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In addition, I regularly contributed articles to *Earth Island Journal* (1987-98), co-write and edit Earth Island Institute's *Dolphin Alerts* (1986-1988), ¡Viva La Tortuga! Newsletter (1990-present), A Creek Runs Through Us (1998-present) and have written articles on environmental topics for: *In These Times*, *Animals' Agenda*, *Nicaraguan Perspectives*, *Outdoors West*, *EPOCA Update*, *World Rainforest Reporter*, etc.

### **Videos:**

*Last Journey For the Leatherback?* 2004. (Executive producer). First broadcast on PBS's KCSM (Aug. 2005), other PBS stations, Link Satellite TV and numerous cable stations around the world.

*Stranded: Ancient Sea Turtle Stranded in a Modern World.* 1998. (co-wrote, executive producer). won Bronze medal National Educational Media Network Competition, and three awards at International Wildlife Film Festival. 1998

*Turtle Excluder Devices (TEDs): Safeguarding Endangered Sea Turtles and Shrimp Fishing.* 1995. (co-wrote, executive producer). won Best Educational Video. 18th International Wildlife Film Festival. 1995

*Ancient Sea Turtles: The Last Voyage.* 1993. (co-wrote, executive producer).

### **Honors, Grants and Awards:**

Sea Turtle Restoration Project and Salmon Protection And Watershed Network (both of which I founded and direct) have received grants from (partial list): Sandler Supporting Foundation, California Coastal Conservancy, National Fish & Wildlife Foundation, California Fish & Wildlife, Marisla Foundation, California Water Board, Marin Municipal Water District, County of Marin, Packard Fdn., Pew Charitable Trusts, Educational Fdn. of America, Conservation, Food & Health Fdn., Compton Fdn., Sequoia Fdn., Richard and Rhoda Goldman Fund, General Service Fdn., Patagonia, Oracle, Martin Fdn., Threshold Fdn., Ahimsa Fdn., Summerlee Fdn., Delano Fdn., Chrysalis Fdn. (partial list).

"The Explorers Club National Fellow," 2018 to present.

"Eleanor Fletcher Lifetime Achievement Award Honoree," Loggerhead Marine Life Center, 2018

"Peter Behr Memorial Steward of the Land Award" Environmental Action Committee of West Marin, June 2008

“Steward of the Land Award” Sierra Club Marin Group, October 2000

"Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition" by Representative Lynn Woolsey, September 2000

“Outstanding Community Activism Award” Social Justice Center of Marin, September 2000

Sigma Xi Research Society, 1985, “Reproductive patterns of Everglades snakes.”

Reader’s Digest McGraff Student Fellowship, 1980, “The ecology of the endangered eastern indigo snake, *Drymarchon corais couperi*.”

### **Professional Presentations (partial list):**

Invited Speaker 2020: “Cocos Island Research.” National Association of Black Scuba Divers. Zoom Presentation. August 4, 2020.

Invited Speaker 2020: Conservation Roundtable “Cocos-Galapagos Swimway Hope Spot.” Mission Blue Zoom Presentation with Dr. Sylvia Earle. June 18, 2020. Recording at <https://seaturtles.org/watch-tim-joins-dr-sylvia-earle-for-a-conservation-roundtable-on-the-cocos-galapagos-swimway-hope-spot/>

Invited Speaker 2019: Sixteenth Annual International Ocean Film Festival. Life under Water – United Nations Sustainable Development Goal No. 14: Conserve and sustainably use the oceans, seas, and marine resources for sustainable development, Panel Discussion, March 10 2019, San Francisco, CA.

Invited Speaker 2019: Sixteenth Annual International Ocean Film Festival. Near Miss: Swimming with sharks and shark survival. Panel Discussion, March 9, 2019, San Francisco, CA.

Sigma Xi Society, Eckerd College, Marine Studies. A Protected Superhighway for Turtles and Sharks: *Connecting Galapagos Islands, Ecuador with Cocos Island, Costa Rica*. St. Petersburg, FL, November 12, 2018.

Invited Speaker 2018. MigraMar Assembly Symposium. *MigraVias and Swimways: What Do We Mean?* Manta, Ecuador. November 7, 2018.

Invited Speaker 2018. Philanthropy Southwest 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, *Saving the Sea Turtles of the Gulf of Mexico: TIRN Philosophy, History, Strategies of Social Change and Solutions*. Moody Gardens, Galveston, TX, November 2, 2018.

Invited Speaker 2016. First Symposium On Eastern Pacific Swimways And Highly Migratory Species. *The Galapagos-Cocos Swimway*. La Paz, MX. November 15, 2016.

