



INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE AGENDA
U.S. Co-chair: Ryan Brown (Virginia)
Canadian Co-Chair: Logan Wenham (British Columbia)

April 2, 2026
1:15 – 3:15 pm (EDT)

North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference
Columbus, Ohio

Time	Topic	Lead(s)	Process	Outcome
1:15pm	Welcome/Intros/ Agenda Review	Ryan Brown/Logan Wenham	Remarks Q&A	Introduce participants; Understand meeting objectives; Agree on agenda.
1:20pm	One Health Update	Jason Sumners	Presentation Q & A	Update on the work of the One Health Committee as it relates to the International Relations Committee.
1:30pm	CITES Technical Work Group Update	Buddy Baker, Gordon Batcheller, Carolyn Caldwell, Stewart Liley	Presentation Q & A	Update on Work Group activities and post-CoP outcomes.
1:45pm	USFWS Update	Elsa Haubold	Presentation Q & A	Update on USFWS priorities and CoP outcome implementation.
2:00pm	Conservation Models Beyond North America	Katie, MacKenzie, Craig Bruce, Deb Hahn, Shane Mahoney	Presentation Discussion	Discuss the outcomes and lessons learned from the April 1 st Special Session and the application of those lessons.
2:45pm	IUCN motions	Deb Hahn	Presentation Discussion	Discuss the relevant IUCN motions that have been approved and what the opportunities and challenges are to their implementation
3:10pm	Wrap up and adjourn	Ryan Brown/Logan Wenham		

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Meeting Purpose: This meeting is centered on sharing the outcomes of CoP 20 and the IUCN World Conservation Congress, with a specific focus on how these global decisions could impact North American wildlife management while considering lessons learned from the special session on April 1st.

Outcome: Inform our work over the coming months as CITES, IUCN, and Convention of Migratory Species outcomes are implemented. Increase understanding and take away ideas and information of the challenges and opportunities for learning from conservation work across the globe.

Process:

- **IUCN Outcomes:** Discussion of priority approved IUCN resolutions, identifying the specific opportunities and practical challenges that state and provincial agencies face due to their implementation.
- **CITES Wrap-Up:** The updates on the final status of listing proposals and priority documents while help ensure a clear understanding of the post CITES CoP landscape.
- **Applying Global Lessons:** The group will "dig deeper" into conservation models from outside North America, building on takeaways from the April 1st Special Session to refine local practices.
- **One Health Integration:** The meeting continues to evaluate how the Committee's work intersects with the committee's ongoing work.

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