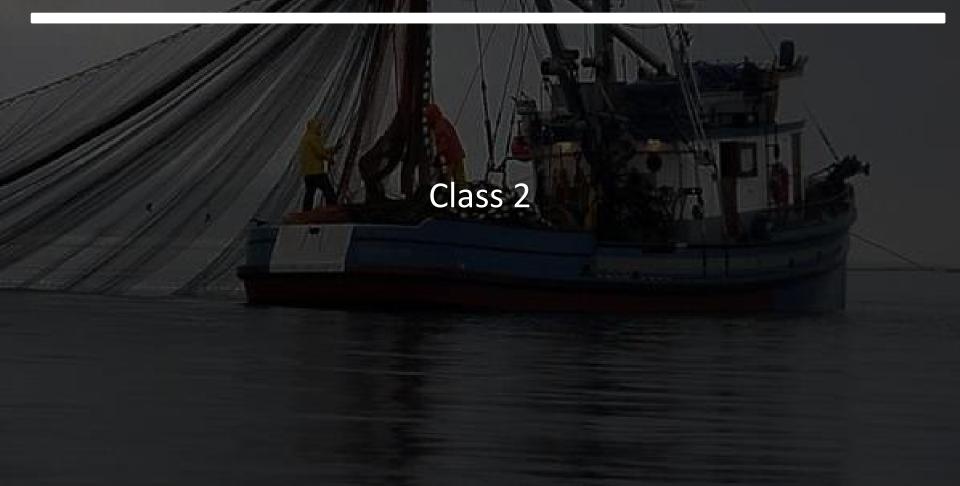
# WF4313/6413-Fisheries Management





## **Announcements**

- Student sub-unit of the American Fisheries
   Society Meeting
- Wednesday September 12th @ 5 pm in TH118



### **Announcements**

 Reminder to see website for content, links, and so on.

https://mcolvin.github.io/WFA43 I 3-Fisheries-Management/

•No class Monday, University Holiday



•First lab on Tuesday September 4th!



- 1. What to expect as a fisheries manager 2. Importance of history
  - 3. Legacy effects
- 4. Time periods in fisheries management



## Work with interesting folks

- •Federal agencies: Army Corps of Engineers, Forest Service, Bureau of Reclamation,
- State agencies: MDWFP
- Conservation entities: Nature conservancy,
   Trout Unlimited, American Rivers
- Private companies: Cramer & associates,
   Battelle, Timber companies

