NORTHERN ROCKIES CONSERVATION COOPERATIVE

2023 Jackson Hole Wildlife Symposium:

Building Successful Strategies for Coexistence in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem Thursday, October 26th, 2023

This October, the Northern Rockies Conservation Cooperative will re-convene the Jackson Hole Wildlife Symposium, focused on *living in coexistence with wildlife and each other, while sustaining a healthy future for all in the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem* (GYE). The day-long symposium seeks to:

- (1) Facilitate information exchange through new learning opportunities,
- (2) Identify and inspire a workable conservation strategy for our future,
- (3) Accelerate cooperative work to meet long-term goals for the GYE.

Why do this? Few regions have the GYE's diversity of landscapes and wildlife, while offering a high standard of living for people. Yet monumental changes are underway, and an environmentally sound future is at stake. An abundance of citizens, agencies, and NGOs are striving to meet emergent challenges. But well-intentioned, competing interests and overlapping jurisdictions have created a shortfall of individual efforts that are inadequate to address the large task ahead. We need nothing less than a *Grand Strategy* that melds goals, values, and action.

The symposium: This year's symposium will examine the broad issues, policies, and science of the GYE using *Grand Strategy*, a *set of principles and behavior* that advances shared interests. The concept of *Grand Strategy* offers a framework for inciting deep reflection, while addressing the most profound questions about our future.

Format: The event will be held at the Center for the Arts in Jackson, WY featuring leaders in conservation, academia, and government in dynamic, participatory sessions including:

- A plenary presentation introducing key, actionable concepts about *Grand Strategy*.
- Panels with specialists from divergent but interrelated disciplines.
- Quick talks summarizing research, projects, and their significance to coexistence.
- Professional and social networking opportunities to advance successful strategies.
- A free evening keynote on successful programs elsewhere relative to the GYE.

For the past 35 years, NRCC has focused resources, expertise, and attention on wildlife and conservation. Please join us at this year's symposium to "focus on the forest, not just the trees".

Visit <u>www.nrccooperative.org</u> for more information on how to register for the symposium, a list of speakers, and more!

Achieving Grand Goals with Limited Means in Complex Contexts