

OREGON CHAPTER AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY
EDUCATION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE 2018-2019 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 Education and Outreach Committee:

The Education and Outreach Committee is responsible for distributing information on the Chapter, fisheries, and water resources to members, fisheries professionals, the general public, organizations, and schools. These objectives are:

1. Develop and update Chapter brochures and related publications as needed.
2. Identify, develop and maintain audio-visual resources schools and educators emphasizing the importance of fisheries and aquatic habitat in Oregon. Organize training and continuing education programs as needed/requested.
3. Assist the annual meeting planning committee by publicizing the annual meeting and coordinating the Education and Outreach Session.
4. Assist the Chapter and Social Media Committee with media outreach for newsworthy events and issues related to fisheries and aquatic habitat in Oregon and abroad.
5. Encourage development of new members from diverse backgrounds and fields of study.
6. Develop annual work plan for committee duties. Submit a written report of committee activities to the External Director.
7. Contribute to Piscatorial Press with updates of E/O Committee.

2018-2019 Education and Outreach Committee Work Plan

1. Respond to requests from ExCom for development and updating of Education and Outreach materials.
 - A. Develop Education and Outreach Poster for 2019 Annual Meeting.
 - B. Other materials as requested.
 - C. Upload all past award recipients and grant documents to OR AFS Google Drive account.

2. Facilitate and coordinate efforts to create and promote natural resources education and outreach programs/curriculum among agencies and organizations.
 - A. Generate a list of available resources/curriculum for K-12 educators in Oregon.

 - B. Advertise a Request for Proposals for a grant with the goal of programmatic support to an organization(s) that supports educators' professional development and curriculum implementation for natural resources education. Give preference to applications that have an aquatic or fisheries science based focus and have a structured approach to aid in implementation of teaching aquatic or fisheries based curriculum.

 - C. Advertise, select and distribute funds for education and materials grants totaling \$1500 in funds. Select at least 2 applicants from local schools to receive an ORAFS material and participation grant of up to \$750 each.

 - D. Distribute completion reports of grant recipients to Ex Com and E/O committee members.

3. Participate in planning for Chapter meeting as appropriate to support education and outreach related content. Specifically:
 - A. Assist with planning a student/mentor mixer at annual meeting as needed.

 - B. Chair act as moderator for session at annual meeting as needed.

 - C. Have E/O committee member coverage of outreach poster at poster session at annual meeting to answer questions, talk of opportunities, etc.

4. Conduct committee meeting at annual meeting and correspond throughout year via conference calls/email communication as deemed necessary by Education and Outreach Committee members.
 - A. Review scholarship applications and make recommendations for awardees. Select grant award recipients.

 - B. Collate contacts list for all members of Education and Outreach Committee.