## Work for and with interesting folks!

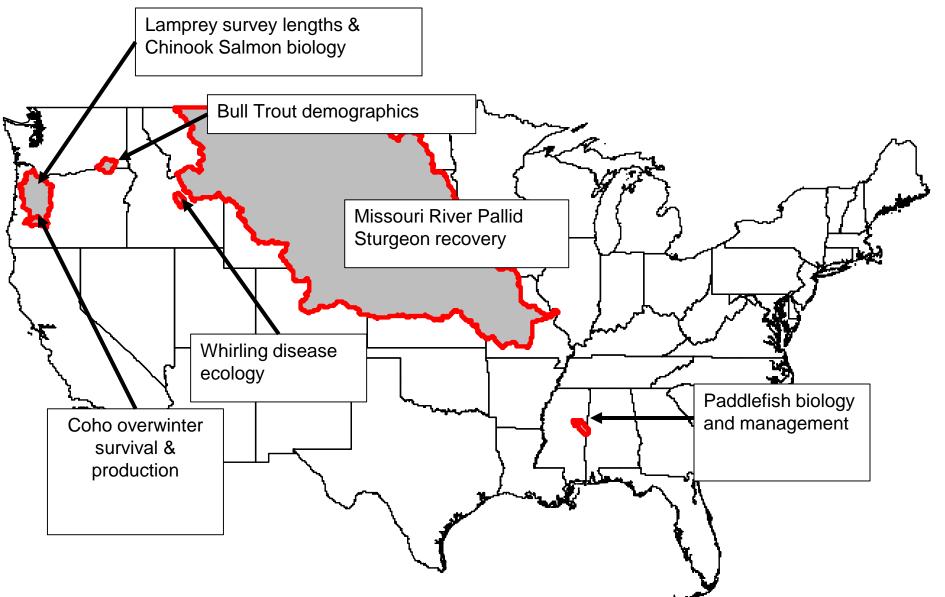




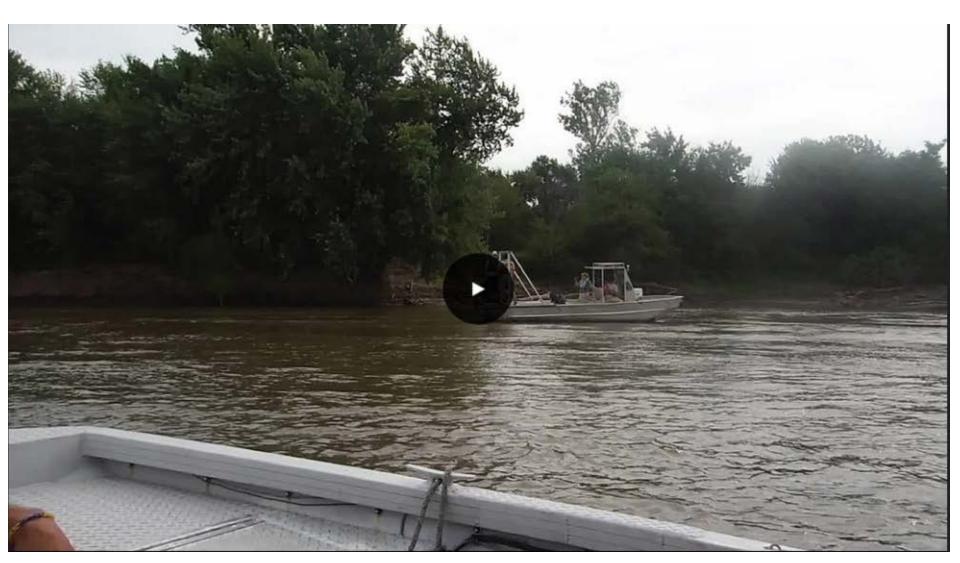




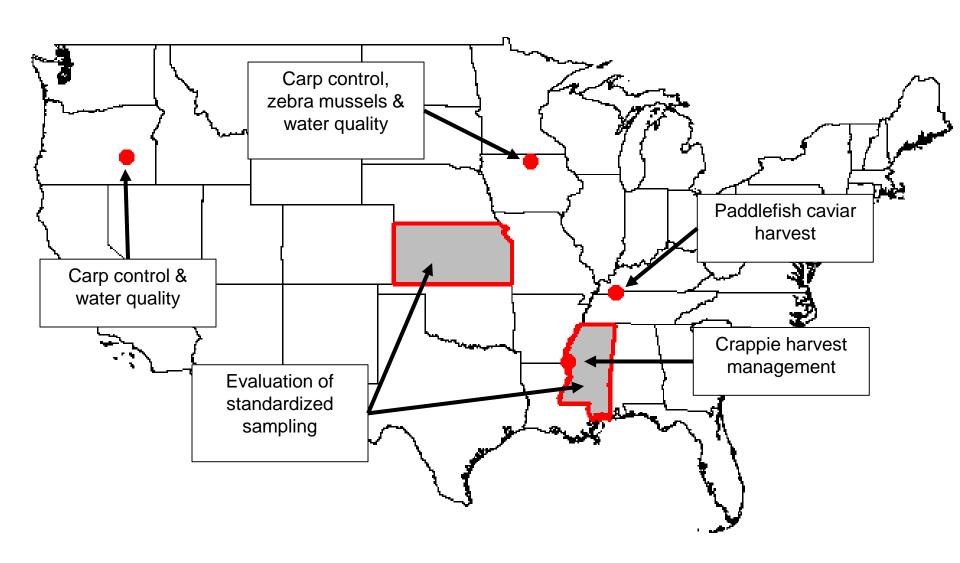
## Work on streams



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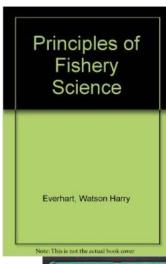


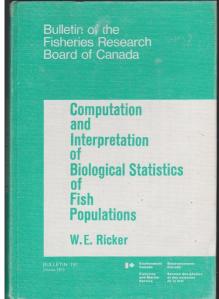
## Work on lakes and reservoirs

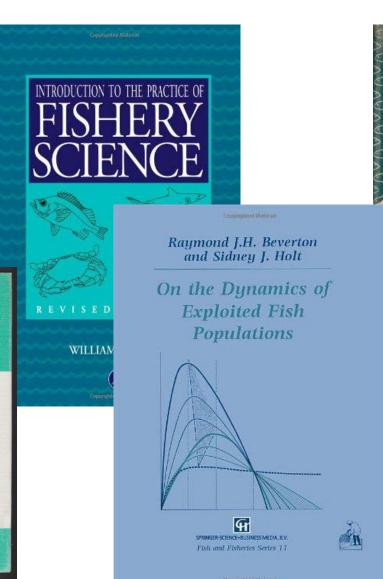


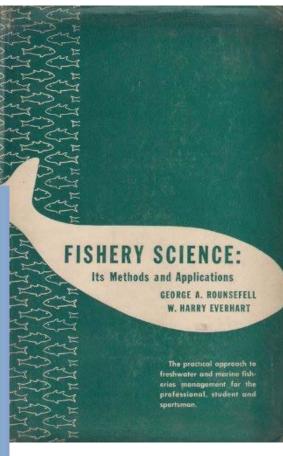
Use things like this...?

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- R 1. number of recruits to the catchable stock
  - 2. number of recaptures of marked or tagged fish
  - 3. multiple correlation coefficient
- S rate of survival  $(= -\log_e Z)$  [s]
- S' apparent survival rate (= -log<sub>e</sub>Z')
- U instantaneous rate of "other loss" (includes emigration and, for tagged fish, the shedding of tags)
- V 1. utilized stock, virtual population
  - 2. variance
- W<sub>∞</sub> the mean asymptotic weight which corresponds to L-
- Y yield, catch by weight
- Z instantaneous rate of (total) mortality [i]
- Z' instantaneous rate of disappearance (total losses) from a stock (=F+M+U=Z+U)
- (over a symbol) a mean value
- Σ summation symbol

#### 1.4. Numerical Representation of Mortality

- 1.4.1. TOTAL MORTALITY RATE. The mortality in a population, from all causes, can be expressed numerically in two different ways.
- (a) Simplest and most realistic perhaps is the annual expectation of death of an individual fish, or actual mortality rate, expressed as a fraction or percentage. This is the fraction of the fish present at the start of a year which actually die during the year.
- (b) If the number of deaths in a small interval of time is at all times proportional to the number of fish present at that time, the fraction which remains at time t, of the fish in a population at the start of a year (t = 0), is:

$$\frac{N_t}{N_0} = e^{-Zt} \tag{1.1}$$

The parameter Z is called the *instantaneous mortality rate*. If the unit of time is 1 year, then at the end of the year (when t = 1):

$$\frac{N_1}{N_0} = e^{-Z}$$
(1.2)

But  $N_1/N_0=S=1-A$ ; hence  $I-A=e^{-Z}$ , or  $Z=-\log_e\left(1-A\right)$ ; hence the instantaneous mortality rate is equal to the natural logarithm (with sign changed) of the complement of the annual expectation of death.

The instantaneous rate Z also represents the number of fish (including new recruits) which would die during the year if recruitment were to exactly balance mortality from day to day, expressed as a fraction or multiple of the steady density of stock.

1.5.3. SINGLE AGE-GROUPS. Consider a single age-group of fish in the recruited (fully vulnerable) part of a stock. Its abundance during a year decreases from N to NS, according to equation (1.2); for example, from the point A to the point  $B_1$  in Fig. 1.1. The average abundance during the year is the area of the figure under  $AB_1$ , divided by the length of the base (which is unity). In our symbols, this is:

$$\overline{N} = \int_{t=0}^{t=1} N e^{-Z} dt = N \left( \frac{e^{-Z}}{-Z} - \frac{1}{-Z} \right) = \frac{N(1 - e^{-Z})}{Z} = \frac{NA}{Z}$$
 (1.15)

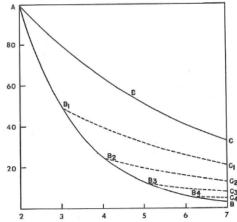


Fig. 1.1. Exponential decrease in a stock from an initial abundance of 100 at age 2, when the annual mortality rate is 0.2 (AC) and when it is 0.5 (AB). The broken lines indicate population structure during a period of transition from the smaller to the larger mortality, (Redrawn from fig. 8 of Baranov 1918, by S. D. Gorkine.)

The total deaths, which equal NA by definition, are therefore Z times the average population. Since the mortality is at each instant divided between natural causes and fishing in the ratio of F to M, then natural deaths are M/(F + M) = M/Z times NA, or (from 1.15) M times the average population; that is:

$$\frac{M}{F+M} \times NA = \frac{MNA}{Z} = M\overline{N}$$
 (1.16)

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using the term 'natural mortality' in this paper (see §7.1). The rate of natural mortality at any time t, which we shall denote by  $\mu_t(dt)/dt$ , depends on the number of fish present at that time, and in the simplest case we may write

$$\int_{M} \left(\frac{dN}{dt}\right) = -MN \qquad .. \qquad .. \qquad (3.1)$$

This is the form used by several authors, including Baranov (1918), Graham (1935), Schaefer (1943) and Ricker (1944), and although suitable as a first approximation it is necessary to remember that there are few published data that can support it in detail. It may usually be taken to imply that natural death is due to a large number of causes acting randomly, and that the probability of a particular fish dying between any time t and time t + dI, is constant. More precisely, we may expect the natural mortality coefficient to vary with age of fish, the theoretical consequences of which are discussed in §7.2.1, and also to be dependent on population density (§7.3). For the simple population model, however, we shall assume that the natural mortality rate can be represented by (3.1) above, the coefficient M being constant and effective from age t, onwards.

