

## JIM SANO

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## **ABOUT JIM**

Jim Sano is the World Wildlife Fund's Vice President for Conservation Travel. He directs WWF's community-based conservation travel programs, serves as the technical lead for WWF's partnerships with private sector travel companies, and oversees the organization's educational trips for WWF's most committed members and supporters.

Jim was formerly President of Geographic Expeditions, a San Francisco-based adventure travel company that offers educational travel, location management, and sustainable travel consulting services. Prior to joining Geographic Expeditions, Jim served as a National Park Service ranger and special assistant to the Superintendent at Yosemite National Park.

He is the recipient of five National Park Service Special Achievement awards and currently serves on Tompkins Conservation advisory board. Jim was the founding Chairman of the Mono Lake Foundation and has served on the boards of the Trust for Public Land, the Natural Step, and the Yosemite Restoration Trust. Jim also led the first American men and women's Everest expedition on the seldom attempted West Ridge and was the co-leader of the first guided crossing of South Georgia Island.

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