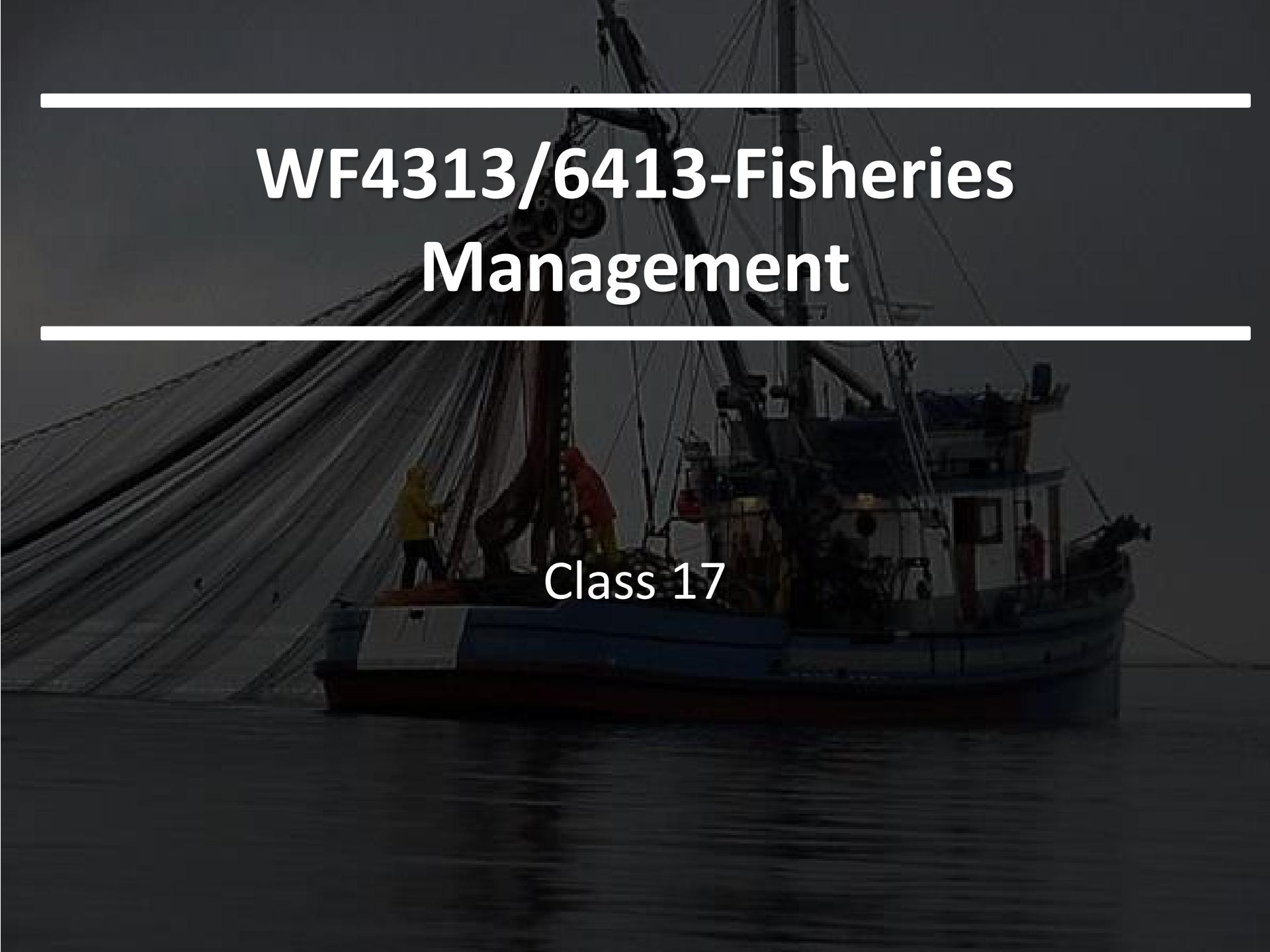


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# WF4313/6413-Fisheries Management

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A dark, grainy photograph of a fishing vessel at sea. The boat's hull is visible in the lower right, and its deck is covered with equipment and supplies. Numerous fishing nets or lines are deployed from the stern, creating a dense web of lines across the upper left of the frame. The background is a dark, overcast sky.

Class 17

# Announcements



# Revised Schedule\*\*

- ~~October 30 = Group 1 @ Panther Creek~~
  - November 6<sup>th</sup> = Group 2 we'll do something
  - November 13<sup>th</sup> = NO LAB... ☹
  - Exam II = November 14<sup>th</sup>
  - November 20<sup>th</sup> = Group 1 will do what group 2 did
  - November 27<sup>th</sup> & December 4<sup>th</sup> ???
- \*\* Contingent on van availability



# Lab 11/6 PIT Tag telemetry

Bring Waders  
Group 2

Interested in chasing more lamprey?  
Opportunities to assist on an  
undergraduate research project.



