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McDevitt, M., Held-Wilson, M., **Thomsen, J.M.,** Rushing, J. Bureau of Land Management National Conservation Lands System, $44,980

Thomsen, J.M. (2026). Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Monitoring. U.S. Forest Service, $73,777

Thomsen, J.M. (2026) National Park Conservation Association, $25,130

Thomsen, J.M. (2024). Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Monitoring. U.S. Forest Service, $130,000

Thomsen, J.M. (2024) Faculty Long-term International Activity Award, Global Engagement Office at University of Montana, $5,500

Thomsen, J.M. (2024) Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Monitoring (supplement). U.S. Forest Service, $13,977

Thomsen, J.M. & Bosak, K. (2024) Support for the INSAKA Consortium Activities, U.S. Forest Service International Program, $48,429

Thomsen, J.M. (2023). *Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Monitoring*. U.S. Forest Service, $64,999.

Thomsen, J.M. & Rice, W.L. (2023). Building a Conceptual Understanding of Managed Access across the Recreation Opportunity Spectrum: An Application in Yellowstone National Park, Yellowstone National Park & U.S. Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station, $15,011.

Thomsen, J.M. & Rice, W.L. (2023). Glacier National Park Visitor Use Management – GPS study, National Park Service, $68,337.

Thomsen, J.M. & Rice, W.L. (2023). Social science research to support visitor use management in Wilderness areas and related wildlands (supplement), U.S. Forest Service, Rocky Mountain Research Station, $58,550.

Thomsen, J.M., Black Wolf, M., & Longknife, D. (2022). *A climate impact assessment of First Foods and Plant Medicine in the Little Rocky Mountains for the Aaniihnen Nakoda Nations*, USGS Climate Adaptation Science Center, $323,227.

Bosak, K. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2022). Community-based tourism planning in Brazil. U.S. Forest Service International Program, $75,000.

Rice, W.L. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2022). *Examining Commercial and Non-commercial Visitor Use on Blue Mesa Reservoir and the adjacent Gunnison River at Curecanti National Recreation Area*, National Park Service, $184,476.

Metcalf, E.C., Johnson, S., **Thomsen, J.M.,** & Rice, W.L. (2022). *Fish Creek Management Plan Project*, Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks, $89,665.

Thomsen, J.M. (2022) *Survey on Network for Landscape Conservation.* Center for Large Landscape Conservation, $10,155.

Thomsen, J.M. (2022). *Glacier National Park Visitor Use Monitoring*, National Park Service, $62,389.

Bigart, E. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2021). *National Park Service Education Program Study*, National Park Service, $155,763

Thomsen, J.M. (2021). *Glacier National Park Visitor Use monitoring*, National Park Service, $50,357.

Thomsen, J.M. (2021). *Wilderness for all: Exploring issues related to relevance, diversity, equity, and inclusion*, U.S. Forest Service, $82,897.

Thomsen, J.M. & Rice, W.L. (2021). *Social science research to support visitor use management in Wilderness areas and related wildlands*, U.S. Forest Service – Aldo Leopold Wilderness Research Institute, $90,519

Thomsen, J.M. & Rice, W. (2021). *Social science research to support visitor use management in Wilderness areas and related wildlands*, U.S. Forest Service, $38,030.

Thomsen, J.M. (2021) *Visitor Use on Fossil Creek*, USDA FS Rocky Mountain Research Station, $10,000.

Metcalf, E.C. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2020). *Montana Community Outdoor Recreation Realization Project*, U.S. Forest Service, $75,000.

Bosak, K. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2020). *Building Managerial Capacity on Public Use Planning*, U.S. Forest Service International Program, $90,000.

Thomsen, J.M., Larson, A., & Armatas, C. (2020). *Research to support wilderness condition monitoring and interpretation to guide management and planning*, U.S. Forest Service, $32,602.

Thomsen, J.M. & Armatas, C. (2020). *Monitoring capacity of the recreational segment of the Salmon River*, U.S. Forest Service, $85,541.

Thomsen, J.M. (2020). *Visitor Use Survey and Monitoring in Glacier National Park*, $62,758.75.

Thomsen, J.M. (2020) *Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Monitoring*. U.S. Forest Service, $97,154.63.

Thomsen, J.M. (2020). *Capacity Building and Partnerships in Africa*. U.S. Forest Service International Program, $30,201.60

Thomsen, J.M. (2020). Human-Wildlife Interactions and Recreation Management on the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail, McIntire Stennis, $23,845.

