewed journal article or opinion essay. Others will be short case studies – summaries of successful, innovative, or instructional projects or episodes. There is also room for first-person or other opinion pieces on topics of interest, and interviews with tribal elders about traditional wildlife management or other topics. **All articles should be written with the express permission of the tribe or tribal land management authority involved.**

Do you have an idea for a chapter or section? We'd love to hear from you! Or, if you have any questions or want to talk about an essay idea, please feel free to contact the editors.

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