

AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY

ESTUARIES SECTION NEWSLETTER

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This first newsletter will not be terribly fancy but should let everyone know that the Estuaries Section is alive, well, and starting to function. *If you have not renewed your membership, please send \$5.00 to the American Fisheries Society as soon as possible.* Your support is needed for the activities that are planned in 1996.

The minutes of the 1995 Annual Meeting are enclosed for information.

OFFICERS

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Please feel free to contact any of these individuals at any time if you have suggestions, questions, or concerns about the Estuaries Section.

COMMITTEE OPENINGS

Volunteers are needed to Chair and work on the following committees:

Fisheries Action Network Outreach/
Liaison-Media Liaison Committee

Membership Committee

Program Committee.

Deborah volunteered to be the Newsletter Editor for the first year but she is in need of individuals to provide current information regarding events and activities that would be of interest to members of the Estuaries Section.

1996 AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING SYMPOSIUM

The Estuaries Section has been asked to sponsor a Symposium at the 1996 AFS meeting in Dearborn, Michigan. The proceedings of this Symposium will be published. Please submit ideas for the topic of the Symposium to Stephen Waste not later than October 31, 1995.

SECTION IDENTITY

Pres. Waste, VP New, and Sec.-Trea. Sullivan are in the process of developing a statement of purpose, mission statement, and objectives for the Estuaries Section. Your input is vital to this process if the section is to reflect the needs of its members and potential members. Please provide your ideas to any of these individuals by November 17, 1995 so that the information can be incorporated into the above documents and sent to the membership for review in the December newsletter.

NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

The Editor would like to receive information about job openings, conferences, training opportunities, member activities and any other information Section members have related to this section. Please E-Mail, fax, or telephone the information in by the 15th of November, February, and May, for publication in the December, March, and June newsletters.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

The Estuaries Section is up and running and the officers are anxious to help current and potential members receive the maximum benefits from Section activities. Your ideas, input, and constructive criticism are both necessary and important for the success of the Section. We look forward to hearing from you at any time.