American Fisheries Society Genetics Section Hall of Excellence



Dr. David P. Philipp

Dr. David Philipp is a Principal Scientist Emeritus with the Illinois Natural History Survey, at the Institute of Natural Resources Sustainability at the University of Illinois. His research interests focus on three major areas: conservation genetics, reproductive ecology, and the effects of fishing on natural populations. His findings have helped to document the negative impacts of hatchery stocking programs, as well as to illustrate the evolutionary effects that fishing can have on natural populations. Much of his research has targeted centrarchid species and factors that impact their parental care activities, reproductive success, and annual recruitment. In recent years, Dave has broadened his interests to include the marine flats ecosystem, bonefish reproductive behaviors, and the effects of recreational angling on post-release behavior and survival of flats fishes. Dave helped to found the Fisheries Conservation Foundation, and he currently serves as the Chair of its Board of Directors. Dave was a founding member of the Genetics Section (originally called the Fish Genetics Section) in 1986 and served as its first President.

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