Invited Speaker 2016. International Sea Turtle Symposium Student Workshop, Lima Peru. March 2016. *Social Media Fundraising for Sea Turtles*. (co-author Joanna Nasar).

International Sea Turtle Symposium, Lima Peru. March 2016. M. Heidemeyer, J.A. Seminoff,

Invited Google Tech Talk, November 3, 2015, Mountain View, CA. *Drones, Satellites, Submarines, and You: Protecting Sharks and Turtles at Cocos Island*. (online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7XZZnvaJ4V4>)

Annual Meeting Pacific Division Symposium: Galapagos 2015: Science, Conservation, and History in the 180 Years Since Darwin. San Francisco State University, <sup>[1]</sup><sub>SEP</sub> June 14 - 17, 2015. *The Galápagos Marine Reserve as a key site for migratory marine species in the Eastern*

- Tropical Pacific*. Presentation by Alex Hearn to AAAS 96<sup>th</sup> (Authors: A. Hearn, J. Ketchum, A.P. Klimley, E. Espinoza, J.R. Green, C.R. Peñaherrera, D. Acuña, T. Steiner, R. Arauz, S. Bessudo and G. Soler)
- American Cetacean Society San Francisco Chapter Seminar Series, March 31, 2015. *Sea Turtles: Protecting Sea Turtles- Restoring Our Oceans*.
- Marin Scuba Club Seminar Series, Jan 21 2015. *Citizen Science and the Study Sea Turtles and Sharks of Cocos Island National Park, Costa Rica*.
- American Cetacean Society San Francisco Chapter Seminar Series, August 26, 2014. *Cocos Island National Park, Costa Rica: An Underwater Serengeti*.
- 2012 International Sea Turtle Symposium, Huatulco, Mexico. April 2012. *Is Cocos Island's "No Fishing Zone" Big Enough for Black Turtles? A Preliminary Analysis*. (co-authors Arauz, R., J. Madrigal and Ming Ong).
- 2012 International Sea Turtle Symposium, Huatulco, Mexico. April 2012. *The Untold Story Of the Strategy Which Lead up to the 1990 Sea Turtle Ban In Mexico: Conservation and Eco-ethical Perspective*. (co-authors G.J. Ruiz and Y. Blaco-Bezares). Poster presentation.
- 2012 International Sea Turtle Symposium Student Workshop, Huatulco, Mexico. April 2012 (Invited Speaker). *Starting An NGO And Tips For Effective Advocacy Strategies*.
- The Northern California Underwater Photographic Society. Millbrae, California. Nov 11, 2011. *Cocos Island Marine Preserve: a Unique Citizen Science Program for Sea Turtle and Shark Conservation*.
- Animal Grantmakers Assoc. 2010 Annual Conference, Nov. 14-16, Baton Rouge, LA. *Sea Turtles: Can they Survive Us*.
- Sea Turtle Saturday at the Aquarium of the Bay, San Francisco, CA, <sup>[1]</sup><sub>[SEP]</sub>Nov 6, 2010. *Sea Turtle Conservation Works!*
- Marine Mammal Center, Sausalito, CA. March, 2010. *Protecting Sea Turtles: Restoring Our Oceans*.
- 2010 International Sea Turtle Symposium, Goa, India April 2010. (with Arauz, R., D. Amorocho, and J. Carrion-Cortez. poster presentation). *Home Range and Migration of East Pacific green turtles (Chelonia mydas) tagged in Cocos Island National Park, Costa Rica*.
- Invited presentation at IUCN World Congressional Congress Knowledge Cafe, Barcelona, Spain. October 2008. *Fisheries Management or Extinction: Eastern Pacific Leatherbacks, One hundred million years old... Ten years left?*
- International Sea Turtle Symposium. January 2008, Loreto, *Mexico Exempted Longline & Drift-gillnet Fishing Permits (EFPs) in US Pacific: Legitimate Experiment or Loophole to Increase Fishing Effort in Protected Leatherback Conservation Area?* (with co-authors M. Milne and B. Cummings.) (Poster presentation)
- United Nations Law of the Sea Informal Consultations. 28 June 2007. *International Actions to Protect Critically Endangered Leatherback Turtles Needed Now*.
- 25th Annual Salmonid Restoration Federation Conference. *Bringing Back the Coho of the Lagunitas Watershed: Highly Impacted Intermittent Tributaries: Are they Worth Protecting?* (co-author Paola Bouley). March 2007

Environmental Forum of Marin. October 2006. *Bringing Back the Coho of the Lagunitas Watershed: Interweaving the Natural History of Coho Salmon and the Programs and Philosophy of SPAWN.*

Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council. October, 2006. *Profile of the California/Oregon Drift Gillnet Fishery and its Impacts on Marine Biodiversity.*

Salmonid Restoration Federation Coho Confab August 2006. *Fish Rescue And Relocation: Why, What, When, and Where.*

The First International Marine Protected Areas Congress, Geelong, Australia 23-28 October 2005. *NGO participation essential to guarantee the consolidation of the Cocos-Baulas Marine Biological Corridor, Costa Rica* (Poster Presentation). Given by R. Arauz with I. Naranjo.

