

OREGON CHAPTER AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY
NATURAL PRODUCTION COMMITTEE 2016-2017 WORK PLAN

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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:

1. Encourages inventories and descriptions of both historic and present status of genetic and fish habitat diversity.
2. Identifies unique and threatened species and stocks of resident and anadromous fishes, and advocates appropriate conservation and restoration measures.
3. Identifies unique and threatened aquatic environments and habitats, and advocates appropriate conservation measures.
4. Encourages land, water, and fish management practices that conserve or restore genetic and fish habitat diversity.
5. Promotes public awareness of the importance of biological diversity in fishes and the hazards of declining diversity.
6. Submits a written report of committee activities to the External Director every six months in November and April.
7. Submits annual work plan and budget to the External Director by June 1st. The Natural Production Committee Chair prepares these materials.
8. Conducts technical session at chapter annual meetings by convening and inviting relevant speakers.

2016-2017 Work Plan

1. Expand participation in the Natural Production Committee and encourage continued participation by current members.
2. Convene a session at the 2017 Oregon Chapter Meeting.

3. Assist with development of a white paper on Pesticide/Herbicide use near Oregon waterways.
4. Continue assisting ExCom with review and comment on pertinent policy proposals.

2016-2017 Budget

None