Collectively advance each partnership's habitat assessments through identification of mutual data needs, data acquisition and landscape-level-analysis techniques for the benefit of fish, mussels, and other aquatic animals.

Assist the National Fish Habitat Science and Data Committee in improving the 2015 status report by identifying major data gaps in regional-specific fish population, habitat, and human impact monitoring data.

- By June 30, 2012, regular webinar meetings of the Science and Data Committees of the three FHPs will be established to enable them to share, identify and assemble existing data pertaining to threats to fish habitats.
  - ☐ ACFHP Science and Data Working Group has drafted a set of indicators to include in a habitat assessment
  - ☐ Anticipate a conference call with the SARP and EBTJV in late October or early November

• By December 31, 2012, develop a written list of action items resulting from the joint Science and Data Committee webinars that will be the focus of the efforts of the committees.

☐ Outstanding task

Coordinate ACFHP, SARP, and EBTJV partner engagement and outreach activities to strengthen and expand an already robust base of on-the-ground conservation partners. Assess the structure and function of the three FHPs and identify and implement strategies to enhance their organizational capacity.

**Sub-objective 2.1:** Develop and implement a streamlined communications strategy and outreach products for the three Eastern U.S. Fish Habitat Partnerships that highlights both synergies and distinguishing characteristics across the individual FHPs, and identifies FHP needs that would be best served individually and those that would benefit from a collective message.

- Starting within three months of project approval and continuing throughout the project period, joint FHP Communications and Outreach meetings will be held quarterly via conference call and/or WebEx with coordinators and/or appointed staff from the partner FHPs to provide regular, focused coordination of overall communications and outreach efforts.
  - ☐ Three calls between SARP communications coordinator, EBTJV communications lead, and ACFHP coordinator have been held

- Starting within three months of project approval and continuing throughout the project period, joint FHP Communications and Outreach meetings will be held quarterly via conference call and/or WebEx with coordinators and/or appointed staff from the partner FHPs to provide regular, focused coordination of overall communications and outreach efforts.
  - ☐ Drafting document identifying common and unique communications/outreach needs and where efficiencies might be gained by partnering.

• By June 31, 2012, develop individual FHP and joint messaging strategies that would identify key target audiences and generate core messages for members of the partnerships to communicate clearly and consistently with those audiences.

# ☐ Draft in Progress

- By December 31, 2012, develop content for and the design of an "Implementing the NFHAP from Whitewater to Bluewater" program web page
  - ☐ Initial webpages in place

- A representative from each FHP will attend at least one conference or other meetings to give presentations/updates either individually or jointly where possible, to various conservation audiences, to inform attendees of FHP purpose and activities, and gain support.
  - ✓ American Fisheries Society
  - ✓ Restore America's Estuaries

- Throughout the project period, FHPs will maintain their individual websites and outreach materials (e.g. fact sheets, feature article(s) in partner newsletters and other available outlets, existing social networking tools, etc.) that will be dovetailed, where appropriate, with the other Eastern FHPs resources and efforts.
  - ✓ ACFHP-FWS funded project selected as a NFHP Ten Waters to Watch announced in April via breaking news
  - ✓ Endorsed projects announced in July and featured in an ASMFC Fisheries focus
  - ✓ FY12 projects approved for funding was announced via breaking news in October and added to the website funded projects page

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  - ✓FY12 project fact sheets developed, posted to website, and on display at the Commission Annual Meeting
  - ✓ Maintaining funding opportunities and conference opportunities pages

**Sub-objective 2.2:** Assess the structure and function of the three FHPs; identity strengths and weaknesses with current delivery of the FHPs; and provide recommendations to enhance the effectiveness and capacity of the FHPs to achieve their missions and goals.

• ACFHP, EBTJV, & SARP develop Terms of Reference (ToR) or Request for Proposals (RFP) for services to evaluate the structure and function of the three FHPs and make recommendations to improve their organizational capacity by February 2012.

✓ Complete

- The FHPs select a qualified applicant by March 2012.
  - ☐ In process

• FHPs in collaboration with the successful applicant complete a review of the FHPs external/internal environment and the past performance to create a detailed understanding of current strategic position and organizational capacity by June 2012.

