**STUDENT & EARLY CAREER PROFESSIONAL INCENTIVES FOR 2020 JOINT MEETING**

Washington Chapter of The Wildlife Society, Society for Northwestern Vertebrate Biology, and Northwest Partners in Amphibian and Reptile Conservation are collaborating to provide some free student lodging and Early Career Professional registration waivers for use during the 2020 Joint Meeting. That meeting will be at DoubleTree Hotel in Spokane, Washington during 28 April-1 May 2020.

**Undergraduate and graduate students** in biological and natural resources programs (wildlife, forestry, conservation biology, zoology, environmental communication, etc.) that have an interest in attending the Joint Meeting are encouraged to apply. The incentive is free lodging for 3 nights (28, 29, and 30 April 2020) at DoubleTree Hotel, the host facility for the Joint Meeting. Any students selected will be expected to volunteer 4 hours of time prior to or during the Meeting to help with the program. Up to 20 students may be selected for free lodging.

**Early Career Professionals** are those wildlife and natural resource professionals who are in a professional position less than 5 years following completion of their most recent academic degree related to their profession. This incentive will be a waiver of the applicable registration fee for the Joint Meeting. Up to 15 early professionals will be selected for waived registration.

These incentives are part of efforts by the partner organizations to promote student and early professional participation in the Joint Meeting by making cost of meeting attendance more affordable.

To be considered, **complete and** **submit the Application Form** included in organization newsletters or posted on the Meeting Website (<http://wildlife.org/washington-chapter/annual-meeting/>) **by 16 March 2020**.

**Application for Student Lodging Incentive/Early Career Professional Support**

(*for natural resources students at educational institutions in North America)*

*(for Early Career Professionals* ***(ECP)*** *within 5 years since starting work following most recent degree)*

**2020 Joint Meeting of Partners**

*Washington Chapter-The Wildlife Society, Society for Northwestern Vertebrate Biology,*

*Northwest Partners in Amphibian and Reptile Conservation*

**DoubleTree by Hilton, Spokane, WA**

 **28 April – 1 May 2020**

Applicant Information:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Gender:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Address:

Telephone and E-mail:

Educational Institution or Employer Name:

Academic Major **OR** Professional Position:

Advisor/Supervisor Name:

Education/Employee Level: □ Undergraduate □ Masters □ Doctoral □ ECP

Reason for Requesting Support (*check/complete all that apply*):

□ Delivering Presentation/Poster □ Serving on Committee for Meeting

□ Serving on Partner Committee □ Leverages Employer Support

□ Financial Challenge (*explain briefly*) □ Enhance/Supplement Field of Study/Work

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□ Other (*explain briefly*) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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How might receiving this support help you leverage other financial assistance or professional opportunities? (*explain briefly*):

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**NOTES:**

* Student Recipients will be granted free lodging at DoubleTree for the nights of 28, 29, and 30 April 2020. Recipients will be responsible for their own meeting registration, meals, and incidental expenses. Student rooms will have up to 4 persons (same gender) in each room.
* Early Career Professional Recipients will be provided a Registration Fee Waiver
* Any student or ECP receiving support will be required to provide up to 4 hours of volunteer help before and/or during the course of the meeting (arranged through Volunteer Coordinator).
* All Recipients are required to attend the meeting during at least 29-30 April.

Submit completed application (electronically preferred [e.g., .pdf]) to arrive **by 16 March 2020** to:

Bruce Thompson,10025 91st Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223 (bcthompson248@gmail.com).

If problems with submission, call Bruce at 505-660-0533