

**National 4-H Wildlife and Fisheries Adult Volunteer Leader Recognition Program
Deadline: October 15th**

This announcement is for your information and consideration and the report forms are for your use in nominating an outstanding 4-H Adult Volunteer Leader in Wildlife and Fisheries. These nominations need to be completed by the volunteer leader and signed off by the appropriate county and state Extension faculty/administrators. Please encourage the completion of all of these forms and ensure that **ALL REQUIREMENTS, INCLUDING THE LEADER'S STORY AND PHOTOGRAPHS, ARE ADDRESSED IN SUBMITTING THE NOMINATION.** Of all leaders nominated, the judges will select the top six plus an alternate, in case one of the first six winners cannot make the trip. The six winners will receive significant national recognition. The most visible national recognition is an expense-paid trip to attend the North American Wildlife and Natural Resources Conference. At this conference, they will go on a natural resources tour, be treated to a formal banquet, recognized at a reception attended by natural resources leaders from across the Nation, and be recognized at the Opening Session of the Conference, where they will receive an engraved plaque from the Administrators of the Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, and the Cooperative State Research, Education, and Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, or their representatives. The recognition program of this cooperative program supported by the Fish and Wildlife Service has now been in existence every year, consecutively, for over 23 years. There are other contributors/donors who help make this recognition program possible, including the Wildlife Management Institute, the International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, the Boone and Crockett Club, the National Rifle Association, and others.

Please utilize the attached forms to obtain nominations and forward the **COMPLETE** state-winning nomination including the "Leader's Story" and photograph to:

Allan Smith
National 4-H Program Leader
USDA-CSREES/F4HN
Mail Stop 2225
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Washington, D.C. 20250-2225

Nominations must be received by, or before, October 15th.

If you have any questions, please contact Jim Terry, Program Leader, Economic and Community Systems, at (202) 690-1227.