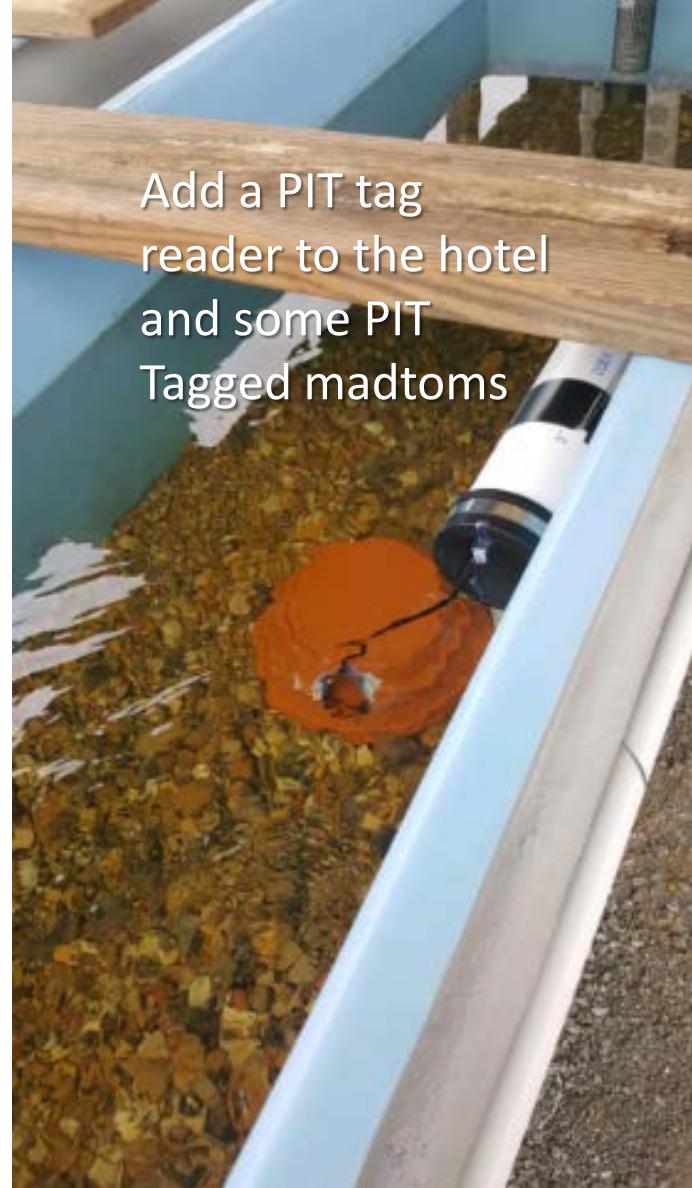
# Madtom Hotels Update



Pit tag the  
madtoms



Make some hotels  
for the madtoms



Add a PIT tag  
reader to the hotel  
and some PIT  
Tagged madtoms

# Madtom Hotels Update

Why is this important?

- If listed as threatened a conservation stocking plan will be developed

Management alternative(s)

- Stock varying levels of madtoms

How to monitor the effectiveness of stocking?

- Madtoms are hard to catch: rare, cryptic
- Will use cavities: make hotels!

But will hotels index abundance?

- Behavior? Territorial, will 1 madtom keep out all others from the hotel?
- Stock known densities of madtoms and see if hotel use by PIT tag detection is correlated with madtom density.

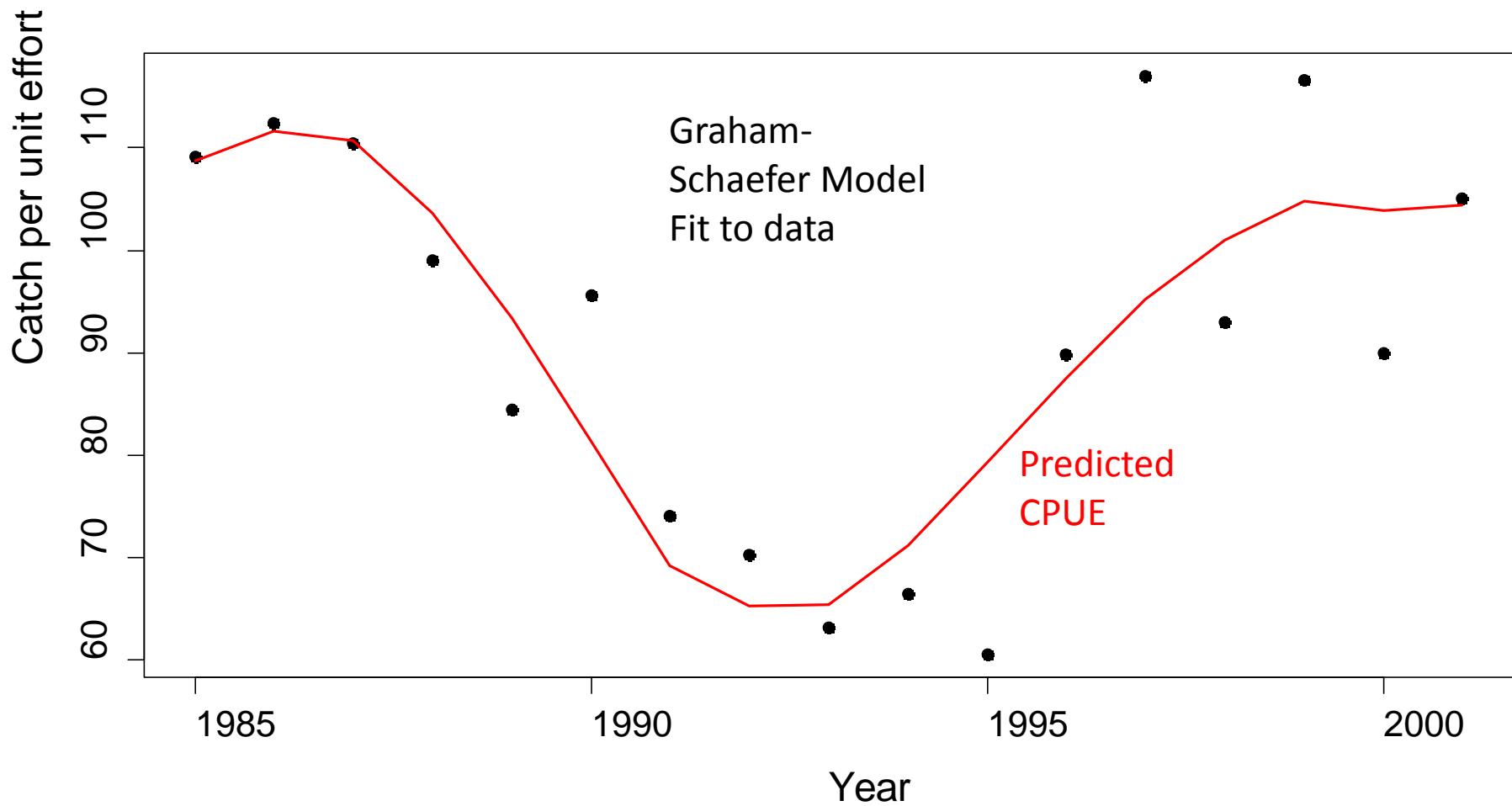
A photograph showing a massive pile of fish, likely catfish, stacked high on the deck of a small boat. The fish are piled in several layers, filling the frame. In the background, a calm river or lake is visible under a clear blue sky, with some green trees along the shore.

