



INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE AGENDA

U.S. Co-chair: Ryan Brown (Virginia)

Canadian Co-Chair: Stephen Casselman (Ontario)

September 17, 2026

10:15 am – 12:00 pm (EDT)

Commonwealth 1 (Level 2)

Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies Conference

Lancaster, PA

Time	Topic	Lead(s)	Process	Outcome
10:15am	Welcome/Intros/ Agenda Review	Ryan Brown/Stephen Casselman	Remarks Q&A	Introduce participants; Understand meeting objectives; Agree on agenda.
10:20am	Work Plan Overview	Deb Hahn	Presentation Discussion	Brief overview of the 2025-2026 Work Plan and priorities for the 2026-2027 Work Plan
10:25am	CITES Technical Work Group Update	Buddy Baker, Gordon Batcheller, Carolyn Caldwell, Stewart Liley	Presentation Q & A	Update on Work Group activities and Animals Committee outcomes.
10:40am	Canadian Wildlife Directors Committee (CWDC) Updates	Stephen Casselman	Presentation Q & A	Update on the work of the CWDC and the priorities of the Provinces and Territories
10:55am	USFWS Update	TBD	Presentation Q & A	Update on USFWS priorities and CITES Priorities
11:05am	Sustainable Use Updates	Shane Mahoney	Presentation Discussion	Discuss Sustainable Use issues happening across the globe.
11:25am	Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD) and IUCN Updates	Deb Hahn/Shane Mahoney	Presentation Discussion	Discuss the relevant issues that are advancing to CBD Conference of the Parties (CoP) 17 in October and progress on implementation of the relevant IUCN motions and other issues.
11:45am	One Health Update	Jason Sumners	Presentation Discussion	Discuss the connections with the One Health Resolution.

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11:55am	Wrap up and adjourn	Ryan Brown/Stephen Casselman		

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Meeting Purpose: This meeting is centered on sharing recent actions and outcomes related to CITES, IUCN, CBD, and CMS, with a specific focus on how these global decisions could impact North American wildlife management.

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.

Thank you for signing in!

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