



U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

# National Conservation Training Center

## *Training Announcement*

### Human Dimensions Foundations of Natural Resource Conservation *CLM8226*

#### Course Description

This course will foster a common understanding and application of human dimensions of natural resource conservation. It will provide an overview of key concepts, methods and practical applications, historical context and “must have” tools for the natural resource professional’s toolbox. The course is based on a human dimensions framework and relies heavily on case study applications, including experiences of the participants, to demonstrate the benefits of addressing human dimensions of conservation challenges. The course is offered through Colorado State University’s Department of Human Dimensions of Natural Resources, in partnership with NCTC and the NWRS Human Dimensions Branch.



#### Objectives

After completion of this training, participants will be able to:

- Provide a working definition of human dimensions, including key disciplines of the field.
- Identify the overall need for human dimensions approaches and how they can be effectively integrated into management planning and decision making.
- Describe key human dimensions application areas such as human-wildlife conflict, public participation, behavior change and strategic communications.
- List some of the tools, methods and concepts used to address these application areas and know where to find human dimensions resources.
- Describe, through example, how human dimensions has been useful in addressing specific management challenges.
- Frame their own conservation challenges more broadly to include the human dimensions elements and begin to address important human dimensions needs in their conservation work.

#### Date

September 22-24, 2015

#### Location

NCTC, Shepherdstown, WV

#### Who Should Attend

Natural resource practitioners and decision makers who deal with people-related conservation challenges. This includes mid- to upper-level managers, field biologists, education and outreach specialists, visitor services staff and outdoor recreation planners.

#### Length

3 days

#### College Credit

1 semester hour

#### Tuition

Tuition for FWS, NPS, and BLM is prepaid. For participants from other agencies and organizations, there is a tuition charge of \$570.00.

#### To Register

Register online at <http://training.fws.gov> using DOIlearn, the Department of the Interior’s Learning Management System.

#### Availability

Course is offered once per year at NCTC.

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