

2023 North American Wildlife Tracker Conference Schedule - timing shown in Pacific Daylight Time (GMT -7)

FEBRUARY 28
Tracker Tuesday
Conference Preview and
Launch Event
5:00-6:00 pm

Casey McFarland
 The Wholistic Skillset of an
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SATURDAY MARCH 18

8 am **Welcome from Tracker Certification, introductions, overview of the weekend (10-15 mins)**
Breakout room greetings (15 mins)

Time	Morning Session 1A	Morning Session 1B	Morning Session 1C
8:30-9:00 am	Rob Rich Being Beaver: A Wildlife Tracker's Guide to a Keystone Species	Zoe Jewell & Sky Alibhai Using WildTrack to Protect Wildlife	Kareem Dieng Tracking the Beginner's Mind
9:00-10:00 am	Sue Mansfield Black Bear Sign-making Behavior	Luke Lamar Tracking and Trailing Applications of the Southwest Crown Rare Carnivore Monitoring Project	Dave Scott Insights and Strategies for Learning Wildlife Tracking

30-min BREAK

Time	Midday Session 2A	Midday Session 2B
10:30-11:30 am	Hosting a Tracking Certification: Experienced hosts share their process and considerations for hosting a certification in your area (anyone can do it!)	Preston Taylor, Matt Nelson & Nate Harvey Trail Hunting Panel

30-min BREAK

Time	Afternoon Session 3A	Afternoon Session 3B	Afternoon Session 3C
12-12:30 pm	Larissa Slaney Otterly Confusing: Distinguishing Three Asian Otter Species	Dani Freund Ethology of Wolves Foraging on Freshwater Fish	Lameace Hussain A Whole New World: Tracking for Student Engagement
12:30-1:00 pm	Jonathan Poppele Over-stepping the Data: Estimating Speed from Track Patterns in Coyotes and House Cats	Aaron Bott Tracking the Wolf: Non-invasive Skills for Monitoring Wolves in the Wild	Kristen Welge Tracks, Laughter & Mud Wrestling: Origins and Evolution of the Minnesota Wildlife Tracking Project
1:00-1:30 pm			

LONG BREAK (3.5 hrs) Visit exhibitor booths, participate in discussions, or take a break from the screen. Participate in our week-long "Track and Sign BioBlitz" as we collectively document the track and sign of as many species as possible on iNaturalist!

Time	Evening "Virtual Campfire" Session 4
5:00-6:00 pm	Gene Tagaban The Tracker, The Storyteller, the Healer

COLOR CODE

- Outreach/Engagement Tools
- Instructional Workshops
- Wildlife Behavior and Natural History Findings
- Tracking Applications/Wildlife Research

ALL SESSIONS WILL BE RECORDED and available for viewing for 3 months

SUNDAY MARCH 19

8 am **Welcome, and updates on Tracker Certification's latest initiatives and opportunities (Casey McFarland, 15 mins)**
Breakout room greetings (15 mins)

Time	Morning Session 5A	Morning Session 5B	Morning Session 5C
8:30-9:00 am	Kersey Lawrence, Lee Gutteridge & Saola Team Tracking the rarest large mammal on Earth	Daniel Hansche Tracking the Question, Tracking the Answer	Abi Fergus Tracking Toward Coexistence: Applications on Livestock Farms
9:00-9:30 am		Nate Harvey Milestones of a Trailing Practice	Sage Raymond Trailing Urban Coyotes Reveals Habitat Use, Behavior, and Scope for Human-Wildlife Conflict
9:30-10:00 am			

30-min BREAK

Time	Midday Session 6
10:30-11:30 am	"Virtual Expo" tabling session: Think of it like walking around a room full of exhibitor tables to connect and learn about offerings-- but in a virtual format. All conference exhibitors and sponsors are invited to take part.

30-min BREAK

Time	Afternoon Session 7A	Afternoon Session 7B	Afternoon Session 7C
12-12:30 pm	Jeff Wirth Tracking to Camera Trap	Kim Cabrera Track Something Small - Plant Galls and their Makers	Rae Nickerson Applying track and sign skills to livestock-carnivore conflict
12:30-1:00 pm	Alex Troutman A Track in Nature: Reconnecting Marginalized Individuals	Dan Gardoqui Woodpecker Feeding Sign relative to insect infestations and associated tree species decline	Vanessa Castle Tracking as an Indigenous Woman in Wildlife
1:00-1:30 pm	Joseph Litke Learning from Our Backtrail: Diversifying Tracking Participation		<i>Pre-recorded session - find the recordings in the agenda at this date/time</i>

1:45 pm **Closing remarks and thanks (15 min)**