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Chris Nolin, as Chief of the Division of the Budget for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, leads the national level effort to prepare, justify and execute the Service's \$2.8 billion annual budget. Securing adequate funding in an era of constrained domestic spending is key to managing the National Wildlife Refuge System, conserving migratory birds and their habitat, achieving recovery for threatened and endangered species, conserving aquatic resources and connecting people with nature to ensure the future of conservation.

Chris formerly held the position of Division Chief for the Endangered Species Program. She handled listing and candidate conservation activities, as well as litigation support.

Before her time with the Service, Chris worked for the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), where she developed the President's budget for the Service, and developed natural resource policy for the Executive Office of the President. She also served as the OMB examiner for the U.S. Forest Service.

Earlier in her career, Chris spent over ten years in state government, coordinating environmental issues for the central staff of the New York State Assembly, and handling environmental policy for the Lt. Governor of New York.

She is a graduate of Georgetown University Law Center, where she received a J.D. *magna cum laude*. She served on the Georgetown International Environmental Law Review.

She is married to Joe Tinkelman, a Managing Editor at BNA, Inc. and lives in Silver Spring, MD. She has two children: son Zack is a graduate of NYU's Tisch School of the Arts, and daughter Naomi is a Junior at Boston University.