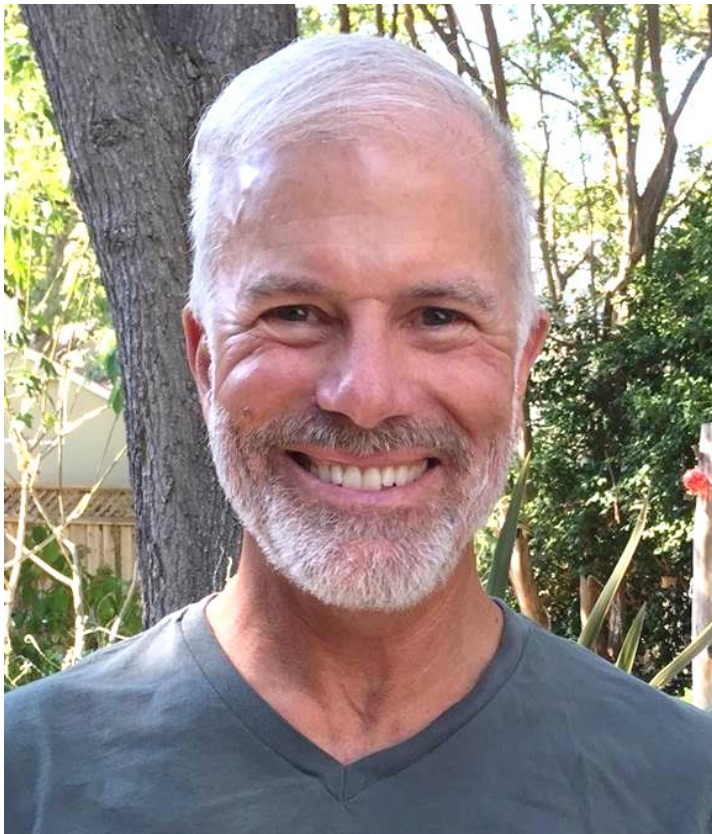
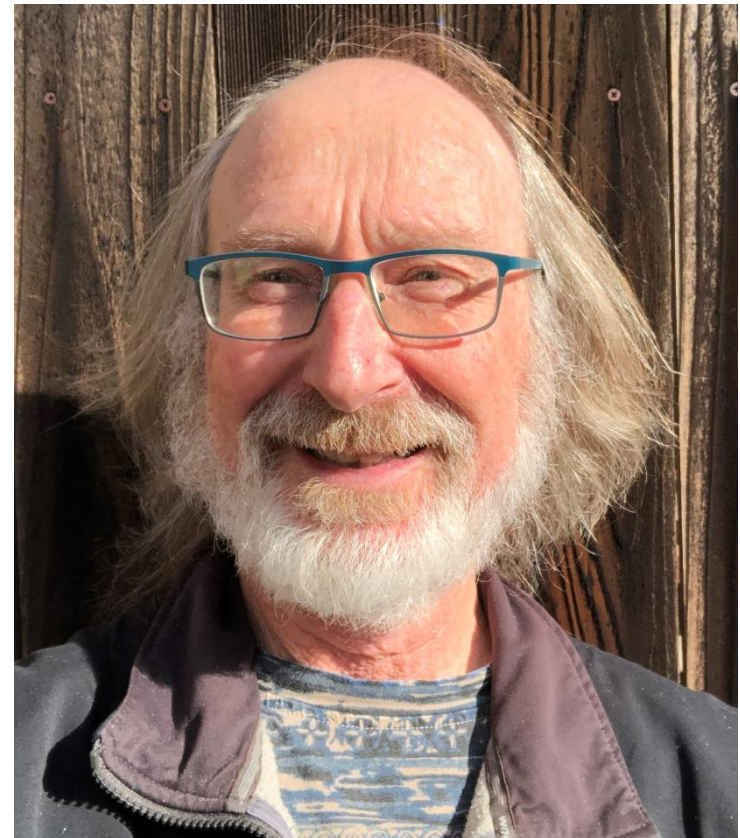


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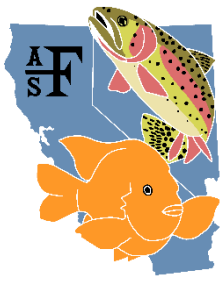
Rob Titus, President 2019-20



Dave Lentz, President 2020-21



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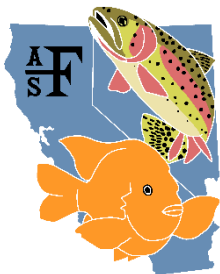