**WHERE WE LEFT OFF**

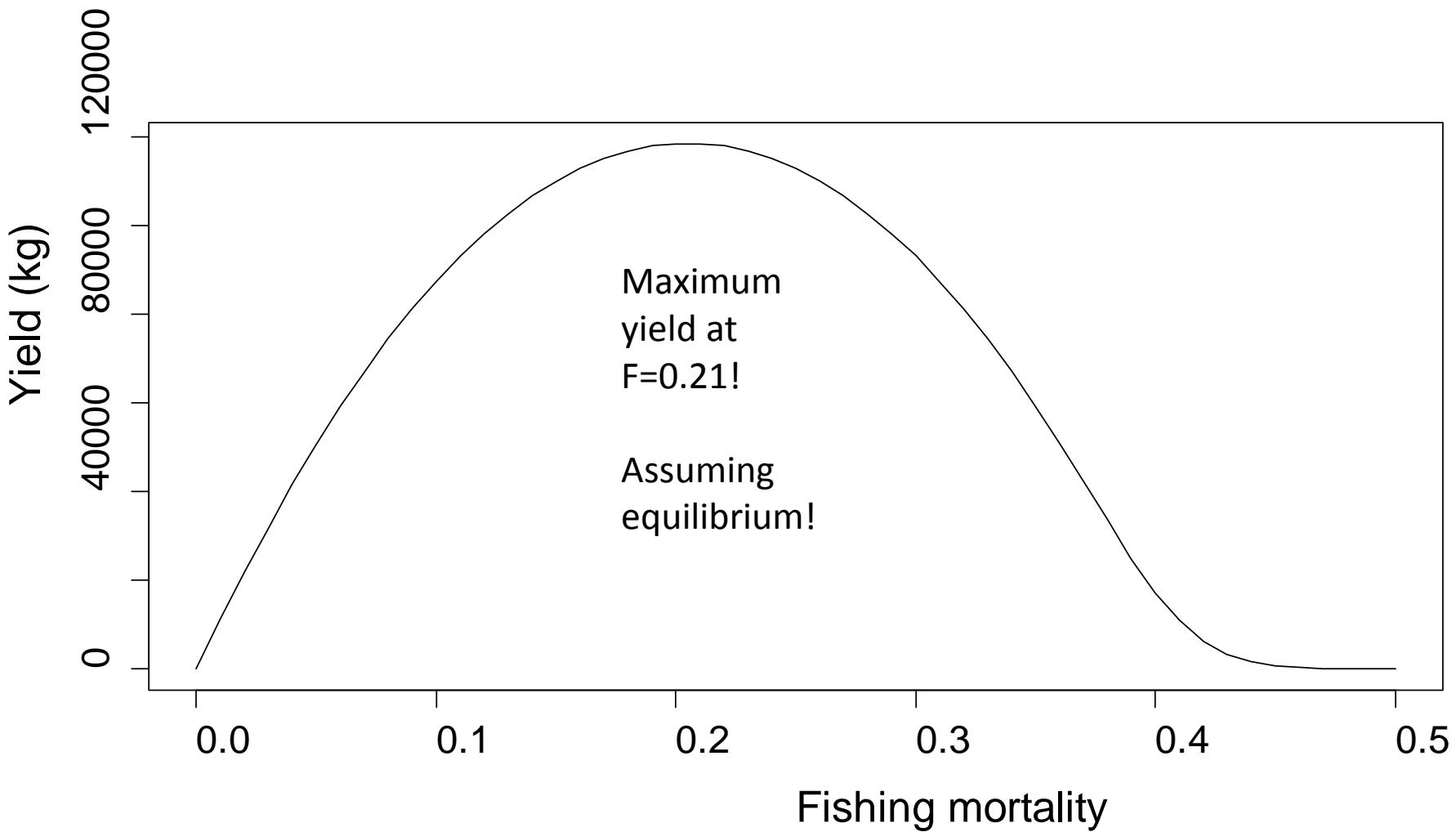
# Suppose we have data over time

year	effort	catch	cpe
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1987	1411	155860	110.46067
1988	1828	181128	99.08534
1989	2351	198584	84.46789
1990	2074	198395	95.65815
1991	1877	139040	74.07565
1992	1566	109969	70.22286
1993	1139	71896	63.12204
1994	893	59314	66.42105
1995	1029	62300	60.54422
1996	727	65343	89.88033
1997	658	76990	117.00608
1998	953	88606	92.97587
1999	1012	118016	116.61660
2000	1203	108250	89.98337
2001	1034	108674	105.10058

