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Biography:

Dr. Parrish is the Technical Director of The Nature Conservancy's Global Protected Areas Strategy which aims to expand and strengthen the world's protected areas network to save biodiversity. His primary role is to bring TNC's experience and knowledge in conservation planning and monitoring and protected area management and design to the world stage to strengthen the global network of protected areas and ensure they are representative of *all* biodiversity, including freshwater, terrestrial and marine realms. His primary work within the Conservancy has been in conservation planning and measures of conservation success. His conservation science research has focused on Neotropical migratory bird ecology and conservation, the use of shaded tropical agriculture (cacao and coffee) in biodiversity conservation, and on protected area design and management.

Dr. Parrish has worked with The Nature Conservancy since 1996 in several different roles. He began as the Latin America Conservation Ornithologist for The Conservancy, working extensively on Neotropical migratory songbird biology and conservation and subsequently served as the Terrestrial Protected Areas Ecologist for TNC's Caribbean Program, striving for improved planning and science-based management of Caribbean terrestrial protected areas and conservation landscapes. He continued to champion the cause of science-based conservation planning and measurement of The Conservancy's success across its International Program as the Director of International Site Conservation. As the Director of Conservation Science in Colorado and the Rocky Mountain Division, he worked on conservation science, planning, and freshwater issues locally in the West, as well as globally in the Andes Division and in the Caribbean. Subsequently, as Director of Conservation Planning for TNC, he worked toward strengthening TNC's science basis through improved conservation planning across the organization. He now brings those experiences to practical application in TNC's Global Protected Areas Strategy. He sits on the World Commission on Protected Areas of the IUCN, and is fluent in Spanish.

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