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2019–20 President's Report

Rob Titus

- Term as President: Sep 2019 – Sep 2020



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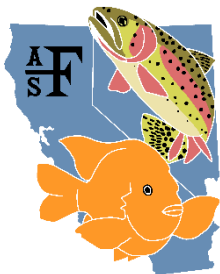
2019–20 President's Report

Rob Titus

- Term as President: Sep 2019 – Sep 2020
- Reno Meeting Recap:
 - 2,141 AFS attendees + 2,285 TWS attendees
 - More than 2,000 oral & poster presentations
 - Joint social with Western Section TWS
 - Revenue to Cal-Neva: \$61,100
 - Thank you to all who contributed!



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2019 JOINT ANNUAL CONFERENCE

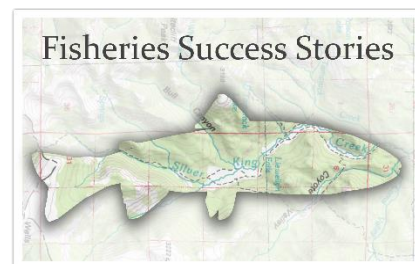


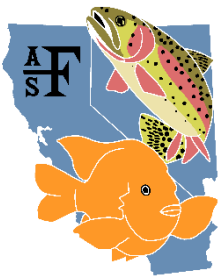
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2019–20 President's Report

Rob Titus

- **President's Work Plan** (presented at Jan 2020 retreat)
 - Build membership -> recapture fishery mgt community
 - Expand outreach
 - Expand conservation activities
 - Continue work of past presidents
- **54th Cal-Neva Annual Meeting, Folsom, CA**
 - “Reno Hangover Meeting”
 - Cancelled 3 days before due to COVID-19
- **Virtual Spring Conference – May 5-6, 2020**
 - Nine oral and two poster presentations
 - ExComm approved Silver Level Sponsorship: \$500



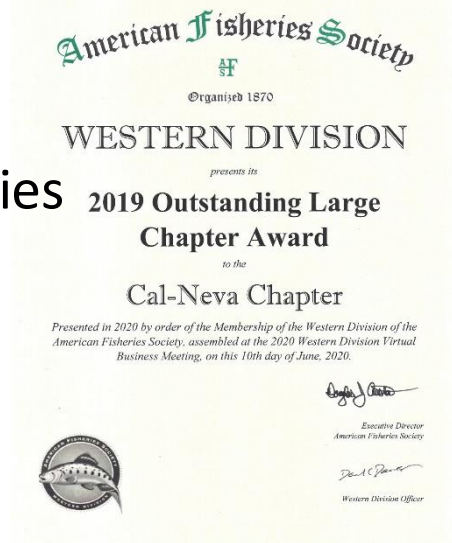


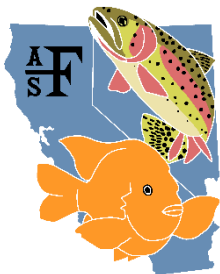
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2019–20 President's Report

Rob Titus

- Western Division duties
 - Mid-year retreat in Boise, ID – Nov 2019
 - Brought home the gold in axe throwing!
 - Annual Meeting in Vancouver, BC cancelled
 - Virtual Business Meeting, June 10, 2020
 - Cal-Neva awarded Outstanding Large Chapter
- Committee structure updates
 - Membership Committee dissolved
 - Membership tracking moved into Secretary duties
 - Jim Hobbs as Chapter Historian
- Chapter Procedure Manual update
- Monthly ExComm meetings
 - In-person -> phone -> virtual





California–Nevada Chapter of AFS 2019–20 President's Report Rob Titus

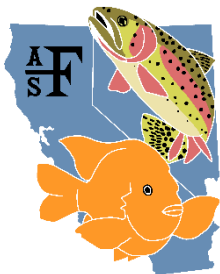
Recognition from AFS



Thank you, Steve Brumbaugh!