A problem which may conveniently be mentioned in connection with natural mortality conversa the high-paw. If the natural mortality rate remains constant the maximum life-span will, hypothetically, be of infinite duration, though in practice, if we consider any one finite brood of fish, there will come a time when the last survivor dies. Previous authors who have dealt theoretically with the life-span (e.g. Baranov and Ricker) have in fact assumed it to be unlimited, but this can give rise to serious discrepancies if combined, as in the treatment of these authors, with certain assumptions concerning the behaviour of other factors, such as growth, with increasing age (see §17.8). For constructing a population model we suggest that a better procedure may be to terminate the life abruptly at a certain high age which we shall denote by t<sub>3</sub>, so that all surviving fish die at this age. The value of t<sub>3</sub>, in any particular case, will be largely arbitrary; in practice it will be chosen to correspond with the greatest age for which adequate data are available, since data will inevitably become progressively less for fish of increasing age. A further discussion is given in §7.2.2.

#### 3.3 FISHING MORTALITY

The correct mathematical formulation of fishing mortality and its dependence on the characteristics of both the population and the fishing activity is clearly of great importance in developing a theoretical model of a fishery. A detailed discussion of this problem is given in §8.3.1; here it will be sufficient to state certain general principles and relationships:

A preliminary definition of terms is required at this stage. We use the term fishing power to denote the catching power of an individual vessel, and this is measured as the ratio of the quantity caught by that vessel per unit fishing time to that by a vessel selected as a standard reference, fishing at the same time and place and using a standard gear, i.e. both vessels being taken as fishing on the same density of fish (see §12). In this way each vessel of a fleet can be allocated a power factor (P.F.), and the fishing time of each vessel can be reduced to standard units of effort by multiplying by its power factor. The fushing effort of a fleet we then define in the units 'total standard hrs. fishing/year', and fushing intensity as the fishing effort per unit area in the units 'total standard hrs. fishing/year/square nautical mile'. The terms 'fishing effort' and 'fishing intensity' are often used synonymously in fishery research, but we are here distinguishing them in accordance with the use of the words 'effort' and 'intensity' in physical sciences, and the terms are not interchangeable. It should be noted also that 'fishing time' cannot be used in place of 'effort' unless the fishing powers of the vessels (and their gear) concerned remain constant. Thus while 'catch per unit effort' can be used in many instances as a reliable index of density, 'catch per day's absence or catch per 100 hrs. fishing' cannot unless the above criterion is satisfied.

For the simple population models we regard it as a necessary characteristic of demersal fishing activity that there is a random element in the relative movement of fish and gear.

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The weight of the individual at any age t between  $t_t$  and  $t_1$  is given, from (3.9), by

$$w_t = W_\infty \sum_{n=0}^{3} \Omega_n e^{-nK(t-\omega)}$$

so that the total weight of the year-class at this age is

$$N_t w_t = R^s W_{\alpha \theta} e^{-(P+Mt)(t-t_p)} \sum_{\alpha=0}^{3} Q_{\alpha \theta} e^{-\kappa K(t-t_p)}$$

Now the rate at which fish are being caught is the same as the rate of decrease due to fishing (3.2), except that the sign is positive. Denoting the yield in weight for the year class is therefore.

$$\frac{dY_W}{dt} = F \cdot N_t w_t$$

and substituting for N, and w, gives

$$\frac{dY_W}{dt} = FR'W_w e^{-(F+M)(t-t_p)} \sum_{i=1}^3 \Omega_u e^{-\kappa K(t_i-t_p)}$$

Grouping terms containing t gives

$$\frac{dY_W}{dt} = FR'W_{m}e^{iF+Ms_{p'}}\sum^{3}Q_{n}e^{sKt_0-iF+M+sKs}$$

and the yield obtained from the year-class throughout its fuhable life-span, i.e. between ages  $t_c$  and  $t_b$ , is obtained by integrating with respect to t between these limits, that is

$$Y_W = FR'W_n e^{(F+Mt)} \sum_{n=0}^{3} \Omega_n e^{nKt_0} \int_{t_{p'}}^{t_2} e^{-(F+M+nK)t} dt$$

Finally, substituting for R' from (4.2) and integrating gives\*

$$Y_W = FRW_a e^{-M_p} \sum_{j}^{2} \frac{\Omega_j e^{-aK(y_j - y_j)}}{F + M + nK} \left(1 - e^{-(F + M + aK)z}\right)$$
 .. (4.4)

where

$$\lambda = t_k - t_{s'}$$
 = the fishable life-span

Now the total annual yield from the population is the sum of the yields from each of its constituent year-classes during one year of life. Since we are supposing that the population is in a steady state (and, in particular, is receiving the same number of recruits each year, the total annual yield from it is the same as the yield throughout the fishable life-span of any one of the constituent year-classes and hence is also given by (4.4). This fact has been realised by several of the authors previously mentioned, and also by W. F. Thompson (1967), but it is convenient to give in §4.2 a proof for the particular model we are postulating, since to do so demonstrates the use of summation methods which are indispensable for the analysis of certain problems to be considered later in Part II.

<sup>\*</sup>This is the yield equation described by Graham (1952) and of which a brief derivation has been given by Beverton (1953).

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crop of any given time. The standing crop in weight at any given time is the product of the average individual weight times the number of individuals present at that time. This concept may be expressed in a general way by:

$$Y = \int_{T} F(t)W(t)N(t)dt$$

where F(t) is a time function of force of fishing mortality, W(t) is a time function for weight, and N(t) is a time function for number of fish in the population. The product of these functions on an instant-by-instant basis is summed over time period T. Two specific applications of this concept will be considered next; the first formulation is exemplified by Ricker, the second by Beverton and Holt. The major difference between the two procedures is the function used to express growth.

Ricker's method breaks the time period into intervals and life stages so that the rates of growth and mortality may be considered constant within the time interval without any appreciable error being introduced. The stock change and yield for each interval and age group are summed over intervals to provide an estimate of total yield. Growth is assumed to be expressed by:

$$W(t) = W(o)e^{gt}$$

and numbers of fish alive by:

$$N(t) = N(o)e^{-zt}$$

Initial biomass is W(o)N(o). Biomass for the next unit interval (assuming constant growth and mortality rates) is then the initial biomass times the growth function times the mortality function:

Biomass = 
$$N(o)W(o)e^g e^{-Z}$$

Given the initial biomass for any interval, the factor by which this changes is  $e^{g-Z}$  which may be easily evaluated from a table of exponential functions. The force of total mortality is partitioned into the fishing and natural components, and by an iterative procedure, the force of fishing giving maximum yield may be determined. Effects on catch-per-unit effort and average size of fish may also be estimated by such tabular procedures.

