

**Dr. Holly Bamford**

Dr. Holly Bamford is a leader in fish and wildlife conservation. Currently, Dr. Bamford is the Chief Conservation Officer for the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF), responsible for advancing the Foundation's outcome-based approaches to conservation priorities that cover many ecosystems and address significant conservation challenges in oceans, coasts, forests, grasslands and freshwater environments. Prior to joining NFWF Dr. Bamford was the acting Assistant Secretary for Conservation and Management at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) supporting ocean and coastal policy and implementation for the Nation. Dr. Bamford was also the Assistant Administrator for NOAA's National Ocean Service (NOS), where she was responsible for over \$500 million in ocean and coastal observations, research, mapping, coastal management and marine sanctuaries in support of healthy ecosystems and the economies that depend on them. Dr. Bamford received her Ph.D. in organic environmental chemistry from the University of Maryland, College Park, and her work has been published in over 30 publications widely referenced in the field of environmental chemistry, natural resources, and water quality.