



World Sturgeon Conservation Society

North American Chapter

The World Sturgeon Conservation Society is an international network of individuals and organizations interested in sturgeon and paddlefish research, conservation, and management

2010 WSCS North American Chapter Annual Conference

***Bozeman Fish Technology Center, Bozeman, Montana
Chico Hot Springs Resort, Livingston, Montana
August 31-September 2, 2010***

Second Call for Papers

The North American Chapter of the World Sturgeon Conservation Society still has some slots left in the contributed papers session of its 3rd annual meeting to be held September 1-2, 2010 at Chico Hot Springs Resort (www.chicohotsprings.com/) near Livingston, Montana. ***Get your abstracts in by April 30, 2010 (details on page 2).*** We will also be conducting two pre-conference hands-on workshops on 1) sturgeon conservation genetics, and 2) sturgeon age estimation and tagging techniques held at the Bozeman Fish Technology Center August 31.

Sturgeon and paddlefish species worldwide are threatened due to overfishing, habitat loss, and pollution. Efforts to manage, preserve, and restore these species have increased substantially in the last 30 years, especially in North America where some of the best populations still remain, and where some of the longest running proactive restoration programs exist. These research, management, and restoration programs will be the focus of papers presented and workshops conducted in Montana in late August-early September this year at our annual WSCS NAC meeting.



We encourage sturgeon and paddlefish researchers, biologists, managers, and private sector interests to submit your abstracts.

Abstract Submission: *Please submit your abstract (maximum 250 words) by April 30, 2010 to Molly Webb at Molly_Webb@fws.gov.* Abstracts should include a statement of objectives, a brief description of methods, principal results, and conclusions or management recommendations. Include scientific names in the abstract, but not in the title. The title should clearly describe what you will present. Please do not abbreviate place names (e.g. state or country) in the title. Include presenting-author name, and names of co-authors, with affiliations. Due to unique (but incredibly scenic) room lay-outs at Chico Resort, we will not be able to display posters at this year's meeting.

Workshop and Conference Registration:

Registration: You can register by using the enclosed registration form. Contact Molly_Webb@fws.gov with questions.

Workshops: Workshops will be held on August 31 at the Bozeman Fish Technology Center. Space in workshops will be limited and filled on a first come first serve basis. Workshop registration will be \$50 per session. A room block has been reserved for workshop participants in Bozeman on August 30 at the Gran Tree Hotel (406)587-5261. Please reference the North American Chapter of the World Sturgeon Conservation Society.

Conference: The conference will be held September 1-2 at Chico Hot Springs Resort. The registration fee will be \$95 for WSCS North American Chapter members, \$140 for non-members, and \$75 for spouses/significant others. Registration fees will increase to \$150 for WSCS members, \$200 for non-members, and \$125 for spouses/significant others after June 30. The registration fee includes conference registration, mixer, breaks, lunches, dinner, and banquet at Chico Hot Springs. Spouse fee does not include conference registration. A room block has been reserved at Chico Hot Springs (406)333-4933 for August 31, September 1 and 2. Alternatively, a room block has been reserved in Livingston at the Best Western (406)222-6110. Please reference the North American Chapter of the World Sturgeon Conservation Society.

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