

## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is working with others to conserve, protect, and enhance fish, wildlife, plants, and their habitats for the continuing benefit of the American people.

As guardians of wildlife, Federal Wildlife Officers in the southeast ensure that wildlife dependent uses are enjoyed in a manner that protects natural resources now, and for the future. Law Enforcement is central to the effective management of fish and wildlife resources on National Wildlife Refuges.

Across the region, our Federal Wildlife Officers help protect these vast resources on over 160 NWRs, 10 states and the Caribbean. From Black Bear poaching in Georgia & North Carolina to aiding drug enforcement agencies with drug and human smuggling in the Caribbean, a Federal Wildlife Officer's duties are diverse.

The Region's Officers provide immediate and long-term response to natural and man-made disasters such as wildfires, hurricanes and the United States southern border as well as support and collaborate with our sister agencies under the umbrella of the Department of the Interior.

Leadership

Coffman, Vic Regional Chief of Law Enforcement

Whaley, Jane Regional Deputy Chief of Law Enforcement