To compute yield by this method it is necessary to have frequent measurement of size by age as well as knowledge of natural mortality. The

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yield is given on a per recruit or per assumed initial weight of stock basis, as is true of the dynamic pool models in general. Population estimates for each year class would provide an actual basis for numbers present.

The following abbreviated example will demonstrate the above procedure for determining yield. Largemouth bass from a small lake were sampled at periodic intervals with fishing and natural mortality determined from tagging studies, creel census, and population estimates. Information obtained is presented in Table 8-1. The same kind of calculation would be made for all ages in the population; we have presented only two ages to show computations. Different values for F may be substituted to determine the one giving the largest yield.

The yield model of Beverton and Holt starts from the familiar expression for yield:

$$Y = \int_{T} F(t)W(t)N(t)dt$$

with von Bertalanffy's growth equation for W(t). The expression for N(t) is common to all models in fishery literature, but is broken down into time periods corresponding to age at recruitment and age at capture. If recruitment, R, to the area of a fishery occurs at age  $t_r$ , then:

$$N(t) = Re^{-M(t - t_r)}$$

Table 8-1. Calculation of yield by Ricker's method

| Age   | Weight (g) | g    | F    | м   | z    | g - Z | Weight change<br>factor<br>exp(g - Z) | Initial<br>weight<br>(kg) | Average<br>weight | Yield |
|-------|------------|------|------|-----|------|-------|---------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|-------|
| II    | 86         |      |      |     |      |       |                                       | 1000                      |                   |       |
| 111/4 | 142        | 0.51 | 0    | 0.2 | 0.2  | 0.31  | 1.36                                  | 1261                      | 1181              | 0     |
| 11 74 | 143        | 0.36 | 0.02 | 0.2 | 0.22 | 0.14  | 1.15                                  | 1361                      | 1463              | 29    |
| 111/2 | 205        |      |      |     |      |       |                                       | 1565                      |                   |       |
| 134   | 246        | 0.18 | 0.17 | 0.2 | 0.37 | -0.19 | 0.83                                  | 1299                      | 1432              | 243   |
| 1174  | 240        | 0    | 0    | 0.2 | 0.2  | -0.4  | 0.67                                  | 1299                      | 1085              | 0     |
| 111   | 246        |      |      |     |      |       | -                                     | 870                       | 000               |       |
| 111/4 | 335        | 0.31 | 0.2  | 0.2 | 0.4  | -0.09 | 0.91                                  | 792                       | 831               | 166   |
| 1174  | 000        | 0.14 | 0.2  | 0.2 | 0.4  | -0.26 | 0.77                                  | 132                       | 701               | 140   |
| 11/2  | 385        |      |      |     |      |       |                                       | 610                       |                   |       |
|       |            | 0.10 | 0.2  | 0.2 | 0.4  | -0.30 | 0.74                                  |                           | 531               | 106   |
| 113/4 | 427        |      |      |     |      |       |                                       | 451                       |                   |       |
|       |            |      |      |     |      |       |                                       |                           | Total             | 684   |

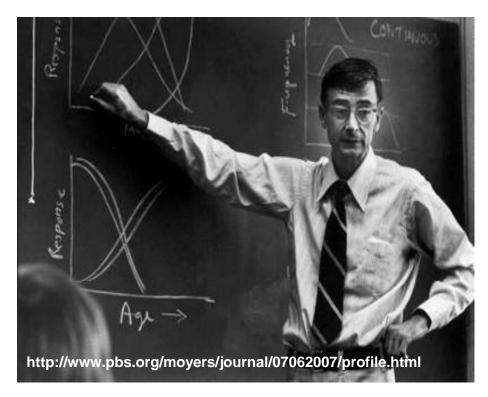
#### Use models

E. O. Wilson's (1998:269) observation that "we are drowning in information" and that successful conservation and resource management depend ultimately on the rigorous synthesis of information.

- Ainsworth et al. 2010

Ainsworth, C. H., I. C. Kaplan, P. S. Levin, and M. Mangel. 2010. A statistical approach for estimating fish diet compositions from multiple data sources: Gulf of California case study. Ecological Applications 20(8):2188-2202.

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## What others think...

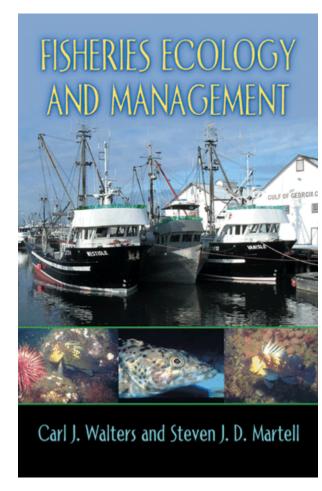
- Modeling is a great and perhaps necessary way for scientists to force themselves to think clearly and to put claims to understanding on the table in the form of specific predictions
- Prediction in some form is required for management choice
- There are some predictable regularities in the way natural populations and ecosystems respond to human disturbance, so ... some kinds of useful predictions are not as likely to fail as they appear

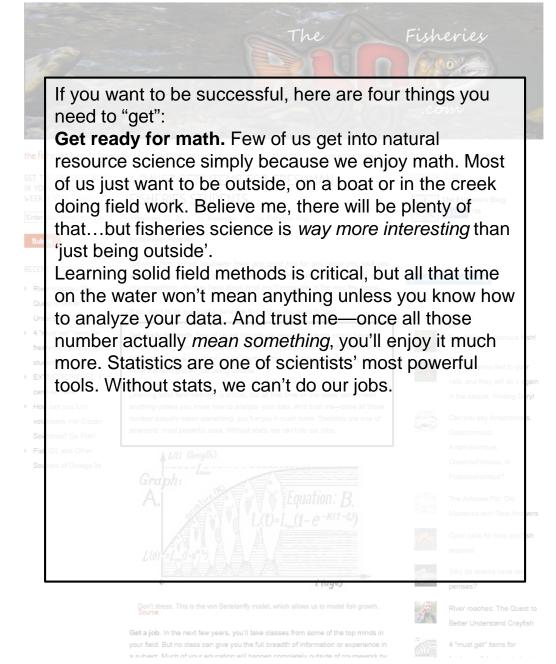
Walters and Martell 2004 p. 3

• "It is useful to test prospective management strategies against ecosystem models: if they don't work on simple models why should they work in reality"

