



**SWTF Weekly Digest #30-2020
December 15, 2020**

Executive Directors Message of the week:

Good Morning everyone!

Our last SWTF Meeting of 2020 is this Thursday – via Zoom this time. My computer has stopped showing video with MS Teams for some reason. I hope it works for you all, and that most of you have the time to make it! I thought that getting closer to Christmas things would slow down a bit, but this year it seems like it is busier than ever!

There are several new newsletters from our partners and friends, climate change impacts are starting to gain steam again, the electoral college has voted in a new President, and chaos still appears to be the everyday norm...

A Covid 19 Vaccine is set to roll out across the country starting this week, and I've heard that Indian Country is getting some of that first wave. Let's hope it helps us address this crisis. We have all lost too much from this pandemic.

As always, stay safe, stay healthy, and we'll talk to you next week 😊

Adam Ringia, Executive Director

News and Links:

1. [Evaporation Counts!](#)
2. [House Select Committee on the Climate Crisis will continue into the 117th Congress](#)
3. [Protecting the Verde River from Cattle damage](#)
4. WRP November newsletter attached
5. [NFHP November 2020 Newsletter](#)
6. If you are looking to fill in your fisheries library or someone else's for the holidays– now might be the time! [The AFS is having a book sale.](#)
7. [The Water Resource Research Centers Weekly Wave](#)

Grant Opportunities:

1. The Northwest and Southwest Climate Adaptation Science Centers (NW CASC, SW CASC) invite statements of interest for tribal climate adaptation research projects to be initiated in Federal Fiscal Year (FY) 2021. Statements of interest are **due December 17, 2020**. [Click here for more](#)

[information and instructions on how to apply](#). Have questions? Join us for an [informational webinar](#) and get your questions answered. Date: November 30, 2020; Time: 3:00 MST

2. **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 for more information!

Webinars and Educational Opportunities:

1. [Introduction to eDNA: Applications, Advantages, and Implications](#), Thursday, January 14, 2021, 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Eastern Time, [Register now!](#), **Presenter:** *Jay Cashubec, PrecisionBiomonitoring*
2. *The State of New Mexico is hiring a Fish Hatchery Assistant Manager (OSE#74992)* – Check out the New Mexico jobs website to find it (sorry, no link included)
3. The U.S. Forest Service (USFS), through partnership with The Wildlife Society, is offering research assistantships for Native American undergraduate (junior/senior level) or graduate students as part of the Native American Research Assistantship Program for Summer 2021. **Applications are being accepted now through Jan. 15, 2021.** <https://wildlife.org/apply-now-for-usfs-native-american-research-assistantship-2/>. Short-term assistantships with USFS are available for Native American students interested in wildlife and forest resources and excited to learn and work with an interdisciplinary team of researchers. Any questions can be directed to Jamila Blake at jblake@wildlife.org.
4. **ENHANCE YOUR CREDENTIALS** by 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](#).
5. **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
 - b. DOI University Classes: <https://doiu.doi.gov/reg.asp?id=>

Science! Or science-y...

1. [Data Gathering without crews – Monitoring Pollack Populations](#)
2. [What Social Distancing does to fish brains](#)

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