

Oregon Chapter American Fisheries Society  
Natural Production Committee  
Committee Chairs Ian Tattum and Gary Vonderohe  
Work Plan for May 1, 2013 to April 30, 2014

**Mission of Oregon AFS:**

*To improve the conservation and sustainability of Oregon fishery resources and their aquatic ecosystems for long-term public benefit by advancing science, education and public discourse concerning fisheries and aquatic science and by promoting the development of fisheries professionals.*

**Objectives of Natural Production Committee**

The Natural Production Committee is responsible for advocating conservation of genetic and habitat diversity to protect and restore the natural productive capacities of fishes and aquatic resources in Oregon. The Natural Production Committee will:

- A. Encourage inventories and descriptions of both historic and present status of genetic and fish habitat diversity.
- B. Identify unique and threatened species and stocks of resident and anadromous fishes, and advocate appropriate conservation and restoration measures.
- C. Identify unique and threatened aquatic environments and habitats, and advocate appropriate conservation measures.
- D. Encourage land, water, and fish management practices that conserve or restore genetic and fish habitat diversity.
- E. Promote public awareness of the importance of biological diversity in fishes and the hazards of declining diversity.
- F. Submits a written report of committee activities to the External Director every six months in November and April.
- G. Submits annual work plan and budget to the External Director by April 1st before the spring ExCom planning meeting or retreat. The Natural Production Committee Chair prepares these materials.

## **2013-14 Work Plan**

- Recruit new participation in the Natural Production Committee and encourage continued participation by current members.
- Assist EXCOM with convening a session at Annual Meeting. Session topic TBD, but possibilities include: escapement estimation techniques.
- Continue assisting EXCOM with review and comment on pertinent policy proposals.

**Budget Request for 2013-14:** None