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Work Experience

2006-2017

Wind Harvest International. *Chief Operating Officer.* As WHI's Chief Operating Officer Wolf is responsible for planning and supervision in engineering, manufacturing, certification, sales, marketing and R&D of the G168 VAWT Systems. He is the lead inventor on the company's most recent patent "Vertical and Geographic Placement of VAWT Arrays." He is the principal author of the company website, reports and research proposals. He works closely with component manufacturers and potential project developers. He directly supervises the engineering team.

1992-2005

Wolf and Associates. As the founder, owner and principal, Wolf started this consulting company helping non-profits, government agencies and business with their strategic planning, most often with the CEO and board of directors. He soon expanded into facilitating and supporting watershed planning and dispute resolution. He was the lead mediator/facilitator in two complex, multi-year disputes in California's San Joaquin River system. One of the keys to consensus-based solutions with traditionally antagonistic stakeholders is to provide equal access to information. Wolf was a pioneer in using the web and email as new tools to help build trust and clear communication. He expanded his company into creating web "portals" to metadata-based libraries using open source software. The web portal part of the business continues under the leadership of his partner David Siedband. Since working with WHI, Wolf dramatically reduced his facilitation and consulting work but will still take on some clients.

1980-1992

Friends of the River. Wolf started as a part time whitewater rafting guide organizer during the Stanislaus River campaign while a student at UC Davis. He then helped start and run the statewide Water Conservation and Efficiency Initiative in 1981-1982. He began working full time for F.O.R. in 1983 as its Director of Organizing where he started numerous internal "businesses" that advanced the organization's mission while making a net income to help expand its operations. He became F.O.R.'s development director in 1990 and helped raise a record amount of income for the organization before starting his own consulting company.

Consensus-based Facilitation and Strategic Planning: Selected Clients and Projects

Some clients and projects

Big Chico Creek Watershed Alliance: Watershed Assessment public workshops

Cache Creek Watershed Forum: member of Steering Committee

California Native Grasslands Association: Strategic planning and facilitation

Cal Trout: Strategic planning for board of directors and organizations

California Urban Forest Advisory Committee: Facilitation training, strategic planning

California Urban Forest Council: Regional meetings, statewide summit and strategic planning.

Coordinated Resources Management Plan, Feather River: Expert/scientist consensus building.
Friends of the Trinity River: Strategic planning and grant consulting
Kern County Neighbors for Quality Air, Water and Growth: Strategic planning
Local Government Commission: State and local energy options - goals and strategies.
MetaPartner: Planning for and testing of this metadata software tool.
Mill Creek Conservancy: Public participation in watershed strategic planning
Northern California Solar Energy Association: Strategic Planning and annual board meetings
Public Officials for Water and Environmental Reform: Three California Assembly processes.
Public Officials for Water and Environmental Reform: Co-founder and consultant for 15 years of the annual California Water Policy Conference
River Partners. Three years of board strategic planning retreats. Communication strategic plan.
Sacramento Valley Environmental Water Caucus. Plenary meetings and steering committee.
Salmonid Restoration Federation: Board strategic planning
San Joaquin River Dissolved Oxygen TMDL Stakeholder Process: Facilitated and coordinated five years of consensus based meetings. Developed conceptual map and decision making criteria.
7th Congress on American Forests, Three workshops for public “consensus” decision-making.
Stanislaus River Stakeholders: Three-year consensus-based stakeholder process to re-operate New Melones Dam.
State Coastal Conservancy: Strategic planning for the use of web tools
The Nature Conservancy: Good Neighbor Management Meetings
US Bureau of Land Management: Strategic planning for Cosumnes River Preserve
US Bureau of Reclamation: Upper Klamath Lake Endangered Species biological planning.
US Bureau of Reclamation: Water transfer trainings
US Fish and Wildlife Service: Interagency dispute resolution.
US Fish and Wildlife Service: Yuba River - Englebright Dam Public Workshops.
US Fish and Wildlife Service: Coleman Fish Hatchery Public Review Process
Washington Water Trust: Strategic planning and board facilitation
Water On-line: Facilitation of engineers, system administrators, and policy leaders
Wildlife Network: Strategic planning for national and bioregional predator protection efforts.
Yolo RCD: Watershed web library development
Yolo/Solano Air Quality Management District: Strategic planning

Educational Background: In 1980, Wolf graduated with a BS in Zoology (now called Evolution and Ecology) from UC Davis with honors. He has attended numerous workshops and trainings in facilitation, negotiation and planning.

Other Information:

Author: *The Makings of a Good Meeting.* Downloadable at
<http://wolfandassociates.com/facilitation/index.htm>

City of Davis: Chair of the General Plan's Housing Task Force. Member of the Blue Ribbon Commission on Governance. Member of the Energy Task Force. Co-chair of two Parks Tax campaigns. Organizer of successful Open Space Tax.