# CPUE and predicted CPUE



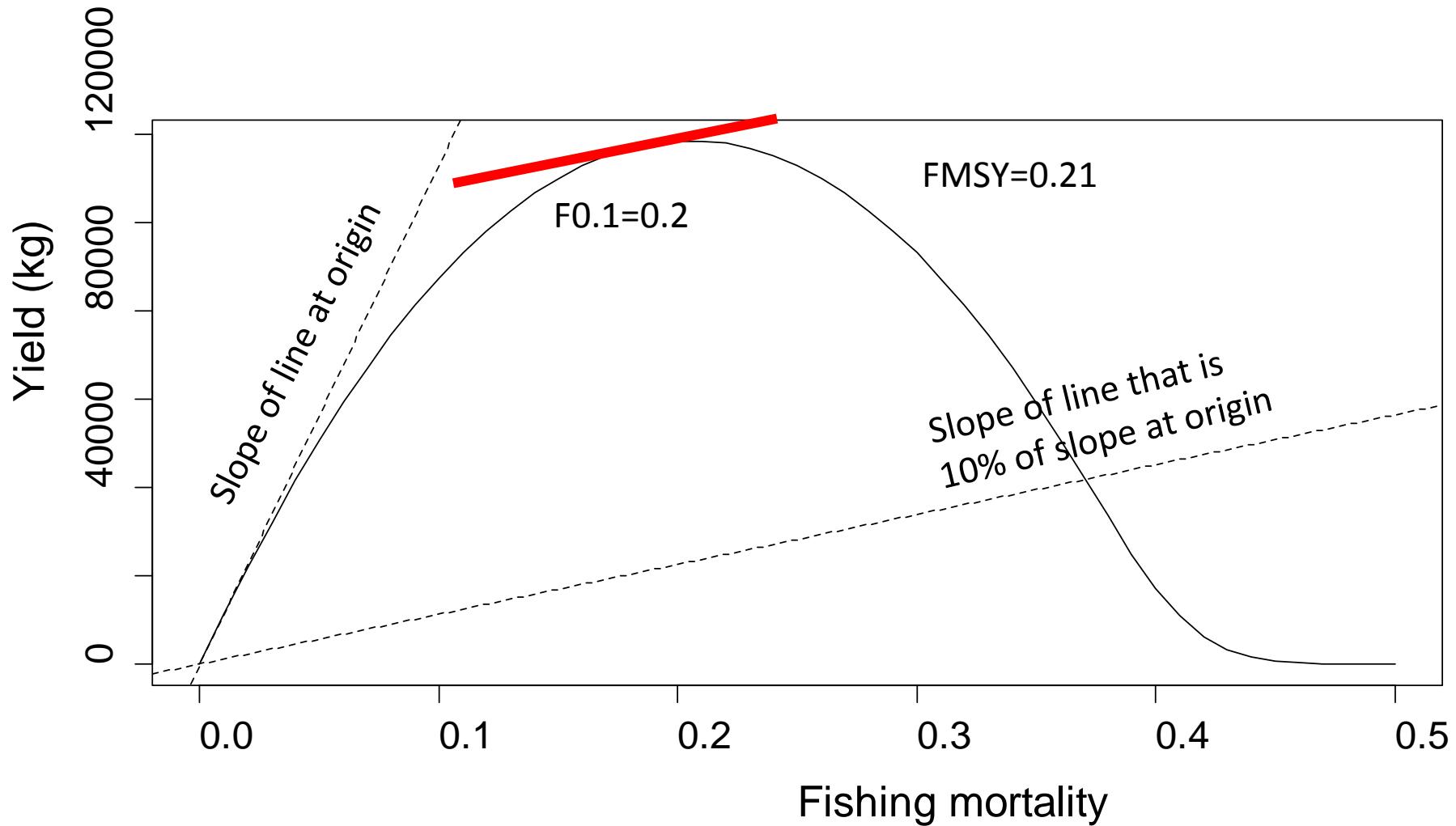
# Equilibrium sustained yield



# Why is this important?

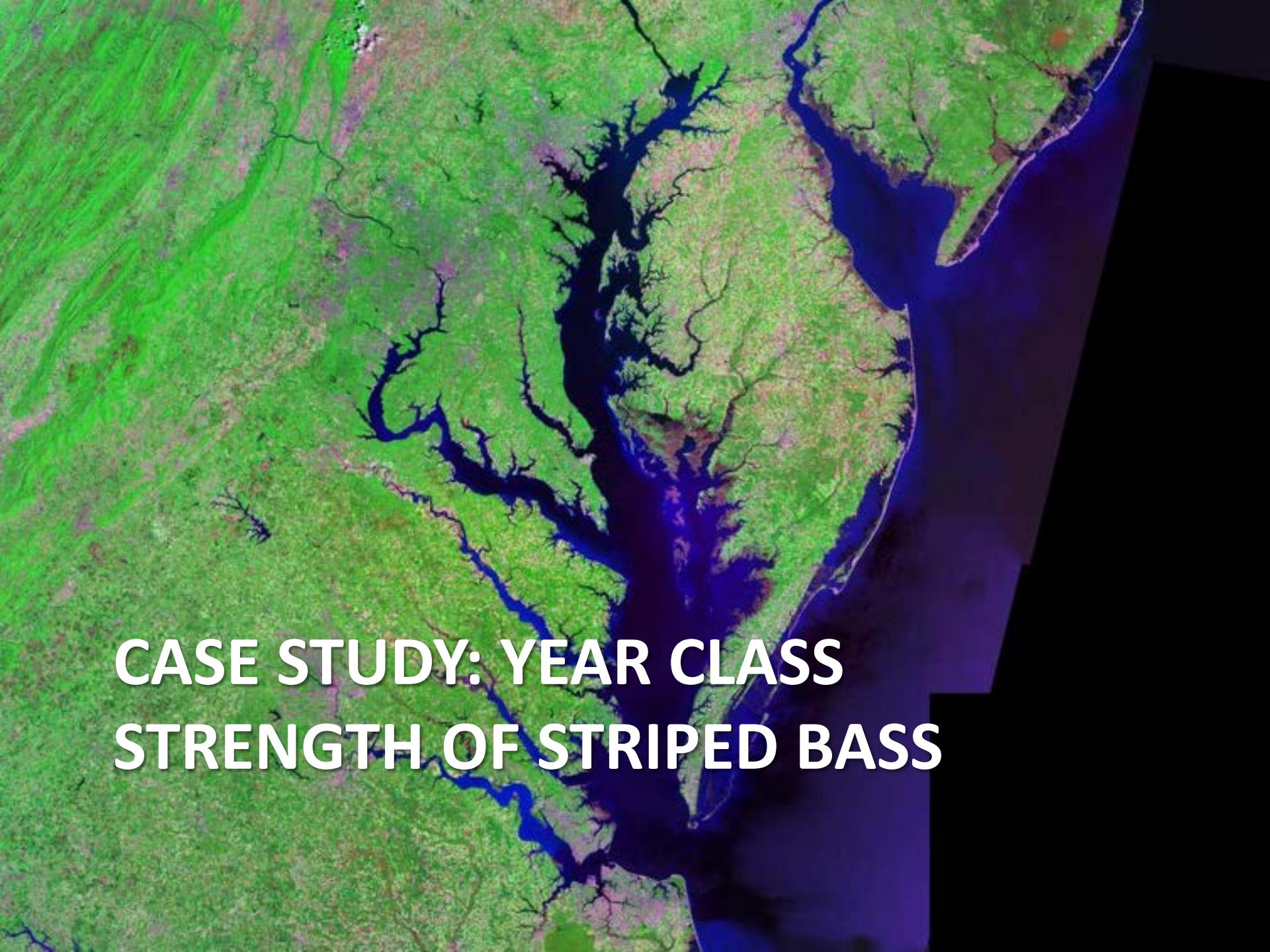
- Most harvest model evaluate equilibrium yield!
- **We should harvest  $706743 * 0.21 = 148416$  kg**
- But it assumes equilibrium which can mess with dynamics if equilibrium is violated.
- Why? Lets explore this!

# 10% of slope at origin



$$F_{0.1} = 0.2$$

- Reduces harvest amount
- FMSY:  $706743 * 0.21 = 148416 \text{ kg}$
- F0.1:  $706743 * 0.20 = 141348 \text{ kg} (\sim 5\% \text{ reduction})$
- Why does F0.1 make sense?

The background image shows a satellite or aerial view of a large river system, likely the Hudson River, flowing into a coastal area. The river channels are dark blue, while the surrounding land is a mix of green and brown vegetation. A large body of water, possibly the Atlantic Ocean, is visible on the right side.

