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Events

August

Aug 12-13: [Northwest Power and Conservation Council Meeting \(Portland, OR\)](#)

Aug 19: [Protect the Boating Industry - Prevent the Spread of Aquatic Invasive Species Webinar - FREE](#)

Aug 20: [NAISMA Webinar: Research Spotlight: Managing the European Green Crab Invasion – FREE](#)

September

Sept 9-10: [Northwest Power and Conservation Council Meeting \(Eugene, OR\)](#)

Sept 25: [Washington Invasive Species Council Meeting \(Olympia, WA\)](#)

Announcements

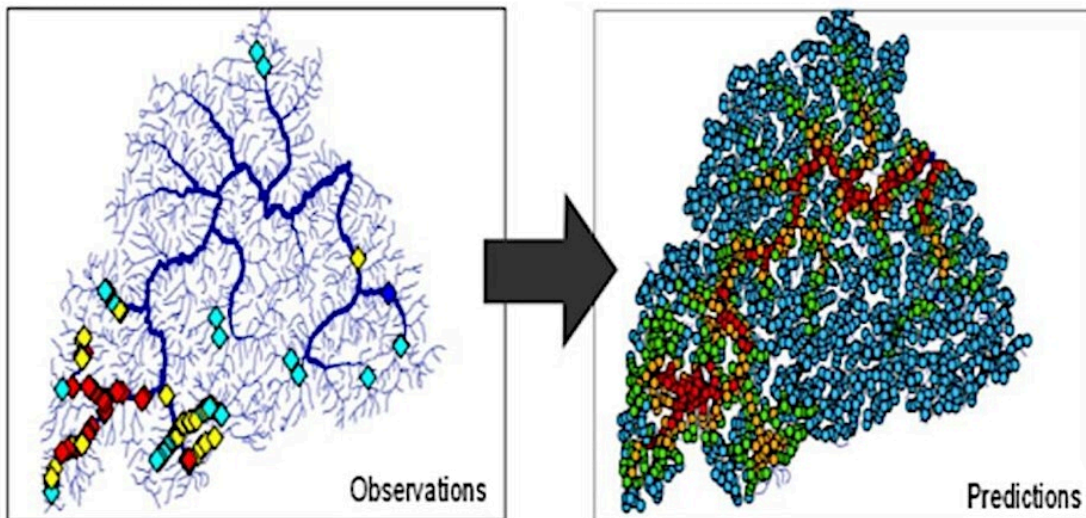
PNAMP joins the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission

PNAMP's Coordination Team has transitioned to the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission (PSMFC). We are grateful for the 20 years of administration and staffing provided by the USGS, and we are excited for the opportunity to continue our partnerships and collaborative work with PSMFC. With this transition, a few things are different; one of those changes is our new communication platform is through MailChimp so please add this to your contact list.

If you are receiving this newsletter, you have opted in at some point. If you no longer want to receive our monthly newsletters, unsubscribe below. Our website remains the same (pnamp.org), but our email is now: pnamp@psmfc.org. Expect to see more information and updates on PNAMP, StreamNet, and other PSMFC projects in the future.



Registration is open for Spatial-Stream-Network (SSN) Models Training Workshop



Registration is now open for the spatial-statistical-network (SSN) model training workshop in Boise, Idaho this fall October 27–29. This workshop fills up fast so don't delay!

For additional information and to register: [Spatial Modeling Workshop Oct 27-29, 2025 Tickets, Multiple Dates | Eventbrite](#)

If you are interested in attending (or have a student that is), they recommend registering ASAP because it usually fills rapidly once registration opens. If you'd like to come to the workshop but the financial arrangements with your employer will take time to set up, please contact Dan Isaak, daniel.isaak@usda.gov, and they'll try to hold a spot for you.

Spatial-Stream-Network Models training workshop background:

A class of spatial statistical network model for data on stream networks has recently been developed & free software is available for implementing the models. SSNs account for network topology (i.e., flow direction, stream size, tributary confluences) and offer significant improvements over many traditional statistical techniques that were developed originally for terrestrial applications. The SSNs are applicable to common types of stream data (e.g., water quality attributes, biological survey information, genetic metrics, habitat conditions) through application of several distributions (e.g., Gaussian, binomial, Poisson). The models also account for spatial autocorrelation among measurements, which makes them powerful tools for mining information from large datasets aggregated from multiple sources or sampling designs that are clustered and nonrandom. For additional details, please visit the SSN/STARS (<https://research.fs.usda.gov/rmrs/projects/spatial-stream-network>) and National Stream Internet websites (<https://research.fs.usda.gov/rmrs/projects/national-stream-internet>).

