

IDAHO CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

MATT POWELL

The ballot you will or have already received serves you as an important facet of our Chapter, the ability to vote. I would like to ask all of you to take a moment and vote on the proposed changes to the bylaws as outlined by the EXCOM in the letter accompanying the ballot. Your view on the matter, yes or no, is not really the point. The point is to get involved. You are part of a chapter that is not just functioning but thriving with many programs, activities and committees to participate in. As a resource manager, biologist, whatever, this chapter is your closest and best gateway to share ideas, collaborate on research and participate in activities that reflect your profession.

Our upcoming annual meeting in Boise serves as the perfect opportunity to dive in and participate by presenting your research and ideas to the rest of the Chapter. Frankly, the Idaho AFS meeting has always been for me, one of the most unassuming, convivial professional meetings I attend. For students, it is the perfect opportunity to hone your presentation skills before a national meeting.

Finally, with the holiday season upon us, let us all take a moment from our busy schedules to reflect upon some of the things which mean the most to us. Often, we end up so tied-up in our work that friends, family and even our own health sometimes takes a back seat. I know from personal experience over this past year, work can blind you. What most all of us need (the lucky ones have already found this out) is a little balance. So. . . over the next couple weeks, lend a hand to others when they need it, call your friends and family, don't forget to say thanks, and take a walk as you think about writing your abstract for our annual meeting instead of sitting at your desk.

Happy Holidays to All.
Cheers,
Matt

Idaho Chapter AFS Mailing List Clean-up

If your e-mail address has changed or you have not received e-mail from the chapter within the last 2 months, please send Ryan Hardy your updated e-mail address at rhardy@idfg.state.id.us

Please forward this newsletter to others who you know have changed e-mail addresses recently. Thanks.

HOT NEWS: YOU SHOULD HAVE YOUR BALLOT BY NOW!

Ballots regarding changing the Idaho Chapter Secretary and Treasurer positions should have arrived in your mailbox now. Excom may never be the same! Please take a minute to cast your vote, mailing it back to Matt Powell in the provided envelope. If you haven't received a ballot, immediately and without hesitation, call Liz Mamer (208-465-8404 x270) to verify your address and request another one. Remember, you must be a member in good standing with National AFS (2004 or 2005) in order to participate in this ICASF voting opportunity.

The ballot provides you an opportunity to change the Secretary/Treasurer position in the Chapter to a 2 year commitment, still a voting member of ExCom; defined as follows:

- First year served as Secretary:
 - Responsible for retaining chapter correspondence
 - Update Officers Manual and take ExCom minutes
 - Assist current treasurer with meeting registration and details as needed
 - Maintain Chapter decision process, criteria and guidelines

- Second year served as Treasurer:
 - Responsible for maintaining financial records in Quicken and keeping track of meeting attendance trend data
 - Responsible for accounts receivable/payable and preparing financial reports
 - Responsible for Handling all financial aspects of annual meetings and workshops, including registration

So far, out of our entire membership we have had only one person expressing confusion regarding the ballot. We are proud of that record because it is a far better than what the State of Florida can claim. Nonetheless, we want NO

confusion. So, if you are confused about the ballot please give anyone in EXCOM (see directory near the end of this newsletter) a call or e-mail and we will be happy to answer your questions. VOTE RIGHT AWAY!

2005 Idaho Chapter Annual Meeting
February 24-26
Boise Double Tree Hotel-Riverside

Managing Fisheries in the 21st Century: Meeting New Challenges with New Ideas
Russ Kiefer

Plenary Session

The plenary session will be devoted to discussions on how to communicate fisheries information to society so that decisions affecting fisheries are made with a realistic understanding of the potential biological outcomes. Other anticipated sessions may include fisheries management, ESA use of hatchery fish, water quantity and quality, genetics, anadromous fish, lakes and reservoirs, native aquatics, fish culture, and riparian management. Other ideas for session themes would be greatly appreciated. Regardless, there is room for you to participate and contribute. All people interested in presenting should notify Russ Kiefer (334-3791) rkiefer@idfg.state.id.us. Abstracts should be limited to 300 words and should include who will be the presenter and who were coauthors if applicable. Please provide title, author(s), address, and whether you are interested in presenting a paper or poster. Please indicate audio-visual equipment needs.

Call for Papers and Format

Abstracts will be accepted through January 21, 2005. Please submit abstracts electronically or on CD or diskette in MS Word for Office 2000.