Thomsen, J.M., Armatas, C., & Rice, W. (2020). Social science research to support visitor use management in Wilderness areas and related wildlands. U.S. Forest Service, $52,489.

Thomsen, J.M. (2019). *Assessment of Transboundary Conservation in IUCN Specialist Groups*. Center for Large Landscape Conservation, $1,250.

Thomsen, J.M. (2019). *Analysis of Tourist Congestion in West Glacier*. West Glacier Community Preservation Association, $1,350.

Thomsen, J.M. (2019). *Flathead River System Monitoring Research*. U.S. Forest Service & HydroSolutions, $16,562.

Thomsen, J.M. (2019) *Visitor Use Monitoring for Glacier National Park*. National Park Service, $60,259.

Thomsen, J.M. (2019). *Flathead River Angling Use Monitoring*. Montana Fish, Wildlife, & Parks, $4,762.

Thomsen, J.M. (2019) *Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Monitoring*. U.S. Forest Service, $91,674.

Bosak, K. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2019). *Building Managerial Capacity on Public Use Planning*. U.S. Forest Service International Program, $95,000.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *Capacity Building and Partnerships in Africa*. U.S. Forest Service International Program, $24,717.

Thomsen, J.M. (2017). *Flathead River System Monitoring Research*. U.S. Forest Service & HydroSolutions, $86,306.

Bixler, P., **Thomsen, J.M**., Essen, M., & Johnson, S. (2018). *Toward a Network Governance Strategy of the Sagebrush Landscape*. Western Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies, $85,024.50. (competitive)

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *Exploring Opportunities for Community-Park Partnerships between Travelers Rest State Park and Lolo*. Lolo Travelers' Rest Preservation & Heritage Association, $3,000.

Thomsen, J.M. & Metcalf, E. (2018) *Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Monitoring & Interaction of Thru Hikers with Grizzly Bears*. U.S. Forest Service, $92,233.

Nickerson, N., Sage, J., & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2018). *Indian Country Cultural and Heritage Tourism*. Montana Tourism Advisory Council, $33,485.

Metcalf, E. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2018). *Exploring Wildlife Jams in Yellowstone National Park*, National Park Service, $15,000.

Thomsen, J.M. (2017) Visitor Use Monitoring for Glacier National Park. National Park Service, $51,551

Thomsen, J.M. (2017) Chinese Visitation to Yellowstone National Park and Gateway Communities. National Park Service, $10,000

Thomsen, J.M. (2017) Survey Design, Implementation, and Analysis on the Practitioners' Network for Landscape Conservation. Center for Large Landscape Conservation, $6,500

Thomsen, J.M. (2016) Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail Visitor Management Research. U.S. Forest Service, $66,984

Thomsen, J.M. (2016) Exploring Chinese Tourism in U.S. National Parks: A case study in West Yellowstone. University of Montana, $4,998

Thomsen, J.M. (2016) Exploring Chinese Tourism in U.S. National Parks: A case study in West Yellowstone. Mansfield Center's Yamaguchi Fund, $500

Thomsen, J.M. (2016) Reflections for the U.S. from the 4th World Congress on Biosphere Reserves. National Park Service, $2,500

Powell, R.B., **Thomsen, J.M.,** & Monz, C. (2015) Assessing the Benefits of Outdoor Recreation. George B. Storer Foundation, $30,000

Presentations

Thomsen, J.M. & Mbaiwa, J. (2026). Exploring Connections Between the Kavango-Zambezi and the Crown of the Continent Landscapes, presented at the Center for Landscape Conservation Linkage Lunch Series, Missoula, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. & Mbaiwa, J. (2026) Exploring Connections Between the Kavango-Zambezi and the Crown of the Continent Landscapes, presented to the Global Leadership Initiative, Missoula, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2025). Reflections and Opportunities for University of Montana in Botswana and Namibia, presented to the University of Montana International Council, Missoula, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2026) Nexus of wildlife and hikers: Reflections for diverse forms of data on the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail, poster presentation at the International Association of Society and Natural Resources Conference, Corvallis, Oregon.

Thomsen, J.M., D'Antonio, A., Gorrell, L., Scott, N., & Minehart, K. (2026) Supporting students in a time of uncertainty, panel presentation at the International Association of Society and Natural Resources Conference, Corvallis, Oregon.

