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"Western" (Calurus) Red-tailed Hawk (*Buteo jamaicensis calurus*). Photo © Gordon Petersen

Dear AWA Supporter,

My name is Nathaniel Schmidt and I serve on AWA's Board of Directors. I have had the pleasure of editing the Summer 2022 issue of the Wildlands Advocate and am very excited to tell you all about what's inside.

This issue's theme was all about coexistence and adaptation with nature and how we can be better neighbours to our wildlife and wild spaces. You will read stories from all around Alberta about how people and organizations are trying to improve our relationship with the environment and change the way we think about the nature that surrounds us in our daily lives. As a city-dweller living in Calgary, this issue is particularly close to my heart, and I hope you get as much out of reading these stories as I did.

This issue also includes a space we're reserving for our "Cub Reporters." This section will now appear in every issue and will feature stories from the next generation of wilderness advocates in Alberta and beyond. If you know a young person who might have a story to tell about our wildlife and wild spaces, please get in touch!

And if you or anyone you know (of any age, this time) has their own story idea for the Advocate, the submission deadline for our Fall 2022 issue is early July. So, stretch out those fingers and get typing.

Finally, thank you to all of you who read the Advocate and support our efforts to protect the environment across Alberta. I hope you enjoy this issue and look forward to another chance to speak to all of you again!

Sincerely,
Nathaniel Schmidt,
AWA Board of Directors

p.s. The issue is posted [online](#) and if you receive a print copy in the mail, the issue is on its way to the mailing house!



Dedicated to the conservation of wilderness and completion of a protected areas network, AWA inspires communities to care for Alberta's wild spaces through awareness and action.

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