AREA Mission:
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www.areanet.org
WELCOME TO THE 13TH AREA BIENNIAL TRAINING CONFERENCE!

On behalf of the Executive Board and Conference Committee, we welcome you to the 2018 AREA Training and Conference. With beautiful Lake Tahoe as the backdrop, enjoy a diverse program that will inspire you to return home with ideas and enthusiasm. We encourage you to jump right into the conversations and make a splash.

2018 SPLASH TOPICS AND EVENTS:

**Volunteers** – Can Millennials help you? Tom McKee will start us off Tuesday with a presentation and workshop titled “Mobilizing the Power and Passion of a New Breed of Volunteer – The Changing Volunteer Culture”.

**Recruitment, Retention and Reactivation** – How do you spell R3? Join the discussions on surveys and evaluations, and learn how to engage and empower the next generation on Wednesday. On Thursday, a team of AREA members will bring it all together with “Angler R3 - From Planning to Practice”.

**Multi-cultural Appreciation** – What do your audiences look like? Find out what using partners and cultural outreach looks like.

**Roundtable Discussions** - What do you know? The popular and insightful roundtable discussions have returned from the last conference. Bring your pressing topics and questions.

Know that collectively we are the leaders in this nation’s Aquatic Resource Education and what you bring or take from this conference will make a difference. Be the ripple that becomes a wave!

Let AREA be your pool. Look around and you will see that we are wading alongside together and helping each other stay afloat. Before the end of this conference, please see one of the AREA Board Members to discuss how you can be involved. Sink or swim, we can do it better together.

Sincerely,

LARRY PAPE
AREA President-Elect
2016-2018

KAREN MARKS
AREA President
2016-2018

2016-2018
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**GENERAL INFORMATION**

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**LODGING / MEALS AND BREAKS**
Lodge guests receive 3 meals per day*, free Wi-Fi and parking. If staying offsite, you will need to register for a lodge “Off Grounds” package. All participants must have a Granlibakken name badge in order to participate in the meals and meetings. Name badges are issued by the Granlibakken front office during registration. Extra meals may be arranged through the lodge. Box lunches will be provided to those participating in the off-site trip to Taylor Creek Visitor Center on Thursday.

*On your arrival date, you will receive dinner; on your departure date, you will receive breakfast and lunch.

- Breakfast (buffet) is served at 7:30 am; Lunch is served at Noon; Dinner is served at 6:30 pm.
- Lodge check-in time is 4:00pm; check-out time is 11:00am.
- All guest rooms and public areas are non-smoking.
- Amenities include an outdoor heated pool, sauna, and hot tub. Day Spa services are available by reservation.

The lodge airport shuttle to/from Reno/Tahoe International Airport is $49.00/person each way. A pre-paid reservation must be made 7 days in advance. Airport pickup service requires Granlibakken to be notified of the airline, flight number and arrival time. Reserve by calling 800.543.3221, or book using: www.northlaketahoeexpress.com.

**EXHIBITS**
Please take time to visit with our Exhibitors! Exhibits will open Tuesday at Noon, and close on Thursday at 1:30 pm. Exhibits will be located outside the main meeting hall, The Lake Room.

Exhibitors may set up on Tuesday morning.

**SILENT AUCTION**
Thank you for donating your silent auction items and for bidding high – your contributions help fund scholarships for attendees. This year, through your generosity, we provided conference scholarships for two AREA members and one graduate student.

Silent Auction items may be dropped off at the AREA registration table. Please complete a silent auction sheet for your donated item to include the donor’s name and estimated value.

The silent auction will be located inside the main meeting hall, The Lake Room, and will open on Tuesday at 4:30 pm and will close on Thursday at 1:30 pm. BID HIGH AND BID OFTEN!

Payment methods: Cash, Check or Credit Card (3% surcharge will be added to credit card payments)
AWARDS BANQUET
AREA recognizes individuals or organizations in three (3) award categories at the AREA national conference. The final selection is determined by the AREA Awards Committee. The Award Banquet will be held on Thursday evening with live music from the Banana Slug String Band.

Roland Sigurdson Outstanding Aquatic Education Program
Recognizes any member’s aquatic education programming that increases public appreciation for, and understanding of, the values of aquatic resources and/or provides/promotes angler education and fishing opportunities to diverse audiences.

Steve Campbell Outstanding Aquatic Educator
Recognizes a member’s effort in the area of increasing public appreciation for, and understanding of, the values of aquatic resources and is a leader in providing/promoting angler education and fishing opportunities to diverse audiences in a fun, energetic and enthusiastic manner.

