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Abstract

The Department of Natural Resource Management's mission is to conduct research, educate at all levels, and provide services and outreach that benefit South Dakotans and society as a whole. Our department addresses basic and applied research questions and approaches in: Ecology and Environmental Science, Rangeland Ecology and Management, and Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences. This collection is composed of publications generated by the Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences Department, including brochures, programs, newsletters and announcements.

Historical Note

In 1938, the first Conservation of Natural Resources course was taught in the South Dakota State University Entomology and Zoology Department. In 1939, the college catalog listed conservation and management of wildlife as a course of study. Classes in the area continued to develop through the years. By 1950, two curricula were available to students, one leading to a BS in agriculture, the other to a BS in wildlife techniques and conservation. In 1957, graduate courses were added, eventually leading to an MS in the two areas. In 1963, these developments led South Dakota State University to establish a separate Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences Department.

The department has continued to grow through the years. A wildlife extension agent has been in the department since 1970, and faculty numbers have grown significantly. While the wildlife techniques major were dropped, other areas of study are now available. Today, the Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences Department offers the Bachelor of Science, Master of Science, and Doctor of Philosophy degrees. This degree is intended to educate students in preparation for positions with state and federal agencies and private companies.

The department changed its name to the Department of Natural Resources Management. Its mission is to conduct research, educate at all levels, and provide services and outreach that benefit South Dakotans and society as a whole. Our department addresses basic and applied research questions and approaches in: Ecology and Environmental Science, Rangeland Ecology and Management, and Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences.

Contents Note

This collection is composed of material published by the Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences Department. Folders contain brochures, programs, newsletters and announcements. The Buffalo Banquet was an awards banquet featuring buffalo as the main course. This event was sponsored by the student chapter of the Wildlife Society known as the Wildlife and Fisheries Conservation Club at South Dakota State University.

The Habitat Management Guides are publications of the Soil Conservation Service in Huron, S.D. and cover topics on pronghorn antelope, wild turkey, sharp-tailed grouse, rainbow trout, ring-necked pheasant, and mourning dove.

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1	5	Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences (fact sheet, brochures)	1999-2001
1	6	Wildlifer's Log (newsletter)	1991-1998, 2004-2005, 2007
1	7	Wisdom Wednesday Series (lecture) (announcement)	1990