



# NAWM & NCTC COVID POLICY

The National Association of Wetland Managers (NAWM) is committed to providing a safe and welcoming environment for the Annual State/Tribal/Federal Coordination (STFC) Meeting. All individuals participating in any in-person aspect of the Annual Meeting are required to follow the policies of the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the National Conservation Training Center (NCTC). We will continue to revise our procedures as needed to reflect the current state of the pandemic. The novel coronavirus, COVID-19, has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. Anyone who refuses to follow NCTC COVID-19 protocols and requirements will be required to leave the facility immediately and will not receive a refund for any expenses incurred by attending NAWM's Annual Meeting. NAWM cannot, however, guarantee that NAWM staff, board members, or other in-person attendees at this meeting will not become infected with COVID-19.

## **NCTC COVID POLICY**

**Reminder: Only participants/instructors are allowed on campus at this time.**

The NCTC is committed to the safety of everyone involved in our trainings and meetings. Please read below to understand the policies NCTC has in place to manage operations with your safety in mind.

### **Covid-19 Protocols:**

#### **Current Vaccination and Masking Information:**

The NCTC follows CDC's mask guidance and agency protocols for in-person gatherings, based on COVID-19 community-level risk metrics that consider local hospitalization and intensive care capacity and transmission rates. The current community level is communicated on signage throughout campus, and may change immediately prior to or during your meeting or course, so please be prepared for changing conditions and requirements, including universal masking.

Based on the current community level, the NCTC will be following the protocols for in-person meetings, courses, or events listed in the table found on the NCTC COVID-19 information page. When the community level is yellow or orange, all attendees at NCTC courses or events will be provided with a vaccination attestation form with their registration materials upon arrival. Attendees who are not fully vaccinated or who decline to attest to their vaccination status must provide proof of a negative COVID-19 test result taken within three days prior to entering the event, if asked. Masks are required in ANY shared vehicle regardless of community level (busses, shuttles, government vehicles, etc.).

#### **If you become ill while on campus:**

If you begin to experience COVID-related symptoms while on campus your first step is to quarantine by remaining in your room and follow all quarantine and isolation protocols developed by the CDC.

#### **Next you should:**

- Inform your Course Leader or event coordinator and your supervisor.
- Schedule a visit with the NCTC nurse (extension 7880).
- Follow CDC guidance for what to do if sick.
- The NCTC can assist COVID-19 positive individuals unable to travel by providing quarantine lodging space, as needed.