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Cover: Snow falling on the West Fork of Oak Creek, AZ in March 2021

News and Announcements



2022 Joint Annual Meeting

This year's Arizona-New Mexico AFS/TWS Joint Annual Meeting, will be held virtually on February 3 – 5, 2022. To register for the meeting and/or submit an abstract for a poster or oral presentation, visit:

<https://web.cvent.com/event/b22bf062-a90e-437b-93c0-19fdb7a56f9e/summary>

Abstracts are due January 14 and registration is open until February 3!

2022 Award Nominations are due January 28. See award details at:

<https://arizona-newmexico.fisheries.org/awards/>

Applications for the Miles McInnis Scholarship are due January 18:

<https://arizona-newmexico.fisheries.org/miles-mcinnis-scholarship-application/>



Attention All Students!

The Executive Committee has recognized the expense involved with attending the 2022 Virtual jam may be prohibitive to some students.

In light of the expensive registration fee, the AZ/NM AFS Chapter will make funding available to partially reimburse student attendees. The chapter will provide a \$55 reimbursement to students who have paid their 2022 Chapter dues. All we ask is that you attend the business meeting and engage yourselves during the meeting.

To receive the reimbursement, you are being asked to provide a short summary of your experience (what did you learn, did you find a particular talk helpful, what did you take away from the experience, etc.) to EXCOM by February 28, 2022.

Please take advantage of this opportunity to attend JAM at a reduced cost.

If you have questions, feel free to reach out to any of the Executive Committee members at aznmafs@gmail.com.

Upcoming Events



2022 AFS Annual Meeting



The American Fisheries Society, AFS Western Division, and Washington – British Columbia Chapter will be co-hosting the 2022 Annual Meeting, scheduled for August 21-25 in Spokane, Washington. See more details on the meeting as they come out at:

<https://afsannualmeeting.fisheries.org/>.

As in past years, the AFS Western Division will be presenting awards, scholarships, and small grant winners at 2022 Annual Meeting. Award nominations and scholarship applications are due March 1, 2022. Small project grant proposals are due February 1, 2022.

Information on Western Division Award Nominations:

<https://wdafs.org/awards/information-deadlines-applications/award-nominations/>

Scholarship Applications and Instructions:

<https://wdafs.org/students/scholarship-travel-award-information/>

Small Project Grant Proposals:

<https://wdafs.org/awards/small-project-grants/>

Student Spotlight:

Kaitlyn Gähl

After graduating from Montana State University, Kaitlyn worked seasonal fisheries jobs across the western U.S. She hopped from state to state, working with montane trout, prairie minnows, pacific salmon, and desert natives. The diversity and beauty of these native fishes and systems inspired her, and their continual decline drove her to search for ways to contribute more. This led her to attend the University of Arizona in pursuit of a M.S. under the tutelage of Dr. Scott Bonar of the Arizona Cooperative Fish and Wildlife Research Unit.



Her current masters research focuses on habitat utilization of fishes in the Lower Verde River subbasins. Year round you can find her in lush desert canyons such as Wet Beaver and West Clear Creek snorkeling and tracking fish with radio telemetry. This research is vital in securing water rights for wilderness tributaries of the Verde River, ensuring continued habitat for native desert fishes. In her time outside of the field or office she can be found hiking with her dog, gardening, or tinkering in the shop.

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Note from the editor....

Hi Everybody,

Thank you to everyone who contributed to this issue of Fish Soup. I want to hear more input from you for the next newsletter! Please send in articles, photos, and announcements to singram@email.arizona.edu. Also feel free to contact me with suggestions and comments about the newsletter.

Thank you,

Steven Ingram

