David N. Ewert

Dave Ewert became Director of Conservation Science for the Great Lakes Program of The Nature Conservancy in 2001; his role is to coordinate and initiate science-based work that furthers conservation throughout the Great Lakes area. Current areas of focus include evaluation of winter habitat of the Kirtland's Warbler in The Bahamas, protection of stopover sites for migratory birds in the Great Lakes region, and Great Lakes coastline and island protection.

Before assuming the Great Lakes program position, Dave was Director of the Science and Stewardship Program of the Michigan Chapter of The Nature Conservancy from 1985-2001.

From 1983-1985 he was Director of Land Stewardship for the Iowa Chapter of The Nature Conservancy. He has served as a fire manager for The Nature Conservancy and worked on a wide range of conservation topics, including invasive species and forest management.

Prior to his work with The Nature Conservancy, he was an Assistant Professor at Central Michigan University where he is now an Adjunct Associate Professor.

Dr. Ewert received his Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Michigan, and his Masters and Ph.D. from the City University of New York.

He has taught courses in Ornithology, Ecology, Conservation and Biology and conducted research on birds in Michigan, New York, the Virgin Islands, Bahamas and Venezuela. He has published a number of technical papers as well as articles on birds for natural history magazines. He has traveled widely throughout the West Indies, Central and South America to work on research and conservation projects.

He has served as a director, trustee or advisory board member of several natural resources-related organizations in Michigan and nationwide.