

CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

Do You Collaborate With Anglers?

**Share your experiences
of working with anglers
to achieve research or
management goals.**

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**A unique symposium that
brings together anglers
and fisheries professionals
to learn how these types
of relationships get set up,
what science can emerge,
and what is needed to
make them thrive.**

**Want to
participate?**

Deadline for abstracts
is April 8, 2022

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Photo: Angler's Atlas
member Kelly Riehl
and his northern pike.

SYMPOSIUM ABSTRACT:

Anglers play an important role in providing scientists and managers with valuable data about the state of our fisheries. And as new forms of electronic reporting come online, providing high resolution data that could barely have been imagined just a few decades ago, anglers are becoming ever more important to fisheries research. However, sustaining angler contributions to science over the long term remains a challenge. Participation rates often drop off because engagement with the angling community stops, and because the results of the research are not communicated back to the anglers in a timely manner. This symposium will build off the success of a similar symposium in 2021, highlighting a diversity of projects that have been successful at engaging anglers, including revisiting presentations from the initial symposium where further work with anglers has taken place. An important outcome of this symposium will be a better understanding of the best practices that are necessary to achieve long-term angler engagement. Consistent with our theme of engaging anglers, we are also proposing to involve anglers to this symposium, both with research presentations and through an online engagement via Facebook Live, thereby providing a unique opportunity to put these ideas into practice.

TITLE: Growing fisheries research and management through angler engagement

Where: **American Fisheries Society Annual Meeting 2022 in Spokane**

When: **August 21-25, 2022**