



# Esocid Technical Committee

North Central Division / American Fisheries Society

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**TO:** Esocid Technical Committee

**FROM:** Jeff Reed, Chair

**SUBJECT:** Toronto Meeting, Research/Management Synopsis, etc.

For those of you unable to attend the Midwest this year I thought I would send out a short overview of what transpired. First of all, unless you notify me otherwise, I will assume that you are still interested in serving as your chapter's representative. If not please let me know so I can contact your president and arrange for a replacement. As you probably know I have taken over as committee chair, Rob Neumann (SD) as agreed to serve as the next co-chair. Thanks Rob. A special thank you to Terry Margenau for serving as the committee's first chair, Terry did an outstanding job of getting this committee off the ground.

The highlight of the meeting was being able to distribute the recently completed research/management synopsis. Twenty members attended the meeting in Toronto. Copies of the synopsis available from me on a first come-first served basis. The only "catch" is you will have to send me \$1.44 postage (please send stamps!) if you would like one. The synopsis turned out very well, it is something the ETC can be very proud of!

Several request were made to the committee. Bernard LeBeau (ON) is interested in 1) collecting pictures of angler caught muskellunge and 2) finding populations of silver pike. He will be presenting his ideas to the committee at the summer meeting in LaCrosse. Dave Willis (SD) has had several requests to develop a standard weight equation for muskellunge, he will be contacting chapter reps. for data requests. Jim Diana (MI) requested that chapter reps develop a summary sheet of population statistics for esocids in their state/ province, it was decided that they should be ready for distribution at the 1993 summer meeting in LaCrosse. These sheets should take the form of the one Steve AveLallemant (WI) distributed at LaCrosse last year. Another project the committee is undertaking for 1993 is to develop a library of esocid materials. The first step is to assemble bibliographies of material from each state/province. Chapter reps will assemble this listing and bring (or send it to me) it to LaCrosse next summer. We are looking into archiving this material somewhere, possibly the University of Michigan's library. Finally, we need to be thinking about a future symposium, probably 1995 in Michigan. Bring your ideas to LaCrosse, July 13-14, 1993.

The summer meeting will be held, as last year, in LaCrosse (July 13-14). Everyone should watch the Mainstream for details. Please send me ideas for discussion topics to me by 1 February.

Thanks to all of you we have become a very active committee, let's keep it up. If you have any questions or ideas please feel free to contact me at Minnesota D.N.R, 1110 North Lakeshore Drive, Glenwood, MN 56334, 612-634-4573.

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