Editor’s Introduction

New changes, but not a new beginning

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This issue marks the fourth year of publication of our journal, and with this notable achievement, we are pleased to announce 3 changes that reflect the journal’s growing stature. First, the Jack Berryman Institute has changed the journal’s name from Human–Wildlife Conflicts to Human–Wildlife Interactions to better reflect the journal’s expanded mission of publishing papers dealing with the management of wildlife. Despite the name change, the journal will continue its mission of providing a worldwide forum for articles on human–wildlife conflicts. The new name merely reflects our desire to place these articles in the broader context of applied wildlife management.

The second change is that we have created an editorial board for Human–Wildlife Interactions. The members of the editorial board will review manuscripts and serve as associate editors. The journal will gain from their expertise in wildlife management and human–wildlife conflicts. We welcome the following distinguished wildlife biologists from around the world as members of our editorial board:

Dr. Warren Ballard, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas, USA
Dr. Michael Chamberlain, Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana
Dr. Richard Dolbeer, USDA Wildlife Services, Sandusky, Ohio, USA
Dr. Bruce Leopold, Mississippi State University, Starkville, Mississippi, USA
Dr. Giovanna Massei, Food and Environment Research Agency, Sand Hutton, York, United Kingdom
Dr. Dave Morgan, Landcare Research, Lincoln, New Zealand
Dr. Grant Singleton, International Rice Research Institute, Manila, Philippines
Dr. Desley Whisson, Deakin University, Burwood, Victoria, Australia

The third change is the introduction of the Human–Wildlife Interactions Monograph series. This vehicle will allow us to publish high-quality articles that are too long for publication in Human–Wildlife Interactions journal. The monographs will be sent automatically to people who subscribe to the journal. Our first monograph, which recently has been published, is titled Managing wild pigs: a technical guide by Ben West, Andrea Cooper, and Jim Armstrong.

We are pleased by all of these new developments because they will help us to provide our readers with the information that they need to perform the important work of managing wildlife across the United States and the world. We thank you, our readers, for your continued support.

Michael R. Conover, Editor