Co-published by the Institute for Parks, People, and Biodiversity, University of California, Berkeley and the George Wright Society.

Parks Stewardship Forum explores innovative thinking and offers enduring perspectives on critical issues of place-based heritage management and stewardship. Interdisciplinary in nature, the journal gathers insights from all fields related to parks, protected areas, cultural sites, and other place-based forms of conservation. The scope of the journal is international. It is dedicated to the legacy of George Meléndez Wright, a graduate of UC Berkeley and pioneer in conservation of national parks.

Parks Stewardship Forum is published through eScholarship, an open-access publishing platform subsidized by the University of California and managed by the California Digital Library. Open-access publishing serves the missions of the Institute for Parks, People, and Biodiversity and the George Wright Society to share, freely and broadly, research and knowledge produced by and for those who manage parks, protected areas, and cultural sites throughout the world.


Parks Stewardship Forum is distributed under a Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial 4.0 International License (CC BY-NC 4.0) that allows others to copy, distribute, translate, adapt, and build upon original submissions to Parks Stewardship Forum, as long as they provide appropriate credit to the author(s) and do not use the submission for commercial purposes. Anyone who uses or redistributes the submission under this license must indicate any changes that were made, must link to the license, and cannot imply that the author endorses them or their use. More information about this license is available at https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by-nc/4.0/.

From time to time Parks Stewardship Forum also reprints, with permission, previously published material. Such material is subject to its original copyright, as indicated.

Parks Stewardship Forum is published at https://escholarship.org/uc/psf.
A version designed for online reading is also available at https://parks.berkeley.edu/psf.

ISSN 2688-187X

PSF is designed by Laurie Frasier • lauriefrasier.com
CONTRIBUTING TO PARKS STEWARDSHIP FORUM

We welcome proposals for papers in PSF’s two main departments: “New Perspectives,” for non-peer-reviewed articles that will be evaluated solely by the journal’s editors; and “Advances in Research and Management,” for articles that will undergo formal peer review. We also welcome proposals for “The Photographer’s Frame: Photoessays in Conservation,” which tell a compelling story in photographs.

More information and manuscript submission guidelines may be found at:

https://www.georgewrightsociety.org/psfsubmissions

https://www.georgewrightsociety.org
CATASTROPHIC WILDFIRE IN CALIFORNIA: THE SEARCH FOR SOLUTIONS

325 Fire Management 24/7/365: Report of a workshop on the mitigation of wildfire risk in the mixed conifer forests of California
Jerry Mitchell

331 2020 Woodward Fire case study: Examining the role of fire as an ecological process in a coastal California ecosystem
Maritte J. O’Gallagher, Gregory A. Jones, Lorraine S. Parsons, Dave T. Press, Wende E. Rehlaender, Stephen Skartvedt, and Alison B. Forrestel

341 Peering through the smokescreen of success with ecological fire use: A pilot study of three USFS Regions’ 2018–2019 wildfire seasons
Mike Beasley and Timothy Ingalsbee

353 National Park Service fire restoration, policies versus results: What went wrong
Steve Botti and Tom Nichols

(more)
NEW PERSPECTIVES

368 A recreation ecology perspective on the COVID-19 (SARS-CoV-2) pandemic: Potential parks and protected area impacts relating to visitor spatial use, terrestrial flora and fauna, and management
Lara A. Jacobs, Susan A. Sidder, Jenna Baker, Evan M. Bredeweg, Rosario Allende, and Ashley D’Antonio

379 Reflections on the early history of recreation ecology
David N. Cole

ADVANCES IN RESEARCH AND MANAGEMENT

401 Nature as a mental health intervention: State of the science and programmatic possibilities for the conservation community
Aaron Reuben and Elizabeth Himschoot

THE PHOTOGRAPHER’S FRAME

417 The allure of remote, wild places
Gary Brewer and Donna Brewer

VERSE IN PLACE

429 Museum of Stones
Carolyn Forché

The latest issue of PARKS: The International Journal of Protected Areas and Conservation

431 A résumé of the current issue