# CASE STUDY: YEAR CLASS STRENGTH OF STRIPED BASS

# Stripers



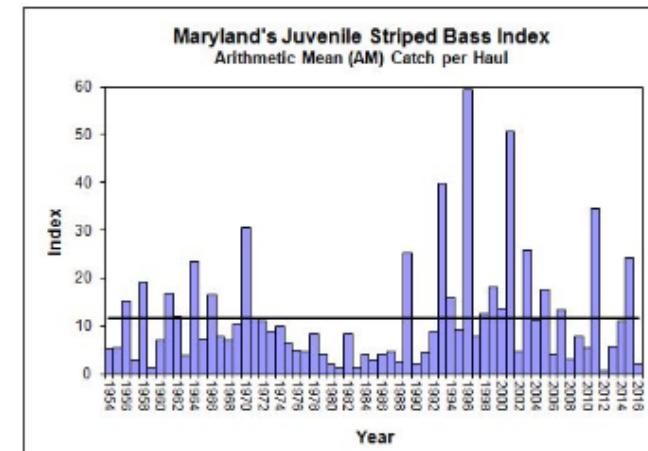
## Poor Stripper Spawn Reported in Chesapeake

BY OTW STAFF | OCTOBER 18, 2016 | SALTWATER, STRIPERS & BLUES.



The Maryland Department of Natural Resources announced yesterday that the annual Juvenile Striped Bass Survey indicates that the 2016 stripers spawn in the Chesapeake was well below average. However, it also found one-year-old striped bass from last year's very successful year-class in abundance.

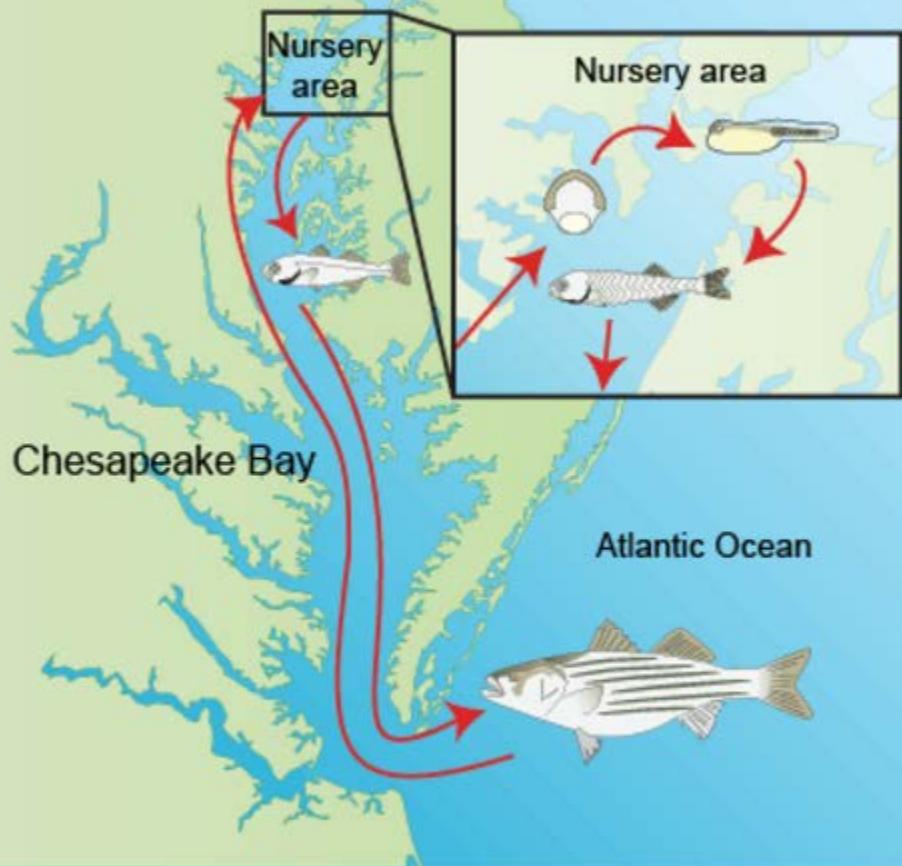
Striped bass spawning success is strongly affected by environmental conditions such as rainfall and varies greatly from year-to-year, with occasional large year-classes interspersed with average or below-average year-classes.



<http://www.onthewater.com/poor-striper-spawn-reported-chesapeake/>

## Striped bass life cycle

(Hint: Click on stages to learn about them)



