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Peter Kareiva is the chief scientist for The Nature Conservancy, where he is responsible for developing and helping to implement science-based conservation. Peter joined The Nature Conservancy in 2002 after more than 20 years in academics and work at the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, where he directed the Northwest Fisheries Science Center Conservation Biology Division. In addition to his duties as the Conservancy's chief scientist, his current projects emphasize the interplay of human land-use and biodiversity, resilience in the face of global change, and marine conservation. In addition to conducting research, Peter believes that general communications and writing are essential in science, and has written (with Dr. Michelle Marvier) the conservation textbook *Conservation Science: Balancing the Needs of People and Nature* (Roberts & Company 2010). In May 2011, Peter Kareiva was named a member of the National Academy of Sciences for his excellence in original scientific research. Peter received his Ph.D. in ecology and evolutionary biology from Cornell University.