Presentations will be restricted to specific format guidelines. For those who chose to stay with 35mm slides will be accommodated as usual. If you wish to give your presentation in digital format, please use the following guidelines. You will be restricted to MS PowerPoint in Office 2000, stored on 100MB ZIP drive discs or a CD. Do not plan to bring your own computer or projector. We will have computer, projector and back-ups to serve all PowerPoint presentations.

These guidelines have worked well to minimize presentation delays and confusion caused by different storage media, computers and operating systems. **There will be no exceptions.** If you have any questions, contact Russ Kiefer (334-3791) rkiefer@idfg.state.id.us.

Computer Assistance is needed

If you are good at figuring out how to hook up and make laptops, projectors, and Power Point communicate, we need your help. This is an opportunity for chapter members who are adept at computer technology to help provide a critical service for our meeting. Please contact one of the Palouse Section Officers listed in this newsletter if you would be willing to help us out with this critical function.

Registration

The 2005 Registration fee for Agency/Professional registrants has been set at \$75 for those registering before **February 4** (in addition to annual National AFS dues; \$76); Student registration is free with payment of annual Student National AFS dues (\$38). Early registration by February 4 qualifies you for entry in a drawing for a **framed cutthroat print** to be awarded at the business lunch. For those of you choosing to procrastinate with your registration, your efforts will be rewarded with an additional \$15 fee - no exceptions. Please don't wait - register early!

Accommodations

The 2005 annual meeting will be held at the Double Tree Hotel Boise Riverside, from February 24 through February 26 (Thursday - Saturday). The Double Tree Boise Riverside Hotel is located at 2900 Chinden Blvd., Boise. A block of 75 rooms has been reserved. Please support the Idaho Chapter by making your accommodations at the Double Tree Riverside. The more folks stay at the hosting hotel, the better the deals we get on perks like comp rooms, meeting rooms, audio visual aids, food, and beverages. The block of rooms will be held at the following rates until **February 1, 2005**.

Single (govt. rate): \$70.00

Double (govt. rate): \$80.00

All rooms subject to 12% local tax and fees. Reservations can be made by

calling 208-343-1871 and requesting a room reserved for the Idaho Chapter American Fisheries Society. Folks may have noticed that the listed room rates have gone up since the October Newsletter. This is because our contract stipulated that the rooms would be set at the Federal Government reimbursement rates, which have gone up. The good news is that I will be able to negotiate better perks for our chapter because of this increase in reimbursement rates.

Associated Workshops

We are having two workshops in association with the annual meeting. Jeff Heindel has arranged for a workshop titled: **Fish Genetics 101**. Matt Campbell, IDFG Senior Fisheries Research Biologist (Geneticist), has graciously offered to lead this introductory workshop on fish genetics. The class is currently scheduled for February 22 with a 10:00 start time at the Double Tree Riverside Hotel (meeting location) - see Workshops Section of this newsletter for class specifics. Final details are still in the works, but it is our hope to make this workshop as affordable as possible - registration fees will be minimal and go towards the cost of the meeting room only. We've scheduled a later-morning start time to allow for travel prior to the meeting and to try and avoid travel on a State/Federal holiday (President's Day Feb. 21).

Vaughn Paragamian has assembled a Publicity Writing Workshop on Wednesday February 23rd - a workshop that will provide valuable information on preparing fisheries-related news releases for the media. The workshop is scheduled to start at 08:30 and Charlie Powell will be the instructor. The workshop will be set up classroom style, there will be no catered lunch, and registration is \$20. We need twenty students to hold this workshop, but there will be room for no more than 25. Please see the Workshop Section of this newsletter for registration details. Please make your registration early so that we know we have enough students to hold the class, and to reserve your spot in this limited workshop.

We have rooms reserved at the Doubletree on Monday and Tuesday nights for folks attending the workshops as well. Once again, the more folks who stay at the hosting hotel equates to more perks for our chapter.

Fish-O-Flies (*Oncorhynchus idahoii*)

Last year the *O. idahoii*, had over 130 hand-tied flies. Once again flies of all

shapes and sizes are encouraged. This year we want to do even better. Each newsletter this year will remind you to tie flies for ICAFS. The plan is to have enough flies for a great "fish-O-Flies" and even more to put into specialty fly boxes such as: SF Boise, spring creeks, Cutthroat, Steelhead, warmwater, stillwater, and an all Idaho selection. Please plan on tying up a dozen or so of your best pattern. As an added incentive, FOR EVERY HALF-DOZEN FLIES YOU BRING, YOU GET 3 GENERAL RAFFLE TICKETS!

