



## **Workshop C: Assessment and Evaluation of Reintroducing Native Fishes**

### **Overview:**

Reintroductions have long been used as a tool in fisheries management and conservation, but the success of this alternative is still hotly debated. Until recently, reintroductions of fishes in Oregon and the Pacific Northwest have not played a major role in fishery management. The challenges we face in this region are many and whether we can learn from the experience of others remains to be seen.

- What are the lessons learned from past experience?
- How do we decide if reintroduction is the right tool for the job?
- If we decide to implement a reintroduction, how do we know if it worked?

These are the central questions we will explore and develop. Additional examples of implementation and case studies of specific reintroductions will be presented during the main sessions of ORAFS, and will complement material presented in this workshop.

### **Workshop Topics:**

- The Role of Reintroductions in Conservation of Native Fishes
- Technical Guidelines for Reintroductions
- Feasibility Steps – Looking Under the Hood
- Administrative and Institutional Considerations
- Monitoring Success
  - Molecular genetic tools
  - Translocations and evolution
  - Population persistence
  - Ecosystem impacts
- Panel/Group Discussion

### **Presenters:**

- Phil Pister, Desert Fishes Council
- Jack Williams, Trout Unlimited
- Helen Neville, Trout Unlimited
- Jason Dunham, U.S. Geological Survey
- Craig Stockwell, North Dakota State University
- Kirsten Gallo, U.S. Forest Service Aquatic Riparian Ecosystem Monitoring Program

**Dates:** Tuesday February 27 (1-5pm) and Wednesday February 28 (8am -12pm)

**Cost:** \$100

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