# ☐ Outstanding task

• Based on the capacity assessment, the FHPs develop Sustainable FHP Plans, outlining organizational capacity objectives and begin to implement those plans by February 28, 2013.

☐ Outstanding task

**Sub-objective 2.3:** Build sufficient organizational capacity within and across the three Eastern U.S. Fish Habitat Partnerships to fully implement the Sustainable FHP Program and Plan (i.e. Sub-objective 2.2)

• Each of the FHPs will designate member(s) to serve as part of a collaborative organizational capacity network.

☐ In process

- The successful applicant will present the findings to the Partner reps at the joint meeting (ie. report/recommendations) by November 30, 2012
  - ☐ Outstanding task

Retain and enhance critical capacity to implement each of the individual FHP's Partnership Strategic Plans by facilitating completion of prioritized, on-the-ground, partner-led fish habitat conservation projects that achieve measurable results towards National Fish Habitat Action Plan goals and interim strategies and are easily communicated and understood. **Sub-objective 3.1:** Support regular meetings of the individual FHPs to engage with partners, identify opportunities to implement the FHP Strategic Plans, and prioritize actions toward protection and restoring function of eastern aquatic habitats.

• By June 30, 2012, an EBTJV coordinator is hired and effectively working with the EBTJV Committees and partners

☐ In process?

• By December 31, 2012, hold one joint meeting of coordinators and leadership (10-15 people) from the ACFHP, EBTJV, and SARP to facilitate inter-FHP exchange of successes and challenges and foster "Whitewater to Bluewater" collaboration

☐ Outstanding task

• By December 31, 2012, hold one all-partner meeting each for ACFHP, EBTJV, and SARP to review progress toward objectives and update strategic plans;

✓ Complete

**Sub-objective 3.2**: Enhanced capacity of the ACFHP, EBTJV, and SARP to implement design, construction, and monitoring phases of on-the-ground aquatic habitat conservation projects and aquatic habitat education efforts.

• Each FHP will fund an average of three or more on-theground and at least one communication/ outreach project annually;

☐ In process

- By February 28, 2013, ACFHP, EBTJV, and SARP have begun to implement strategies to improve delivery of FHP as identified in Objective 2
  - ☐ Outstanding task

**Sub-objective 3.3:** By September 30, 2012, identify and vet mechanisms for evaluating and reporting the benefits of fish habitat conservation projects to a wide range of audiences by monitoring region-specific variable(s) that will inform and add to the National Fish Habitat Action Plan tracking effort.

• By September 30, 2012, identify and vet among the science and data partners for ACFHP, EBTJV, and SARP potential monitoring / reporting measures that may serve to track progress of FHPs, including consideration of current measures used to report accomplishments achieved with existing federal NFHAP funds.

☐ Outstanding task

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# Part 1: Building a Credible Nonprofit Organization

### What You Need To Have In Place

- 501(c)(3) status
- Compelling mission
- Board of directors to exercise oversight



# Part 1: Building a Credible Nonprofit Organization

### What Funders Look For

- High-quality programs that meet a real need in the community
- Track record of effective program delivery
- Capable leadership
- A strong organizational and financial infrastructure



# **Identifying Funding Needs**

- Why do I need funding and what kind do I need?
- How much do I need?
- When do I need the funds?



### Look for the match:

- Who funds in my area of interest?
- Who funds in my geographic region?
- Who will provide the type of support I need?



### Refine the match:

- Has the grantmaker funded organizations like mine?
- How much does the grantmaker give to organizations like mine?



