# Biography: Robin Abell

# 1. Employer

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### 3. Experience

Robin has been with WWF's Conservation Science Program since 1997. The focus of her work has been global and continental-scale freshwater conservation assessments, and ecoregion-scale conservation planning. Her background is in aquatic ecology and conservation biology. She is a founder of the Society for Conservation Biology's Freshwater Working Group.

## 4. Principal research interests

- Broad-scale conservation planning for freshwater systems
- Protected areas for freshwaters

#### 5. Selection of papers

- Abell, R.A., Allan, J.D., and Lehner, B., In press. Unlocking the potential of protected areas for freshwaters. Biological Conservation.
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- Abell, R., Thieme, M., Dinerstein, E., and Olson, D., 2002. A Sourcebook for Conducting Biological Assessments and Biodiversity Visions for Ecoregion Conservation. Volume II: Freshwater Ecoregions. World Wildlife Fund, Washington, DC, USA.
- Abell, R.A., Olson, D.M., Dinerstein, E., Hurley, P.T., Diggs, J.T., Eichbaum, W., Walters, S., Wettengel, W., Allnutt, T., Loucks, C.J., and Hedao, P., 2000. Freshwater Ecoregions of North America: A Conservation Assessment. Island press, Washington, DC, USA.