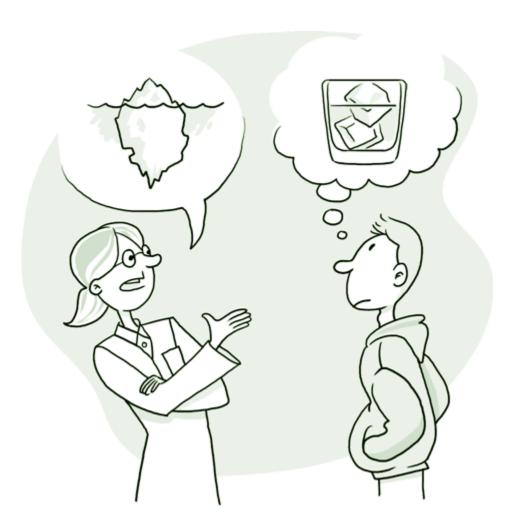
Keith Sainsbury (ICES/SCOR Conference, Montpellier March 1999)

"...we make no apologies for demanding that people who would engage in fisheries assessment and management should at least be able to read and understand some basic mathematics. (Walters and Martell 2004, Preface)"

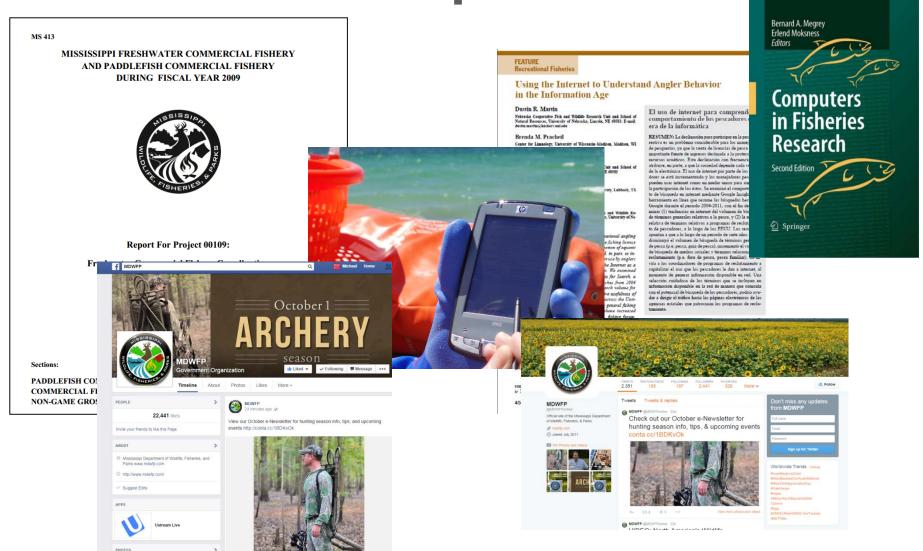




## Deal with mental models?



You will spend time at a computer



## Work with others



## Work with the public



## Be interdisciplinary

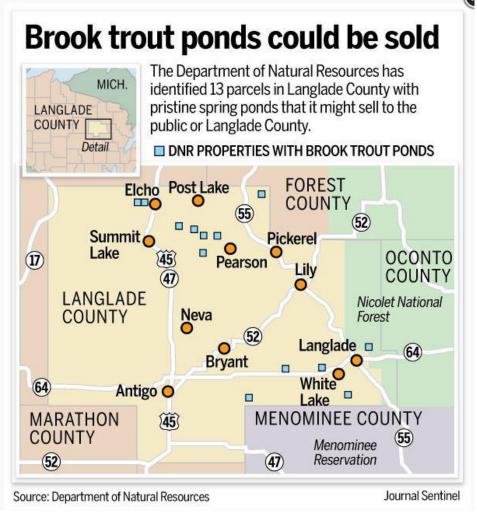
"For fishery science is interdisciplinary. Rigid educational backgrounds for fishery biologists are impractical, and the continually increasing mass of scientific data makes it more and more likely that the solution of future problems will come from teams of specialists— teams that might include experts like the biometrician and the water chemist, whose cooperation is commonplace in fishery agencies today. "

Everhart et al 1975

## Work in urban environments



## Deal with politics



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#### DNR move to sell prime spring ponds outrages trout anglers

State official hopes Langlade County will buy land



The state Department of Natural Resources has <u>identified more than 1,000 acres of state-owned land</u> in Langlade County that could go on the auction block — a move that has angered trout anglers because the properties contain a cache of ecologically significant spring ponds with native brook trout populations.

The ponds, gouged by glaciers thousands of years ago, are fed by rich sources of groundwater that sustain the fish and neighboring streams, rivers and lakes.

The DNR recently posted 13 properties in Langlade County on its website that contain the small ponds. They are <a href="mailto:among 118 parcels">among 118 parcels</a>, covering <a href="mailto:approximately 8,300 acres">approximately 8,300 acres</a>, the DNR could sell to private parties or other units of government.

The driving force is a directive by the Legislature to put 10,000 acres of state-owned land up for sale. The property must be made available to the

public by June 30, 2017. It's part of a broader effort by lawmakers to exert more control over the agency's sprawling land holdings, and the state stewardship program that buys land for recreational use.

During the budget debate this year, GOP lawmakers and Republican <u>Gov. Scott Walker</u> expressed concerns about interest payments on the debt for the Knowles-Nelson Stewardship program that is currently running at \$1 million a week. The program is named for former Govs. Warren Knowles, a Republican, and Gaylord Nelson, a Democrat, who also served in the U.S. Senate.

The state owns about 1.5 million acres and has conservation easements on more than 300,000 acres.

Doug Haag, deputy bureau director in charge of land sales and acquisitions, said the properties must still be reviewed by DNR field staff, including fisheries experts.

He acknowledged some fisheries staff have already raised objections to selling land where ponds are located. The Natural Resources Board will review the final list in December or January.

Haag said the hope is to sell to Langlade County because parcels reside within the 129,968-acre county forest boundaries. But he said the DNR hasn't yet approached county officials on any of the sales.

"It's news to me," said Erik Rantala, administrator of <u>Langlade County forests</u>. Rantala said it was premature to say whether the county would be interested in buying the land.



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When the Boogeyman goes to sleep every night he checks his closet for Chuck Norris.



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Prepares management plans, fishery status reports, operational project plans, special project reports for public streams, annual fishing prospects, news releases, responses to public information requests, and other written communications as required. Assists in budget preparation and is responsible for implementation of an annual operational work plan. For complete details visit website.

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Requires five years' biological experience with at least three years' experience at a technical/professional level performing activities in a fish/wildlife program such as researching and analyzing data, conducting investigations, applying pertinent laws and regulations, or coordinating and monitoring project activities; AND a Bachelor's degree in Fisheries or Wildlife Science or a closelyrelated Bachelor's degree or three additional years of biological experience. A Master's/Doctorate degree in Fisheries/Wildlife Science or closely-related degree may substitute for some experience...