Marin Environmental Forum October 2004. *The Evolution of an Effective Watershed Group: SPAWN, the Salmon Protection And Watershed Network.*

Salmonid Restoration Federation Coho Confab August 2004. “*Effective Strategies for Watershed Groups*” and “*Fish Rescue And Relocation: Why, What, When, and Where.*”

Public Interest Environmental Law Conference March 2004 (University of Oregon). “*Brutal Bycatch: The Consequences of Modern Fishing Practices.*”

University of San Francisco Law School, International Trade Law Class. September 2002. “*Sea Turtles, Shrimp and the WTO.*”

San Geronimo Jewish Community, Rosh Hashanah services, September 2001. “*Tikkun Olam*” (*Healing the World*).

Sierra Club Marin Awards Banquet. October 2000. *Saving Coho Salmon in Marin.*

Social Justice Center of Marin, Awards Banquet, September 2000. *Saving Coho Salmon in Marin.*

Twentieth Annual Symposium on Sea Turtle Biology and Conservation. 29 February- 4 March 2000, Orlando, FL. *Beyond TEDs: Protected Swimways for Sea Turtles* (by Teri Shore and Todd Steiner)

Invited Participant, WTO Health and the Environment People’s Tribunal. November 29, 1999. First United Methodist Church, Seattle, Washington. *The Cost of World Trade Rules to Endangered Sea Turtles, Local Communities and Democracy*

Invited Participant, International Forum on Globalization, November 25-27, 1998. San Francisco, CA. Panel entitled, *North - South Relations.*

Invited Participant, Environmental Grantmakers Association 1998 Retreat, October 28-31, 1998. Houston, TX. Panel entitled, *Fisheries.*

Invited Participant, United Nations Shrimp Tribunal, May 1, 1996, and NGO Strategy Meeting. *Shrimp Fishing, Sea Turtles and Local Communities.*

XII Encuentro Interuniversitario Y II Internacional para la Conservacion de las Tortugas Marinas, Mazunte, Oaxaca, MX, 12-16 June, 1995. *Trafico Illegal de Productos de Tortugas en Leon, Guanajuato. MX* (co-authored and presented by Juan Carlos Castro).

Thirteenth Annual Sea Turtle Symposium, Feb. 1993, Jekyll Island, Georgia. *International Implementation of TEDs Law PL 101-162 by the U.S. Government: Fact or Science Fiction?*

Twelfth Annual Sea Turtle Symposium, Feb. 25-28, 1992, Jekyll Island, Georgia. *Turtle Excluder Devices: International Implementation* (poster session).

Tenth Annual Workshop on Sea Turtle Biology and Conservation (1990). *Without your help the olive ridley sea turtles of Mexico are on a rendezvous with extinction.*

Invited lecturer, EPOCA forums. *Sustainable development and sea turtles.* New College, San Francisco, 1989.

Long Marine Laboratory, U.C. at Santa Cruz, 1988 (invited speaker). *The tragedy continues: The killing of dolphins by the tuna industry.*

Invited participant at MONITOR meetings, 1988, *The tragedy continues: The killing of dolphins by the tuna industry* [and many similar presentations to the general public, high schools, television and radio interviews, etc.].

Invited participant at UNESCO's Wildlife in the Everglades and Latin American Wetlands Symposium, 1985, "The status and ecology of the reptiles and amphibians of the Long Pine Key region of Everglades National Park."

Joint meeting of the Society for the Study of Amphibians and Reptiles and Herpetologists' League, 1985. *A temperate zone fauna in the subtropics: The snakes of Everglades National Park.*

Invited participant at Interpretive Training Program, Everglades National Park, 1985, *The ecology of the snakes and turtles of south Florida.*

### **Selected Consultations:**

Member, Lagunitas Creek Technical Advisory Committee, Marin Municipal Water District 2000-present

Declaration to Protect Elkhorn and Staghorn Corals. 2013. United States District Court, Middle District Of Florida, Tampa Division. Case No. 8:13-Cv-00221-MSS-EAJ. Center For Biological Diversity, Plaintiff, vs. National Marine Fisheries Service, Defendants. Declaration to Protect Elkhorn and Staghorn Corals.