The 3-day workshop consists of a 1-day short-course & 2 days of working with course instructors to apply SSNs to participant's datasets. Note that attendance is limited to 20 students to ensure a high-quality experience and sufficient interaction with course instructors.

Highlights

Northern Pikeminnow Sport-Reward Fishery Photo Submissions Wanted!



photo credit: <https://www.pikeminnow.org/>

Do you have a cool Northern Pikeminnow Sport-Reward Program photo to share? Submit it to be entered into the Featured Photo Contest!

The Northern Pikeminnow Sport-Reward Program is launching a monthly Featured Photo Contest. Each month, one angler's photo will be selected to be featured on their [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), and [website blog](#). WINNERS WILL ALSO RECEIVE AN EXCLUSIVE PROGRAM HAT!

To enter the contest, tag your photo on either Facebook or Instagram with the hashtag [#NPMPhotoContest](#). One winner will be selected at the beginning of each month.

Guidelines:

- All photos must include your name, the location, a short description, and the year it was taken.
- If the photo contains an identifiable person, a release form must be signed following selection.
- The photo must be shared publicly on the media platform.
- The selected winner needs to be a follower of the program's Facebook or Instagram page.
- No inappropriate content.
- Must be related to the Northern Pikeminnow Sport-Reward Program.
- Photos should be a minimum of 1200 pixels wide.
- The photographer must be the person submitting the photo.
- You must own the photo and have the right to publish it.

- Photos are not for sale or commercial use unless prior permission is arranged.
- By submitting, you authorize the Northern Pikeminnow Sport-Reward Program and the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission unlimited use.
- No watermarks.

Please ensure all guidelines are met before tagging your photo.

*Facebook and Meta are not sponsors or associated with this contest. No purchase necessary to enter. No age restrictions.

Visit [Northern Pikeminnow Sport-Reward Program](#) | [Help Save Salmon](#) for information.

Indigenous Youth Complete “First Descent” of Undammed Klamath River



Above: Paddle Tribal Waters youth, friends, family and tribal members celebrate their month-long “First Descent” at the mouth of the Klamath River

Bottom right: Youth kayaker navigates whitewater
photo credit: Erik Boomer/River Roots

Press release: July 12, 2025

Rios to Rivers <https://www.riostorivers.org/>

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Requa, Calif. – Several dozen Indigenous youth completed a 310-mile, month-long source-to-sea “first descent” of the undammed Klamath River on Friday, realizing a dream of Klamath basin tribes that was years in the making. As the youths, ages 13 to 20, approached the sand spit adjacent to the Klamath’s mouth in their bright-colored kayaks, tribal elders, family members, friends and supporters waved and cheered them on. “I feel so proud to have completed this trip and am feeling grateful for the support of my family and the fact that I got to honor my grandma’s legacy in her fight for dam removal,” said Ke-Get Omar Dean V, 18, a member of the Yurok Tribe. “We got to complete this journey because of the people that came before us and ensured a free-flowing river.” The young paddlers trained – some for three years -- to run whitewater with kayak instructors from the Paddle Tribal Waters program operated by the nonprofit group Rios to Rivers. The program includes youth from the Klamath, Yurok, Karuk, Quartz Valley, Hoopa Valley, Warm Springs and Tohono O’odham tribes. Four hydroelectric dams blocked the river for more than a century, impeding once-abundant salmon runs.

The last of those dams was demolished last year, completing the biggest dam removal in history. The young kayakers set out June 12 to run the river, free-flowing for the first time in more than 100 years. During the final few days of the journey the paddlers were joined by other Indigenous youth and representatives from the Snake River and other river basins in Press



Release the U.S., and members of kayak clubs and Indigenous communities in Chile and Bolivia and as far away as New Zealand. “Dam removal has shown us that we can accomplish anything, even if it is hard. This trip was long but has shown me how strong I can be. I feel grateful for my ancestors and everyone who has been helpful. I am proud to be part of this experience,” said Melia McNair, 15, of the Klamath and Modoc tribes. “Since it has ended it has been mixed emotions, joy to have completed the journey, and sad that this moment is coming to an end,” said Autumn Goodwin, 18, of the Karuk Tribe. “But in a way, it is just the beginning. It is a bittersweet moment.” A daylong celebration was planned in the nearby town of Klamath, Calif. on Saturday. A “Free Rivers Symposium” with experts, environmental activists and river advocates is also being held.



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