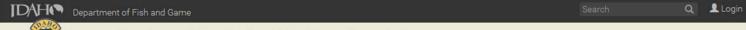
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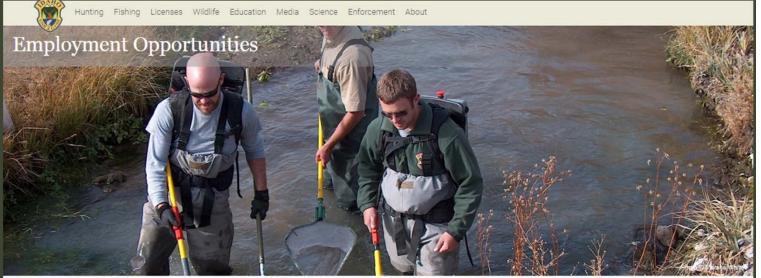
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This position is responsible for planning and conducting surveys on freshwater impoundments and streams and all fisheries management and/or research activities. Analyzes and interprets survey data, implements approved applications, and plans and conducts management related research. Writes technical reports and scientific publications on significant results and findings. Designs and implements outreach programs. ...





#### **Employment Opportunities**

#### Temporary/Seasonal/Part Time

- Maintenance Craftsman, Senior Clearwater Fish Hatchery Ahsahka Closes 1/13/2017
- Fishery Technician Lower Granite Dam Monitoring (2 available positions) Lewiston Closes 1/13/2017
- Fisheries Biological Aide (2 positions available) Hayspur Fish Hatchery Bellevue Closes 1/15/2017
- Wildlife Technician Cecil D. Andrus Wildlife Management Area Cambridge Closes 1/15/2017
- Fisheries Biological Aide (2 positions available) Coeur d'Alene Closes 1/20/2017
- Fisheries Technician (2 positions available) Coeur d'Alene Closes 1/20/2017
- Fisheries Biological Aide (6 positions available) McCall
   Closes 1/22/2017
- Fisheries Biological Aide Smolt Monitoring Project Lewiston Closes 1/28/2017
- Fishery Technician Smolt Monitoring Project (3 positions available) Lewiston and/or White Bird, Idaho Closes 1/28/2017
- General Repair Mechanic Smolt Monitoring Project Lewiston and White Bird, Idaho Closes 1/28/2017
- Senior Fishery Technician Smolt Monitoring Project Lewiston, Idaho Closes 1/28/2017
- Wildlife Technician Northern Idaho Ground Squirrel Project Council, ID Closes 1/31/2017
- Fisheries Research Data Technician (3 positions available) Salmon, Idaho
   Closes 2/1/2017
- Fisheries Biological Aide (5 positions available) Salmon, Idaho
   Closes 2/3/2017
- Fishery Technician Snorkeling Crew Salmon, Idaho Closes 2/3/2017
- Fishery Technician (2 positions available) Salmon, Idaho
   Closes 2/3/2017
- Fisheries Biological Aide (3 positions available) Clearwater Fish Hatchery Ahsahka Closes 2/3/2017
- Fisheries Biological Aide Trap Tender (4 positions available) Clearwater Fish Hatchery Ahsahka Closes 2/3/2017
- Wildlife Habitat Technicians (multiple positions benefited and non-benefited available) Lewiston Closes 2/3/2017
- Fisheries Biological Aide (4 positions available) Nampa Closes 2/3/2017
- Fisheries Technician Assistant Crew Leader Nampa Closes 2/3/2017
- Fisheries Technician (2 positions available) Nampa Closes 2/3/2017
- Fisheries Technician Nampa Closes 2/3/2017
- Fisheries Technician Salmon Closes 2/28/2017
- Fisheries Biological Aide (2 positions available) Salmon Closes 2/28/2017
- Fisheries Biological Aide Resident Fish Crew (2 positions available) Lewiston, Idaho Closes 3/3/2017
- Fishery Technician Resident Fish Crew Lewiston, Idaho Closes 3/3/2017

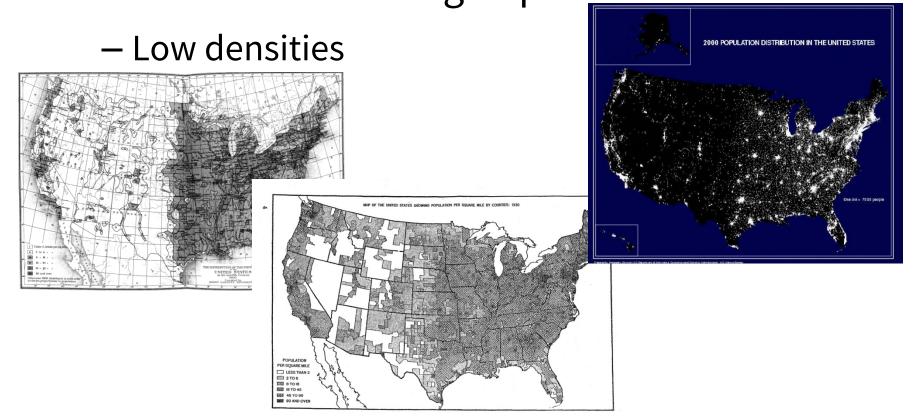
#### Temporary, Permanent

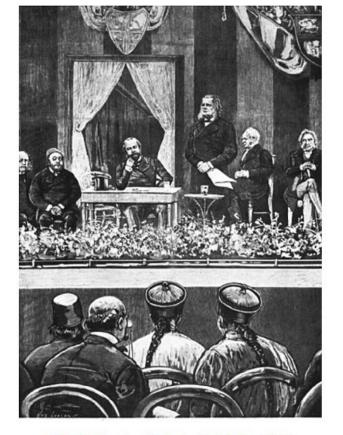
| JOB<br># | TITLE  | AGENCY, LOCATION  | CATEGORIES              |
|----------|--|---|-------------------------|
| 12110    | Native Fisheries Technician  | Utah Division of Wildlife Resources-<br>Moab Field Station    | Temporary               |
| 12101    | Seasonal Fisheries Technician (position 06-7053)   | South Dakota Game, Fish and Parks,<br>Ft. Pierre, SD          | Temporary               |
| 12096    | Fishery Technician III   | La Grande, Oregon   | Permanent,<br>Temporary |
| 12094    | <u>Fisheries Biological Aide – Trap Tender</u><br><u>Summer Satellite Relief Positions</u> | ldaho Department of Fish & Game                               | Temporary               |
| 12091    | Seasonal Technician  | Southern Southeast Regional<br>Aquaculture Association        | Temporary               |
| 12088    | <u>Biological Technician</u>   | Integrated Statistics, MA                                     | Temporary               |
| 12075    | Biologist Technician - Fisheries   | Wyoming Game and Fish<br>Department, Fish Division            | Temporary               |
| 12067    | Multiple Technical Positions in Aquatic Ecology  | Aquatic Ecology Lab at Ohio State<br>University, Columbus, OH | Temporary               |

# Fisheries and fisheries management history

# History of the human-fish relationship in NA

Pre-European Settlement: Natives
 Americands not a big impact due to





T. H. H. Opening Fisheries Exhibition (1882)

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#### Inaugural Address

Fisheries Exhibition, London (1883) The Fisheries Exhibition Literature (1885) Scientific Memoirs V

"I believe, then, that the cod fishery, the herring fishery, the pilchard fishery, the mackerel fishery, and probably all the great sea fisheries, are inexhaustible; that is to say, that nothing we do seriously affects the number of the fish. And any attempt to regulate these fisheries seems consequently, from the nature of the case, to be useless."