Thomsen, J.M., Longknife, D., Afterbuffalo, A., Filesteel, E., Sauchyn, D. (2025). Co-creating an Integrated Climate Impact Assessment in the Little Rocky Mountains, Presentation at the George Wright Society Conference, Missoula, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M., Stokes, H., Gibson, A., Johnson, S., Anklam, T. (2025). Engagement best practices for place-based conservation, adaptation, and inclusion, Panel Presentation at the George Wright Society Conference, Missoula, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2025) Transboundary governance and collaboration: Lessons learned and paths forward, Presentation at the International INSAKA Symposium, Windhoek, Namibia.

Thomsen, J.M. (2025). Exploring opportunities for tourist-wildlife interactions at Chobe National Park. Presented to Department of Wildlife and Parks, Kasane, Botswana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2025). Collaborations in research between Okavango Research Institute and University of Montana Presented to Okavango Research Institute, Maun, Botswana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2025). Collaborations in research between University of Namibia and University of Montana. Presented to University of Namibia, Katima-Mulilo, Namibia.

Thomsen, J.M. (2025). Long-term visitor use monitoring for the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail. Presented to the U.S. Forest Service, virtual.

Thomsen, J.M. (2025). Community responses and resilience to climate and COVID disturbances: Examples from Indigenous and Tribal communities, Presentation at the International Association for Society and Natural Resources Conference, Vancouver, Canada.

Johnson, H., Rice, W. L., Armatas, C. A., & **Thomsen, J. M.** (2025). Visitor use management in designated Wilderness: Examples from two national parks. Presentation at the 2025 Society of Outdoor Recreation Professionals' Visitor Use Management Symposium, Vancouver, WA.

Vergara, A. R.*, Rice, W. L., **Thomsen, J. M.,** Johnson, H.*, Nayak, A., D'Antonio, A., & Armatas. C. A. (2025). *Prospect-refuge theory on the reservoir: Pairing survey and geospatial data to address changing environment and visitor patterns*. Presentation at the 39th International Association for Society and Natural Resources Conference, Vancouver, BC.

Vergara, A. R. *, Rice, W. L., Ross, T. , **Thomsen, J. M.,** Johnson, H.*, Nayak, A., D'Antonio, A., & Armatas. C. A. (2025). *Better together: Pairing survey and geospatial data to understand visitor behavior on a reservoir*. Presentation at the 35th National Environment and Recreation Research Symposium, Virginia Beach, VA.

Thomsen, J.M. & Rayapati, J. (2024) Transcending boundaries & scales in conservation. Presentation at the INSAKA Symposium, Kasane, Botswana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2024). Co-creating an integrated climate impact assessment of culturally important plant species for the Aaniihnen Nakota Nations, Presentation at the INSAKA Symposium, Kasane, Botswana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2024). Transcending boundaries & scales in conservation: Examples from buffalo, elephants, &wildebeest. Presentation at American Association for the Advancement of Science Conference, Denver, CO.

Thomsen, J.M., Bradford, R., Bosak, K., Lino, J., Brewster, L., & Cunha, A. (2023). Resilience in community-based tourism: Reflections from Brazil's Kalunga Territory in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, Presentation to University of Brasilia, Brasilia, Brazil.

Thomsen, J.M. (2023). Tourism, Recreation, & Rivers- oh my! American Fisheries Society Conference, Butte, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2023). Responding to impacts & growing demand for outdoor recreation in the Y2Y region. Yellowstone to Yukon Seminar series, virtual.

Thomsen, J. M., & Rice, W. L. (2023). *Outdoor recreation trends in western Montana*. Presentation to the Seeley Lake Community Council.

Armatas, C.A., **Thomsen, J.M.,** & Rice, W.L. (2023). Presentation of findings from Everglades Wilderness Study. Presentation for the National Park Service, virtual,

Thomsen, J.M. (2023). A proposal to explore the adaptive capacity of large landscape conservation in the Yellowstone to Yukon Initiative & the Kavango-Zambezi Transfrontier Conservation Area, Presented at the INSAKA Symposium, Livingstone, Zambia.

Thomas, E.*, Rice, W. L., Armatas, C. A., & **Thomsen, J. M** (2023). The effect of place attachment and leisure identity on stewardship participation in the Rattlesnake National Recreation Area and Wilderness. Presentation at the 2023 National Environment and Recreation Research Symposium, Annapolis, MD.

Thomsen, J. M., & Rice, W. L. (2023). Outdoor recreation trends in western Montana. Presentation to the Seeley Lake Community Council.