# **Application Process**

## Follow the grantmaker's guidelines

- Initial contact
  - Telephone call?
  - Letter of inquiry?
  - Full proposal?
- Variations on proposal format
  - Common Grant Application?
  - Funder's own application form?
- Pay attention to deadlines







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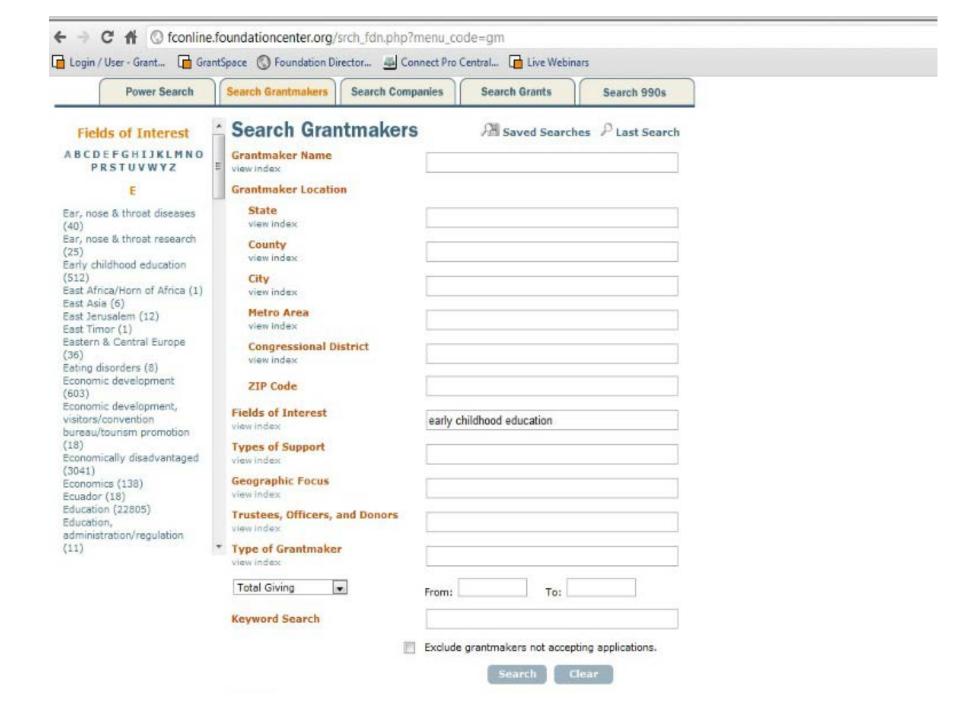
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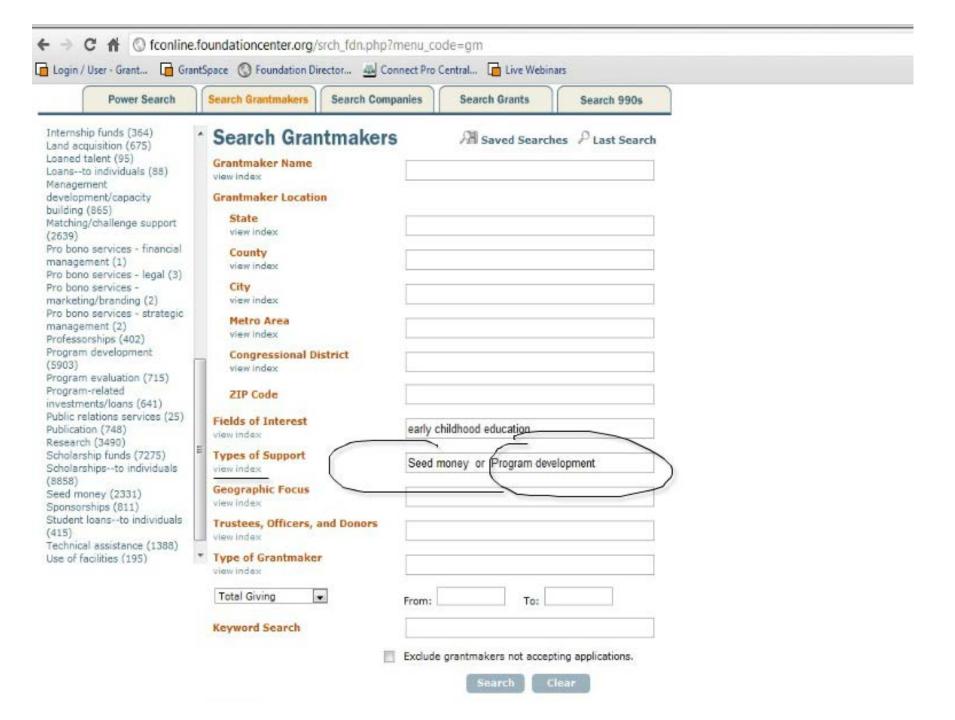
Based on research from the Center on Philanthropy at Indiana University, the 2011 edition of the annual Giving USA report found that total charitable giving in 2010, adjusted for inflation, grew 2.1 percent on a year-over-

