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Brent Rogers holds a BA in Biology and has 32 years of experience in food R&D with Cargill, Inc. Rogers was raised with the tradition of hunting and cultivating the land. That has become deeply rooted in his personal and professional pursuits.

Growing up on an Iowa farm and raising Standard Bronze turkeys, he then had a front-row seat to wild turkey restoration. As wild turkeys were restored to his local landscape by the 1980s, he eagerly pursued conservation and hunting of our grand American bird. As a hunter-conservationist and a wild turkey historian, he regularly provides education through speaking and writing.

Rogers has been a guest on numerous podcasts, regularly hosts seminars, and has written or co/authored many magazine articles and three books on wild turkey history: *Turkey Call and Literature Collector's Guide* (2023), *Yelp & Gobble, Inc.* (2024), and *The Origin and Evolution of Turkey Calls* (2026). He has contributed to or been acknowledged in an additional 12 books. He provides book reviews for the Mossy Oak Bottomland Book Club and curates a personal collection of over 10,000 items relating to wild turkey history.

Rogers is a member of Turkeys For Tomorrow and has served on boards and committees at the local, state, and national levels with the National Wild Turkey Federation (NWTf). In 2024, he served as the History Advisor for the Mossy Oak film "The Colonel and the Fox." In 2025, he became one of the founding Directors of the American Wild Turkey Historical Foundation, a nonprofit organization dedicated to promoting and preserving the rich heritage and culture surrounding the American wild turkey through their Wild Turkey Archives. In 2026, he provided an online course module on "The History of Wild Turkey Management for the University of Florida Game Lab and was awarded the NWTf Tom Kelly Communicator of the Year Award.