

**Esocid Technical Committee**  
**1999 Annual Report to the NCD Executive Committee**

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**Overview:**

**Part 1: Business Action Requested** (if None, go to part 2)

*Action Request:*

*Recommended Motion:*

*Committee Charge:*

*Background:*

*Findings/Conclusions:*

**Part 2: Activity Report**

*1999 Activities*

*The 8th annual meeting of the Esocid Technical Committee (ETC) was held in LaCrosse, WI during July 13-14, 1999. Seventeen agency and university biologists from eight states attended. Presentations on both northern pike and muskellunge biology were followed by a group discussion on northern pike management. Proceedings from the 1997 "Strategies for Muskellunge Management" symposium were published as a module in the North American Journal of Fisheries Management (1999, Vol 19(1)). The module includes nine papers, eight of which were presented as talks and one as a poster paper. Unfortunately, three of the papers did not complete the review process and were not published in the journal. 200 copies of the proceedings were printed and bound for distribution and sale. All copies have been sold and proceeds (including donations) will exceed printing costs though final budget information is not available at this time. Copies of two recent ETC publications "A Synopsis of Angling Regulations for Esocids in North America" and "The Introductory, Maintenance, and Restoration Stocking of Esocids" were produced by individual ETC members at no cost to the NCD. All have been distributed to ETC members and contributors.*

*Outstanding Business*

*The Scale Exchange Project begun in 1994 headed by Dr. John Casselman (Ontario MNR) is still ongoing with little recent progress. Many of the original participants are no longer interested or able to participate (one has retired). A critical review of the project and whether to continue to pursue it will be completed over the next year.*

*Continuing and Proposed Activities*

The gray literature report is available. Potential distribution through the NCD web site will be investigated. The ETC will be pursuing the sponsoring of a symposium on biology and management of northern pike at the 62nd Midwest Fish and Wildlife conference in Minneapolis in 2000. Papers will be solicited for presentation and peer review with the goal of publication of the proceedings from the symposium in the North American Journal of Fisheries Management. The ETC will also be looking into creation of a northern pike poster of interest to anglers as a fundraiser toward publication costs.

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**Location and Date of Business (Annual) Meeting:**

The 9th annual meeting of the ETC will be held July 17-19, 2000 at the Kemp Natural Resources Station on Lake Tomahawk near Minocqua in northcentral Wisconsin. The program will center on northern pike biology and management and feature papers (hopefully) by presenters for the 2000 symposium.

**Membership Report:**

The ETC does not maintain a membership roster. The ETC does have a mailing list (needs updating) of 70 individuals and a recently created email distribution list (esocids@umich.edu) of 27 individuals which will be updated continually.

Membership type  
Regular

Total number