Exceptional Support of AREA or an AREA Program
Nominees in this category may be individuals, organizations, businesses, or volunteers, who have demonstrated exceptional and ongoing effort to support Aquatic Resources Education Association (AREA) or its program providers on a local and/or national level.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS
Granlibakken Lodge
725 Granlibakken Road
Tahoe City, CA 96145
800-543-3221

AREA Registration & Payment Assistance
Carol Paterick, 301-805-0784
(Eastern Time)

ON SITE DURING THE CONFERENCE:
Karen Marks (TX), AREA President
CELL: 512-913-7615 or 512-825-3721

Larry Pape,
AREA President-Elect
CELL: 402-310-9560

Steve Marshall,
AREA Treasurer
CELL: 561-662-0518 or 561-779-5142

Kimberly Sullivan,
AREA Secretary
CELL: 401-692-9886 or 401-330-0634

Barb Giger,
AREA Past President
CELL: 515-250-8848
YOUR AREA 2018

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

The conference committee began working 18 months ago to find a host site and plan a wonderful learning experience for the members of AREA. We hope you enjoy your week in Lake Tahoe.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE A PART OF THE 2020 CONFERENCE PLANNING TEAM, PLEASE CONTACT: Larry Pape, AREA President 2018-2020 by email at larry.pape@nebraska.gov or by phone at 402-471-5447.

JOIN US IN 2020!
FOR THE 14TH AREA BIENNIAL TRAINING CONFERENCE

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AREA BOARD MEETING
New board members are welcome to join the meeting. The board will meet to approve the September meeting minutes and finalize conference business.

CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FISH & WILDLIFE STAFF MEETING
CDFW staff will hold a general meeting.

USFWS – WSFR MEETING
WSFR staff will hold a general meeting.

NEW MEMBER MIXER
Please join us to meet and welcome new AREA members.

LUNCH & DINNER
Lunch and dinner is included in your lodging fee and will be served in the Granhall

SOCIAL HOUR
Join us for informal gathering in the Ski Hut to network with your colleagues. Complimentary beverages and snacks will be provided.
RBFF has its Sights Set on Reaching 60 Million Anglers in 60 Months.

Recruit – Retain – Reactivate (R3) anglers and boaters to ensure the future of fishing and conservation.
Visit www.TakeMeFishing.org/60in60.
## Agenda

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**Welcome**
Charlton “Chuck” Bonham, California Department of Fish and Wildlife Director

**Area General Membership Meeting**

**Partner Updates**
Updates from USFWS Wildlife and Sport Fish Restoration (WSFR) and Fish and Aquatic Conservation (FAC); and R3 Program updates.

**Key Note & Afternoon Workshop**
“Mobilizing the Power and Passion of A New Breed of Volunteer — The Changing Volunteer Culture” with Tom McKee. Everyone will receive a copy of McKee’s book, a book signing will take place after the workshop.
HELP US SHAPE THE NEXT GENERATION OF ANGLERS!

We’re on a mission to connect Kids and Family with Nature through fishing adventures that strengthen family relationships, build stewardship of the environment, and provide positive primary outdoor angling education for families with children between the ages of 5-16.

FAMILY FISH CAMPS

- Water safety practices,
- Fish identification and measurement
- Proper Catch and Release techniques
- Different types of rods and reels
- Fishing knots
- Bait, lures and artificial bobber fishing
- “Leave-No-Trace” philosophy
- State Fish and Game rules and regulations

Help us shape the next generation of anglers and ensure the future of the fishing industry for years to come. Contact shane@fishingsfuture.org for sponsorship opportunities.
CHARLTON “CHUCK” BONHAM 
CDFW DIRECTOR

Charlton “Chuck” Bonham was appointed as Director of the California Department of Fish and Wildlife, effective September 6, 2011. Prior to his appointment as Director of Fish and Wildlife, Mr. Bonham served in a number of roles for Trout Unlimited over ten years, including since 2004 as the organization’s California director.

Mr. Bonham was responsible for developing, managing, and implementing TU’s programs in California. These programs include the California Water Project, Sportsmen’s Conservation Project, and restoration and watershed projects in both northern and southern California. In addition, Mr. Bonham was a senior attorney for the organization.

Mr. Bonham also served on the Board of Directors of the Delta Conservancy, whose mission is to conserve, sustain and enhance the cultural, agricultural, recreational, wildlife and natural habitat resources of the River Delta region, as well as develop and promote sustainable protection, management and stewardship programs through research and education.

Mr. Bonham received his J.D. and Environmental and Natural Resources Law Certificate from the Northwestern School of Law of Lewis and Clark College, in Portland, Oregon. Before Trout Unlimited, he was a Peace Corps volunteer in Senegal, West Africa, and an instructor and guide at the Nantahala Outdoor Center, in Bryson City, N.C.

Mr. Bonham brings a diverse background and a longstanding appreciation for the outdoors to the position.

CHRISTY VIGFUSSON 
CHIEF, PROGRAMS BRANCH, USFWS WILDLIFE & SPORT FISH RESTORATION PROGRAM

The Programs Branch works closely with the Regional WSFR Offices, WSFR HQ Branches, and external partners to support the consistent management and administration of the WSFR grant programs. Programs Branch staff manage the merit review process for WSFR competitive grant programs, support formula programs through budget development and working with Regional WSFR Offices for program consistency, and directly administer the Multi-State Conservation Grant Program in coordination with the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies and grants to the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation. Programs Branch staff also provides leadership and support for the TRACS Working Group, the 5 Year Report, and the WSFR Strategic Communications Planning Team.

