



## SWTF Weekly Digest #22-2020

October 20, 2020

### Executive Directors Message of the week:

Good Morning everyone!

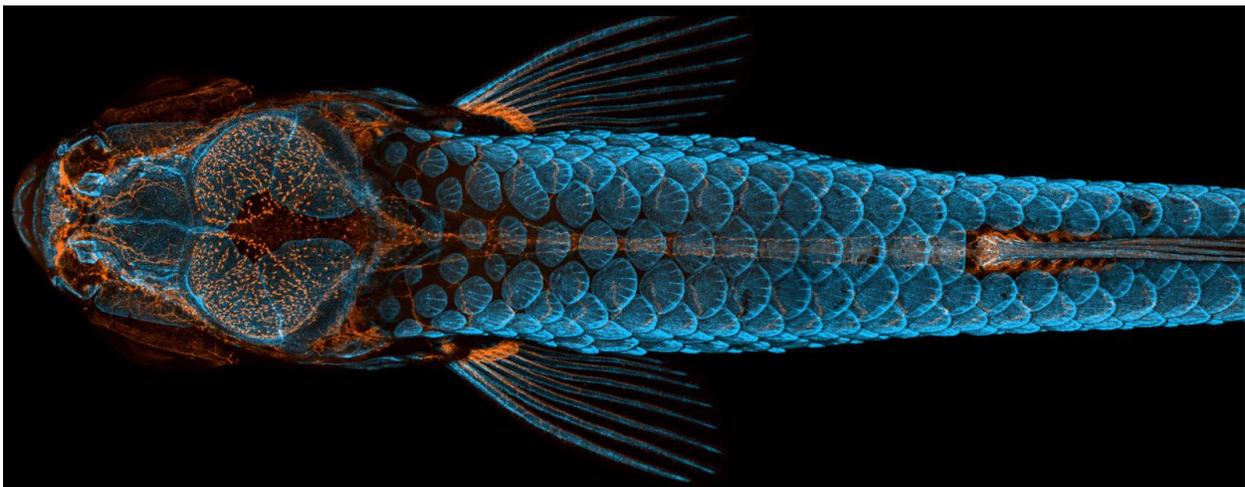
I hope you all are managing this week's dose of health and ongoing political stress.

A friend up in Montana shared that they had had 48 hours of snow and were expecting single digits – so...Winter is coming! And with it, cold and flu season. It will be interesting to see how social distancing and masks impact the flu cases this year – will it be a bad year? Or better than normal? I guess we will wait and see.

There are a variety of interesting educational activities coming up, as well as AFS votes, time is running out for a few funding opportunities, world Fish Migration Day is coming up later this week, the National Fish Habitat Partnership Board is meeting to discuss how it will change under the ACE act, and many other things are going on – like a fish – in this case a Zebrafish – taking the first prize in the Nikon photomicrography contest – see image below.

Everyone be strong, take care of each other, and have a great week!

Adam Ringia, Executive Director



**1<sup>st</sup> Place Nikon Photomicrography – Zebrafish – D. Castranova et al.**

## News and Links:

1. Bosque Chapter of Trout Unlimited Newsletter – attached as a .pdf
2. [ACE Passes House – Still sitting on to the Presidents Desk](#)
3. If you are an AFS member – remember to vote on this MOTION: That the AFS Rules (Section 14. Standing Committees) be amended to designate Climate Change as a Standing Committee of the American Fisheries Society. Voting  
Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/AFSmotionOct20201>.
4. Presidents [Executive order on Water Management and Infrastructure](#) – lots on drought and climate change related (but not mentioned) in here.
5. Remind all of your friends and neighbors (and anyone else) to VOTE!!
6. [World Fish Migration Day](#) – is this week Saturday! on **October 24<sup>th</sup>**!

## Grant Opportunities:

1. **STILL OPEN - USFS- SWTFC Youth Grant 2020:** We have funding from the USFS for tribal youth employment – if you are interested, please contact me [adam.ringia@gmail.com](mailto:adam.ringia@gmail.com) for more information!
2. **Reclamation's Native American Affairs Technical Assistance Program** is making up to \$1 million available in Fiscal Year 2021 for tribes and tribal organizations in the western United States to develop, manage, and protect tribal water and related resources. Project are eligible to receive up to \$200,000. The funding opportunity is available on [www.grants.gov](http://www.grants.gov) by searching for funding opportunity number BOR-DO-20-F013. Applications are due on **October 28, 2020 at 4 p.m. MDT.** [News Release](#) and [Native American Affairs Homepage](#)
3. **Western Native Trout Initiative's FY2021 Request for Proposals.** This year they are prioritizing Colorado River Cutthroat Trout, Lahontan Cutthroat Trout, Westslope Cutthroat Trout, and Yellowstone Cutthroat Trout. Deadline **Friday, October 30, 2020 and proposals must be submitted by 5 p.m.** (Mountain Time). If you should have any questions or need additional information, contact Theresa Thompson (WNTI Coordinator) at [tthompson@westernnativetrout.org](mailto:tthompson@westernnativetrout.org).

## Webinars and Educational Opportunities:

1. **Virtual Southwest Climate Change 101 Course: Adaptation Planning for Tribal Environmental Professionals: Registration Deadline is Thursday, November 12.** You can register here: [https://nau.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtdeGgrz4iE9WbH\\_FdRUHbqI85I7yn-tke](https://nau.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYtdeGgrz4iE9WbH_FdRUHbqI85I7yn-tke)
2. Intertribal Timber Council opportunity - recruiting for Student Participants (SPs) for the 4th IFMAT report. Prospective applicants need to submit their materials by Nov 1, 2020. More information can be found in the application – see attached pdf.
3. **Save the date for the 2020 WDAFS Student Colloquium! Friday, Nov 13, 2020.** The Western Division is seeking a diverse group of fisheries professionals to participate in a panel on networking and applying for jobs during COVID-19 and on giving successful virtual presentations.

If you are a fisheries professional that can donate time to providing advice and tips and answering student questions, please contact event organizer [Emily Chen](#).

4. The Forest Service is hiring student interns and recent graduates using the Pathways program:
  - a. Society of American Foresters: Merit, intern indefinite, and recent graduate job announcements will open on **October 27 and close on November 2**.
5. **ENHANCE YOUR CREDENTIALS** and join your colleagues in gaining certification by AFS. Certification sets standards and guidelines for professional competence and is used by organizations worldwide to measure qualifications. For information on how you can apply- [click here](#).
6. **New Mexico Agriculture & Natural Resources Trust Fund Stakeholder Meeting – Tribal Lands and Tribal Communities** *October 28th, 2020 - 10:00am - 12pm MT*. [Register here](#)
7. **DOI Talent and DOI University**. I'm leaving these links up here just in case:
  - a. DOI Talent: [https://www.doi.gov/doitalent/nondoil\\_learners](https://www.doi.gov/doitalent/nondoil_learners)
  - b. DOI University Classes: <https://doiu.doi.gov/reg.asp?id=>

### Science! Or science-y...

1. [Small Mouth Bass Management](#)
2. [Rising Temperatures cause Chinook Salmon decline](#)
3. [Monsoons and wildfire](#)
4. [Tracking aquatic hitchhikers](#) – predicting the spread of AIS with mobile tech.

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