

# *Conservation Biology*

## Editorial Transition at *Conservation Biology*

The Board of Governors of the Society for Conservation Biology is pleased to announce the appointment of Erica Fleishman as Editor in Chief Designate of [Conservation Biology](#). Editor Gary Meffe will step down from the journal on January 1, 2010, after 12 distinguished years at the helm. All new submissions are currently being evaluated and assigned by Dr. Fleishman while Dr. Meffe completes review of manuscripts submitted before August 1.

Dr. Fleishman was selected to succeed Dr. Meffe following a six-month search. She is well-known to SCB members as current President of the North America Section, founding editor of the Society's newsletter, and a prolific author. As a Researcher at the Bren School of Environmental Science & Management, University of California, Santa Barbara, Dr. Fleishman focuses on the integration of conservation science with management and policy, primarily in the western United States. Her research explores the distribution of assemblages and species, underlying mechanisms, and the influence of land use and climate change on those patterns and processes. Predictive modeling and geospatial analyses are central to her work, and she has authored curricula on applications of remote sensing to ecological modeling.



Dr. Fleishman becomes the fourth editor of *Conservation Biology* since its inception in 1986. Gary Meffe served from 1997 to 2009, Reed Noss from 1991 to 1997, and founding editor David Ehrenfeld from 1987 to 1991. Dr. Fleishman will be assisted by a team of associate editors: Steven Brechin (Syracuse University), Michael McCarthy (University of Melbourne), Tim McClanahan (Wildlife Conservation Society), and Javier Simonetti (Universidad de Chile). We are delighted that Managing Editor Ellen Main and Editorial Assistant Margaret Flagg will continue in their current roles. We expect a web-based submission and review system, ScholarOne Manuscripts (formerly Manuscript Central), to be implemented by January 1.



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