



*From the Desk of the NCD President  
Ramblings by Sandy  
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Hello all,

I'm sure most of you are busy with field season. I have been trying to balance field work with turkey season which has led to many naps in the woods. You will also notice my picture does not include a turkey ☹️. Please remember to be careful out there and be safe.

To all our colleagues being affected by the record flooding, our thoughts are with you. I know of several colleagues who have had their homes damaged due to flood waters and in many places the worst is yet to come. If you are able, please consider volunteering to help fill sandbags or donate to local charities.

I want to also give a big "Happy Mother's Day" shout out to all the fisheries moms. I have watched many amazing women juggle the challenges of being a mom and the unpredictable, demanding, and sometimes physical job of working in fisheries. I hope you all get to spend the day relaxing.

In NCD business I want to thank our Newsletter team for the April issue of the *Mainstream*. We were a little thin on reports from state chapters. I know you are busy with your real jobs, but the Chapter Presidents need to make an effort to send in those updates. Seeing what other states are doing and getting ideas for my own chapter is my favorite part of the newsletter. Also please be sure to update state chapter websites with new officer information as changes occur. This allows the NCD Excom to easily get contact information for the Division.

I want to welcome Heather Hettinger to the NCD Excom as our soon-to-be President Elect. Heather will officially move onto the board after the National AFS meeting in August.

Stay safe,

*Sandy*