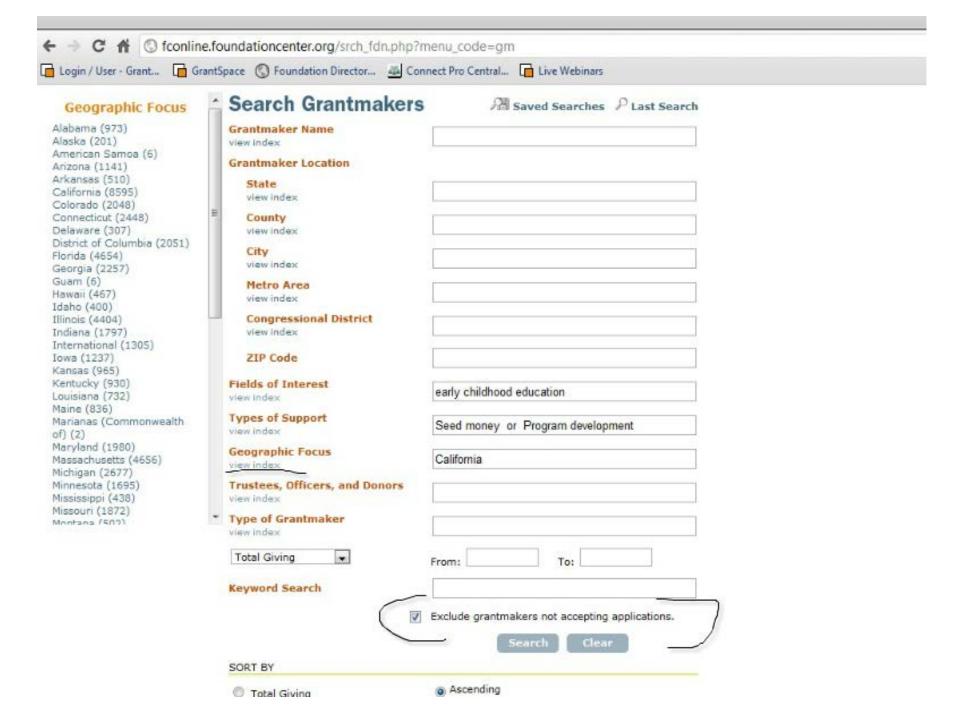
#### RFPs

Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation and the Association for Frontotemporal Degeneration Invite Scientists to Apply for FTD Biomarkers Grants

One-year grants of up to \$150,000 will be awarded to nonprofit academic institutions and for-profit biotechnology companies around the world working to develop specific







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No grants to individuals, or for endowment funds, annual campaigns, emergency funds, deficit financing, fellowships, seminars, conferences, publications, workshops, travel, surveys, films, medical research, or publishing activities.

#### **Purpose and Activities**

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Support for community and social services, education, health care with strong emphasis on programs for children and youth.

#### Program Area(s)

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The grantmaker has identified the following area(s) of interest:

#### Developmental Disabilities Initiative

The purpose of the Developmental Disabilities Initiative is to build the capacity of organizations that serve people with developmental disabilities by significantly strengthening their leadership, capacity and scope. From the more than 40 letters of inquiry initially received, the foundation ultimately selected 16 organizations for funding. Totaling more than \$6 million in funding over a three-year period, the Special Initiative grants spanned all county service areas including Santa Barbara, San Bernardino, Orange and Los Angeles. In addition to the grant awards, the Foundation convenes grantees throughout the year, creating a unique opportunity for them to learn from each other and experts in the field about strengthening organizational capabilities. Each of the capacity-building projects also varied in need, design, complexity and timeframe. For example, some of the organizations requested one-year support for discrete technology upgrade projects. Others proposed multi-year, comprehensive plans that included a range of objectives, such as board, funding and program development. Ultimately, however, all of the projects shared the universal goal of strengthening their