Christy has worked with the WSFR program in HQ for over 12 years in various roles, including as the national program lead for National Coastal Wetland Conservation Grants, State Wildlife Grants, Boating Infrastructure Grants, Clean Vessel Act, as the national WSFR lead for performance accountability reporting, and the Strategic Plan national coordinator.

She earned a Master of Science from Cornell University in Soil and Crop Sciences with a research focus on the impact of earthworms on agroforestry systems and soils in the Brazilian Amazon. She earned a Bachelor of Science from the Ohio University Honors College in Environmental and Plant Biology.

Christy lives in Arlington, Virginia with her husband Rob and two boys. She was born and raised in Dayton, Ohio.
Motivational speaker and co-author of *The New Breed: Understanding and Equipping the 21st Century Volunteer*. Attendees will receive a complimentary copy of Tom’s book.

Tom McKee is a leading volunteer management speaker, trainer and consultant, and is recognized as one of today’s foremost international authorities on volunteer management. He has trained more than 100,000 managers how to facilitate their work teams through times of unremitting change and has spoken to over half a million people in Europe, Africa and the United States, including companies and organizations of all sizes.


He is on the adjunct faculty of The Training Source, a division of the Los Rios Community College District, teaching business change management and leadership development classes.

Tom has authored successful books including "They Don’t Play My Music Anymore—How to Plan Your Future When the World Keeps Changing", "How to Make the Team Work" a supervisor training manual for new managers and is the co-author of "The New Breed—Understanding and Equipping the 21st Century volunteer".

**CONNIE YOUNG-DUBOVSKY**  
*Fisheries Biologist, USFWS Fish & Aquatic Conservation*

Connie Young-Dubovsky is a Fish Biologist for the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in Denver, Colorado. She coordinates the regional fisheries data base and Outreach activities with field offices in an 8-state region which includes Montana, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, Kansas, Nebraska, North Dakota and South Dakota. Her primary Outreach and Education responsibilities include maintaining lists of all fishery facility outreach and education events, passing on all requests related to national Outreach and Education initiatives, and coordinating with other Service Programs. She also contributes to the national conservation education online newsletter and passes through updates to External Affairs on activities of regional and national interest.

Connie has been with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service for 22 years working as a NEPA Coordinator and a Federal Aid Coordinator in addition to her primary role as a Fish biologist. An additional 3 years was spent as a Wild and Scenic River coordinator for the Forest Service. She has past experience as a State Hatchery Manager in North Carolina where she was involved with Project Wild and coordinated school visits to the hatchery. Connie received her B.S. in Animal Science from the University of Maryland and her M.S. in Fishery and Wildlife Biology from Colorado State University. She has two grown daughters and is married to a Migratory Bird biologist who also works for the Service.
### Directions

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**OCTOBER 24**  
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**AREA** members provide presentations as a way of giving back to the organization – **THANK YOU** to all who offered to present a session.

Single sessions will run 45 minutes and double sessions will run 1 hour and 45 minutes, each followed by a 15-minute transition. Some sessions are offered twice.

**CONCURRENT SESSIONS**  
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**LUNCH**

| 1:30 pm | Plugging Into the Digital Angler *(Barb Gigar)*                          | Aquatic Education Programs for Diverse Audiences *(Virginia Guhin, Robin Madrid)* *(DOUBLE SESSION)* | Surveys vs Evaluations: Best Practices to Get the Information You Need. *(Tracy Page)* *(REPEAT)* | WILD about Fishing *(Lori Adams)* *(REPEAT)*                                  |
| 2:30 pm | Beyond the Fly Box: Tying into Social Networks *(Scott Travers)* *(REPEAT)* |                                                                              | Engaging and Empowering our Next Generation of Anglers with R3 Entertainment & Classroom Aquatic Education *(Dan Bertalan)* *(REPEAT)* | We All Live Downstream - Interpretive Teaching *(Doug Greenfield & Larry Graff, Banana Slug String Band)* *(DOUBLE SESSION)* |
| 3:30 pm | Boneyard to Nature Site: Creating an Aquatic Education Site *(Cheryl Moxley)* | Weaving Cultural Values and Traditions to Sustain Fishing *(Rosemary Camacho)* | Reign in the Chaos: Best Practices in Classroom Management *(Tracy Page)* |                                                                              |
Coalition is a recent partnership and outreach via the Gettin’ Families Fishin’ future generations. Expansion of education they must play in slowing the spread of AIS (AIS) in the U.S, anglers must know the part the introduction of Aquatic Invasive Species supported by our foundation. Additionally, with individuals and organizations throughout the United States to expose potential new anglers of all ages to the sport of fishing and educate them on how to catch fish and protect the resource. The educational component of what the FAF does is critical to the future of the sport because equipment alone will not catch fish, each angler must have the knowledge needed to use the equipment effectively. Both urban and rural clinics and events are needed to use the equipment effectively. Expansion of education and outreach via the Gettin’ Families Fishin’ Coalition is a recent partnership.