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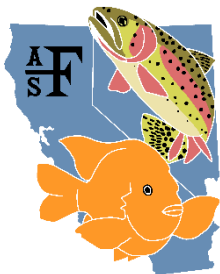


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Plan of Work, Oct 2020 – Sep 2021

Dave Lentz

- Assist the Chapter to execute a successful (virtual) annual meeting for 2021
- Assist the Chapter with maintaining a healthy budget for 2021
- Review Society's updated Strategic Plan and review needs for Cal-Neva
- Review status of Chapter standing committees
- Continue work of Past President(s)
- Foster Chapter efforts to enhance diversity and inclusion initiatives
- “Adaptive Management”

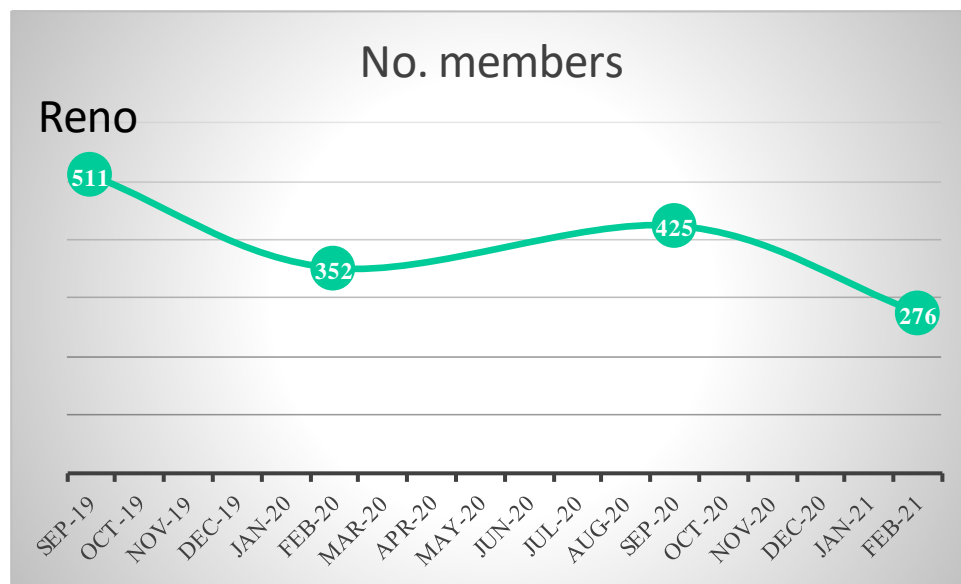


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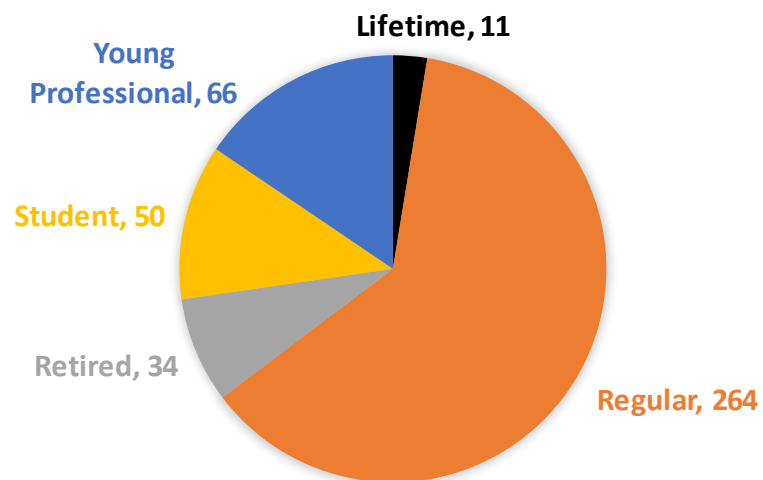
Secretary's Report

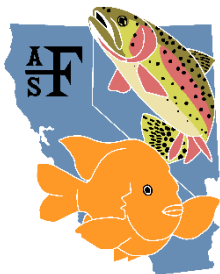
Kathleen Berridge / Nicole Kwan

- ExComm monthly meeting minutes
 - <https://afs-calneva.org/communications/meeting-minutes/>
- Membership
 - Peaked at census just before the Reno meeting: 511



425 members as of 9/10/2020





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Treasurer's Report

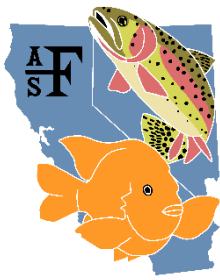
Jose Setka

- Budget objectives

- Maintain the equivalent of two annual meetings' worth of funds in stable checking/savings at \$75K per meeting
- Growth in less-predictable Merrill Lynch account with eye on the long term

	Feb 2020	Feb 2021
Checking	\$153,840	\$125,091
Savings	\$38,776	\$38,781
Merrill Lynch	\$105,932	\$132,828
Total	\$298,548	\$296,700

