

# CHRISTOPHER A. WOOD

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## EXPERIENCE

PRESIDENT AND CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER 2010-PRESENT  
*Trout Unlimited, Inc.* ARLINGTON, VA

Responsible for management and oversight of \$115 million conservation organization with a staff of nearly 400. More than tripled the revenues of the organization since becoming CEO. Led development of several strategic plans. Developed strategy to better align institutional priorities of 360,000 members and supporters with TU professional staff ("One TU"). Day-to-day activities include: testifying before Congress; meeting with Administration officials; fundraising; public speaking; and earned media.

CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER 2007-2010  
*Trout Unlimited, Inc.* ARLINGTON, VA

Oversaw a budget of \$23 million with a staff of more than 100. Responsible for management of conservation programs, communications, government affairs, and volunteer operations. Co-led development of five-year strategic plan in 2009.

VICE PRESIDENT FOR CONSERVATION 2002-2007  
*Trout Unlimited, Inc.* ARLINGTON, VA

Grew conservation programs from approximately \$7.5 million with a staff of 32 in 2002, to \$16.5 million with a staff of 85 in 2007. Responsible for management of conservation activities including restoration, advocacy, land protection, and instream flow programs. Initiated watershed restoration, Alaska, and public lands programs.

SENIOR POLICY AND COMMUNICATIONS ADVISOR TO THE CHIEF 1997-2001  
*U.S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service* Washington, DC

Represented the agency on policy issues with the White House, members of Congress, industry representatives, and others. Led development and implementation of national conservation efforts including the Roadless Area Conservation Rule of 2001 that protected 58.5 million acres of public lands. Responsible for communications with national and regional news media.

PROGRAM ANALYST, FISH AND WILDLIFE PROGRAM 1993-1997  
*U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management* Washington, DC

Speech-writer and program analyst for the Director. Co-authored strategic plan and vision documents for the agency. Developed base charter for citizen Resource Advisory Councils.

## EDUCATION

B.A., HIGH HONORS (POLITICAL SCIENCE) 1988  
*Middlebury College* Middlebury, Vermont

## PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Author of numerous popular and peer reviewed papers, articles, speeches, and lectures including three books: [Watershed Restoration: Principles and Practices](#) (AFS, 1997); [From Conquest to Conservation: Our Public Lands Legacy](#) (Island Press, 2003). [My Healthy Stream: A Handbook for Streamside Owners](#) (2014, ALF).