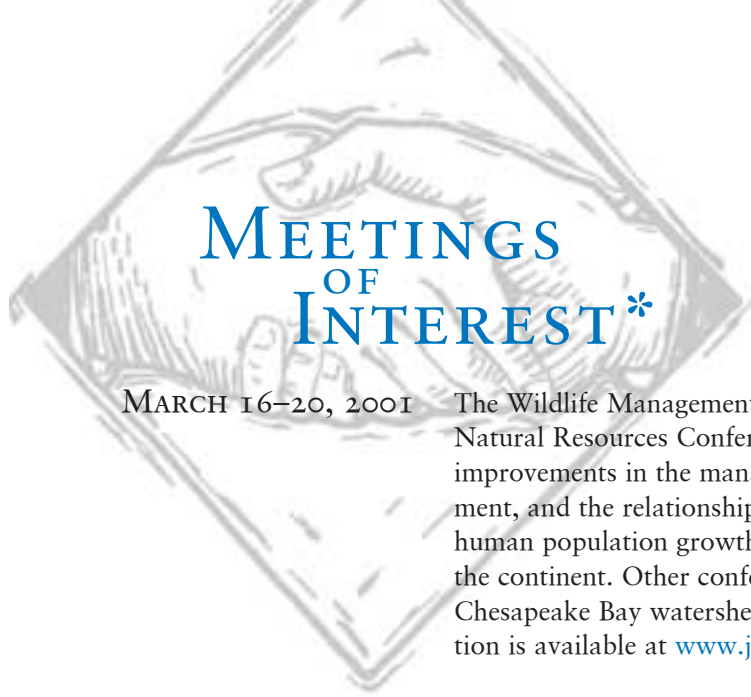




MEETINGS OF INTEREST*

MARCH 16–20, 2001

The Wildlife Management Institute is sponsoring its 66th North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference this spring in Washington, D.C. The conference will explore improvements in the management of species of concern, the role of hunting in wildlife management, and the relationship of large-scale environmental factors (e.g., global climate change, human population growth and sprawl, and acid precipitation) on the ecological well-being of the continent. Other conference tracks will look at issues related to the conservation of the Chesapeake Bay watershed and wildlife habitat conservation on private lands. Further information is available at www.jwdc.com/wmi/.

APRIL 16–20

The George Wright Society Biennial Conference on Research and Resource Management in Parks and on Public Lands will convene in Denver, Colorado, and explore the theme “Crossing boundaries in park management: On the ground, in the mind, among disciplines.” One of the great lessons of the last 20 years has been that parks and park-like places can no longer be managed strictly from within. Undeniably, managers must focus outwardly and routinely engage local communities, partners, and the public in dialogue about park management. Thus, the conference will focus on effective land management in the context of crossing boundaries related to jurisdiction, in our minds, and those that keep us too narrowly focused in our own areas of expertise. David Lowenthal, eminent geographer, biographer, and expert on the perception and meaning of history, will keynote the conference opening session. Environmental philosopher and award-winning nature writer, Kathleen Dean Moore, will also address participants during the week. Further information is available at www.georgewright.org or by calling 906-487-9722.

APRIL 24–26

The Department of Defense is hosting the International Military Noise Conference in Baltimore, Maryland, to address concerns about the continued growth of noise pollution. Participants will include military personnel, environmental officials, and industry and citizen stakeholders with a vested interest in the effects of two types of military noise: environmental and occupational noise. The gathering will provide a forum for the exchange of information on military noise; the associated effects on humans and wildlife; and current, future, and emerging technologies. Further information is available at www.apimeetings.com/.

MAY 27–JUNE 1

The Society of Wetlands Scientists extends a welcome to everyone who is involved in wetland science, research, protection, management, education, and policy to attend its 22nd Annual Meeting in Chicago, Illinois. Now in the planning stages, the conference will center on wetlands in an urban setting, which provide critical functions in the landscape and provide a key link between large centers of human population and natural resources. Further information is available at www.sws.org/chicago/.

*Readers with access the NPS NR Intranet can view a comprehensive listing of upcoming conferences and meetings at www1.nrintra.nps.gov/ (click “conferences, meetings, and training”).

