Greetings NCD!

Hopefully everyone is happily working their way through field season! Obviously since I

have not spoken with ya'll for a couple months, I sure have been. After a very long winter, its nice to spend some time out in Northern Michigan's beautiful lakes and streams.

Summer will be over before you know it, and while everyone is trying to make the most of these gorgeous days, don't forget that that the 149th Annual Meeting in Reno is quickly approaching. This meeting is sure to be one of the most engaging, enjoyable meetings of your career- I personally found our joint meeting with The Wildlife Society at Midwest to be a great experience and having our AFS Annual meeting also in conjunction with



TWS is sure to be a similar experience, but on a much larger scale. Having the opportunity to cross over and listen to interesting wildlife talks, as well as participate in joint symposia is often a refreshing reminder of other techniques, concepts, and a good way to brainstorm ideas for collaborative projects.

But...the biggest reason that I am trying to put this meeting on your radar is the fact that we are running out of lodging options in Reno fast! Rooms at the hotels we have blocked (Atlantis and Peppermill) and going very quickly, and in some cases the government rate may longer be available. If you have not already arranged for lodging, its time to seriously think about rounding up roommates and getting that done before you find yourself in a pinch.

Start making plans!

Heather

July joo-lahy n. the pinnacle of Summer. The hottest month.