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#### Fields of Interest

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#### Subjects

AIDS

Adult education -- literacy, basic skills & GED

Child development, education

Child development, services

Children/youth, services

Community/economic development

Crime/violence prevention, youth

Education

Education, early childhood education

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#### **Application Information**

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Applications for the "Small Grant Program" are now being accepted. See foundation web site for application criteria. Application form required. Applicants should submit the following:

- 1. Copy of IRS Determination Letter
- 2. Brief history of organization and description of its mission
- 3. Detailed description of project and amount of funding requested
- Additional materials/documentation

Initial approach: Brief "test letter" (3 copies)

Copies of proposal: 3

Board meeting date(s): Bimonthly, except July and Aug.

Deadline(s): See foundation web site for current deadlines

Final notification: 3 to 4 months

Additional information: If it is determined from the letter that the program or project meets the foundation's interests and priorities, the applicant will be provided with the instructions and forms required to prepare and submit a formal application.

#### Officers and Directors

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### Results (19):

- The Abelard Foundation, Inc. (p1)
- Blue Moon Fund, Inc. (p4)
- Chichester duPont Foundation Inc. (p7)
- Elisha-Bolton Foundation (p9)
- The Fanwood Foundation (p11)
- Ford Foundation (p13)
- General Service Foundation (p24)
- The Kettering Family Foundation (p28)
- The Kresge Foundation (p31)
- The John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation (p37)
- Charles Stewart Mott Foundation (p44)
- The Oak Foundation U.S.A.
- The David and Lucile Packard Foundation (p56)
- V. Kann Rasmussen Foundation (p63)
- Rockefeller Brothers Fund, Inc. (p66)
- L.J. Skaggs and Mary C. Skaggs Foundation (p71)
- Wallace Genetic Foundation, Inc. (p74)
- Weeden Foundation (p77)
- The Winslow Foundation (p80)

#### **Search Criteria:**

Field of Interest: Environment, Natural Resources

Type of Support: General, Operation Support

**Geographic Focus: National** 

Type of Grant Maker: Independent Foundation

Excluding grant makers not accepting applications

#### **Search Criteria:**

Field of Interest: Environment, Natural Resources

Type of Support: General, Operation Support

**Geographic Focus: National** 

Type of Grant Maker: Corporate Giving Program and Company-Sponsored

**Foundations** 

Excluding grant makers not accepting applications

### Results (5):

- Ben and Jerry's Foundation, Inc. (p1)
- Canon Envirothon (p4)
- Fife Family Foundation, Inc. (p7)
- Patagonia Environmental Grants Program (p8)
- The Redwoods Group Foundation, Inc. (p10)

# Proposed Next Steps

- Narrow the list of potential funders through research and rank according to degree of match
- Seek Steering Committee and 501(c)3 fiscal agent or Commission Executive Committee approval by October
- Carry out initial contact with first potential funder and move down the list

- Review applications or interview potential coda fellows
- Develop and implement the Ches Bay conservation moorings project
- Explore potential CCA partnership
- Provide NFH Board input and/or review responses to requests
- Keep our eye on NOAA Community Based Program developments

### **NOAA Community Based Restoration Grants**

Soliciting coastal habitat restoration projects, or suites of projects, that support strategies to recover or sustain:

-threatened and endangered species listed under the Endangered Species Act

-fish stocks managed by regional Fishery Management Councils (established by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act)

### **NOAA Community Based Restoration Grants**

- -Proposals that focus on restoring habitat for prey of listed or managed species will also be considered.
- FFO will be released in November.
- FFO will focus on projects that will aid in recovering listed species and rebuilding sustainable fish populations.