#### Estimating the Size of Historical Oregon Salmon Runs<sup>1</sup>

Chad C. Meengs

Environmental Sciences Program Oregon State University

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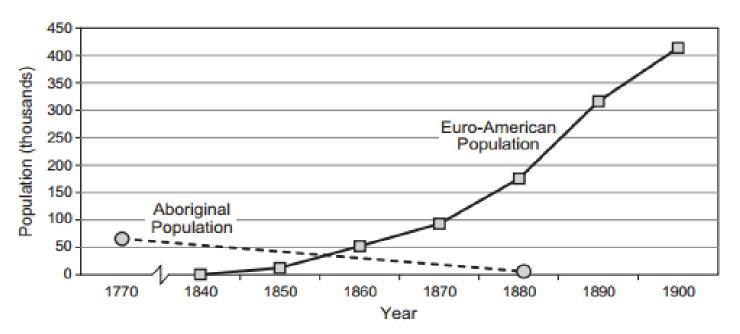
#### Robert T. Lackey

National Health and Environmental Effects Research Laboratory U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

#### Abstract

Increasing the abundance of salmon in Oregon's rivers and streams is a high priority public policy objective. Salmon runs have been reduced from pre-development conditions (typically defined as prior to 1850), but it is unclear by how much. Considerable public and private resources have been devoted to restoring salmon runs, but it is uncertain what the current recovery potential is because much of the freshwater and estuarine habitat for salmon has been altered and there is no expectation that it will be returned to a pre-development condition. The goals of all salmon recovery efforts are based on assumptions about the size of the runs prior to significant habitat alteration, coupled with an estimate of the amount and quality of freshwater and estuarine habitat currently available. We estimated the historical aggregate salmon run size

Because of their close nutritional tie to salmon (and therefore salmon runs loosely regulated aboriginal population size), it is possible to roughly extrapolate salmon run size using the estimated aboriginal population size and likely consumption rate. The extent of aboriginal dependence on salmon is well documented (Craig and Hacker, 1940).

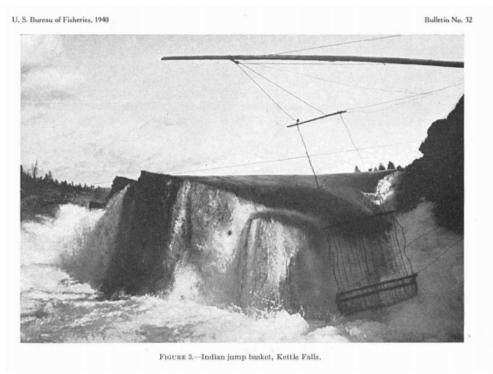


Meengs, C. C., and L. R.T. 2005. Estimating the size of historical Oregon salmon runs. Reviews in Fisheries Science 13:51-66.

"The precipitous decline in the aboriginal population likely affected the size of salmon runs. Salmon runs may have been larger in the 1850s than just about any other time in postglacial history because the aboriginals were no longer harvesting large quantities of fish (Craig and Hacker, 1940; Hewes, 1947). Another hypotheses, however, is that salmon runs would briefly increase, but then fall to a new equilibrium due to the increased intraspecific competition on the spawning grounds (Van Hyning, 1973; Chapman et al. 1982)."

# History of the human-fish relationship in NA

- Natives not a big impact due to
  - Capable of overfishing but didn't due to complex social and cultural traditions (Taylor 1999)



### Pre-European Settlement

 Aquatic sources of protein







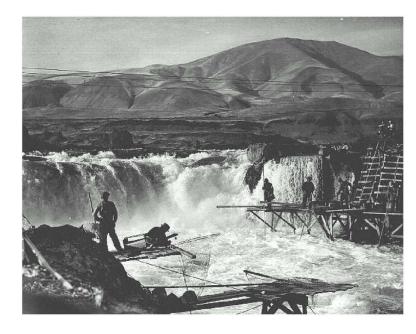
### **History Matters**

"No sensible decision can be made any longer without taking into account not only the world as it is, but the world as it will be.... Isaac Asimov (1920 - 1992)

- Hunting gathering societies
  - Dependent on aquatic sources of protein
  - -Human populations cycle with good and poor

years

- Anadromous Salmon
  - –Easy to exploit



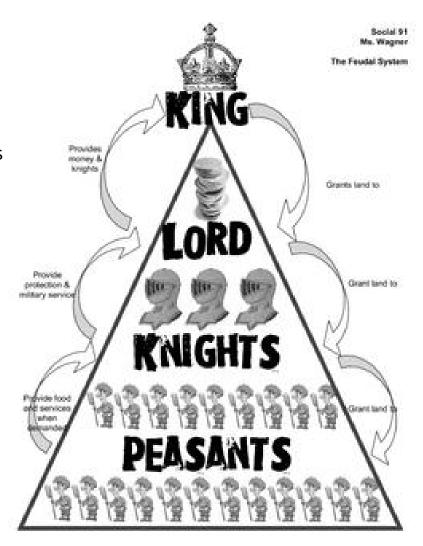
### **European Settlement**

- Unexploited state
- Value system → more formal management
- Christianity and abstinence days more than half the calendar in 13<sup>th</sup> century



#### Who owned resources?

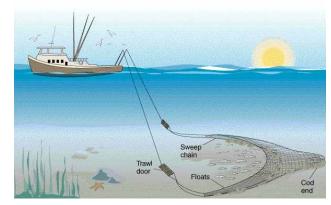
- Confusion in Colonial times
- European model
  - Aristocracy and nobility held property rights
- Democracy
  - Public terrestrial, riparian, and freshwater resources open by public trust doctrine
- Philosophy
  - –natural resources were fuel for economic development



### What gives you the right...

- Management authority
  - –Federal mandate in 1871-Authorized the US Commission on Fish and Fisheries
  - -Purpose:
    - 1) Determine reasons for declines of fisheries in New England and Great Lakes
    - 2) Develop fish culture

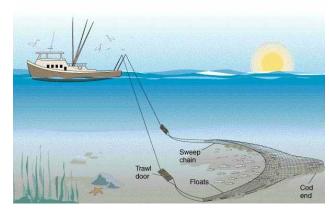
- Colonial exploitation (pre 1800s)
  - Perceived fish stocks as limitless