LOCATION: Diamond Peak Room
SESSION TIME: Wed., 8:30 AM
PRESENTER: ROBERT “NICK” SCHMAL
Executive Director
Future Angler Foundation

DON’T REINVENT THE REEL: SHARING 20 YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE

DESCRIPTION: Whether you have an established fishing program in your state or are starting from scratch, Doug Darr will share his experience and teaching philosophy that has helped Alabama’s Aquatic Resource Education program thrive. Learn about acquiring and engaging your volunteers as well as your participants. Bring home useful tips to create partnerships with teachers, volunteers and personnel. It takes a village to build a strong, sustainable fishing program.

LOCATION: Scott Peak Room
SESSION TIMES: Wed., 8:30 AM, Repeated at 10:30 AM
PRESENTER: DOUG DARR
Aquatic Education Coordinator
Alabama Wildlife and FW Fisheries Division

SURVEYS VS EVALUATIONS: BEST PRACTICES TO GET THE INFORMATION YOU NEED

DESCRIPTION: How can we improve our programs? Survey and evaluation! In this session you will learn about the best practices of survey and evaluation that will get you the information you need. We will explore the many tools available to you and discuss how to create a well-crafted survey question. But most importantly, we will discuss the difference between a survey and an evaluation.

LOCATION: Granite Peak Room
SESSION TIMES: Wed., 8:30 AM, Repeated at 1:30 PM
PRESENTER: TRACY PAGE
Aquatic Education Coordinator
Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources.

WILD ABOUT FISHING

Description: Join this hands-on session to learn about the WILD about Fishing program. It is designed to be a festival similar to that of the National Project WILD’s Flying WILD curriculum. A dozen or more activities (that you may or may not have seen before) will be incorporated into the festival, designed to be taught by students, teachers, and adult volunteers. Participants of the workshop will take part in the Fishing Festival and brainstorm ideas to include it in classrooms. Idaho’s first WILD about Fishing workshop was launched in April 2018 and was a success. Lori will share her successes and adaptations she acquired through sponsoring this workshop.

LOCATION: Alumni Room
SESSION TIMES: Wed., 8:30 AM, Repeated at 1:30 PM
PRESENTER: LORI ADAMS
Aquatic Education and Project WILD/Coordinator
Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game

UTILIZING PARTNERS TO ENGAGE HISPANIC AUDIENCES

DESCRIPTION: In 2017 and 2018 Iowa recruited local partners to apply for Vamos a Pescar grants. These grants have provided avenues to reach Hispanic audiences in three very different settings. Response from local partners and the Hispanic communities in all three have been very positive and the relationship between our agency and community anglers is much improved. Two of the programs have already expanded to include other outdoor activities. This session will include an overview of how Vamos a Pescar was implemented at the three locations as well as the challenges and successes.

LOCATION: Diamond Peak Room
SESSION TIME: Wed., 9:30 AM
PRESENTER: BARB GIGAR
Angler R3 Lead
Iowa Dept. of Natural Resources

WADING INTO SOCIAL MEDIA

DESCRIPTION: To remain (or become) relevant in an ever-changing world, we must go to the places where our audiences are located. The average child spends more than 6 hours a day connected to technology- if we want to either become or remain relevant, we must embrace these technologies. Additionally, audiences that we previously were unable to connect with are consistently utilizing technology and social media to connect to the world around them. This session will include lively discussion on the technologies we can use to achieve our aquatic education goals.

LOCATION: Scott Peak Room
SESSION TIME: Wed., 9:30 AM
PRESENTERS:
ETHAN ROTMAN
Fishing in the City/Trout in the Classroom Coordinator
California Dept. of Fish and Wildlife
RICHARD MUÑOZ
Fishing in the City / Classroom Aquarium and Education Program Coordinator
California Dept. of Fish and Wildlife
GETTING ON TRACK WITH TRACS 2.0
DESCRIPTION: Current status and demos on WSFR’s Tracking and Reporting Accomplishments on Conservation of Species (TRACS), including developments of new enhanced TRACS (e-TRACS v2.0)
LOCATION: Granite Peak Room
SESSION TIME: Wed., 9:30AM
PRESENTERS:
JUSTIN CUTLER
Fish & Wildlife Biologist/ Grant Management Specialist
Region 8 USFW-WSFR
MARY PRICE
Fish & Wildlife Biologist/ Grant Management Specialist
Region 7 USFW-WSFR
VETERAN SERVICE PROGRAMS AND PUBLIC LANDS: A NEW PARADIGM
DESCRIPTION: (Double Session.) In this hands-on workshop, learn about the Fisheries for Veterans Project - an innovative partnership that works with local communities to help design, develop and conduct activities connecting veterans and their families, the community, government programs, and non-profit organizations using public lands resources. We’ll explore the case for promoting inclusiveness, better connection, and empowerment for an often overlooked group. Join us as we take a look at the roles of nonprofits, agencies, and community organizations in promoting the sustainability of service efforts and the outcomes and benefits of such efforts for your organizations.
LOCATION: Diamond Peak Room
SESSION TIMES: Wed., 10:30 AM, Repeated at 2:30 PM
PRESENTER:
SCOTT TRAVERS
Technical Assistant to Aquatic Resource Education/ Hunter Education Coordinators
Rhode Island Department of Environmental Management Division of Fish and Wildlife