Thomas, E.*, Rice, W. L., Armatas, C. A., **Thomsen, J. M**., & Rushing, J. F. (2023). Promoting inclusion and improving access to the "River of Grass": Exploring underserved communities' relationship with Wilderness. Presentation at the 2023 River Management Society Symposium: Reimagine River Access, San Antonio, TX.

Thomas, E.*, Rice, W. L., **Thomsen, J. M.,** Armatas, C. A., & Rushing, J. R. (2022). Where are the locals? South Florida's underserved communities' relationship with Everglades National Park Wilderness. Presentation at the 2022 Virtual IASNR Conference, virtual.

Rice, W. L., Rushing, J. R., **Thomsen, J. M.,** & Whitney, P. (2022). *The trouble with campsite reservations: Or, finally re-addressing equity in campground allocation research.* Presentation at the 2022 National Environment and Recreation Research Symposium, Annapolis, MD.

Thomas, E., Rice, W. L., Armatas, C. A., **Thomsen, J. M.,** & Rushing, J. R. (2022). *Barriers and constraints to wilderness recreation: A scoping review of existing literature.* Presentation at the 2022 National Environment and Recreation Research Symposium, Annapolis, MD.

Whitney, P., Rice, W. L., Sage, J., **Thomsen, J. M**., Wheeler, I., Rushing, J. R., Freimund, W., Bigart, E., & Dalenberg, D. (2022). *Developments in big data for park management: A scoping literature review of mobile phone location data estimating visitor use in parks and protected areas.* Presentation at the 2022 National Environment and Recreation Research Symposium, Annapolis, MD.

Rice, W. L., & **Thomsen, J. M.** (2022). *Evaluation of the equity of reservation systems on federal public lands*. Presentation at the 2022 Crown Managers Partnership Forum - Recreation in the Crown of the Continent: Exploring Trends and Strategies for the Future, virtual.

Thomas, E., Rushing, J, Rice, W., Armatas, C, **Thomsen, J.M.,** Taff, D., Drage, E., Reigner, N., & Wimpey, J. (2021) *Defining future directions for Wilderness Research*, National Wilderness Workshop, virtual event.

Rushing, J., **Thomsen, J. M.,** Rice, W. L., & Armatas, C. (2021). *Wilderness research in the 21st century: A scoping review of wilderness visitor use management research from 2000 to 2020*. Presentation at the 2021 International Association for Society and Natural Resources Conference, virtual.

Thomas, E., Rice, W. L., **Thomsen, J. M.,** Armatas, C., & Rushing, J. (2021). *Trans-disciplinary development of a standardized NPS wilderness visitor use survey instrument*. Presentation at the 2021 National Wilderness Workshop, virtual.

Rushing, J., Rice, W. L., **Thomsen, J. M.,** & Armatas, C. (2021). *U.S. Wilderness in the 21st century: A scoping review of Wilderness visitor use management research from 2000-2020*. Presentation at the 2021 National Wilderness Workshop, virtual.

Whitney, P. J., Rice, W. L., **Thomsen, J. M**. (2021). *Big Data in Big Sky Country: Using big data to understand the relationship between parks and health in the rural context.* Presentation at the University of Washington Nature and Health Conference, Seattle, WA and virtual.

King, P. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2020) Poster Presentation. *Understanding the Perceptions of Threats and Risks People have Towards Wildlife*. University of Montana Conference on Undergraduate Research, Missoula, Montana.

Ocanas, A., **Thomsen, J.M.,** Metcalf, E.C. & Coe, K., (2019). *Grizzly Bear and Thru-Hiker Encounters of the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail,* Pathways Human Dimensions of Wildlife Conference, Estes Park, Colorado.

Coe, K. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2019). *Exploring the Social-Ecological Resilience of Safari Hunting and a Safari Hunting Ban*, Pathways Human Dimensions of Wildlife Conference, Estes Park, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M., Wimpey, J., D'Antonio, A., Hall, T., & Martin, S. (2019). Panel on *Enhancing the relevance of research for wilderness stewardship*, National Wilderness Workshop, Bend, Oregon.

Thomsen, J.M. (2019). Intro to Nature-Based Tourism, Sustainable Tourism, and Ecotourism. Young Southeast Asian Leaders Initiative Program, Missoula, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. & Coe, K. (2019). *Exploring the Adaptive Capacity of Community Based Organizations in Response to Botswana's Safari Hunting Ban*, INSAKA Consortium, Johannesburg, South Africa.

Thomsen, J.M. & Coe, K. (2019). *Exploring the Adaptive Capacity of Community Based Organizations in Response to Botswana's Safari Hunting Ban*, The Association for Tourism and Leisure Education and Research Conference, Kampala, Uganda.