# 6. NFWF Funding Opportunities

- Keystone Initiatives Program
- Bring Back the Natives

## Keystone Initiatives Program

- Keystone Initiatives are a portfolio of multi-year initiatives through which the Foundation and its partners seek to achieve measurable outcomes.
- Specific goals and strategies are identified for each Initiative.
- Outcomes are continuously evaluated and objectives refined as the Initiative evolves.
- Working with partners, Keystone staff develop Business Plans for each Initiative. Business Plans are made up of desired outcomes, primary threats, and strategies for each Initiative.
- Business Plans provide specific guidance on the types of projects that will be considered for funding by the Foundation to fulfill the objectives of specific Keystone Initiatives

# Keystone Initiatives Program

- The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation solicits projects for its Keystone Initiative Grant Program in the fall and in the spring.
- There are currently four Keystones:
  - Bird Conservation,
  - Fish Conservation,
  - Marine and Coastal Conservation, and
  - Wildlife and Habitat Conservation.
- Each of these Keystones has multiple Initiatives.

# Keystone Initiatives Program

ASMFC: River Herring Keystone Initiative

EBTJV: Brook Trout Keystone Initiative

SARP: Native Black Bass Keystone Initiative

# Bring Back the Natives

### Last year:

- Sent out the Bring Back the Natives proposal announcement to the Partnership-at-Large, encouraging them to apply and to highlight:
  - any ACFHP priorities (habitats, objectives, threats) and
  - species from the Species-Habitat Matrix that would benefit
- Reminded them about the ACFHP endorsement program.
- At that time the Steering Committee decided that we should discuss developing a set of short-list of priority/focal species.

### From Last Year....

Projects benefitting one or more of the following native fish species will be the priority for funding this year:

- Upper Colorado native fish (flannelmouth and bluehead suckers, roundtail chub, and Colorado cutthroat trout)
- Lahontan cutthroat trout
- Sierra Nevada native fishes
- Apache trout
- native brook trout and associated native aquatic species (Chesapeake and Upper Ohio River)
- Russian River (CA) Coho
- Klamath suckers, redband trout and Coho
- Southeast native bass
- River Herring
- Other native fish species identified in state, federal, and tribal fish and wildlife agency planning documents (such as the USFS or BLM Aquatic Sensitive Species Lists) and/or by recognized and candidate National Fish Habitat Board Fish Habitat Partnerships organized under the National Fish Habitat Action Plan
- Native fish identified in state Aquatic Invasive Species Management Plans as being at risk from invasive species

#### **ASMFC MANAGED**

#### **COUNCIL MANAGED**

- American Eel
- American Lobster
- Atlantic Croaker
- Atlantic Herring
- Atlantic Menhaden
- Atlantic Sturgeon
- Black Sea Bass
- Black Drum
- Bluefish
- Coastal Sharks
- Horseshoe Crab
- Northern Shrimp
- Red Drum
- Scup
- Shad and River Herring
- Spanish Mackerel
- Spiny Dogfish
- Spot
- Spotted Seatrout
- Striped Bass
- Summer Flounder
- Tautog
- Weakfish
- Winter Flounder

#### **New England FMC**

- NE Multispecies
  - Atlantic Cod
  - Haddock
  - Pollock
  - Yellowtail Flounder
  - Witch Flounder
  - Winter Flounder
  - Windowpane Flounder
  - American Plaice
  - Atlantic Halibut
  - Redfish
  - Ocean Pout
  - White Hake
- Scallops
- Monkfish
- Herring
- Small Mesh Multispecies
  - Silver Hake (whiting)
  - Red Hake
  - Offshore Hake
- Dogfish
- Red Crab
- Skates
- Atlantic Salmon

#### Mid-Atlantic FMC

- Atlantic Mackerel
- Long-finned Squid
- Short-finned Squid
- Butterfish
- Bluefish
- Spiny Dogfish
- Surfclam
- Ocean Quahog
- Summer Flounder
- Scup
- Black Sea Bass
- Tilefish
- Monkfish

#### **South Atlantic FMC**

- Coastal Migratory Pelagics (Mackerels)
  - King Mackerel
  - Spanish Mackerel
  - Cero mackerel
  - Cobia
  - Little Tunny
- Dolphin
- Wahoo
- Golden Crab
- Shrimp
  - White Shrimp
  - Brown Shrimp
  - Pink Shrimp
  - Rock Shrimp
  - Roryal Red Shrimp
- Snapper Grouper Complex (see next slide)
- Spiny Lobster
- Coral
- Ecosystem Based Amendments
- Habitat
- Sargassum

