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## Get prepared for the 2019 Annual Meeting!

**When:** February 26-28, 2019

**Where:** Hilton Fort Collins,  
425 West Prospect Road,  
Fort Collins, CO 80526

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# ANNUAL MEETING DETAILS

The 2019 Annual Meeting of the Colorado/Wyoming Chapter of the American Fisheries Society will be held February 26-28, 2019 at the Hilton in Fort Collins, Colorado. Continuing Education and a tour of the Colorado Parks and Wildlife Bellvue Fish Research Hatchery and/or Bellvue-Watson Fish Hatchery will be held on Tuesday, followed by a welcome reception in the Iris and Michael Smith Alumni Center located in the Colorado State University on-campus stadium in the evening. Presentations will follow on Wednesday and Thursday. The opening session will have an aquaculture focus, with talks from Western Division AFS Past-President Jim Bowker, Society President Jesse Trushenski, AFS Fish Culture Section Past-President Carl Kittel, and agency and private aquaculture industry personnel from both states. The student social will be Wednesday evening, business lunch on Thursday, and banquet on Thursday evening.

**Next Executive Committee meeting:** Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2018 at the Colorado Parks and Wildlife office in Fort Collins (317 W. Prospect Rd.). Anyone who would like to attend in person is welcome. **Conference call details for those not attending in person: to join the call dial 1-877-278-2734 and enter the PIN 235059.** Contact Eric Fetherman with questions or agenda items (970-481-3225 or [Eric.Fetherman@state.co.us](mailto:Eric.Fetherman@state.co.us)).

A block of rooms have been reserved at a rate of \$119.00 per night. Government employees will be eligible for the government rate that is in effect at the time of the meeting (currently \$109.00 per night). Room reservations can be made by using the reservation web page at [https://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/F/FNLCOHF-AFH-20190225/index.jhtml?WT.mc\\_id=POG](https://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/F/FNLCOHF-AFH-20190225/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG), or calling the Hilton at 970-482-2626. If making reservations by phone, please request the American Fisheries Society room block. If needed, the group code for both phone and online reservations is AFH.

Everyone should clearly state to hotel staff that they are making reservations to attend the meeting so we get credit for our room reservations. This is important because we need to meet our room obligations. Reservations can be made on the hotel block until February 4, 2019. Meeting registration information will be available on the Colorado/Wyoming AFS website ([cowyafs.org](http://cowyafs.org)) by early January, with meeting details included in the January issue of The Angler. Online registration, with the option of credit card payments, will open January 4, 2019. **The deadline for early registration is February 1, 2019, concurrent with the final deadline for abstract submissions.**



# FIRST CALL FOR PAPERS



## CHECK OUT THIS LINK FOR TIPS & TRICKS ON CREATING & DELIVERING EFFECTIVE PRESENTATIONS:

<https://fishculture.fisheries.org/professional-development/tips-%20on-giving-%20presentations/>

We are once again looking for members to share all of the great work they have been doing over the past year by giving a presentation or poster at the 2019 Annual Meeting. All papers are welcome, including formal scientific papers as well as general informational. Authors will be notified of their acceptance 2 weeks prior to the meeting. Abstracts can be submitted by visiting the Colorado/Wyoming AFS website ([cowyafs.org](http://cowyafs.org)) and following the link. **Final Deadline for abstract submissions is February 1, 2019.** For additional information, please contact Christina Barrineau at 307-721-1372, [christina.barrineau@wyo.gov](mailto:christina.barrineau@wyo.gov).

**Oral presentation guidelines:** Oral presentations are limited to a 20 minute time slot and we recommend limiting your presentation to 15 to 18 minutes to allow for questions.

**Poster presentation guidelines:** Please restrict your poster to a maximum size of 3' high (0.92 m) x 4' wide (1.22 m) and have a smooth finish. Poster can be attached to the walls with double-sided adhesive strips or hook and loop (VELCRO®) type fasteners. If using VELCRO®, provide both sides (adhesive backing will be required). You are responsible for providing your own form of attachment. Posters can also be mounted on display boards and displayed on stands, supplied by the author. Please contact us for further guidelines on poster presentations if desired.



# CONTINUING EDUCATION

## THE INSTRUCTORS:



**Russ Jupuntich:**  
**NEPA & ESA**



**Shannon Albeke:**  
**Intro to Program R**



**CPW Research  
Hatchery Crew**



The Continuing Education Committee is happy to provide 3 courses for the annual meeting this year. The first course will focus on NEPA and ESA and will be taught by Russ Jupuntich with the BLM. The second course, back by popular demand, is an intro to Program R, again taught by Shannon Albeke from WYGISC. The third course will be a tour of the local hatcheries provided by CPW employees. More information regarding the workshops will be coming soon! If you have any questions regarding 2019 continuing education workshops, please contact Diana Miller, [diana.miller@wyo.gov](mailto:diana.miller@wyo.gov), or Dan Kowalski, [dan.kowalski@state.co.us](mailto:dan.kowalski@state.co.us).





# AFS NEEDS YOU TO MAKE THE ANNUAL MEETING A SUCCESS!

## Judges Needed

Volunteers are needed to judge papers and posters. We need 30-40 judges from Colorado and Wyoming (combined) to have three judges per paper and poster, so a great deal of help is needed from members.

Government agency, private consulting professionals, and college professors are preferred for judging volunteers. Please consider volunteering some of your time at the meeting! If you are interested in judging please contact Tyler Swarr at 303-291-7159 or [tyler.swarr@state.co.us](mailto:tyler.swarr@state.co.us).



## Awards Nominations Needed

The Colorado/Wyoming Chapter has four awards for recognizing our fisheries professionals and the Awards Committee needs your help in determining qualified candidates to receive awards at the 2019 Annual Meeting. This is an opportunity for you to become involved and see that your professional peers receive their deserved recognition from the American Fisheries Society.

- (1) **Award of Excellence:** Recognizes an individual who has made significant contributions in the fishery-aquatic resource field.
- (2) **Max Award of Merit:** In honor of Max Rollefson (WGFD), this "atta boy" recognizes a short-term professional accomplishment in management, administration, research, or culture.
- (3) **Outstanding Mentor Award:** This award recognizes a fisheries professional who has shown substantial devotion to assisting or mentoring prospective fisheries students/professionals, current fisheries students, or fisheries professionals.
- (4) **Leaky Boot Award:** Recognizes the most outrageous behavior of any fisheries student or professional in the year prior to the Chapter's Annual Meeting.

**The deadline to nominate will be January 25th.** For more information on how to nominate your peers please contact Travis Neebling at (307) 233-6410 or [travis.neebing@wyo.gov](mailto:travis.neebing@wyo.gov).

## Raffle and Auction Items Needed

Expect a lively raffle and auction to complement the awards portion of the banquet at the 2019 annual meeting. There will also be a silent auction, a game raffle (with prizes), a general raffle, and a member photo contest. **To maximize our fundraising efforts, we are asking that attendees bring items to donate to our cause.** These could be items that you personally contribute, or that you solicit from a local business, organization, or person. Items may include backpack trips, guided fishing trips, handmade flies, original artwork, prints, or other cool fish and wildlife related items. Each of us in the chapter probably has at least one business, organization, or person willing to donate something towards the mission of AFS. **Please take a few minutes to ask.**

**If you would like to make contributions, please bring your item(s) with you to the meeting or send them to:**

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