BEYOND THE FLY BOX: TYING INTO SOCIAL NETWORKS
DESCRIPTION: One of the main barriers preventing people from fishing is not having anyone to go with. Learn how Rhode Island’s Aquatic Resource Education program overcomes that barrier by hosting the successful ‘Community Fly Tying’ program. Using R3 strategies, Scott Travers has created the opportunity for random people who already live near one another a chance to not only tie flies and fish but to also create a social network in that area to support and continue engagement in fly fishing and fly tying. The program has seen dramatic increases in popularity over time, repeat participation on behalf of the other students, establishment of peer groups which continue to grow, and the eventual transition of some participants to instructors who now assist with this program and others.
LOCATION: Diamond Peak Room
SESSION TIMES: Wed., 10:30 AM, Repeated at 2:30 PM
PRESENTER:
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DON’T REINVENT THE REEL: SHARING 20 YEARS OF TEACHING EXPERIENCE
(Repeat session, see description on page 14)
SESSION TIME: Wed., 10:30 AM
PRESENTER:
DAN BERTALAN
Director
Into the Outdoors Education Network

ENGAGING AND EMPOWERING OUR NEXT GENERATION OF ANGLERS WITH R3 ENTERTAINMENT AND CLASSROOM AQUATIC EDUCATION
DESCRIPTION: This session creatively explores how states can use the new national Getting’ Families Fishin’ Coalition’s R3 initiative to reshape the future of fishing and aquatic education. This multi-level entertainment and education program offers a clear path to help achieve R3 goals by touching the hearts and minds of millions of kids and families using Emmy-winning broadcast television, digital channels, while also engaging kids in classrooms with family-fishing lessons and aquatic education curriculum. Unlike other programs, all television shows, angling and aquatic education videos, and all classroom curriculum are being shared freely, open-source to all state and federal agencies, who in turn, have the opportunity to shape the content to fulfill their goals.
LOCATION: Granite Peak Room
SESSION TIMES: Wed., 10:30 AM, Repeated at 2:30 PM
PRESENTER:
DAN BERTALAN
Director
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PLUGGING INTO THE DIGITAL ANGLER
DESCRIPTION: Our customers already consume a massive amount of angling information and advice available on a host of online platforms. Can online instruction and support provide a path for new/novice anglers? What already exists? What is the need? Are there opportunities for collaboration? What are the challenges? Rewards? Examples of existing products and uses will be shared followed by a facilitated discussion of potential opportunities. Come prepared to share your experience, concerns, hopes and ideas for online learning to support anglers.
LOCATION: Diamond Peak Room
SESSION TIME: Wed., 1:30 PM
PRESENTER:
BARB GIGAR
Angler R3 Lead
Iowa Dept. of Natural Resources
AQUATIC EDUCATION PROGRAMS FOR DIVERSE AUDIENCES

DESCRIPTION: (Double Session.) Participants will learn about the Aquatic Education programs offered at the California Department of Fish and Wildlife’s (CDFW) two estuarine-based education and research facilities. Located along California’s central coast is the Elkhorn Slough Ecological Reserve and National Estuarine Research Reserve, and in southern California is the Back Bay Science Center at Upper Newport Bay Ecological Reserve. Starting with a classroom style presentation, CDFW staff will highlight the similarities and differences of programs and facilities at these two unique locations. Attendees will have a chance to learn about the successes and challenges of programming at both sites, and gain take away lessons and messages they could potentially apply to their own programs. Afterwards, hands-on activities will be offered outside, incorporating: 1) the opportunity to learn more about citizen science tools that are quick, inexpensive to make, and easy to use; and 2) A Global Learning and Observations to Benefit the Environment (GLOBE) metadata collection training, and information about potential partnerships with this international NASA funded organization.

LOCATION: Scott Peak Room

SESSION TIME: Wed., 1:30 PM
(Double Session, 1 hr 45 min)

PRESENTERS:
VIRGINIA GUHIN  
Program Coordinator/ Interpreter II, Elkhorn Slough Reserve  
California Dept. of Fish and Wildlife

ROBIN MADRID  
Education Program Coordinator, Back Bay Science Center  
California Dept. of Fish and Wildlife

SURVEYS VS EVALUATIONS: BEST PRACTICES TO GET THE INFORMATION YOU NEED

(Repeat session, see description on page 14)

SESSION TIME: Wed., 1:30 PM

WILD ABOUT FISHING

(Repeat session, see description on page 14)

SESSION TIME: Wed., 1:30 PM

BEYOND THE FLY BOX: TYING INTO SOCIAL NETWORKS

(Repeat session, see description on page 15)

SESSION TIME: Wed., 2:30 PM

ENGAGING AND EMPOWERING OUR NEXT GENERATION OF ANGLERS WITH R3 ENTERTAINMENT AND CLASSROOM AQUATIC EDUCATION

(Repeat session, see description on page 15)

SESSION TIME: Wed., 2:30 PM

WE ALL LIVE DOWNSTREAM – INTERPRETIVE TEACHING

DESCRIPTION: (Double Session). The Banana Slug String Band members are environmental educators and have been edu-taining audiences for 33 years. This session will be a high spirited, interactive, music filled workshop, focusing on water, watersheds, and fish habitat preservation. Participants will use role play and interpretive techniques and learn the unique SLUG way of teaching environmental education! We emphasize to our audiences the FUN as we present the FUN-DAMENTAL SCIENCE CONCEPTS using multi-disciplinary art forms. Join us for a wild and engaging experience.

