

THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY

MICHIGAN CHAPTER



Thursday March 15, 2018

1:00-1:10 Welcome and opening remarks

1:10 - 1:30 Erick Hamilton, Indirect Survey of a High-Density Deer Population Using Snow Tracks

1:30 – 1:50 Pamela Nuttall, Estimating Deer Abundance and Habitat Usage Using Cameras in a High-Density Deer Area

1:50 - 2:10 Grace Parikh, Stress hormones in weathered fecal samples during temperate winter

2:10 - 2:30 Rebecca Cain, Evaluating the Effectiveness of Antler Point Restrictions to Achieve Management Goals

2:30 - 3:00 Break

3:00- 3:20 Audrianna Earegood-McCarty, Associations of Rural and Suburban White-Tailed Deer to Model Disease Transmission

3:20 – 3:40 Hunter Stanke, Investigating the Effects of Landscape Connectivity on the Occurrence of Chronic Wasting Disease in Michigan

3:40 – 4:10 Megan Wheeler, Environmental Variability of Oak Ecosystems Influence Lupine Phenology

4:10 – 4:30 Break

4:30-5:30 Membership Meeting

5:30-7:00 Dinner and Poster Session (dinner included on-site with registration)

7:30-9:30 Social

Friday March 16, 2018

7:30 – 8:30 Breakfast (included on-site with registration)

8:30 – 9:10 Keynote Speaker, Lisa Williams, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Natural Resource Damage Assessment, Evaluating and Restoring Wildlife and Habitat impacted by human caused catastrophes

9: 10 – 9:30 Invited Speaker, Chris Mensing, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Kirtland Warbler Recovery

9:30 – 9:50 Ashley Huinker, Microhabitat Selection and Reproductive Success of American Woodcock in Michigan

9:50 – 10:20 Christopher Roelandt, Using Body-condition of the American Woodcock as an Indicator of Habitat Quality

10:20 -10:40 Break

10: 40 – 11:00 Amberly Hauger, Developing Monitoring Protocols in Michigan Watersheds for Invasive Swine Using Environmental DNA

11:00 – 11:20 Abby Thiemkey, Understanding Group Size of Feral Swine in Michigan to Inform Control Efforts

11:20- 11:40 Melissa Szymanski, Mustard Extraction as a Technique for Quantifying Occupancy and Abundance of Invasive Earthworms

11:40 – 12:00 Closing Remarks & Conference Adjourned