## Egg

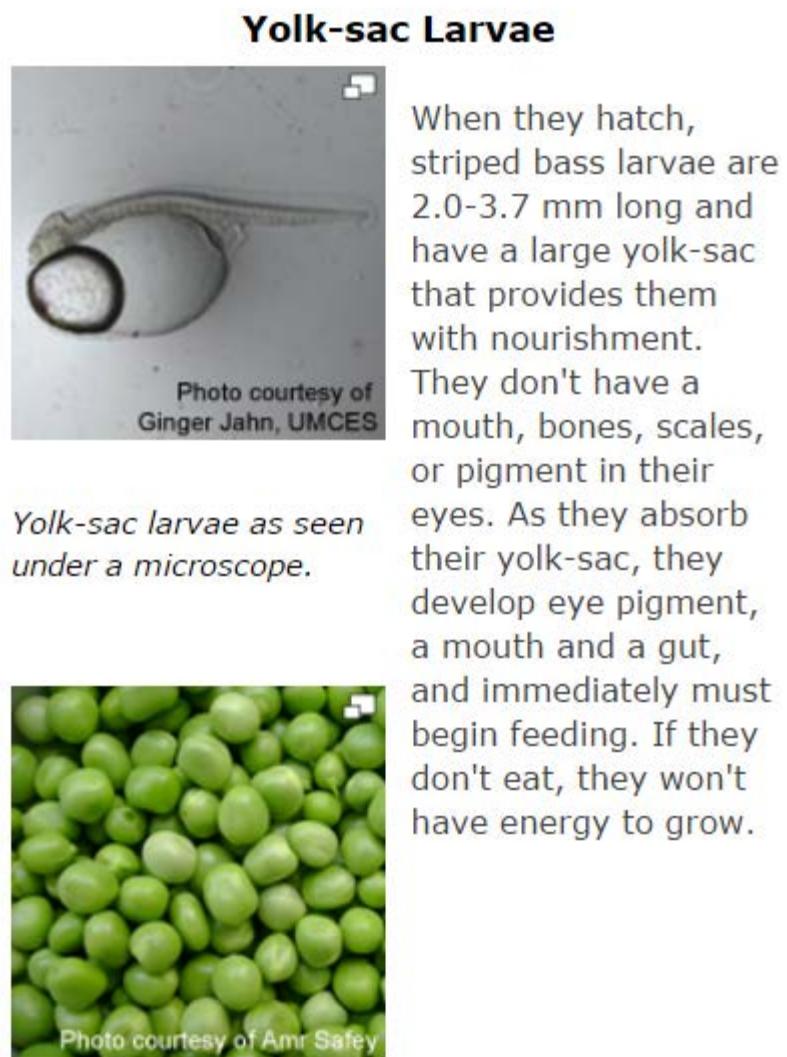
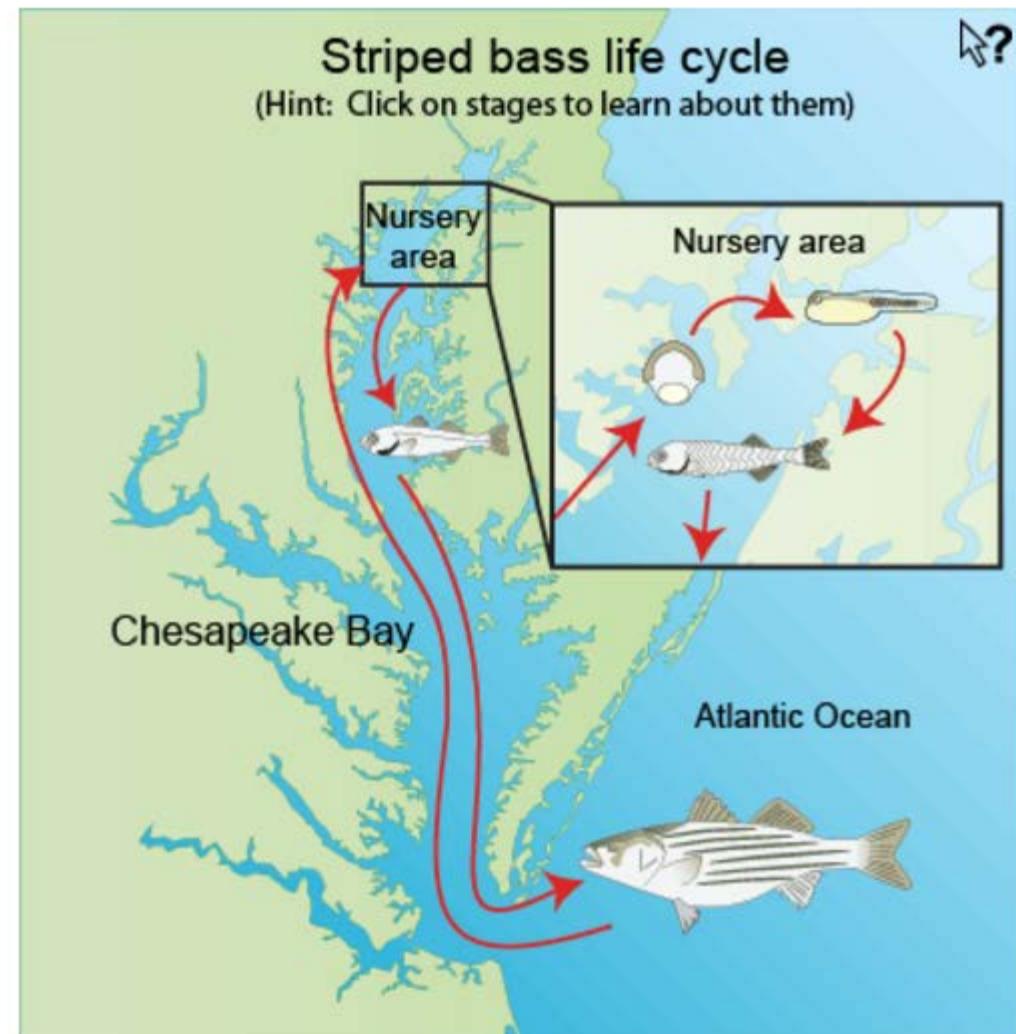


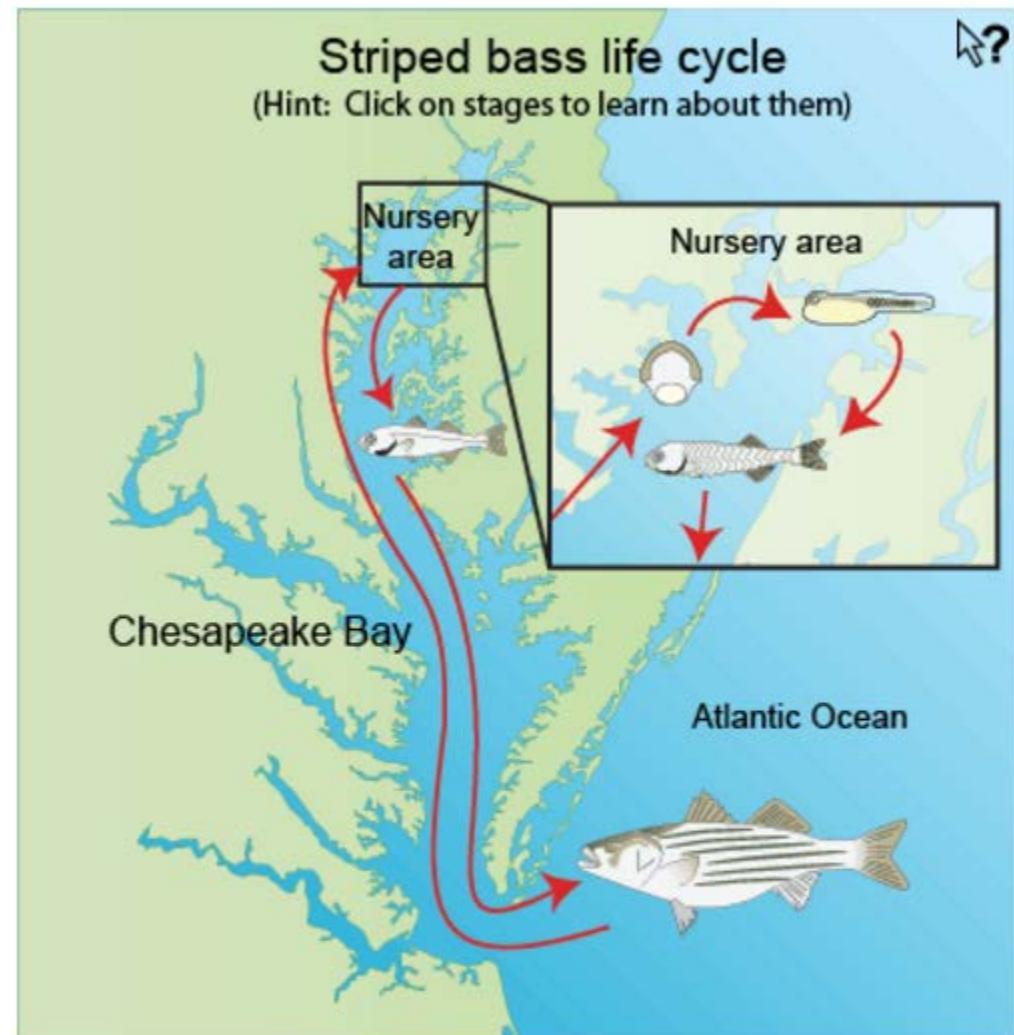
*Striped bass egg as seen under a microscope.*