- Gag
- Red grouper
- Scamp
- Black grouper
- Rock hind
- Red hind
- Graysby
- Yellowfin grouper
- Coney
- Yellowmouth grouper
- Tiger grouper
- Goliath grouper
- Nassau grouper
- Snowy grouper
- Yellowedge grouper
- Warsaw grouper
- Speckled hind
- Misty grouper
- Black sea bass
- Bank sea bass
- Rock sea bass
- Wreckfish
- Queen snapper
- Yellowtail snapper
- Gray snapper
- Mutton snapper
- Lane snapper
- Cubera snapper

- Dog snapper
- Schoolmaster
- Mahogany snapper
- Vermilion snapper
- Red snapper
- Silk snapper
- Blackfin snapper
- Black snapper
- Red porgy
- Sheepshead
- Knobbed porgy
- Jolthead porgy
- Scup
- Whitebone porgy
- Saucereye porgy
- Grass porgy
- Longspine porgy
- White grunt
- Black margate
- Margate
- Tomtate
- Sailor's choice
- Porkfish
- Bluestriped grunt
- French grunt
- Cottonwick
- Spanish grunt

- Smallmouth grunt
- Greater amberjack
- Crevalle jack
- Blue runner
- Almaco jack
- Banded rudderfish
- Bar jack
- Lesser amberjack
- Yellow jack
- Tilefish
- Blueline tilefish
- Sand tilefish
- Gray triggerfish
- Ocean triggerfish
- Queen triggerfish
- Hogfish
- Puddingwife
- Atlantic spadefish

South Atlantic FMC Snapper Grouper Complex (72 Species)

### Unique T&E Fish Species of the US

• Bocaccio	•	Darter, Cherokee	Minnow, Rio Grande silvery	<ul><li>Springfish, Ra</li><li>Springfish, W</li></ul>
<ul> <li>Catfish, Yaqui</li> </ul>	•	Darter, Cumberland	<ul> <li>Pikeminnow (=squawfish), Colorado</li> </ul>	• Steelhead
<ul> <li>Cavefish, Alabama</li> </ul>	•	Darter, duskytail	<ul> <li>Poolfish, Pahrump</li> </ul>	• Stickleback, ı
<ul> <li>Cavefish, Ozark</li> </ul>	•	Darter, Etowah	<ul> <li>Pupfish, Ash Meadows Amargosa</li> </ul>	• Sturgeon, Ala
<ul> <li>Chub, bonytail</li> </ul>	•	Darter, fountain	<ul> <li>Pupfish, Comanche Springs</li> </ul>	• Sturgeon, gul
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Chub, Sonora	•	Darter, vermilion	<ul> <li>Salmon, coho</li> </ul>	Sucker, Santa
Chub, spotfin	•	Darter, watercress	<ul> <li>Salmon, sockeye</li> </ul>	• Sucker, short
Chub, Virgin River	•	Darter, yellowcheek	<ul> <li>Sawfish, smalltooth</li> </ul>	• Sucker, Warn
Chub, Yaqui	•	Eulachon, Pacific	<ul> <li>Sculpin, pygmy</li> </ul>	• Topminnow,
Cui-ui	•	Gambusia, Big Bend	<ul> <li>Shiner, Arkansas River</li> </ul>	Trout, Apach
Dace, Ash Meadows speckle	d •	Gambusia, Clear Creek	<ul> <li>Shiner, beautiful</li> </ul>	Trout, bull
Dace, blackside	•	Gambusia, Pecos	<ul> <li>Shiner, blue</li> </ul>	• Trout, Gila
Dace, Clover Valley speckled	•	Gambusia, San Marcos	<ul> <li>Shiner, Cahaba</li> </ul>	• trout, Greent
Dace, desert	•	Goby, tidewater	<ul> <li>Shiner, Cape Fear</li> </ul>	Trout, Lahoni
Dace, Foskett speckled	•	Logperch, Conasauga	<ul> <li>Shiner, palezone</li> </ul>	Trout, Little k
Dace, Independence Valley s	speckled •	Logperch, Roanoke	<ul> <li>Shiner, Pecos bluntnose</li> </ul>	Trout, Paiute
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dace, Laurel	•	Madtom, Neosho	<ul> <li>Silverside, Waccamaw</li> </ul>	Woundfin
Dace, Moapa	•	Madtom, pygmy	<ul> <li>Smelt, delta</li> </ul>	vvounum
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# **Proposed Focal Species:**

Atlantic Herring
Atlantic Salmon
Atlantic Sturgeon
Black Sea Bass
Bluefish
Scup
Spanish Mackerel
Spiny Dogfish
Summer Flounder
Winter Flounder

\*Monkfish?

