# American Fisheries Society Western division newsletter

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#### PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The 1979-1980 year has been busy for the Society's largest division (about 1,900 members) with 13 committees operating. Current officers Bob Wiley, President; Gordon Haugen, President-elect; Bruce May, Secretary-Treasurer have been busy administering the division and its 15 chapters.

Several sessional committees have been very active through the year. The Riparian Habitat Committee (Don Duff, Chairman) is developing a position statement relative to the riparian ecosystem -- grazing issue in the Western U.S. Letters have been drafted for Society consideration addressing U.S. Forest Service management plans affecting the riparian ecosystem.

A committee to consider Alaska fishery issues has been active and is chaired by Lou Carafel. A detailed report and possible position statements will be available at the annual meeting of the division.

The Endangered Species Committee (Phil Pister, Chairman) reports preparation of several resolutions for the upcoming annual meeting. Resolutions will address endangered species programs in Mexico and Canada, amendments to the Endangered Species Act, and state programs concerned with management of nongame species.

One of the most important committees, the Student Concerns Committee, has offered excellent input. Attendance at national and division meetings is a major concern and the committee has suggested that the divisions or Society sponsor attendance of one member from each student chapter at division or Society meetings. The Committee also recommends that

the Society appoint student representatives to the Executive Committee so that input from that sector is assured. Relative to accreditation the Committee recommends the Society consider certifying curricula rather than instructors.

A Publications Committee (Brian Waters, Chairman) has provided important information. The Committee was established to address an apparent gap in means of publication in the Division and Society. Much valuable information relative to sources of fishery information has been gathered and a report will be prepared for submission to Fisheries. The job of amassing information on even recent (last 5 years) publications in the Western U.S. seems virtually impossible considering the amount available in a single state. The cost of of assembling the worthwhile catalog would be prohibitive for the Western Division.

The division is actively considering a split into the Northwestern and Southwestern divisions. The decision will be voted upon in the June ballot.

To improve relationships with the Western Association of Game and Fish Commissioners (WAGFC) each director was provided information relative to Committees in the division and asked for input in areas interesting to them. Response has been pleasing.

In spite of its size the Western Division continues to function. The nearly two years in office have been very pleasant and rewarding for me. I wish to extend my sincere thanks to all those who have helped me.

Bob Wiley

#### ARRANGEMENTS

Make your plans early to attend the joint meeting of the Western Division of Fish and Wildlife Agencies and Western Division of American Fisheries Society to be held in Kalispell, Montana, July 13-17th. The theme will be "Urban Challenges to Rural Resources."

Papers for the Fisheries Technical Sessions are already selected and the program looks great! There will be sessions on Instream Flows and Riparian Habitat Management that should draw a crowd. Other sessions include New Techniques in Fish Culture, Alternative Species Management for the Columbia River, Kokanee Management in Lakes, and Indian-Non Indian Fishing Conflicts. The Western Division business meeting will be held Monday afternoon. Stop by and learn more about your society!

Social events include an opportunity to win big prizes during Casino Nite on Monday. Blackjack, 21, craps and poker games will entice the gambler to use his play money to bid for some fabulous prizes. Tuesday night a barbeque will be held on the shores of Flathead Lake and a scenic boat trip will be provided. Wednesday night watch artists in a "quick draw" program prior to the Awards Banquet and then the famous Mission Mountain Wood Band will present a two hour performance. There will be opportunities for tours into nearby Glacier Park and some whitewater float trips on the forks of the mighty Flathead River.

There will be a mailout in early April to all AFS members, so preregister early and make the Western Division AFS meeting a success.

Any additional questions may be directed to Ron Marcous, Montana Dept. of Fish and Game, 8695 Huffine Lane, Bozeman, MT 59715.