*A striped bass egg is the size of one grain of rice.*

Striped bass eggs hatch about 29-80 hours after they are fertilized, depending on water temperature. Older and larger striped bass tend to produce more eggs than younger and smaller striped bass. In addition, striped bass females which weigh 10 pounds or more produce eggs that are larger, have greater amounts of yolk, and have a greater chance of hatching than eggs produced by smaller females.





## Feeding Larvae



Photo courtesy of Ginger Jahn, UMCES

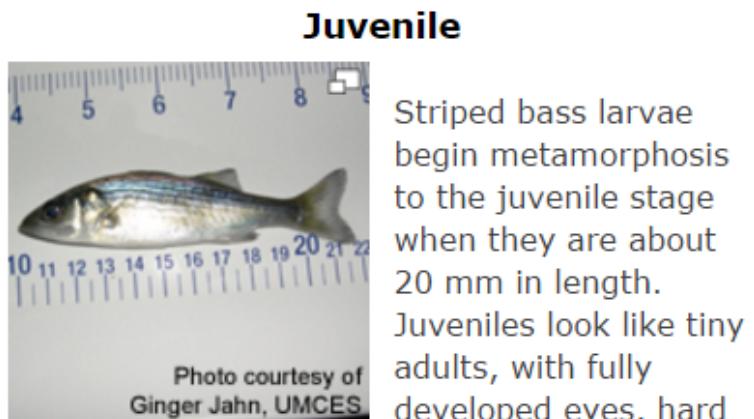
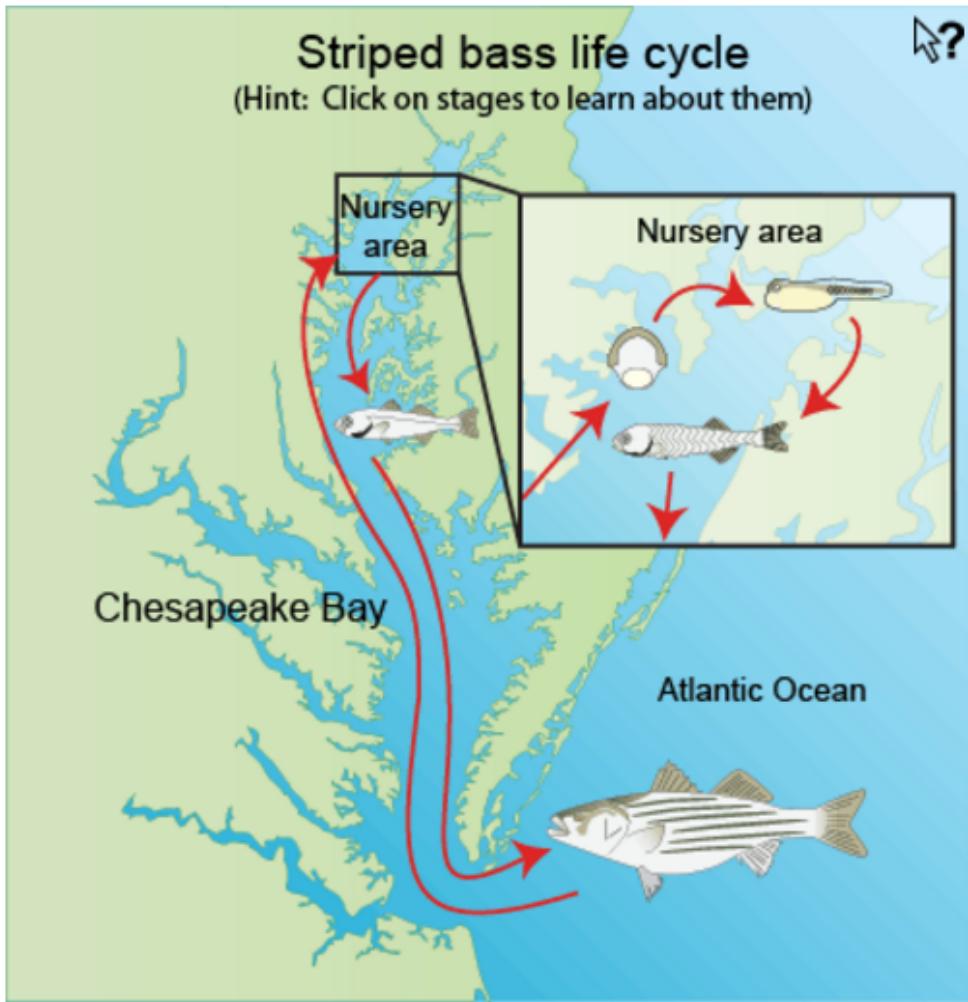
*Feeding larvae as seen under a microscope.*



Photo courtesy of Steve Elliott

*Larvae are about the length of a kidney bean.*

Striped bass larvae begin feeding on zooplankton (tiny floating animals) about five days after hatching at a size of 5 mm. If they find enough food to eat, they start to grow soft fins and bones, longer guts, stronger muscles and better eyes. If water temperatures are warm and they have plenty of food, they grow faster than if water temperatures are cooler. If temperatures are too hot ( $> 23^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $73.4^{\circ}\text{F}$ ) or too cold ( $< 11^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $51.8^{\circ}\text{F}$ ), they will die.