•Mid 1800s

-Fisheries were unlimited



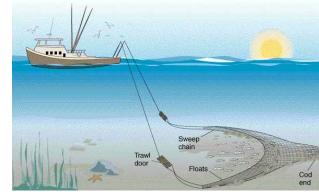


- Technological improvements
  - -Gear
  - -Boats
  - -Knowledge
- Lead to declines in fish populations
  - -Restrictions on gear, days to fish
  - -Early 1700s in New England
  - Establishment of state and federal agencies



- 1900s. Science based management
  - -Commercial
  - -Recreational

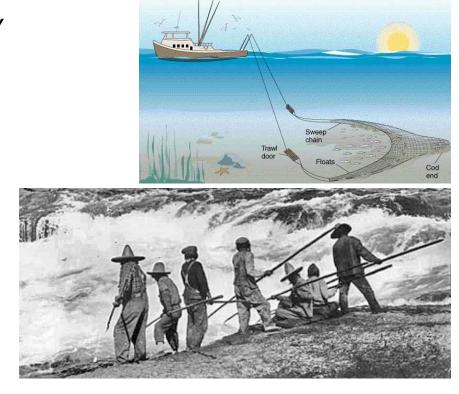
every fish population had the potential to produce a harvestable surplus and the largest surplus that could be harvested annually. from that population (maximum sustainable yield) could be estimated by rigorous scientific analysis (stock assessment)-Lackey 2005





 Late 1900s. Habitat and species protection

Only rarely was overfishing the primary cause of precipitous declines in fish abundance. In fact, most endangered fish species have never been fished. Endangered species" and "species at risk" legislation directed government agencies and fisheries managers to emphasize protecting species above catch.-Lackey 2005



# Commercial fishing & overexploitation



### Legacy: overexploitation



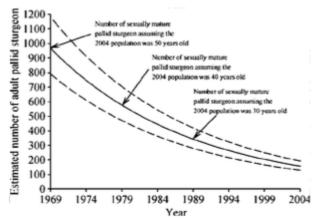


Fig. 2. Back-estimated numbers (solid line) and 95% confidence intervals (dashed line) of adult pallid sturgeon (S. albus) in RPMA 2 by year



### Legacy: overexploitation



- Culture
  - -Common carp
  - -Game fish
- Conservation of fish
- Manage fishers
  - -Models





### Johnny Fish-Seed era

#### •Mid 1800s to 1930

114 Thirtieth Annual Meeting

#### DISCUSSION ON CARP.

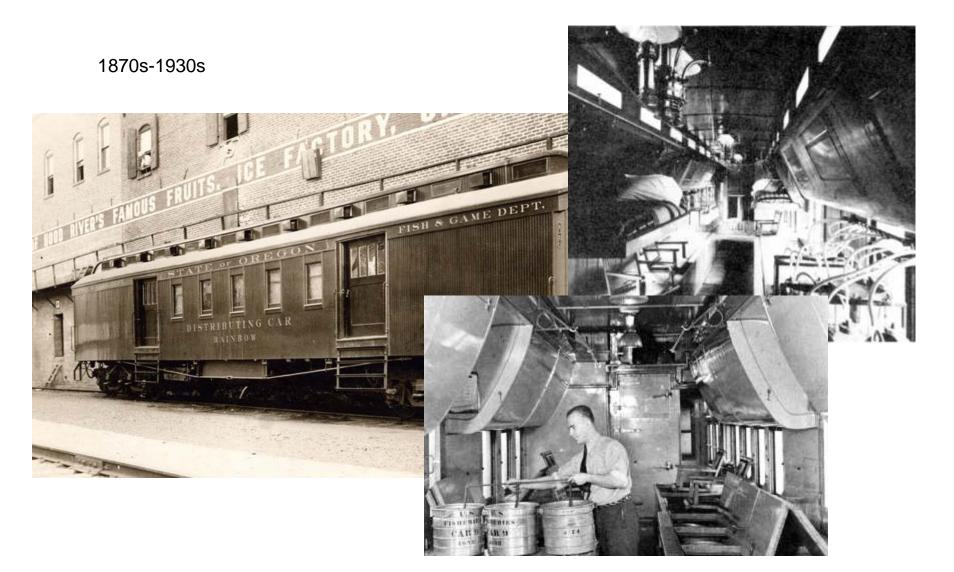
LED BY DR. S. P. BARTLETT.

Dr. Bartlett: From a practical standpoint I want to say to you that the United States Fish Commission builded a great deal wiser than it knew when it introduced carp in the waters of Illinois. I am here as representative of the United States Fish Commission, and I want to say to you that the waters of Illinois have proven more acceptable to carp than many of the other waters. I want to speak of that of which I know. The work of the Fish Commission depends entirely of course upon the money they have to run their business. It is getting to be practically a matter of dollars and cents, this Fish Commission business, and ought to be in the various states, but that is particularly true in Illinois. There is, perhaps, no one here that has been a stronger advocate in years gone by of protection than myself. I early made up my mind that any law the enforcement of which would kill a fisherman was next to gospel. I have changed my mind as to that considerably and believe now in propagation rather than protection. The last legislature of Illinois enacted laws which prohibit the taking of black bass, wall-eved pike, etc., except with hook and line during the whole season. The carp on the other hand have been subject to a little more of the open season and are permitted to be caught more months in the year. I want to say to you briefly, however, and without giving you any reasons for it, because you all know what my reasons are, that the carp have produced in the State of Illinois more money than all other fish put together. That seems like a pretty hard statement to make, but it can be verified, and I want to say to you that there are more carp eaten on the hotel tables in the State of Illinois then any other fish I have been conved with "nod enonner"





#### Advent of Rail: Fish Car Era



#### Truck era

•1939 Bureau of Fisheries report put it,
"The same number of fish can be carried by
truck as by distribution car, to destinations
within a radius of approximately 300 miles, at
about one-fourth the cost."

### Common Carp spread



### Legacy: Water quality



Before carp removal in Ventura Marsh

After carp removal in Ventura Marsh

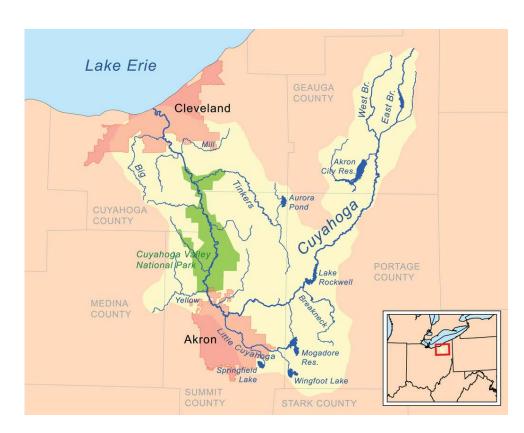


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### Put and take era (1950s-1960s)

- Planting fingerling sized fish (put and grow)
   was not sufficient.
- Poor water quality
- •Clean water act 1972



### Cuyahoga River Burns







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