- Budgets for 2020 and 2021 approved by the ExComm at Jan 2020 and Dec 2020 mid-year retreats, respectively



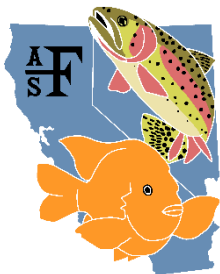
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Continuing Education Report

Stephanie Durkacz

- Stephanie transitioned to Chair after Reno meeting with help from Brian Mahardja
- Planned 3 Continuing Education courses for 2020 meeting in Folsom
 - Introduction to Practical Statistics with R
 - Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Consultation
 - Science Presentation Skills





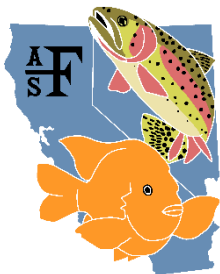
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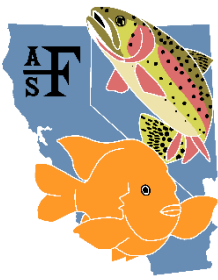
- Two of those in virtual format for 2021
 - **Introduction to Practical Statistics with R**
 - **Endangered Species Act (ESA) Section 7 Consultation**
- Thinking about ideas and options for CE courses between annual meetings





California–Nevada Chapter of AFS Conservation Committee Report Gary Sprague

- Tracking Recovering America's Wildlife Act (RAWA) in Congress and coordinate with National AFS
 - Sent 9 additional letters of thanks for support to CA Congressional delegation
- Tracking the Salmon Focused Investments in Sustainable Habitats Act, introduced by U.S. Rep. Jared Huffman (CA)
- Reviewed the 2019 Biological Opinion for the Central Valley Project and State Water Project and provided a summary to the Cal-Neva Excomm
- Participated in the 2020 Spring-run Chinook Salmon Workshop
- Worked with National AFS to develop comments on Endangered Species Act regulatory definition of "Habitat"
 - Comments were submitted by National AFS, and the Cal-Neva Chapter



California–Nevada Chapter of AFS Communications Committee Report

Lisa Thompson

- 19 e-newsletters and e-newsblasts
- Regular updates to Cal-Neva Chapter website
 - 39 Blogposts
 - Job opportunities
 - Funding opportunities
 - Internships
- Coordinated Chapter officer elections
- Did a complete re-build of Chapter website content following HQ server replacement
- Developed Communications Committee ReadMe file for all communications software
 - Google Drive, Cal-Neva Website, Constant Contact E-Newsletters, Survey Monkey Surveys, Email, Website Domain Name, Website Host Server
 - Stored in Google Drive
- Updated look (template) for Constant Contact messages in 2021

AFS Cal-Neva Newsblast
15 February 2021

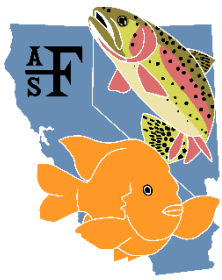
2021 CHAPTER ELECTIONS
Voting closes March 19, 2021
Make your vote count! In 2021 the Chapter will elect two new Executive Officers, to the offices of President and Treasurer. We are fortunate to have the following candidates. For President: Eva Bush and Anna Steel; for Treasurer: Jose Setka.

CHAPTER ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION
Early bird pricing ends after Feb. 24
Registration for the Chapter annual meeting is open. Register early for early bird pricing. Prices go up after February 24, 2021.

Find out about the candidates

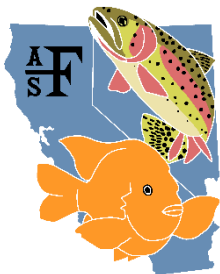
THE SPAWNING RUN IS ON
Virtual meeting, real run/walk!
Even though the Cal-Neva Annual Meeting is virtual this year, the Spawning Run is on. Virtual meeting fatigue is real! Take a break from your screen by participating in the virtual Spawning Run. Choose your own route and go solo or take the dog, the kids, your significant other and head out for a mile or 5.

