

# HUNTERS OF THE WIND: EAGLES, HAWKS, & FALCONS

**JUNE 5, 2020**

**COURSE LEVEL: II COURSE #: S3009**  
**FEE: \$80 PER ADULT**



**Rocky  
Mountain  
Conservancy**  

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**FIELD INSTITUTE**

**INSTRUCTOR: W. PERRY CONWAY**

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**LOCATION: Rocky Mountain Conservancy – Field Institute & Conference Center**  
**1895 Fall River Road, Estes Park, Colorado**

**TIME: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM**

**COURSE DESCRIPTION:** Eagles, hawks & falcons are icons of power and speed that capture the human imagination. Rocky Mountain National Park has all three of these aerial athletes. With an illustrated lecture/discussion in the morning followed by an afternoon field trip, participants will learn how these beautiful birds are alike and different with respect to their diet and nesting requirements, behavior, evolution, and population status. Nesting areas will be viewed from a safe distance and live birds will be presented as part of the lecture/discussion.

**COURSE LEVEL: II**

Short-distance walks throughout the day primarily on level terrain.  
(Possible sites include Moraine and Horseshoe Parks and sites along Trail Ridge Road)

**BRIEF INSTRUCTOR BIOGRAPHY (additional information available at [www.RMConservancy.org](http://www.RMConservancy.org)):**

Perry has been a full-time professional nature photographer for more than 30 years. His work, including many images of elk and aspen trees, has been published in every major wildlife and nature magazine produced in North America. He is a former biology teacher with a M.S. degree in curriculum development in outdoor education.

**INSTRUCTOR'S WEBSITE:** [www.perryconway.com](http://www.perryconway.com)

**EXPECTATIONS:** Professional conduct will be expected from participants at all times. Individual ideas will be respected. Except during course breaks, cellular phones, pagers, and personal entertainment devices are strictly prohibited in the classroom and during field sessions.

**CAR-POOLING:** Rocky Mountain Conservancy - Field Institute courses utilize car-pooling to limit vehicles traveling into the park. Car-pooling makes it easier to keep the group together, reduces transit time, and allows courses greater access because fewer parking spaces are required at destinations. In addition, it provides an opportunity for participants to discuss course material in small groups during transit. Typically, a few participants from each course volunteer the use of their vehicles for car-pooling to course locations.

**TENTATIVE COURSE SCHEDULE:**

8:30 AM – Noon	Lecture and demonstration of live birds
Noon – 1:00 PM	Lunch and Q/A
1:00 PM – 4:30 PM	Visit nesting sites and hunting habitats

## WHAT TO BRING:

- Sack lunch, snacks, energy bars, and **WATER**
- Binocular

## REMEMBER TO BRING THE 10 ESSENTIALS:

Rocky Mountain National Park recommends that hikers always carry the 10 essentials in their daypacks.

- Raingear
- Map and compass
- Flashlight or headlamp
- Sunglasses and sunscreen
- Candles
- Matches or other fire starter
- Pocketknife
- First-aid kit
- Extra layers of clothing
- Sack lunch, snacks, and water

*Note: Rocky Mountain Conservancy - Field Institute recommends that participants for all courses dress in layers and wear comfortable, sturdy hiking boots/shoes. Participants should be prepared for sudden changes in temperature and weather conditions.*

## REFUND POLICY:

Cancellations received at least 14 days prior to the start of a class will qualify for a refund minus a cancellation fee of \$25 per participant for a one-day class, \$50 for a multi-day class, \$5 per kid's class and \$15 per half-day class or bus tour seat. Registration money transferred to another class will be subject to a \$10 switch fee.

Cancellations received less than 14 days prior to the start of a class or bus tour will not generate a refund. If the Field Institute cancels a class, every effort will be made to place the participant in another class; otherwise, a full refund will be given.

## TEACHER RECERTIFICATION CREDIT:

Most courses are eligible for teacher recertification credit through the Centennial Board of Cooperative Education Services (BOCES). The fee is \$25 per class (.5 unit) or \$25 per series of threaded classes (1.0 - 3.0 units). A list of threaded courses can be found online at [www.RMConservancy.org](http://www.RMConservancy.org). Participants must enroll in all classes of a threaded series in order to qualify for the \$25 multi-unit fee. Please be prepared to pay for this credit with a check, made payable to BOCES, on the first day of a class or on the final day of a threaded series of courses.