\*Tilefish?

# **Endorsements and Related Activities**

- Individual projects
- Regional efforts
- Letter writing campaigns

## **Individual projects**

Tier 1 - Established: USFWS Funding

-proposal review by project review committee

**Recommend:** Funding + use of ACFHP logo + letter

- **Tier 2 Established:** Letter of Endorsement + use of ACFHP endorsement logo
  - -application review by project endorsement subcommittee and interested SC
- **Tier 3 Recommendation:** Letter Writing Campaigns, etc. Letter of Support Only (no use of ACFHP logo)
  - -proposal or SOW review by Coordinator & Chair &/or Vice Chair & ACFHP rep. from the appropriate State or Sub-region to ensure that it is in support of ACFHP mission and objectives

### **Regional efforts**

### **Eg. Watershed Intitiatives**

Recommendation: Invitation to sign on to the MOU
 If they become a partner then allow use of ACFHP logo
 -MOU inviation process TBD

### If MOU is not appropriate, then:

- Recommendation: Letter of Support (no use of ACFHP logo)
  - -strategic action plan review by Coordinator, Chair &/or Vice Chair and appropriate ACFHP SC representative to ensure that "regional effort" is in support of ACFHP mission and objectives

### Letter writing campaigns

- **Recommendation:** We will NOT sign on to petitions or form letters
- Only exception being if it is a NFHP (or ACFHP) led effort
- To those who request our signing, we will offer the appropriate previously established avenues for recognition.

### **PROJECTS**

- Coordinator reviews any material provided and sends an email saying that we like the way it's going and that we'd like to see them submit an endorsement application
- Streamlined endorsement process
  - 4 weeks down to 2
  - Potentially slim down the number of questions
  - Evaluate proposals via email or through coordinator versus convening a call

### WATERSHED INITIATIVE

Invite them to participate on the MOU, if they cannot, then we suggest that they send specific projects for endorsement or funding consideration

# 8. Bringing in New MOU Partners

Option 1: Develop a set of criteria by which to evaluate a potential MOU partner

Option 2 (recommended): Vote by the Steering Committee. Include a caveat stating that being a MOU partner does not bind ACFHP to or prevent ACFHP from engaging in any particular activity.

 Travel funding could not be provided for Full-Partnership meetings. Travel funding would only be provided for members of committees attending committee meetings.



# National Fish Habitat Partnership

- ACFHP Presentation and visit to Shoreys Brook at July NFHP Board Meeting
- Second Addition of the National Fish Habitat Action Plan is available
- Habitat Conservation Committee
  - Establish a consensus set of national conservation strategies as a framework to guide future actions and investment by the Fish Habitat Partnerships by 2013.
  - Potentially using the Interim Strategies and Targets (2008) as starting point.

# National Fish Habitat Partnership

- Partnership Committee
  - Developed a core set of Fish Habitat Conservation
     Project prioritization criteria (minimum benchmark)
  - Improving FHP participation in Board decisions

National Fish Habitat Conservation Act

# Interim Strategies and Targets

- Strategy 1 Identify and protect intact and healthy waters
- **Strategy 2-** Restore natural variability in river and stream flows and water surface elevations in natural lakes and reservoirs.
- **Strategy 3** Reconnect fragmented river, stream, reservoir, coastal, and lake habitats to allow access to historic spawning, nursery and rearing grounds.
- Strategy 4 Reduce and maintain sedimentation, phosphorus and nitrogen runoff to river, stream, reservoir, coastal, and lake habitats to a level within 25% of the expected natural variance in these factors or above applicable numeric state water quality criteria

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# Fish Habitat Conservation Project prioritization criteria

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