



**The Arizona/New Mexico Chapters of the American Fisheries Society and the Wildlife Society  
Announce:**

**A joint annual meeting to be held at the:**  
Hon-dah Resort – Casino and Conference Center in Pinetop, AZ  
[www.hon-dah.com](http://www.hon-dah.com)  
Thursday – Saturday, February 6-8, 2014

**REGISTRATION INFORMATION WILL BE ONLINE SOON**  
<http://www.aznmfishsoup.org/>

**FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS**

**We are now accepting abstracts, FIRST CALL to be submitted by November 22nd.**

The Program Committee for the 2014 JAM invites abstracts for contributed oral presentations and posters. The program will include a plenary session, contributed papers and a poster session on fisheries and wildlife related topics. We expect a wide range of topics from the diverse fishery and wildlife resources found within Arizona and New Mexico. Presentations may include completed projects and works in progress.

We urge students to attend and are particularly interested in student presentations. Several awards will be given for “best papers”. The AZ/NM Chapter of the American Fisheries Society will present a “Best Student Paper” and “Best Student Poster” award for graduate and undergraduate students presenting papers/posters in the fisheries field. The AZ and NM Chapters of The Wildlife Society will present a “Best Student Paper” and “Best Student Poster” award for graduate and undergraduate students presenting papers/posters in the wildlife field.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR ORAL PRESENTATION AND POSTER ABSTRACTS**

Speakers should plan for a 15-minute presentation with an additional 5-minute period for questions and answers. A laptop PC and digital projector will be provided for Power Point presentations. Please inquire about other audio-visual aids.

Oral presentation and poster abstract format:

List all authors using first and last names, their affiliation, addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses. When choosing the title, be brief but descriptive and avoid using acronyms or scientific

names in the title unless the common name is not widely known. Please indicate if you are a student (undergraduate or graduate) at the end of the abstract (see example below). Abstracts are restricted to 150 words and should summarize the findings. *Please follow the format from the example below so that program chairs can focus on processing abstracts rather than making edits.*

**Poster Size and Display:**

Please limit your poster size to 32"x 44" which can be either portrait or landscape; each presenter will have a 4x4 foot space for their poster, which will provide a place to hang the poster and other information such as handouts and category headings. Presenters are required to assemble and disassemble their own poster; you will be advised when to do so. You must provide tacks, push pins, or t-pins.

Poster Presenters should plan on attending the Poster Session at the meeting to be available to answer questions. Breaks and socials will be organized around the Posters to encourage discussion between attendees and poster presenters.

All presenters will receive an e-mail confirmation of their abstract submission within one week post-submittal, abstract acceptance within two weeks of submission, and notification of the time and place of their presentation or poster session in January.

Please email your abstracts to the appropriate Program Chair below by November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2013:

Oral presentations for fisheries: Aaron Bunch, [abunch@azgfd.gov](mailto:abunch@azgfd.gov), 480-324-3541

Oral presentations for wildlife: Jon Hanna, [moremuledeer@gmail.com](mailto:moremuledeer@gmail.com), 480-403-1913

Poster presentations for both fisheries and wildlife: Sally Petre, [SPetre@azgfd.gov](mailto:SPetre@azgfd.gov), 623-236-7664

**ABSTRACT EXAMPLE**

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**Title:**

A 10-year Plan to Secure a Unique Southwest Native Trout, the Apache Trout

**Abstract:**

Apache trout recovery has been ongoing since the 1950s. Despite aggressive recovery efforts, historical and present, there are still several ways to improve the present and future sustainability success of Apache trout that go beyond actions guided by the Apache Trout Recovery Plan. Three of the most significant threats to natural and reestablished Apache trout populations that exist today are: non-native trout occupying historical Apache trout habitat, marginal habitat in small recovery streams, and impacts of climate change on trout streams. A new Keystone Initiative grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation addresses these threats by implementing four key strategies that if achieved, could increase Apache trout abundance by an estimated 50 percent by 2017. In combination, actions guided by the Recovery Plan will result in recovery and a possible delisting proposal, and the Initiative will implement key actions that could reduce the effects of stochastic events, expand and improve habitat, and increase Apache trout abundance, ultimately ensuring their sustainability. This presentation will discuss in detail the Keystone Initiative grant for Apache trout and the progress and obstacles experienced since 2008, the first year of implementation.

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