Thomsen, J.M. (2019). *Relationships Between Universities and Protected Areas*, Community of Practice for Visitor Management of Protected Areas, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *2018 Flathead River Recreation Monitoring*, Flathead River Planning Public Meeting, Kalispell, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. & Pan, B. (2018). *Chinese Tourism to Yellowstone & Grand Teton National Parks*, Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem Conference, Big Sky, Montana.

Wheeler, I. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2018). *Developing an on-shore visitor use monitoring tool for the Flathead Wild and Scenic River*. River Management Symposium, Vancouver, Washington.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *Chinese tourism to national parks: A case study in West Yellowstone*. Chinese Tourism Planning Workshop for National Parks and Gateway Communities, West Yellowstone, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *Introduction to the Interagency Visitor Use Management Framework to Guide River Management.* Planning Meeting for the Flathead River System, Kalispell, Montana.

Allen, J., Townsend, J., & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2018). *Recreational Drone Use of Public Lands*. University of Montana Conference of Undergraduate Research, Missoula, Montana. (Poster Presentation)

Cole, T. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2018). *Exploration of the thru-hiking experience on the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail*, Presented to the U.S. Forest Service and Pacific Northwest Trail Association.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *The socio-economic impacts and governance of trophy hunting*. INSAKA Consortium, Kruger National Park, South Africa.

McCool, S. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2018). *The Principles of Public Use Planning*. ICMBio Workshop for Brazil Protected Area Public Use Planning, Itaituba, Brazil.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *Identifying management actions and strategies for public use planning*. ICMBio Workshop for Brazil Protected Area Public Use Planning, Itaituba, Brazil.

Thomsen, J.M., Graves, L., & Samson, P. (2018). *Trump vs. Trees Panel*. Conference on World Affairs, Boulder, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M., Grinspoon, D., & Holloway, T. (2018). *Earth in Human Hands Panel*. Conference on World Affairs, Boulder, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M., Laursen, S., & Parenti, B. (2018). *STEM On-Ramps Panel*. Conference on World Affairs, Boulder, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M., Shaw, S., & Zamora, F. (2018). *Restoring our Natural Environment Panel*. Conference on World Affairs, Boulder, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M., Fisher, E., Orr, D., & Spencer, M. (2018). *Healthy Spaces for the Future Panel*. Conference on World Affairs, Boulder, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M., Burton, B., Hurlburt, H., & Johnson, M. (2018). *Shocking News of Today Panel*. Conference on World Affairs, Boulder, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M., Freimund, W., Dalenberg, D., Wheeler, I., & Nikolaeva, E. (2018). *Monitoring Visitor Use in Glacier National Park and the Flathead River System: History, Present, and Future*. Glacier National Park Brownbag Lunch Series, West Glacier, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *Assessing Conditions and Establishing Indicators for Scenic Trails*. Visitor Use Management and Capacity Workshop, Denver, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M., Dimmett, M.L., Hankins, J., Haubold, E., Ring, B., Tabor, G., Trianosky, P. (2017). *Ideas and Innovations for the Future of Landscape Conservation Panel*. National Forum on Landscape Conservation, Shepherdstown, West Virginia.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *Chinese tourism to national parks: A case study in West Yellowstone*. Chinese Tourism Planning Workshop for National Parks and Gateway Communities, West Yellowstone, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *Introduction to the Interagency Visitor Use Management Framework to Guide River Management.* Planning Meeting for the Flathead River System, Kalispell, Montana.

Allen, J., Townsend, J., & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2018). *Recreational Drone Use of Public Lands*. University of Montana Conference of Undergraduate Research, Missoula, Montana. (Poster Presentation)

Cole, T. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2018). *Exploration of the thru-hiking experience on the Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail*, Presented to the U.S. Forest Service and Pacific Northwest Trail Association.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *The socio-economic impacts and governance of trophy hunting*. INSAKA Consortium, Kruger National Park, South Africa.

McCool, S. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2018). *The Principles of Public Use Planning*. ICMBio Workshop for Brazil Protected Area Public Use Planning, Itaituba, Brazil.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *Identifying management actions and strategies for public use planning*. ICMBio Workshop for Brazil Protected Area Public Use Planning, Itaituba, Brazil.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *Why we plan what planning is*. Sustainable Recreation Planning. Forest Service Beta-Testing Workshop, Missoula, Montana.
Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *A deeper dive into public engagement*. Sustainable Recreation Planning. Forest Service Beta-Testing Workshop, Missoula, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2018). *What ROS is now and its use as a zoning tool*. Sustainable Recreation Planning. Forest Service Beta-Testing Workshop, Missoula, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2017). *When Monuments Fall: White nationalism and public spaces*. Invited to participate on panel discussion at University of Montana, Missoula, Montana.