ICAFS Annual Meeting Registration

February 24th – February 26th, 2005 Boise

→ **Mail by February 4 to ICAFS c/o Liz Mamer, Idaho Department of Fish & Game, 1414 East Locust Lane, Nampa, ID, 83686; or**

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

Affiliation: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone:(work) _____ (Home): _____

2005 Annual Meeting/Conference Registration Fees:

Pre-Registration **(received by Feb 4)**
(Be entered into a drawing for a cutthroat print) \$75.00 _____

Late Registration **(after Feb 4 or at the door)** \$90.00 _____

Student Registration with Current 2005 AFS Membership \$0.00 _____

2005 National Dues & Publications Fees:

Regular National Dues \$76.00 _____

Student National Dues \$38.00 _____

Section Dues: varies - please specify _____

Publications: varies - please specify _____

2005 Total Fees and Dues:

Total for 2005 AFS Member _____

Check # _____

Please make checks out to Idaho Chapter American Fisheries Society (ICAFS).

**2005 PRE-ANNUAL MEETING WORKSHOPS:
FISH GENETICS 101 and PUBLICITY WRITING**

Fish Genetics 101

The first workshop is *Fish Genetics 101*, presented by the ICAFS Fish Culture Committee. It will be February 22, 2005 at 10:00 a.m. in the Boise Double Tree Riverside Hotel. Workshop Fee will be minimal (to be announced). The Instructor, Matt Campbell, IDFG Geneticist, will provide an introduction to *Fish Genetics* for non-geneticists. Topics include *Sampling Methods, Review on DNA and Terminology, Overview of DNA Extraction, Overview of DNA amplification (via PCR), and Applications, including Hybridization and Introgression, Genetic Variation, and Genetic Population Structure*. A registration form will be available in the January Idaho Chapter AFS Newsletter.

Publicity Writing

Publicity Writing is one of two Idaho Chapter AFS workshops offered the day before the annual meeting (Wednesday, February 23). It features instruction from Charlie Powell, an expert in publicity writing. The registration fee is \$20 and the class is limited to 25 students. The class registration is first come, first served, so get your registration form (follows this article) in as soon as possible!

Publicity Writing Workshop Registration

February 23, 2005 in Boise Doubletree Hotel Riverside

(One day prior to ICAFS 2005 Annual Meeting)

(start time of 0830, room to be announced)

First Come First Serve

(Mail by Jan 25, 2005 to ICAFS c/o Vaughn L. Paragamian, Idaho Department of Fish and Game, 2750 Kathleen Ave, Coeur d' Alene, Idaho 83815)

Please make checks out to Idaho Chapter American Fisheries Society (ICAFS)

Last Name: _____

First Name: _____

Affiliation: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone:(work) _____

Registration Fee Does not include lunch.

Registration (\$20.00) _____

NEW FUND-RAISING PROMOTION NEEDS ASSISTANCE!

Vaughn Paragamian needs assistance with a new fund raising promotion during the 2005 annual meeting. The new addition to the Fund Raising activity will be a football toss game. He will be heading this up and would like some volunteers to help. We will schedule three people to manage the game for about three to four one-hour intervals during the Fund Raising night (about 12 people in all). If enough people sign up, we may even offer it during the chapter meeting session breaks. Contact Vaughn if you would like to volunteer. You can find his contact information on the EXCOM contact list near the end of this newsletter.

FEDERAL AGENCY PARTICIPATION IN THE IDAHO CHAPTER

James Capurso, Chapter Vice President

Concerned and somewhat embarrassed by the low number of Federal Fisheries Biologists actively participating in Idaho Chapter AFS, I have recently initiated an effort through EXCOM to increase that number. I have contacted the State administrators of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, NOAA Fisheries, and

Bureau of Land Management, and the Regional leaders of the Forest Service to discuss the issue. They all recognize the importance of active participation in professional societies and support their employees to do so. Most of these agencies have either recently sent such a letter of support to their field units or are currently preparing it. I will make it a point that each administrator will receive Idaho Chapter AFS newsletters as they are distributed and they have agreed to forward these newsletters directly to their Fisheries employees. Because of these administrators' support, I expect to see an increase in Federal Biologist participation in the chapter. I will be monitoring this during my tenure in EXCOM and will continue to report back to you on this and future efforts.