CHAPTER 55TH ANNUAL MEETING
March 1 - 5, 2021
This year's theme is "Casting a Wide Net: Diverse Perspectives in Fisheries". See all the latest information and get the details on



California–Nevada Chapter of AFS Bylaws and Nominations Comm Report Ramona Swenson

- Nominations of candidates for two elections
 - 2020: President-Elect – Matt Young
Secretary – Nicole Kwan
 - 2021: President-Elect (candidates: Eva Bush, Anna Steel)
Treasurer (recumbent candidate: Jose Setka)
 - Current members: Don't forget to vote by COB March 19th!
<https://afs-calneva.org/about-2/elections/>
- Revisions & updates to Procedure Manual
 - Past-Presidents Ramona Swenson and Steve Brumbaugh



California–Nevada Chapter of AFS Merchandise Committee Report Chris Parker

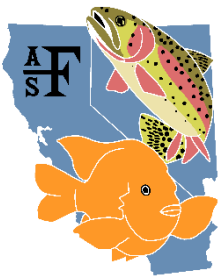
- Cal-Neva merchandise was sold at Reno meeting
- Continuing goals for merchandise:
 - Provide opportunity to share Cal-Neva and AFS with fellow fisheries professionals
 - Provide swag for conference participants at future in-person meetings
- Stock of several items exists for future sales when meetings are in-person again



Merch in stock: caps



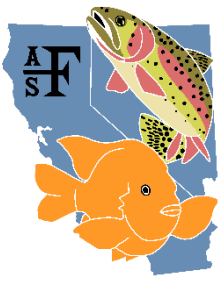
Dry bags and hoo-rags



California–Nevada Chapter of AFS Policy and Resolutions Comm Report

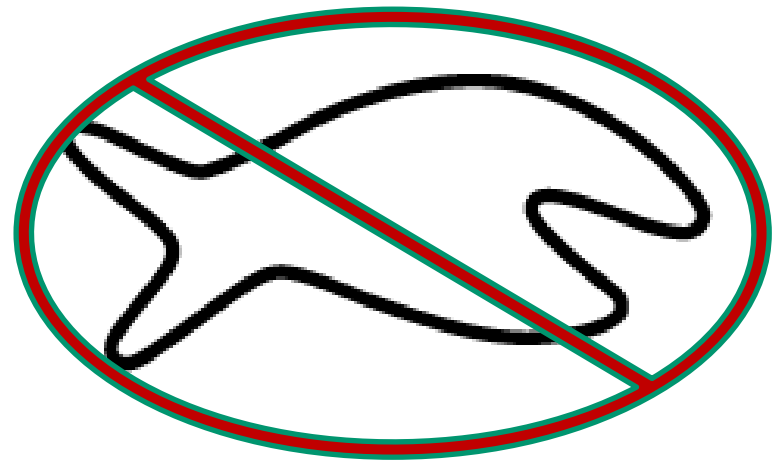
Sheena Holley

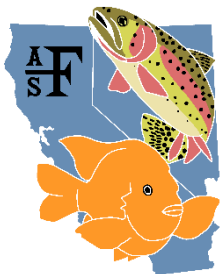
- February 2020: Informed USFWS and NMFS of Cal-Neva's opposition to implementation of the 2019 USFWS Delta Smelt and the 2019 NMFS Salmonid and Sturgeon Biological Opinions for long-term operations of the Central Valley Project and the State Water Project
 - Submitted letters to Paul Souza, Regional Director, USFWS; Barry Thom, Regional Administrator, West Coast Region, NMFS; NGOs
- Letter to USFWS detailed concerns about changes to Old and Middle River (OMR) flow management, Summer/Fall Habitat Actions, and the proposal for a Delta Smelt hatchery
- Letter to NMFS detailed concerns about changes to Shasta Dam operations, temperature and DO management on the Stanislaus River, and flow management in the Delta
- Archived at <https://afs-calneva.org/communications/comment-letters/>



California–Nevada Chapter of AFS Diversity and Outreach Comm Report Esther Tracy

- Spring 2020 Social and Fish Migration Day
2020 celebration cancelled due to COVID-19
- Outreach
 - Aimed at enhancing diversity
 - Field Biology Group (FBG) at Sac State
 - Local schools
- Draft Solidarity Statement





California–Nevada Chapter of AFS

Davis–Sac Student Subunit



What we've been up to:

- Zoom Meetings
 - Socials
 - Knot tying demonstration
 - UC Davis Research Panel
 - National Aquarium tour w/ Marine Science Club
- Student Run National Colloquium
 - Weekly speaker series run by West Virginia University AFS President Kaylyn Zipp.
 - Over 25 AFS student subunits across the country are participating.
 - 3 students from UC Davis are presenting; 1 undergrad, 2 grad.

