

## **Danielle Keysaw**

Danielle was born and raised in Utah. Early in life, she gained a great passion for animals and the outdoors. Her mother inspired her passion for life, kindness, and peace, and her father taught her how to be a hard worker, independent, and resourceful. As a kid, Danielle loved being creative with the outdoors: pretending her bicycle was a horse or pretending to make potions with nature's materials. Through high school, Danielle participated in auto shop classes, becoming vice president of her high school's SkillsUSA club along with enjoying dabbling in many forms of art. After high school, she went on to become a manager of a restaurant for 2 years before she tried her hand at being a zookeeper for another 2 years. At this job, she solidified her decision to pursue a career related to wildlife. While discovering this passion for animals, she got married, had a child, and enjoyed the challenge and adventure that motherhood has brought her. After going back to work making jewelry, she found her interest in conservation and has pursued it ever since. She is set to graduate with a Bachelor of Science, majoring in Biology and minoring in Environmental Studies in May of 2024. After graduation, she intends to pursue a career in Conservation Ecology.