COMMITTEE UPDATES

A chapter is only as vibrant and active as its committees.
Get involved in your committees and chapter!

Anadromous Fish

Committee Chair: Jason Vogel

The committee is planning to design placemats for restaurants of core salmon and steelhead recreation areas. These placemats would serve as a vector to get out good information to children and adults about anadromous fish how their impact to the region.

Fish Culture

Committee Chair: Jeff A. Heindel

jheindel@idfg.state.id.us

Happy Holidays from your Fish Culture Committee Chair! The 2005 ICAFS Annual Meeting in Boise is rapidly approaching . . . don't forget to mark your calendars for February 24-26 and PLAN TO ATTEND! I said it in the last newsletter - I'll say it again . . . Idaho is extremely rich in diversity with regards to our fish culture programs and we employ some of the "best and brightest" in the business . . . Tribal programs, Federal programs, State programs, University programs . . . add an incredibly large Private sector to our ranks and we've got quite a bit to be proud of - I feel very strongly about this statement! Aquaculture is BIG in Idaho and we need to play an active role in

advancing the aquaculture knowledge and technology of our profession . . . what better way to achieve this goal than through membership AND involvement in the Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society. Involvement is the key - as ICASF members, let's do our part to welcome new members from our aquaculture community . . . if you are an existing member in need of a reason to get re-acquainted, the 2005 ANNUAL MEETING is the perfect reason!

In addition to an exciting Plenary Session, we are currently on track to offer two Continuing Education seminars that should be of interest to all. Vaughn Paragamian has invested a great deal of time and effort in assembling a Publicity Writing Workshop on February 23rd - a workshop that will provide valuable information on preparing fisheries-related news releases for the media. The other workshop is being hosted by the Fish Culture Committee (FCC) and should be of particular interest to our aquaculture community. Over the last few years, during committee breakout sessions at our annual meetings, our FCC members have acknowledged the need for Continuing Education workshops that were "fine tuned" for the aquaculture community. I'm pleased to announce an additional workshop that should be of interest to any fisheries professional . . . Fish Genetics 101. Matt Campbell, IDFG Senior Fisheries Research Biologist (read: Geneticist, IDFG), has graciously offered to lead an introductory workshop on fish genetics. The class is currently scheduled for February 22 with a 10am start time at the Double Tree Riverside Hotel (meeting location) - see this newsletter for class specifics. Final details are still in the works, but it is our hope to make this workshop as affordable as possible - registration fees will be minimal and go towards the cost of the meeting room only. We've scheduled a later-morning start time to allow for travel prior to the meeting and to try and avoid travel on a State/Federal holiday (President's Day Feb. 21).

I'm hoping that this workshop will be well received - this workshop will be the first of many to come in the future that will have a distinctive aquaculture "flavor" for our fish culture members, yet diverse enough to satisfy the Continuing Education "tastes" of any fisheries professional. I hope to see you all there!

Fundraising

Committee Chairs: Art Butts and Dimitri Vidergar

Although there are still a couple of months until the state meeting, we need to pick up the pace on donations. Put your thinking caps on and dig out all of those

old Christmas and birthday gifts that you never opened, or previous AFS raffle items that you have never used. This is a perfect opportunity to recycle them and make some money for the chapter.

We are also asking members to donate fishing or hunting trips. The donated fishing trips are great money makers for the chapter and we believe that a guided turkey, chukar, or pheasant hunt will do great as well. If you would be willing to donate your fishing or hunting expertise, please let us know; it would be greatly appreciated.

Also, if you know managers or owners of vendors in your area, stop in and ask them if they would be willing to donate. Please don't wait to be personally asked as we don't know who may have connections and we need all the help we can get. We have attached our "Face-to-Face" letter that describes the society and some of the projects that the money has been used for. All donations are tax deductible and businesses that donate will be acknowledged at the banquet.

Remember folks, nothing is too small or too inexpensive to donate, and this is our once a year opportunity to raise money for the chapter.

If you have items to donate, please send them to the address below or just let us know that you have something to contribute, and bring it with you to the meeting.