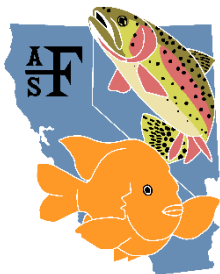


What we're planning:

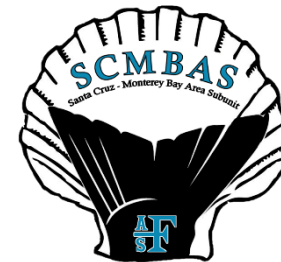
- Picnic Day Video Submission
- Continue AFS Student Colloquium
- More zoom panels
- Carp Fishing Derby in the fall (COVID Permitting)



Our 3 student speakers for the AFS Student Colloquium: Rachelle Tallman, Brandi Goss, and Ryan Hitchings



California–Nevada Chapter of AFS Santa Cruz–Monterey Bay Area Subunit



Completed in 2020:

- Raised \$320 for Boys & Girls Club of Santa Cruz through a virtual 5K hosted by the Florida Chapter student subunit
- Hosted two journal clubs
- Hosted three fish-themed game nights/happy hours

Upcoming for 2021:

- Diverse Voices in Fisheries Science seminar series
- Beach cleanup
- Continued journal clubs
- SCMBAS “science adjacent” book club
- Trout in the Classroom continuing with 3 classrooms

Thanks for running, sheepheads!

Fastest 5K

- Arturo Ramírez-Valdez, 23:40
- Anne Beulke, 28:22
- Matt Glasenapp, 28:28

Longest Total Distance

- Matt Glasenapp, 50.97 miles
- Kat Dale, 45.81 miles
- Laura Goetz, 29.17 miles

CA Sheephead stats:

- \$320 raised for SC Boys & Girls Club
- Total time: 33 hours, 23 minutes
- Total distance: 212.72 miles

Which of the following is NOT the name of an actual fish?

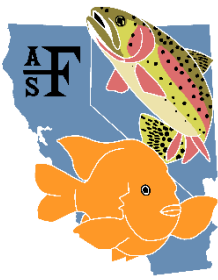


▲ Chocolate tonguefish

◆ Bottletlight

● Giant pygmyscale

■ Sarcastic fringehead



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Awards Committee Report

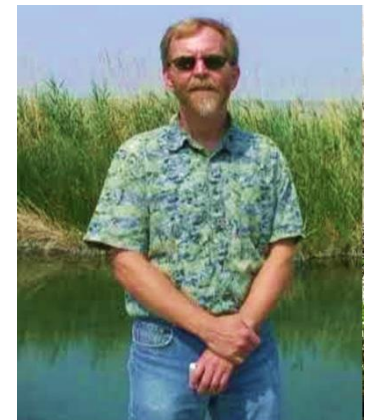
Zach Bess

The following received awards in 2020:

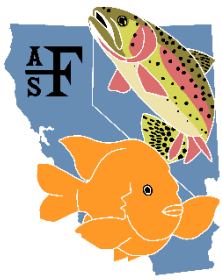
- Distinguished Professional Achievement Awards
 - Nann Fangue – UC Davis
 - Stewart Reid – Western Fishes
 - Damon Goodman – USFWS
- Native Fishes Committee presented the inaugural Moyle-Deacon Native Fishes Award to Steve Parmenter, CDFW
- Special Contribution Awards—Kelly Souza (CDFW), Jim Hobbs (CDFW), and Brian Mahardja (USFWS)
- Awards were designed by Joe Tomelleri
- 2020 awards distributed to recipients by mail
- No awards given in 2021 -> in-person awards in 2022



Damon Goodman



Steve Parmenter



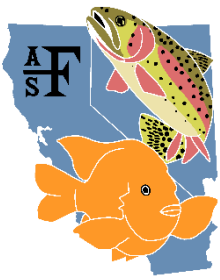
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Grants Committee Report

Shawn Acuña

Grant moneys available per the approved budget:

- (Student) Travel Grants: \$5,000 – no apps received in 2020
- Small Project Grants: \$3,000 – three apps received
 - Awarded \$1,950 to Ann Holmes & Helen Kileen, UC Davis for
Assessing biodiversity of target and non-target species in California Marine Protected Areas using environmental DNA
- Small grant application period currently through April 2, 2021
 - For further information, please check the Chapter website:
<https://afs calneva.org/opportunities/grants/>



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Time and Place Report

Kelly Souza

2022 Annual Chapter Meeting

- Tenaya Lodge near Yosemite being explored as highly viable option
- Keep late February 2022 open for this in-person event!



See the Chapter Annual Meeting webpage for more information.

- 2023 looking for a venue in SoCal