Thomsen, J.M. (2017). *How? Identify Management Strategies to Achieve or Maintain Desired Conditions.* Public Use Planning in Protected Areas Workshop, Brasilia, Brazil.

Thomsen, J.M. (2017). *Case study on Public Use Planning: Kruger National Park*. Public Use Planning in Protected Areas Workshop, Brasilia, Brazil.

Thomsen, J.M. & Browning, M.H.E.M. (2017). *Exploring Careers in Protected Area Management in a Shifting Economic and Political Climate*. Session Cahir and Presenter, George Wright Society Conference, Norfolk, VA.

Reigner, N. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2017). *International Protected Area Management Priorities and Perspectives*, Session Chair and Presenter, George Wright Society Conference, Norfolk, VA.

Thomsen, J.M. (2017). *Exploring the Prescription Park Programs in Montana*. George Wright Society Conference, Norfolk, VA.

Thomsen, J.M. (2017). *Chinese Tourism to National Parks: A case study in West Yellowstone*. George Wright Society Conference, Norfolk, VA.

Thomsen, J.M. (2017). *GWS Student Summit Reflections: Challenges and Opportunities Facing Protected Areas over the Next Century*, Session Chair and Presenter, George Wright Society Conference, Norfolk, VA.

Thomsen, J.M., Tabor, P., Pate, S., & Puymbroeck, W. (2017). Marketing the Crown Tourism Panel, Crown Roundtable, Fernie, British Columbia.

Thomsen, J.M. (2017). *Chinese Tourism to National Parks: A case study in West Yellowstone.* Montana Governor's Conference on Tourism and Recreation, Helena, MT.

Thomsen, J.M. (2017). *The Practitioner's Network for Large Landscape Conservation Survey: Feedback and Next Steps*. Practitioner's Network for Large Landscape Conservation Board Meeting, Tahoe, CA.

Tabor, P., Pate, S., Van Puymbroeck, & **Thomsen, J.M** (2016). *Marketing the Crown of the Continent*. (Moderator of Panel). Roundtable on the Crown of the Continent, Fernie, British Columbia.

Thomsen, J.M. (2016) Hands Across Borders International Workshop on Transboundary Conservation (Facilitator for multi-day workshop). East Glacier, Montana.

Caplow, C. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2016). *Environmental Educators: Influences of previous life experiences on identity.* Association for Environmental Studies and Sciences Conference, Washington D.C.

Thomsen, J.M. (2016). *Roundtable of MT Trails Rx: How to successfully implement a program to address chronic health conditions.* Bike Walk Montana Summit, Missoula, Montana.

Keneman, M. & **Thomsen, J.M.** (2016). *Hands Up for Haiti Voluntourism: Initiatives to Improve Health and Water Sanitation*. Global Issues Conference, University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN.

Thomsen, J.M. (2016). *Factors contributing and inhibiting success for transboundary governance of natural resources.* INSAKA International Symposium on Ecosystem Benefits and Water Security, Lusaka, Zambia.

Thomsen, J.M. & Bosak, K. (2016). *Framing the Discussions: Reflections from the Ecotourism Professionals' Questionnaire.* Ecotourism in Uttarakhand: Responding to Environmental and Social Changes Workshop, Dehradun, India.

van Riper, C.J., Thiel, A., Penker, M., Braito, M., Landon, A., **Thomsen, J.M.,** & Tucker, C. (2016). *Integrating heterogeneous multi-level values and co-management of the social-ecological systems framework*. International Symposium on Society and Resource Management, Houghton, MI.

Thiel, A., van Riper, C.J., Penker, M., Braito, M., Landon, A., **Thomsen, J.M.,** & Tucker, C. (2016). *Integrating heterogeneous multi-level values and co-management of the social-ecological systems framework*. International Association for the Study of the Commons European Regional Conference, Bern, Switzerland.

Thomsen, J.M. & Caplow, S. (2015). *Defining success over time for landscape-scale collaborative conservation organizations.* International Symposium of Society and Resource Management, Charleston, South Carolina.

