

## **CONSERVATION ORGANIZATIONS TO HOST TALK ON WILDLIFE CROSSINGS AT NATIONAL WILDLIFE MUSEUM OF ART**

(JACKSON, WYO.) February 12, 2015—The Center for Large Landscape Conservation, Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance, and the Greater Yellowstone Coalition are excited to host a talk on Wednesday, February 25, by Dr. Anthony Clevenger, a renowned wildlife research scientist and member of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences Committee on the Effects of Highways on Natural Communities and Ecosystems, entitled “A Road Runs Through It: Mitigating Road Impacts In Wildlife Habitat.”

“Every year, on average, 114 mule deer, 35 elk, and 15 moose are killed on Teton County roads. It doesn’t have to be this way. We can learn from other communities in Wyoming, Montana, and Canada that have reduced wildlife-vehicle collisions by nearly 90% - primarily through the construction of wildlife crossings,” said Alliance Executive Director Craig M. Benjamin. “Dr. Tony Clevenger is at the forefront when it comes to designing and developing innovative solutions to address the problem of wildlife-vehicle collisions and what communities can do to protect wildlife and our families by making it safe for wildlife to cross the road.”

Dr. Clevenger’s talk will take place from 7 – 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, February 25, 2015, at the National Museum of Wildlife Art at 2820 Rungius Rd, Jackson, WY, 83001. Call Skye Schell at (307) 733-9417 to [RSVP](#) or for more information.

Guests are also invited to enjoy the museum’s Wild Wednesdays dinner featuring a delectable French menu and wines by the Rising Sage Café, a no-host bar, and free admission to the museum galleries from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m. Dinner reservations are recommended and can be made by calling [\(307\) 732-5434](#). All are welcome.

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### **About Anthony Clevenger, Ph.D.**

Anthony (Tony) Clevenger, Ph.D., Wildlife Ecology, is a Senior Wildlife Research Scientist specializing in identifying factors influencing wildlife crossing performance and analyzing factors contributing to wildlife-vehicle collisions. Dr. Clevenger is a member of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences Committee on Effects of Highways on Natural Communities and Ecosystems. He has published over 40 articles in peer-reviewed scientific journals and co-authored three books including, *Road Ecology: Science and Solutions* (Island Press, 2003). He has been studying road effects on wildlife populations in Banff National Park, Alberta, and the surrounding national and provincial parks in the Canadian Rocky Mountains since 1996. Tony initiated and served as a Juror for the 2010 ARC International Wildlife Crossing Infrastructure Design Competition, which developed the concept designs for a wildlife bridge at Vail Pass in Colorado.

### **About the Center for Large Landscape Conservation**

Based in Bozeman, Montana, the Center for Large Landscape Conservation works to catalyze large landscape conservation by building communities of invested stakeholders around large landscape issues, advancing science that informs critical decision-making, and advocating policies and strategies that champion ecological connectivity. You can learn more about our work here:

<http://largelandscapes.org/>

### **About Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance**

The Jackson Hole Conservation Alliance has been protecting the wildlife, wild places, and community character of Jackson Hole since 1979. In January 2015, the Alliance launched AGENDA 22, an uncensored vision for a community living in balance with nature. For more information visit [JHAlliance.org/AGENDA22](http://JHAlliance.org/AGENDA22).

### **About the Greater Yellowstone Coalition**

Founded in 1983, the Greater Yellowstone Coalition (GYC) works to ensure that a thoughtful and holistic approach is taken to managing the national and wildlife resources in harmony with people and modern development. We work to shape a future where wildlife populations maintain their full diversity and vitality, where ecological processes function on public lands with minimal intervention, where exceptional recreational opportunities abound for visitors and residents alike, and where communities can enjoy a healthy and diversified economy.

### **About National Museum of Wildlife Art and Wild Wednesday**

The National Museum of Wildlife Art, founded in 1987, is a world-class art museum holding more than 5,000 artworks representing wild animals from around the world. Featuring work by prominent artists such as Georgia O’Keeffe, Andy Warhol, Robert Kuhn, John James Audubon, and Carl Rungius, the museum’s unsurpassed permanent collection chronicles much of the history of wildlife in art, from 2500 B.C. to the present. Built into a hillside overlooking the National Elk Refuge, the museum received the designation “National Museum of Wildlife Art of the United States” by order of Congress in 2008. Boasting a museum shop, interactive children’s gallery, café, and outdoor sculpture trail, the museum is only two-and-a-half miles north of Jackson Town Square, and two miles from the gateway of Grand Teton National Park.

### **About Wild Wednesdays**

Spanning 12 weeks from January 7 through March 25, 2015, Wild Wednesdays offers a relaxed dining experience featuring a delectable French menu and excellent wines by the Rising Sage Café. Seating times at the Rising Sage Café are from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. Reservations are recommended by calling [\(307\) 732-5434](tel:3077325434).