Location: Alumni Room

SESSION TIME: Wed., 2:30 PM
(Double Session, 1 hr 45 min)

PRESENTERS:
DOUG “DIRT” GREENFIELD  
and “AIRY” LARRY GRAFF  
Banana Slug String Band

BONE YARD TO NATURE SITE: CREATING AN AQUATIC EDUCATION SITE

DESCRIPTION: How can you make a vision a reality? This session will describe the process of turning a 60-year old state-owned fish hatchery and bone yard into a free aquatic education site, the Friant Interactive Nature Site (FINS).

Learn about the development process of the real gem of the site: The Small Fry Children’s Discovery Trail. No plastic playground here; this is a peaceful space where the children learn while playing and exploring. Explore multiple educational features and the layers of learning incorporated into this natural park setting. Lessons learned along the journey and helpful tips on how you can create a site too. You will learn about the rewards of building a universal Parkway Trail for various user groups, developing a public access nature sire, and the importance of keeping an aquatic education site thematic.

Explore the process of navigating through grants, design, engineer and permit elements, managing construction projects, adding artistic and aquatic educational elements, eradicating invasive species, growing your own native plants and understanding irrigation. Discussion topics will also include valuable ways to save funds, utilizing your resources, working with volunteers, other agencies and public offenders, incorporating visitor information and visitor improvements, deterring vandalism, improving water quality by turning a storm water ditch into a functioning bioswale, hosting school groups, providing public access, and creating a free aquatic education site.

LOCATION: Diamond Peak Room

SESSION TIME: Wed., 3:30 PM

PRESENTER:
CHERYL MOXLEY  
Fish and Wildlife Interpreter II  
California Department of Fish and Wildlife
WEAVING CULTURAL VALUES AND TRADITIONS TO SUSTAIN FISHING

Description: Fishing has always had a significant role in the lives of the Pacific Islanders. In earlier times, societies depended on wise management of fishery resources for their very survival. Local culture, tradition, and knowledge kept fish populations at sustainable levels. Islanders had a connection with the resource that faded away as societies have changed.

These days getting kids (or even adults) excited about fishing and learning about aquatic resources depends a lot on the successful experience of being able to catch fish or see them in their natural environment. Another challenge is the Pacific Island groups of Hawaii, American Samoa, Guam, and the Northern Marianas, are separated by thousands of miles, but there are remarkable similarities in traditional management practices related to fishing. Each one of these island groups has seen the value of integrating the unique culture and deep traditional knowledge that exists in the Pacific into fishing and aquatic education programs. Traditional fishing methods have been replaced by modern fishing programs and has enhanced their relevance and allowed for perpetuation of culture in a changing world. The preservation of traditional fishing knowledge and values depends on today’s stewards.

Join us to look at some of the materials developed locally. We will share activities that demonstrate how a knowledge and understanding of some traditional cultural values can still be relevant and important today as we strive to help restore sport fish populations in the Pacific.

Location: Scott Peak Room
Session Time: Wed., 3:30 PM

Presenters:
Rosemary Camacho
Federal Program Coordinator
Division of Fish and Wildlife Department of Lands & Natural Resources

REIGN IN THE CHAOS: BEST PRACTICES IN CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT

Description: Learn about best practices of classroom and group management while delivering educational messaging. Develop skills to keep your program on track, and wrangle those “meeting monsters”.

Location: Granite Peak Room
Session Time: Wed., 3:30 PM

Presenter: Tracy Page
Aquatic Resource Education Coordinator
Michigan Dept. of Natural Resources

Photo credit: TPWD
**THURSDAY OCTOBER 25**

**WORKSHOPS AND MEETINGS**

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**MORNING WORKSHOP DESCRIPTIONS - (CHOOSE 1 OF 3)**

**1. ANGLER R3 – FROM PLANNING TO PRACTICE**

**DESCRIPTION:** This session will include an overview of the Angler R3 tools and examples from across the country of how they have been used to improve R3 success. We will share examples of processes and products from comprehensive plans to innovative efforts to recruit, retain, and re-activate anglers. Interactive exercise will also help participants work through some of their R3 challenges. Participants are encouraged to bring information about their angler R3 efforts to be used in session exercises.