Declaration to Protect Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtles. 2010. United States District Court for the Southern District Of Texas, Brownsville Division.. Case No. 1:10-Cv-00206-HGT. Wildearth Guardians, and Turtle Island Restoration Network, Plaintiffs, vs. U.S. Department Of Commerce, and U.S. Department of The Interior, Defendants. Declaration to Protect Kemp's Ridley Sea Turtles.

United States District Court for the Northern District Of California, San Francisco Division. Civil Action No. C-03-4350 (MHP). 2007. Okinawa Dugong (Dugong Dugon), Center For Biological Diversity, Turtle Island Restoration Network, Japan Environmental Lawyers Federation, Save The Dugong Foundation, Dugong Network Okinawa, Committee Against Heliport Construction, Save Life Society, Anna Koshiishi, Takuma Higashionna, And Yoshikazu Makishi Okinawa Dugong (Dugong Dugon), Center For Biological Diversity, Turtle Island Restoration Network, Japan Environmental Lawyers Federation, Save The Dugong Foundation, Dugong Network Okinawa, Committee Against Heliport Construction, Save Life Society, Anna Koshiishi, Takuma Higashionna, and Yoshikazu Makishi, Plaintiffs vs. U.S. Department Of Defense, Defendants. Expert Declaration on Okinawan Dugong.

Invited participant: Towards the Conservation of Marine Species & Spaces of Common Concern in North America, March 24-26, 2004. Council on Environmental Cooperation workshop to develop the first North American Conservation Action Plans (NACAP) for the selected species of common concern (including leatherback turtle).

Expert Witness, Coastside Habitat Coalition, 1997. Potential impacts of development on threatened red-legged frogs, endangered San Francisco Garter Snakes and salmonids at proposed development site at Cascade Ranch, San Mateo County, CA.

Pacifica Land Trust, CALTRANS and landowner, 1996, Habitat Assessment of Mori Point, Pacifica, CA for Endangered San Francisco Garter Snake and California Red-Legged Frog (discussions only).

City of Pacifica. March 1993. Habitat Restoration for San Francisco Garter Snake and Red-Legged Frog at quarry site in Pacifica, CA. (discussions only).

City of San Francisco Parks & Recreation Dept. 1990-1991. Habitat Enhancement of Laguna Salada, Pacifica CA. For the San Francisco Garter Snake and Red-Legged Frog. Sub-contracted by Wetlands Research Assoc. San Rafael, CA. Study and report (see publications list).

Kirby Canyon Landfill, Morgan Hill, CA. 1990-1991. Effectiveness of the Conservation Program for the Red-legged Frog (*Rana aurora draytonii*) at Kirby Canyon Landfill, 1990 and 1991. Studies and reports in 1990 and 1991.

### **Service:**

Board of Directors (Founder, Chair, Presently active advisor), Coho Salmon Land Trust (<http://cohosalmonlandtrust.org>), 2019 to present.

Board of Directors (Secretary), MigraMar (<https://www.migramar.org/>), 2017 to April 2021.  
Presently active member

Board of Directors, Center for Biological Diversity (<https://www.biologicaldiversity.org>), 2014 to July 2021

Steering Committee, Chileno Newt Brigade (<https://www.chilenovalleynewtbrigade.org>), 2019-2021

NOAA-DFW Priority Action Coho Team: Technical Working Group  
<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/resource/document/priority-action-coho-team-strategic-partnering-accelerate-central-california>), 2104 to present

IUCN (World Conservation Union) Marine Turtle Specialist Group  
(<https://www.iucn.org/commissions/ssc-groups/amphibians-reptiles/marine-turtle>), 2004-present

Nominator, Goldman Environmental Prize (<https://www.goldmanprize.org>), 2011-present

Cordell Bank National Marine Sanctuary Advisory Council  
(<https://cordellbank.noaa.gov/council/>), 2005-2018

Technical Advisory Committee, Marin Municipal Water District, Lagunitas Creek Sediment and Riparian Management Plan, 1997-present

Member, Tomales Bay Watershed Council (<http://www.tomalesbaywatershed.org>), 2004-present

Technical Advisory Committee, Marin Resource Conservation Sedimentation Grant program, 2006

Board of Directors, Tomales Bay Association, 2004-2008

Board of Directors, Turtle Island Restoration Network, 1997-present, (President 2009-present, and 1997-2001)

Board of Directors, Earth Island Institute (1989)

Board of Directors, San Geronimo Valley Cultural Center, 1997-1998

Chair, Creek Committee, San Geronimo Valley Planning Group, 1997-98

Steering Committee, Save the Valley Committee, 1997-98

Member, International Sea Turtle Society, 1989-present

**Personal:**

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