Idaho Chapter American Fisheries Society
c/o Art Butts
1414 E Locust Lane
Nampa, ID 83686
(208)465-8404 or (208)890-1690

Or call, and we can make other arrangements

Hello,

Thank you for considering a donation to the American Fisheries Society. The American Fisheries Society is a nonprofit professional society founded over 100 years ago to promote, protect, and enhance our fishery resources. Our membership is primarily composed of fishery and aquatic

science professionals, most of whom are also sportsmen and women. One of the primary goals of the society is to provide a forum for discussion and communication of current fisheries research and management to help maintain and improve the aquatic resources of the state of Idaho. The Idaho Chapter of the American Fisheries Society has over 500 members directly involved in making Idaho's fishing and natural resources better. As a chapter, we are dedicated to protecting and preserving our state's valuable aquatic resources for all to enjoy, now and into the future.

Our activities are funded entirely by charitable contributions and fund-raising. All Idaho AFS projects are implemented by volunteers. Thanks to generous contributions from businesses such as yours, the Idaho chapter has continued to be involved in a wide variety of activities throughout the state and region. In the last year the Idaho Chapter has:

Completed the endowment of a scholarship for one graduate and one undergraduate student studying fisheries or natural resource-related fields who are either from Idaho or are attending an Idaho university,

- Reprinted the "Rare Native Fishes of Idaho" poster and distributed them to Idaho 4th graders statewide,

Participated in clinics statewide to introduce kids and their parents to the sport of fishing,

- Participated in "The Living Stream" programs throughout Idaho, which teach grade school students about the life history of fishes and how to be good stewards of natural resources,
- Taught educational programs at Idaho Salmon and Steelhead Days for Idaho 4th graders,

Rewriting and updating the Fishes of Idaho reference book that details identification and ranges of Idaho's fish species.

Building a section on the Idaho AFS chapter website (www.fisheries.org/idaho/) to help the angling public identify Idaho's sportfish so that harvestable fish are known and threatened or endangered species are released unharmed.

Our annual meeting and fund-raiser will be held February 24-26 in Boise. All donations are tax deductible (we are a 501C3 nonprofit organization, Idaho Corp. ID #C69419, Federal Corporation ID #521147128). Your generous contribution will be acknowledged at the meeting with flyers and posters displaying donors.

If we can answer any questions regarding our society and its function, please contact me at (208) 465-8404. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Fund-Raising Committee

If mailing contributions, please deliver to:

Idaho Chapter American Fisheries Society
c/o Art Butts
1414 E Locust Lane
Nampa, ID 83686

Mentoring

Committee Chair: Bart Gamett

The Mentoring Committee will be working on two projects over the next couple of months. The first project is promoting the Hutton Junior Fisheries Biology Program. The second is the development of a mentoring website. This website should be available sometime in January. If anyone has any ideas for the committee or would like to serve as a reviewer for the draft website please contact Bart Gamett at (208) 588-2224 or bgamett@fs.fed.us.

Make a Difference for the Future!!!

Become a Hutton Mentor!!!

The Hutton Junior Fisheries Biology Program is a summer mentoring program for high school students sponsored by the American Fisheries Society. The principal goal of the Hutton Program is to stimulate interest in careers in fisheries science and management among groups underrepresented in the fisheries professions, including minorities and women. Application to the program is open to all sophomore, junior, and senior high school students regardless of race, creed, or gender. Students selected for the program are matched with a professional mentor in their area for a summer-long, hands-on experience in a marine or freshwater setting. Funding for each student is provided by a \$3,000 scholarship.

You can participate in the program by serving as a Hutton Mentor and/or by recruiting students. Several fish professionals in Idaho have participated in this program over the last several years with significant success. Make a difference for the future of fisheries by becoming a mentor today!

Student and mentor applications for the 2005 Hutton Program are now available!

Applications are due February 15, 2005!

To learn more about the program or to obtain applications please visit:

<http://www.fisheries.org/html/hutton.shtml> and click on Hutton Program in the sidebar

Or contact one of the following:

Bart Gamett, Mentoring Committee Chair

(208) 588-2224

bgamett@fs.fed.us

Christine Fletcher, National Hutton Program Assistant

(301) 897-8616 ext. 213

hutton@fisheries.org

Native Fish

Committee Chair: Dan Garren

All the votes are in, and we have identified this year's R.L. Wallace Native Fish Conservationist of the Year. I am currently working to have the appropriate award created for this individual, and look forward to announcing the winner at the upcoming AFS meeting in February. Thanks to everyone who sent in a nomination.

