

Wisconsin DNR Age and Growth Workshop II

Who: WDNR staff who frequently work with age and growth data

When: January 14-15, 2014

Where: Stevens Point, WI

Cost: \$35

The Fish Age Estimation Task Force is offering an age and growth workshop that will primarily focus on the analysis of age and growth data as it pertains to fisheries management. Our first workshop in August of 2011 focused on the physical process of estimating the age and growth of fish, and this workshop will expand on those principles and demonstrate some basic applications of age and growth data. Attendees will have the opportunity to gain experience with two software packages (Image Pro and Nikon Elements) available for obtaining and analyzing images of calcified structures. There will also be seminars and group discussions relating to methods for evaluation precision of age estimates, effective sampling design, estimating growth and mortality rates, describing recruitment from catch at age data, and statistical tests used to compare metrics derived from age data. We believe that we made great advances in age estimation procedures following the first workshop and hope that you will join us at this workshop to further advance age estimation procedures in Wisconsin!

