



## FINAL CALL FOR PAPERS



American Fisheries Society  
2007 Urban Fishing Symposium  
Held in conjunction with the AFS Annual Meeting  
(Pending Annual Meeting Acceptance)  
September 2-6, 2007 in San Francisco, CA

<http://www.uaex.edu/uapbstudent/UrbanFishing/2007.htm>

## Symposium Goals

Recreational fishing participation has been declining in recent years and many states have experienced long-term downward trends in fishing license sales. In response to this, many states have developed urban fishing programs and/or aquatic education programs with the specific goals of recruiting and retaining anglers from urban areas and under-represented demographic groups, such as women and minorities. It is advantageous and efficient for urban fishing programs to learn from each other, and this urban fishing symposium will provide an excellent medium for the sharing of knowledge and experiences and will produce a valuable reference material that will aid in the development, implementation, and management of urban fishing and aquatic education programs.

## Symposium Organizers

American Fisheries Society

## Symposium Topics

- Invited presentations updating topics from the 1983 Urban Fishing Symposium or addressing new and important topics in urban fishing
- Urban fishing and aquatic education program case studies
- Research related to urban fishing and aquatic education programs
- Full list of invited topics and other presentations are located on our website

## Submission of Abstracts

Persons interested in presenting or co-authoring an invited topic paper should contact the steering committee chair no later than September 1, 2006. Urban fishing and aquatic education case study manuscripts/oral presentations are filled. However, anyone interested in submitting a case study is encouraged to do so as a poster presentation/management brief. Persons interested in presenting a research paper or poster at the symposium should E-mail a title, abstract, and contact information no later than September 15, 2006 to:

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Please indicate whether you would prefer an oral presentation or poster. Authors are encouraged to submit their abstracts early. Individuals who submit abstracts will be notified by October 31, 2006 as to whether their submission has been accepted. Preference will be given towards presentations that offer new information and fresh insights into topics that are a focus of the symposium. The symposium will be organized into eight sessions, with five presentations in each. Presentations shall last 15 minutes, with an additional 5 minutes for questions and answers.

## Peer-reviewed Publication

To assure that the technical information presented at the symposium is of high quality and is broadly disseminated, the American Fisheries Society has agreed to publish the proceedings of this symposium. All presentations, both oral and poster, will be included in the publication. Presenters of oral presentations will be required to submit an article for publication, following the guidelines given in the AFS North American Journal of Fisheries Management (NAJFM) *Guide for Authors*. Presenters of poster presentations will be required to submit a poster summary/management brief (1,000-2,000 words), also following NAJFM guidelines. **All manuscripts and management brief/summaries are due by September 1, 2007 - prior to the symposium**. All articles and management briefs will be submitted and reviewed electronically via <http://afsbooks.allentrack.net/>. Questions on the publication should be directed to the Proceedings co-editors: Rick Eades [Rick.Eades@ngpc.ne.gov](mailto:Rick.Eades@ngpc.ne.gov), Wes Neal [wneal@uaex.edu](mailto:wneal@uaex.edu), or Tom Lang [tlang@uaex.edu](mailto:tlang@uaex.edu). The editors also invite anyone interested in serving as a reviewer for submitted articles to E-mail them their contact information and areas of interest/expertise.

## Symposium Sponsors

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- Arkansas Game and Fish Commission
- Minnesota Department of Natural Resources
- Recreational Boating and Fishing Foundation
- AFS Southern Division
- Arizona Game and Fish Department
- AFS Fisheries Administrator's Section
- In-Fisherman magazine
- University of Arkansas at Pine Bluff AFS student sub-unit