#### TENTATIVE PROGRAM

July 14 Executive Committee Meeting (AFS)
Business Meeting (AFS)

July 15 TECHNICAL SESSIONS

Indian/Non-Indian Fishing Conflicts: What effects are they having on anadromous fishery resources? Moderator - Rollie Rousseau, ODFW, Portland, OR Klamath River: Gary Rankel, USFWS,

Arcata, CA

Puget Sound: Loren Stern, WDF,

Olympia, WA

Columbia River: Bob Tuck

Yakima Indian Nation,

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Columbia River:

Burnie Bohn, ODFW,

Clackamas, OR

NEW TECHNIQUES IN FISH CULTURE Moderator Jack Larmoyeux, USFWS Billings MT

Biological Requirements and Hatchery Design:

Carol Brown, KCM Seattle, WA

Disease Control: Ron Goede, UDF&W

Logan, UT

Genetics and Broodstock Management:

Earl Pyle, USFWS

Beulah, WY

Fish Nutrition: Lee Orm, USFWS,

Spearfish, SD

July 16 RIPIRIAN HABITAT MANAGEMENT Moderator Don Duff, BLM

Salt Lake City, UT

AGENCY VIEWS AND POSITIONS U.S. Forest Service Bureau of Land Management Fish and Wildlife Service Soil Conservation Service Corps of Engineers

## PANEL DISCUSSIONS

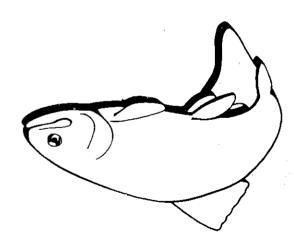
Bob Behnke, Colorado State University Ft. Collins John Peterson, Fish and Wildlife Service, Albuquerque, NM Ted Lucas, Montana Stockgrowers Association, Highwood, MT John Shouse, Madison-Gallatin Blue Ribbon APO, Bozeman, MT

John Sainsbury, Environmental Protection Assoc. Seattle, WN

#### KEZOLUTIONS

action at the annual meeting in Kalispell. and have them ready for discussion and so soon so Don will have time to check them who wish to submit a resolution should do Division. Any chapters and/or individuals Don Archer is the chairman for Western

Salt Lake City, UT 84111 125 S. State **NZEMZ** Don Archer



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AO ,bnommsH Joseph T. Durkin, WFS Utilization of Estuaries Fin Fish:

Wellprint, WA Spokane Tribe of Indians Glenn Galbraith, Upper Columbia; Fishery Management Alternatives for the

Fr. Collins, CO Moderator Clair Stalnaker USFWS KECEAL SINDIES AND APPLICATION IN STREAM FLOW REQUIREMENT FOR FISHERIES

Thomas R. Lambert River, California Small-Mouth Bass in the San Joaquin An Instream Flow Needs Study Involving

Moscow, ID University of Idaho Robert G. White to reduce Stream Discharge Response of Fish and Fish-Food Organism

Hal Beecher in Western Washington Instream Flows and Steelhead Production

Fredrick A. Nelson MDFC&P Southwest Montana Methods Applied to Four Trout Rivers in Application of Four Instream Flow

Cheyenne, WY Thomas Wesche WF&G Thoughts and Recommendations

Kalispell, MT Maney Hanzel MDFG&P Kokanee in Large Reservoirs

#### EFECTIONS

ballots will be included in the June Mewsletter. contact Kirk soon. Candidates will be listed and running for Western Div. Officers should prospective officers. Anyone interested in Kirk Beiningen (ODFW) is developing a list of

#### AFS MEMBERSHIP CONCERNS

### Western Division March 1980

This questionaire provides you an opportunity to conveniently express your satisfaction or concerns about the American Fisheries Society. Your views will be representative of our Division in a report to President Dick Stroud. Please complete this form (you need not identify yourself) and send it by April 15 to: James B. Reynolds, Alaska Cooperative Fishery Research Unit, University of Alaska, Fairbanks 99701. Thanks-JBR.

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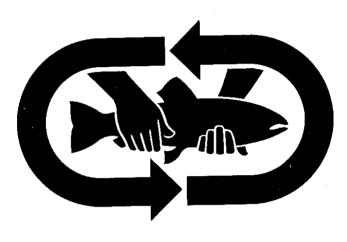
#### GRAZING & STREAMS

Trout Unlimited and 12 other organizations and government agencies sponsored a very successful national symposium on the impact of Grazing on RIPARIAN/Stream Ecosystems in November, 1978. The quality and content of the papers presented has been widely acclaimed by those in attendance. Copies proceedings, entitled FORUM-GRAZING AND RIPARIAN/STREAM ECOSYSTEMS, are available from Trout Unlimited National Headquarters. 118 Park Street, S.E., Vienna, Virginia 22180, for \$3.00, postpaid.

# POSTERS POSTERS - POSTERS

Several excellent posters have already been submitted for display at the annual meeting in Kalispell and there is room for several more. For additional information on what is apprapous and how to submit, contact:

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