**MAXIMUM CAPACITY:** n/a

**LOCATION:** Lake Room

**SESSION TIME:** 8:30 am to Noon

**PRESENTERS:**
- **BARB GIGAR**
  Angler R3 Lead
  Iowa Dept. of Natural Resources;
- **STEPHANIE HUSSEY**
  Director State R3 Program
  Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation
- **EMILY BEECH**
  R3 Director
  American Sportfish Association.

**2. TIPS FOR TEACHING FLY FISHING**

**DESCRIPTION:** Join us for this hands-on workshop to learn the joys and challenges of fly fishing while also learning what to include in your own fly fishing programs. Instructors will share components of their Fly Fish programs and pass along tips for teaching. Tenkara, the Japanese style of fly fishing using only a rod, line and fly will also be demonstrated. All equipment will be provided. Some activities may take place outside, please dress for the weather.

**MAXIMUM CAPACITY:** 20

**LOCATION:** Alumni Room

**SESSION TIME:** 8:30 am to Noon

**PRESENTERS:**
- **DOUG DARR**
  Aquatic Education Coordinator
  Alabama Wildlife and FW Fisheries Division
- **KEIRA QUAM**
  Training Specialist
  Texas Parks and Wildlife Dept
- **SHANN JONES**
  Instructor of Leisure & Sporting Activities
  University of Alaska Fairbanks
3. **TAYLOR CREEK VISITOR CENTER (TVCV)**

**DESCRIPTION:** October is the best month to visit the Taylor Creek Fish Viewing facility as it is the height of the Kokanee Salmon run. TCVC staff will lead our group’s visit.

The Taylor Creek Visitor Center is operated in partnership with the Great Basin Institute and is located on the south shore of Lake Tahoe. The visitor center is the home of the Stream Profile Chamber. It is located one-quarter mile down the Rainbow Trail, and provides a view of the stream environment. Visitors can view a diverted section of Taylor Creek through a panel of aquarium-like windows. It is a major attraction for local conservation and environmental education programs. A 180-degree curved diorama illustrates life above and below the water, and boasts a mural on the walls which shows the four seasons experienced at Taylor Creek. The facility provides a realistic and meaningful experience for all who visit including third and fourth grade students, who participate in the environmental education programs conducted during the fall spawning run of the Kokanee Salmon in Taylor Creek.

**TRAVEL NOTES:** Transportation will be provided by carpool. The center is approximately a 45-minute drive from Granlibakken Lodge. The lodge will provide box lunches, please bring a water bottle or beverage of your choice. Dress for outdoor activities.

**TRIP SCHEDULE:**

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**NOTE:** There is no cell or internet access at Taylor Creek Visitor Center.

**MAXIMUM CAPACITY:** 16 Conference attendees (Other conference guests may attend if traveling in their own vehicle.)

**LOCATION:** Taylor Creek Visitor Center, South Lake Tahoe.

**SESSION TIME:** 8:15 am to 1:00 pm

**PRESENTERS:** Taylor Creek Visitor Center Staff

**AFTERNOON MEETING DESCRIPTIONS**

**ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**

Join us for an energizing conversation to discuss topics suggested by the group. Connect, listen and share ideas in roundtables – World Café style. Topic suggestions will be collected at the registration table on Monday. Discussion rounds will last approximately 15 minutes. You can choose four of ten table discussions to join upon arrival. We will reserve the last 20 minutes to share all ideas with the group.

**LOCATION:** Lake Room

**SESSION TIME:** 1:30 PM to 3:00 PM

**REGIONAL MEETINGS**

**MEET AND NETWORK WITH MEMBERS FROM YOUR AREA REGION.**

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**THURSDAY OCTOBER 25 WORKSHOPS AND MEETINGS**
NORTH TAHOE AREA
FISHING OPPORTUNITIES

TRUCKEE RIVER
SYSTEM OVERVIEW

CALIFORNIA

WEBER LAKE
INDEPENDENCE
BOCA
DONNER LAKE
TRUCKEE RIVER

NEVADA

TRUCKEE RIVER
DERBY DAM
LAHONTAN RESERVOIR
RENO/SPARKS

FALLON

PYRAMID LAKE*

* Pyramid Lake is located on tribal land. A NV license is not required, but a tribal fishing permit is ($12/day).

- Permits can be purchased online at: https://plpt.nagfa.net/online/
- Permits can be purchased in-person at: Crosby’s Lodge in Sutcliffe, NV (at the lake) and some sporting goods retailers in Reno

A California Fishing License can be purchased online:
www.wildlife.ca.gov/Licensing/Online-Sales

Resident/Non-resident, one-day license ................ $15.69
Resident/Non-resident, two-day license ............... $24.33
Non-resident, ten-day license ......................... $48.34

See additional fishing license info on the CDFW webpage:
www.wildlife.ca.gov/Licensing/Fishing

FISHING REGULATIONS:
www.wildlife.ca.gov/Regulations

CA FISHING GUIDE (MAP):
www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Guide

FISH ID AND TIPS:
www.wildlife.ca.gov/Fishing/Inland

Photo credit: CDFW
Map courtesy of Truckee Meadows Water Authority
NORTH TAHOE

FISHING AREAS

(Drive times are from Granlibakken Lodge located in Placer County)

TRUCKEE RIVER (5 min – 1 hr)

The Truckee River, just 110 miles long, starting in the mountains of the Sierra Nevada and ending in the desert of northern Nevada continues to produce the largest trout in the Lower 48. From Tahoe to downtown Reno, the Truckee fishes like a freestone river. It is steep, fast and cold. From pristine Sierra wilderness to urban fly fishing the Truckee River has something for everyone.

