

## LightHawk Facts Sheet

**Mission:** Accelerating conservation success through the powerful perspective of flight.

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**Staff & Volunteer Network:** Staff: 9, Volunteer Pilots: 300+, Conservation Partners: 120+

**Aviation for Conservation:** Founded in 1979, LightHawk is a 501(c)3 nonprofit and the largest conservation flying organization in the US. LightHawk Volunteer Pilots conduct hundreds of flights annually across North America at no cost to nonprofit organizations, researchers, media, and government entities to accelerate conservation impact.

**Conservation Initiatives:** Addressing urgent conservation issues in Climate Change, Wildlife, Watersheds, Landscapes, Oceans, and Coastlines.

**Requesting a Flight:** Nonprofits, researchers, journalists, photographers, and government officials can submit flight requests online, with a focus on accelerating conservation success and enhancing understanding of the environmental challenges facing our planet.

**Collaboration Opportunities:** Organizations are encouraged to establish true partnerships with LightHawk for sustained impact. Requests carefully vetted for alignment with conservation goals.

**Flight Considerations:** Comprehensive review to ensure alignment with LightHawk's conservation goals and responsible use of resources to maximize conservation impact.

**Focus on Environmental Issues:** Safeguarding ecosystems, protecting habitats and species, advocating for effective policies, and promoting sustainable practices.

**Contribution to Wildlife Conservation:** Active participation in protecting endangered or imperiled species through wildlife monitoring, transport, and habitat preservation.

**Funding:** LightHawk is funded by donations, grants, and program support. Tax-deductible gifts can be made online or by mail. Planned gifts, bequests, and other donations are welcomed.

**Educational Programs:** Commitment to education and outreach, conservation team often available for speaking engagements at conferences, workshops, and events.

**Safety and Sustainability:** Stringent requirements for Volunteer Pilots ensure safety. Compliance with Federal Aviation Regulations and commitment to high safety standards.

**Get Involved:** Individuals can contribute through financial support or explore becoming a LightHawk Volunteer Pilot. Detailed information is available on the website ([lighthawk.org](http://lighthawk.org)).