



# Fish Health Section



The official link to the FHS website is: <https://units.fisheries.org/fhs/>

## FHS NEWS

### Change in FHS Listserve Editor

The time has come for me to pass the FHS Listserve Editor torch on to someone else. It has been a pleasure serving in this capacity for the past three years, and I truly look forward to continuing to serve the FHS as Vice-President and onward. I would like to thank everyone for helping provide me with all the information that we put into the FHS update.

I'm proud to introduce the new FHS Listserve Editor, Charlie Gieseke. Charlie has been looking for opportunities to serve the FHS and volunteered to take on this role. Thank you very much! If you have any news, job announcements, meeting/workshop announcements, or other relevant information, please email Charlie ([charliegieseke@gmail.com](mailto:charliegieseke@gmail.com)) and he will ensure that it gets included.

Thanks again- Ben

### Letter from the FHS President

Esteban Soto has prepared a letter to FHS members. [Please open the PDF entitled, "Letter from the president Oct 2017", to view.](#)

### ISAAH 2018 Update: Keynote Speakers and Sponsorship packages

The Atlantic Veterinary College (AVC) at the University of Prince Edward Island is proud to partner with the Prince Edward Island BioAlliance and the Fish Health Section of the American Fisheries Society (FHS) to co-host the eighth International Symposium on Aquatic Animal Health ([www.isaah2018.com](http://www.isaah2018.com)). The 2018 event will be held at the Prince Edward Island Convention Centre from September 2 to 6 in beautiful Charlottetown, PEI, Canada. A symposium email address has been set-up and can be used to email the organizing committee: [info@isaah.com](mailto:info@isaah.com).

The organizing committee of ISAAH is happy to announce the Keynote Speakers that will be presenting at ISAAH 2018. Please visit this website page to view the biographies for the speakers: <https://isaah2018.com/speakers/keynote-speakers/>. The call for abstracts and Tentative Program Schedule are currently being prepared and will be coming soon!

Additionally, the organizing committee would like to announce that Sponsorship Packages are now available and can be found at the following website:  
<https://isaah2018.com/sponsorship/>.

Please don't forget to sign up for meeting updates and news at the symposium website ([www.isaah2018.com](http://www.isaah2018.com)). Once at the website, on the right side of the page will be a place to enter your email address to receive important meeting notifications and news.

Finally, the call for special sessions and workshops is still open. Please see the attached PDF entitled, "Call for special sessions and workshops ISA AH" for more information.

### **Commentary from the Parent Society President: Getting More Out of Your AFS Dues**

Wouldn't it be nice if just once, when the price of something increased, you actually got more for your money? AFS members will get more for their money when the increase in dues approved by the AFS Management Committee last month in Tampa goes into effect in 2018. [Read more.](#)

## **STUDENTS AND EARLY CAREER MEMBERS**

### **Funding Opportunity for Graduate Students and Post-Doctoral Fellows for Travel Support to Attend the 8<sup>th</sup> ISA AH**

The Canada Excellence Research Chair (CERC) in Aquatic Epidemiology is committed to world-leadership in aquatic epidemiology with a focus in ecosystem health. As part of its mandate, the CERC is building global capacity and supporting research in regions such as Asia, central and South America, and Africa where there have been limited opportunities for research in aquatic epidemiology and presentation of research findings at international meetings.

Applicants should be PhD students or post-doctoral fellows whose research focus is aquatic epidemiology or ecosystem health at the time of abstract submission. Masters students with outstanding records of scholarship and PhD students graduated less than 1 year and working in aquatic animal health will also be considered for funding. Preference will be given to applicants outside of Canada and the U.S.A, and especially those from the regions listed above.

For more information on the application process and deadlines, please view the PDF entitled, "CERC Student Travel Awards Announcement July 21".

## **MEETINGS, WORKSHOPS AND COURSES**

**8<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Aquatic Animal Health**  
**Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, Canada**  
**September 2-6, 2018**

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## **JOBS/GRADUATE ASSISTANTSHIPS**

**Fishery Pathologist**  
**Idaho Fish and Game**  
**Eagle, ID**

The Idaho Department of Fish and Game is currently recruiting for a Fishery Pathologist at their Eagle Fish Health Laboratory (EFHL) in Eagle, Idaho. The closing date is 10/24/2017 and more information on the position can be found at the link below:  
[https://labor.idaho.gov/DHR/ATS/StateJobs/jobannouncement.aspx?announcement\\_no=00805077432](https://labor.idaho.gov/DHR/ATS/StateJobs/jobannouncement.aspx?announcement_no=00805077432)

## **RESOURCES/NEWS**

### **AADAP Update: FDA Answers Some Questions About Veterinary Feed Directives**

Below are four questions that we have been frequently asked relative to the use of Veterinary Feed Directive (VFD) Medicated Feeds. We ran these questions by staff with the U.S. Food and Drug Administration Center for Veterinary Medicine and we're sharing their answers with you.

#1. Can a VFD order for medicated feed be written for fish that don't exist yet?  
[YES – Learn More](#)

#2 Can surplus VFD medicated feed on hand be used for another VFD order?  
[YES – Learn More](#)

#3 - Can fish from one state natural resource agency facility be moved to numerous other facilities within the same state agency and all be under the same VFD?  
[YES – Learn More](#)

## Western Fisheries Science News: August 2017 - Issue 5.8

Dear WFRC Colleagues, Partners and Friends;

Please enjoy the latest issue of our Center newsletter, designed to update you on science, new publications, events and news from the U.S. Geological Survey, Western Fisheries Research Center (WFRC). WFRC scientists conduct research on aquatic animal health; restoration ecology; and drivers of ecosystem change at four different field stations throughout Washington and Oregon. We hope that this newsletter will help familiarize you with WFRC science and update you on our latest developments. Please forward to colleagues who may also benefit from these communications.

Read online: <http://wfrc.usgs.gov/newsletter/>

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### FEATURE STORY

Science to Support Salmon Recovery Efforts in the Puget Sound

### EVENTS

- USGS Provides Interpretive Talk on White Salmon River
- USGS Invited to Attend Dam Removal Workshop

### IN THE NEWS

On August 22, 2017, fish biologist Nancy Elder was contacted by Alison Morrow from King 5 News (Seattle, WA) about an interview and field visit during dive surveys nearshore of the Elwha River. The interview was filmed August 30th and aired on September 1, 2017. For more information contact Nancy Elder, [nelder@usgs.gov](mailto:nelder@usgs.gov), 360-385-1007, ext. 222, Nordland, WA.

During the week of August 21, 2017, USGS Center Director Jill Rolland was mentioned in various news media outlets, including The Columbian, U.S. News, and the AP, about concerns related to net pen holding 305,000 farmed Atlantic salmon in Washington state that collapsed and released thousands of fish into Puget Sound. For more information contact Jill Rolland, [jrolland@usgs.gov](mailto:jrolland@usgs.gov), 206-526-6291, Seattle, WA.

On August 10, 2017, Steve Waste was interviewed in Seattle by May Lee of CGTN (China Global Television Network). The interview focused on the issues surrounding migratory species in the Northwest, their return to spawn and the challenges faced including the lack of fish passage at many blockages. China faces similar issues with their native carp (as well as many other species). Steve Waste provided information

about USGS research on fish passage challenges and potential solutions. For more information contact Steve Waste, [swaste@usgs.gov](mailto:swaste@usgs.gov), 509-538-2936, Cook, WA.