Other activities include coordinating funding efforts for the Fishes of Idaho book, which is currently approaching completion, and working to identify potential candidate species and locations for next year's native fish field workshop. Anyone with input on either of these topics is welcome to contact me with their ideas. Alternatively, we can discuss these at the committee meeting in February.

Public Education

Committee Chair: Bill Schrader

bschrader@idfg.state.id.us

The education committee led the reprinting of the Native Fishes of Idaho Poster in late Spring, 2004. IDFG, BLM, USFS and Idaho Chapter helped fund the project. We are in the process of distributing free posters to all 4th grade classes statewide (relative to Idaho History classes) and to any other teachers that request a copy. Additionally, they are for sale at the IDFG

Nature Center and through Dave Vendetti.

Riparian

Committee Chair: Dan Kenney

dkenney@fs.fed.us

Workshops on management of riparian areas are often offered to farmers, ranchers, and the general public on a local basis, typically by local soil conservation districts, the NRCS, and the BLM. These workshops usually focus on riparian vegetation and streambank stability. It was suggested by Tim Burton (BLM Idaho State Office and Riparian Committee member) that a fisheries component of such workshops was desired, but often lacking. This was because fisheries professionals are typically not included by the organizers of such workshops. The Riparian Committee plans to organize fisheries biologists around the state to participate as instructors/participants at local riparian workshops. So as not to overburden participating biologists, each volunteer ideally should cover only one or two counties and would participate in no more than one or two workshops per year. Tim has also prepared a PowerPoint presentation on fisheries and riparian management that would be provided to participating biologists. I will be contacting each ICAFS member through the newsletter e-mail list soon to inquire about interest and availability, but you can get dibs on the county or counties of your choice by e-mailing or calling me right away.

Water Quality/Stream Hydrology

Committee Chairs: Sheryl Hill and Kajsa Stromberg

Committee Meeting in Boise

Please plan to attend the meeting of the Water Quality/Stream Hydrology Committee at the Annual ICAFS meeting in Boise in February, when the topic will be **Fish Passage Design Guidelines**. Steve Bauer of Pocket Water, Inc., has volunteered to give a presentation on the need for standards and guidelines for fish passage through culverts. Idaho lags behind many Northwestern states and federal agencies in its efforts to develop guidelines that include regional methods for determining **low-passage and high-passage design flows** in addition to design-flow guidelines tailored to periods of migration. Guidelines are also needed for **migration periods for species** in various regions of the state, and **velocities and swimming speeds** for fish species not already reported in guidance documents for other areas of the

Pacific Northwest (e.g., westslope and Yellowstone cutthroat trout). The committee's ultimate objective is to write an IAFS position paper consisting of technical guidelines for fish passage for use by local, state, federal, and tribal personnel involved in the planning, construction and maintenance of road culverts in Idaho. So we'll need your expertise. Please look for an announcement of the time and place of the committee meeting when you pick up your registration packet.

Transition

Thanks and good wishes to Kajsa Stromberg, co-chair of the Water Quality/Stream Hydrology Committee for the past several months. Kajsa received her M.S. in December from the University of Idaho under the direction Dr. Jeffrey H. Braatne with a thesis entitled, *Restoring Paradise: Community-based Restoration of Paradise Creek, Idaho, 1999-2004*. By mid-January, she'll be in Livingston, MT, serving as the Conservation Director for the Federation of Flyfishers. Kajsa has invited all of us to learn more about the Federation, including its conservation issues and programs, at their website, www.fedflyfishers.org.

Here's a note from Kajsa:

Hello Idaho Chapter,

I'm sorry to say that I will have to resign my co-chairmanship of the Water Quality/Hydrology Committee. I've just accepted a job as Conservation Coordinator with the Federation of Flyfishers in Livingston, MT. I'll be starting this new position mid-January, coordinating conservation projects with affiliate groups around the country. Sheryl Hill will continue on as chair of the WQ/Hydrology committee.

I have really enjoyed my involvement in the Idaho Chapter and have great admiration for your dedication. My experience in AFS has been a great learning experience and I plan to continue as an involved AFS member in Montana. If you ever have ideas for collaboration with the flyfishing community, remember you've got a friend in Livingston.

Best wishes and Happy Holidays!

Kajsa Stromberg

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