Thomsen, J.M., Ardoin, N., Sponarski, C. & Gould, R. (2015). *The nexus between sense of place and sustainable behavior in the San Francisco Bay Area.* International Symposium of Society and Resource Management, Charleston, South Carolina.

Thomsen, J.M., Wyman Roth, N., Ardoin, N., & Gould, R. (2015) *Innovative hubs for learning and behavior: Case studies in the San Francisco Bay Area.* International Symposium of Society and Resource Management, Charleston, South Carolina.

Thomsen, J.M., Gilbert, T., & Wright, B. (2015). *Developing a collaborative partnership to advance U.S. participation in the world network of biosphere reserves.* George Wright Society Conference, Oakland, California.

Thomsen, J.M. (2015). Panel discussion on: *Nature's transformational power: Health metrics and measures linked to Healthy Parks, Healthy People.* George Wright Society Conference, Oakland, California.

Thomsen, J.M. & Browning, M. (2015). Interactive workshop on: *Where am I going and how do I get there? Honest conversations about conservation careers.* George Wright Society Conference, Oakland, California.

Thomsen, J.M. (2014) *The Opportunities and challenges of U.S. participation in the International biosphere reserve network*. Changbai Mountain International Eco-Forum, China.

Thomsen, J.M., Depper, G.L., Luizza, M., & Sirima, A. (2013) *Issues of Scale: Addressing management and conservation issues at the local and landscape-level scales.* World Wilderness Congress WILD 10 Conference, Salamanca, Spain.

Hughes, M.D., **Thomsen, J.M.,** Lobascio, L.M., Schmalz, D.M., & Tucker, T. (2013) *Personality traits and motivations of surf volunteers*. American Psychological Association Annual Convention, Honolulu, Hawaii.

Thomsen, J.M. & Powell, R.B. (2013) *Building bridges and breaking barriers for landscape-scale natural resource management*. International Symposium on Society and Resource Management, Estes Park, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M., Floyd, M., Walden, C., Raines, S., & Powell, R. (2013) *Parks and protected areas as health resources: Trends, tools, and the recreation economy.* Panel Discussion. George Wright Society Conference, Denver, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M. (2013) *Challenges and opportunities of landscape-scale conservation organizations*. George Wright Society Conference, Denver, Colorado.

Thomsen, J.M., Machlis, G., Allen, D., Higgins, C., & Wong, D. (2013) *Introduction to the Healthy Parks Healthy People Research Plan.* International PLAY Coalition Conference, Clemson, SC.

Thomsen, J.M. (2012) *Fish, alligators, and a hurricane…oh my! Preparing for a hurricane at the South Carolina Aquarium*. Invited Lecturer, Clemson University, Clemson, SC.

Thomsen, J.M., Powell, R., Andoin, N., & Stern, M. (2012) *Biophysical and social outcomes: Measuring and defining success in conservation.* International Symposium on Society and Resource Management Conference, Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

Thomsen, J.M. & Powell, R. (2012) *Biophysical and social outcomes: How is conservation measured in the 21st century?* College of Health, Education, and Human Development Research Forum. Clemson, SC. Poster Presentation.

Thomsen, J.M., Ponder, L., & Harrill, R. (2011) *Sustainable tourism opportunities in Punta Cana, Dominican Republic.* The International Ecotourism and Sustainable Tourism Conference. Hilton Head, SC. Poster Presentation.

Thomsen, J.M. & Runyeon, R. (2010) *Girls, science, and nature…Oh my!* National Association of Interpretation Regional Conference. Asheville, NC.

Thomsen, J.M. & Coomes, J. (2009) *Engaging high school students in sea turtle conservation.* SC Science Council Conference. Myrtle Beach, SC.

Thomsen, J.M. (2009) *A tiny taste of Tanzania with a whole lot of bite.* South Carolina Aquarium Lunchtime Lecture Series. Charleston, SC.

Thomsen, J.M. (2006) *Correlation between stable isotopes and mercury levels in sections of a bald eagle feather*. SC Life Research Forum. Clemson, SC. Poster Presentation.

Thomsen, J.M., Romanek, C., Jagoe, C., & Bowerman, W. (2006) *Mercury concentrations in sections of bald eagle feathers.* Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry Conference. Poster Presentation.

Thomsen, J.M., Romanek, C., Jagoe, C., & Bowerman, W. (2006) *Mercury concentrations in sections of bald eagle feathers.* International Conference on Mercury as a Global Pollutant. Madison, WI. Poster Presentation.

Thomsen, J.M. & Bowerman W. (2005) *Relationships between Hg levels in nestling bald eagles and trophic status at Voyageurs National Park.* Society of Environmental Toxicology and Chemistry Conference. Poster Presentation.

