

About Pete Coppolillo**SUMMARY:**

I am an independent consultant and entrepreneur based in Bozeman. My pre-consulting career was in wildlife conservation, first developing and later implementing strategic frameworks for conservation. In 2010 I became a consultant and have partnered with non-profits, foundations and schools, including: the Sussex School (Missoula), Headwaters Academy (Bozeman), the Laguntza Foundation, Yellowstone Ecological Research Center, the Yellowstone Business Partnership, American Wildlands, and the US Agency for International Development. I also co-founded and own Visual Life Web, a Montana-based technology company dedicated to solving environmental challenges by facilitating the discovery, interpretation and application of ecological information.

Consulting Services Description:

During my conservation career, I learned that for many people, projects and organizations, the hardest question to answer was, "Why do you do what you do?" Through consulting I've learned that this challenge is not limited to conservation; many—indeed most—organizations struggle with this question for a variety of reasons. I use strategic planning as a foundation for project development, programmatic decision-making and stakeholder engagements, from conflict resolution to coalition building. My approach builds on the idea that transparency and clear priorities are essential starting points for achievement, whether working within or among organizations.

Professional Affiliations and Licenses: None

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Focus of Consulting Practice - Indicate whether each focus area below is Primary (P) or Secondary (S) - or leave it blank if you don't work in that focus area.

Advocacy/Public Policy:	
Board Development& Governance:	S
Communications/Marketing/Public Relations:	S
Financial Management:	
Fundraising/Fund Development:	S
Human Resources, inc. Volunteers:	
Information Technology:	S
Management/Staff Development:	
Organizational Change (mission/vision, restructuring, strategic alliances):	P
Organizational Planning (strategic, business, operational, and other forms of planning):	P
Program Planning/Design and Evaluation:	P
Other Practice Areas:	Technical services: Conflict resolution, Capacity Building and Training Needs Assessment, Scenario-Based Planning, Scientific Communication

Types of Nonprofits Served

Arts and Culture (museums, performing arts, historical societies)

- ☒☒ Social/Human Services (food banks, shelters, and disability services)
- ☒☒ Education (including private schools and home school associations)
- ☒☒ Community/Economic Development (community centers and economic development agencies)
- ☒☒ Philanthropy/Grantmaking/Fundraising (foundations and workplace giving campaigns)
- ☒☒ Conservation/Natural Resources (land trusts, education/awareness)
- ☒☒ Animal Services (shelter and adoption)

Service Area(s):

Are there limits to your service area (check all that apply)

- International
- National
- Statewide
- Within ___ Miles of my home community
- Only within my home community
- Other _____

Experience Years in Consulting Practice: _____

Years as Nonprofit Staff: _____

Years as a Volunteer: _____

Type of Organization:

For-profit Business (corporations, partnerships, sole proprietors)

Nonprofit Organization

Other _____