"Conservation is a state of harmony between men and land. By land is meant all of the things on, over, or in the earth. Harmony with land is like harmony with a friend; you cannot cherish his right hand and chop off his left."

-Aldo Leopold

"To waste, to destroy, our natural resources, to skin and exhaust the land instead of using it so as to increase its usefulness, will result in undermining in the days of our children the very prosperity which we ought by right to hand down to them amplified and developed."

-Theodore Roosevelt
ABOUT ACI
Established in 1938, Association for Conservation Information is a non-profit association of state, federal, Canadian and private conservation organizations.

The primary focus of the ACI is training, educating, and informing the employees, people and information/education experts of member agencies. ACI provides a forum for professionals across a variety of fields to exchange new ideas, concepts, and practices that promote conservation and benefit the public.

ACI members play a major role in providing natural resource, environmental, wildlife and other information and education to the public through a variety of means. Some members work with the public face-to-face every day through education classes and workshops, state parks, or fish-and-game nature centers. Others deal with the public through mass-marketed print publications, television, audio and video programming, websites, education programming or public relations and marketing efforts.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE
Each summer, ACI holds its annual conference at a different location around the country. At these conferences, members get the opportunity to interact and network with their counterparts from across North America. Interactive workshops, hands-on sessions, lectures and field trips offer outstanding opportunities to network, learn about the latest innovations, and improve professional skills. Continuing research on member needs and interests ensures that the conference is addressing current issues that make a difference to members.

At the conference, the annual awards competition recognizes excellence in membership organizations across more than 20 different categories.

BENEFITS OF ACI MEMBERSHIP
ACI members enjoy a variety of benefits, including:

• Networking. The opportunity to network with leading professionals across the country is invaluable. Lessons learned by one group can be applied to others, making everyone more effective in their jobs.

• Professional Development. ACI members have access to a variety of professional development tools. From the interactive workshops held at the annual conference to sessions offered by the National Conservation Training Center, members are encouraged to continue growing, both personally and professionally.

• ACI Membership Directory. The directory includes contact information for all of your member counterparts in North America.

• The Balance Wheel - a bi-monthly newsletter that keeps members updated on ACI business, new developments in the industry, conference plans and other information. Members are also encouraged to submit articles and contribute to the publication.

• Professional and personal friendships that last a lifetime.

ACI COMMITTEES
Throughout the year, ACI members participate in committees dealing with key conservation issues and needs. There are six standing committees, including Endangered Species, Watchable Wildlife, Federal Aid, North American Waterfowl Management Plan, Ways and Means and the Awards committee. Members are encouraged to participate on these, or other committees of interest to them.

For more information on ACI, please visit our website at www.aci-net.org.

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□ Non-voting Associate Membership ($50 U.S.)
□ Individual Membership ($25 U.S.)
□ Sponsor Membership ($500 U.S.)
□ Supporting Membership ($250 U.S.)
□ Sustaining Membership ($100 U.S.)

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