Leadership and Service

Awards and Recognition

- Recipient of the 2024 W.A. Franke College of Forestry and Conservation's *Ed Burke Teaching Award*
- Recipient of the *2024 Montana Faculty Service Award*, University of Montana Week of Excellence Awards for my work co-chairing the General Education Committee.
- Thomsen, J.M., Taylor, L.L. & Hughes M.D. paper, Personality Traits of Surf Voluntourists, was selected as one of the Top 25 papers of all those published in the 20 years of *Tourism in Marine Environment's* lifespan (2025).
- Appointed as a Scholar by the Clemson University Institute for Parks, 2020
- Dwight A. Holder Award "for outstanding work and sustained achievement that foster understanding, wise use, and conservation of natural and cultural resources" 2019, George B. Hartzog Environmental Awards Program
- Recognized by University of Montana Student Affairs for collaboration across campus
- Stanford's Rising Environmental Leaders Program, 2015
- College of HEHD Graduate Student Award of Excellence, 2014
- PRTM Department Graduate Student Award of Excellence, 2014
- Student Affairs Student Leader Recognition, 2014
- Employee of the Month Award, South Carolina Aquarium, 2009, 2010

Collegiate Leadership

- College Council, 2025-Present
- Faculty Fellow, Experiential Learning and Career Success, 2023-2024
- Program Director, Parks Tourism, and Recreation Management Program, 2021- 2024, 2025- Present
- Co-Chair, Undergraduate Affairs Committee, 2025- Present
- Co-Chair, Campus Sustainability Committee, 2020-2024, 2025-Present
- Co-Chair, General Education Committee, 2021-2024
- Global Leadership Initiative Steering Committee, 2023-2024, 2025-Present
- Co-led the College Experiential Learning Celebration Event
- University Internship Community of Practice, 2019-2020
- Chair, Student Retention Committee, 2018-2021
- Undergraduate Research Committee, 2017-2020
- International Seminar for Protected Area Management Planning Team, 2017- 2024
- Protected Area Management Distant Education Program Planning Team, 2016- 2024
- International Conservation and Development Planning Team, 2016- 2024
- Faculty Senate Member, 2016-2019
- Chair, Northern Rockies Outdoor Leadership Certificate Program, 2016-2021
- Faculty Advisor, George Wright Society Graduate Student Chapter, 2015-2018
- Faculty Advisor, Student Recreation Association, 2015-2020

Professional Organization Leadership

- Associate Editor, Frontiers in Sustainable Tourism, Associate Editor, 2024- Present
- Associate Editor, Journal of Leisure Research, Associate Editor, 2022- Present
- Associate Editor, *Journal of Ecotourism*, 2020-Present
- Associate Editor, *International Journal of Wilderness,* 2019- Present
- George Wright Society, Program Committee Chair, 2018-Present
- George Wright Society, Strategic Planning Focus Area Chair, 2020
- George Wright Society, Secretary, 2018-2023
- Matching Grant Committee, Missoula Country Parks and Trails Advisory Board, 2019-2023
- Board Member, Missoula County Parks and Trails Advisory Board, 2019-Present
- Advisory Committee, INSAKA Protected Area Management Consortium, 2016-Present
- Chair, Program Committee, George Wright Society, 2017-2025
- Advisory Board, Montana Trails, Recreation, and Parks Association, 2017- 2024
- Board Member, George Wright Society, 2016- Present
- Planning Committee, Large Landscape Conservation Workshop, 2017- 2018
- Scholarship Reviewer, George Wright Society, 2016
- Organizer of inaugural George Wright Society Graduate Student Summit, 2016
- Member, Healthy Parks Healthy People Professional Working Group, 2015- 2018
- Board Member, Missoula Park Rx Stakeholder Group, 2015- 2018
- Advisory Board, Healthy Parks Healthy People Assessment Tool, 2015-2018
- Board Member, U.S. Man and the Biosphere National Committee, 2015-2019
- President and Board Member, U.S. Biosphere Reserves Association, 2014- 2017

Service

- Big Brothers, Big Sisters Youth Mentoring Program, 2017-2025
- Public Lands Day at Marshall Mountain, 2019
- Clark Fork River Cleanup, 2017
- Food Bank Preparation and Distribution, 2017
- Volunteer, Magic Native Plant Restoration Project, 2014
- Volunteer, Community Development Project, Lobitos, Peru, 2013