Northwest Section of The Wildlife Society Treasurer's Report Northwest Section TWS Annual Business Meeting Bozeman, Montana March 11, 1999

BALANCE	(April	8,	1998)
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\$20,249.10

\$22,214.90

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INCOM	ME		
NH - 1083 -	Membership	\$5,625.00	
NT - 1003	Symposium profits	5,159.62	
1113 milans	Hotel refund	166.55	
	Interest (checking)	264.52	
	(savings)	241.10	
	TOTAL INCOME		\$11,456.79
EXPEN	JSES	4	
	Newsletter	\$5,479.62	
	Misc. (postage, phone, etc)	761.37	
	Donation to TWS conference Teaming with Wildlife	1,000.00	
	Student travel grants	1,000.00	
	Advance to MT chapter	1,000.00	
	TOTAL EXPENSES		\$ 9,490.99

Checking Acct. \$ 2,448.80 Savings Acct. 19,766.10 Total \$22,214.90

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Northwest Section Activities, 1998

The highlight of the year was the immensely successful Section meeting, including the Fire and Wildlife Symposium and 3 workshops, in Spokane, Washington. By January of '98, planning was in the final stages, with close to 50 Oregon and Washington Chapter members involved. All told, well over 100 professionals contributed their time as planners, presenters, committee chairs, registration staff, bookkeepers or AV staff. The content of talks and posters was excellent, and everyone seemed to have a great time. This was probably the largest NW Section meeting to date-almost 400 at the opening of the Annual Meeting! The meetings were also a great success financially--all three groups came away with net gains which will directly benefit their scholarship and conservation efforts. I was thrilled with the outcome, and honored to be a part of the energy that infused the process. A gigantic THANK YOU to all who participated in the production, and the attendees who made it all worthwhile.

New officers were announced at the Section meeting, as we welcomed Jack Connelly (president-elect), Gary Dusek (vice-president) and Ellen Campbell (secretary-treasurer). We also elected Dan Edge (Oregon Chapter) as our new Representative to Council. Our outgoing officers and Wayne Reglin, former Section Rep., did a great job. Thanks to all of you for your contributions.

Section members from Oregon, Idaho and Montana assisted president Kate Boula in reviewing and preparing comments on the Interior and Upper Columbia Basin EISs. We submitted our comment to the EIS review group in April.

As soon as the dust settled from the '98 meeting, planning began on the 1999 section meeting and workshops, to be held in Bozeman, Montana, March 8-12. The board met in Bozeman in July (some by conference call) to discuss plans for the meeting and other section business. Travel grants for student presenters will be available.

Work on a strategic plan for the Section in underway, guided by Jack Connelly, Ellen Campbell and Barb Hill (Oregon past-president). The completed plan will be presented to the membership for approval, hopefully by year's end.

It's wonderful to see an increase in involvement and interest in the Section--lots of new energy! As the end of my term of office nears, I would again like to express my appreciation to our officers, board members and volunteers, all of whom contributed to a great year for The Wildlife Society in the northwest. Happy New Year!

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