FISHING REPORT:
www.blog.lostcoastoutfitters.com/tagged/FRTruckee

RIVER SYSTEM MAP:
tmwa.com/article/truckee-river-map/

TRUCKEE RIVER WILDLIFE AREA MAP:
nrm.dfg.ca.gov/FileHandler.ashx?DocumentID=87900:inline

LITTLE TRUCKEE RIVER (40 min)

Classic western tailwater stream with big trout best describes the Little Truckee. A fall spawn of Kokanee brings large trout up to feed. This is the perfect place to hunt big fish.

FISHING REPORT:
renoflyfishingoutfitters.com/ourwaters/little-truckee-river/

LAKE TAHOE (5 min – 1 hr)

Lake Tahoe is home to a variety of fish including lake (Mackinaw), brown and rainbow trout, as well as a self-sustaining population of Kokanee salmon. Fishing Lake Tahoe itself can require rather specialized tactics and gear designed for deep water. For your best chances at success, it is recommended you hop on a charter boat.

MORE INFORMATION:
www.tripadvisor.com/Attractions-g155987-Activities-c61-t217-Lake_Tahoe_California_California.html

DONNER LAKE (30 min)

Donner Lake, named after the leader of the stranded colonists, is located a few miles west of Truckee. Donner Lake is very productive and offers great fishing for Mackinaw, kokanee, rainbows, browns and brookies. It is a steep sided, deep lake with a bit more of a greenish hue than Tahoe. Even though it is in a valley, it can get a bit breezy here in the afternoons so, keep this in mind if you’re out in a small craft. Big Macks have come out of here in the last 10 years (30 plus pounders!) so keep that in mind too. The lake also gets stocked quite frequently so you’ll have a good chance for some planter rainbows from the bank.

FISHING REPORT:
shaunsguideservice.net/fishing-report

WEBER LAKE (1 hr 15 min)

Webber Lake is the headwaters of the Little Truckee River, the largest single tributary of the Truckee River, and critical habitat for a number of threatened or endangered species. It is also a landscape rich in history. In 2012, the Truckee Donner Land Trust acquired the 3,000 acre property. Until the land trust’s acquisition, the property had been closed to the public for close to 100 years. Dr. David Webber’s hotel, built in 1860, is the last standing stagecoach hotel (out of about 30) on the historic Henness Pass Road. Webber Lake is legendary for anglers and arguably the birthplace of sport fishing in the Sierra when Dr. Webber first stocked the lake in 1860. Conventional gear fishing and fly fishing are permitted. In May, the Department of Fish and Wildlife stocked the lake for the second year in a row with Lahontan cutthroat trout and brood stock.

BOCA RESERVOIR & STAMPEDE RESERVOIR (30 – 45 min)

The Boca and Stampede reservoirs are located off Interstate 80 near Truckee. They are close together so you can easily hit both in one day. They are large enough to launch to a good-sized boat, or a kayak or float tube. Both lakes are stocked and provide good action for browns, rainbows and the occasional brookie. Shore fishing is also productive early and late using bait, lures or flies.

PROSSER CREEK RESERVOIR (40 min)

Located a short drive north of Truckee off highway 89, Prosser Reservoir provides great fishing opportunities in the spring, summer and fall, as well as a short, winter ice-fishing season. Anglers enjoy this lake because of the 5 mph boating restriction in place that limits it pretty much to fishermen. A good launch ramp is available near the campgrounds on the south side of the lake. Another launch area is located on the north end in the Alder Creek arm of the lake accessed by Prosser Dam Road. Car top boats, kayaks and other floatation devices can be launched at either. Small trailer boats are best launched at the one near the campgrounds. The fish typically available in this lake include rainbow, brown, cutbow and smallmouth bass. This combination makes this lake a good one any time of the season for the angler.

PYRAMID LAKE, NV (1.5 hr)

Pyramid Lake is one of the most popular stillwater fly fishing destinations in the world. Huge Lahontan cutthroat trout roam its waters and anglers come from all over in pursuit of these giants. Being “Home of the World’s Largest Cutthroat Trout” adds to Pyramid’s popularity. Trout in the 10 – 15 pound class are abundant and it is possible to catch a fish over 20 pounds. The average size Cutthroat is also outstanding at 20 – 22 inches. This puts Pyramid Lake on many angler’s “Bucket List” of places to fish. Pyramid Lake is also close enough to Lake Tahoe for a day trip. Whether you fly fish or prefer fishing with conventional gear, Pyramid has much to offer.

FISHING REPORT:
www.pyramidlakeflyfishing.com/fishingreport/
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www.futureangler.org
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