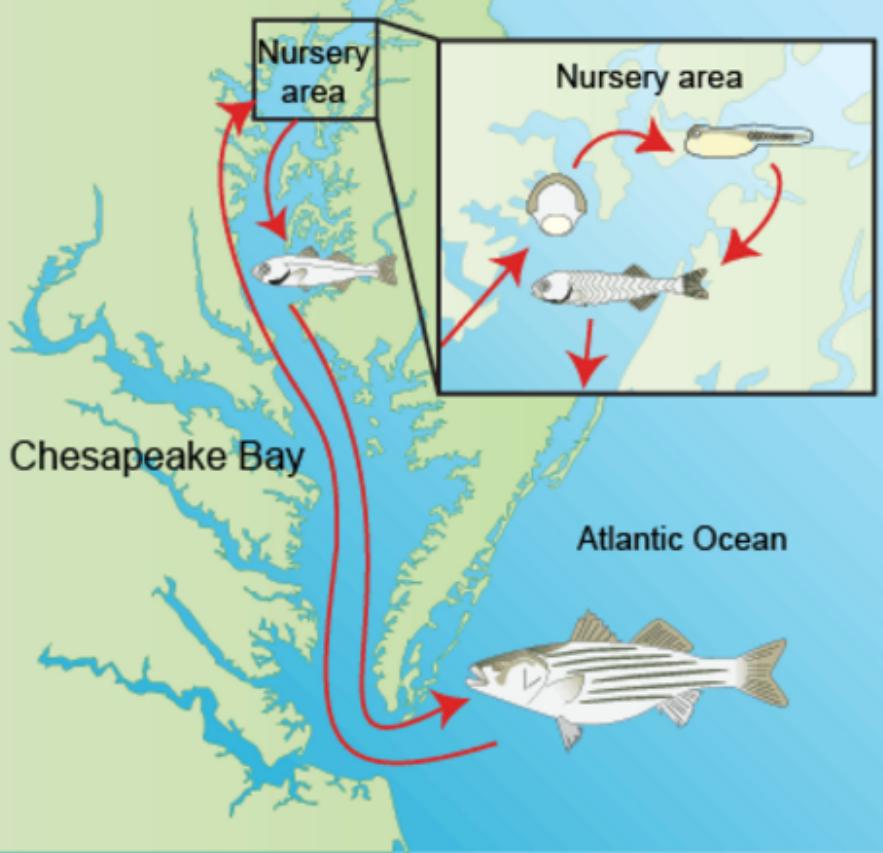
*Measuring a juvenile striped bass.*



*When striped bass first enter the juvenile stage, they are as long as a cherry*

## Striped bass life cycle

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almost exclusively females.

## Adult



Photo courtesy of Caroline Wicks, NOAA

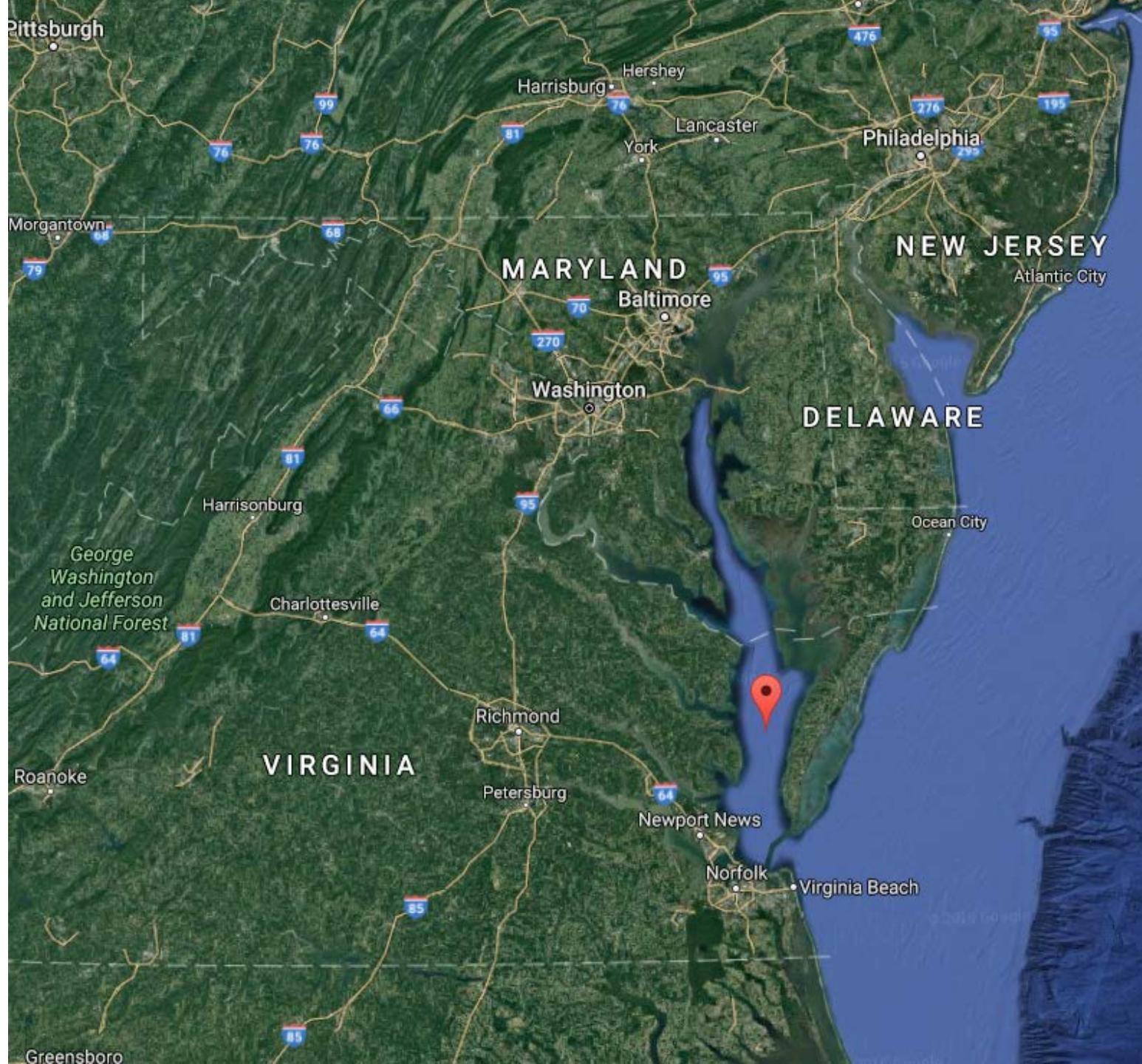
*Measuring an adult striped bass.*

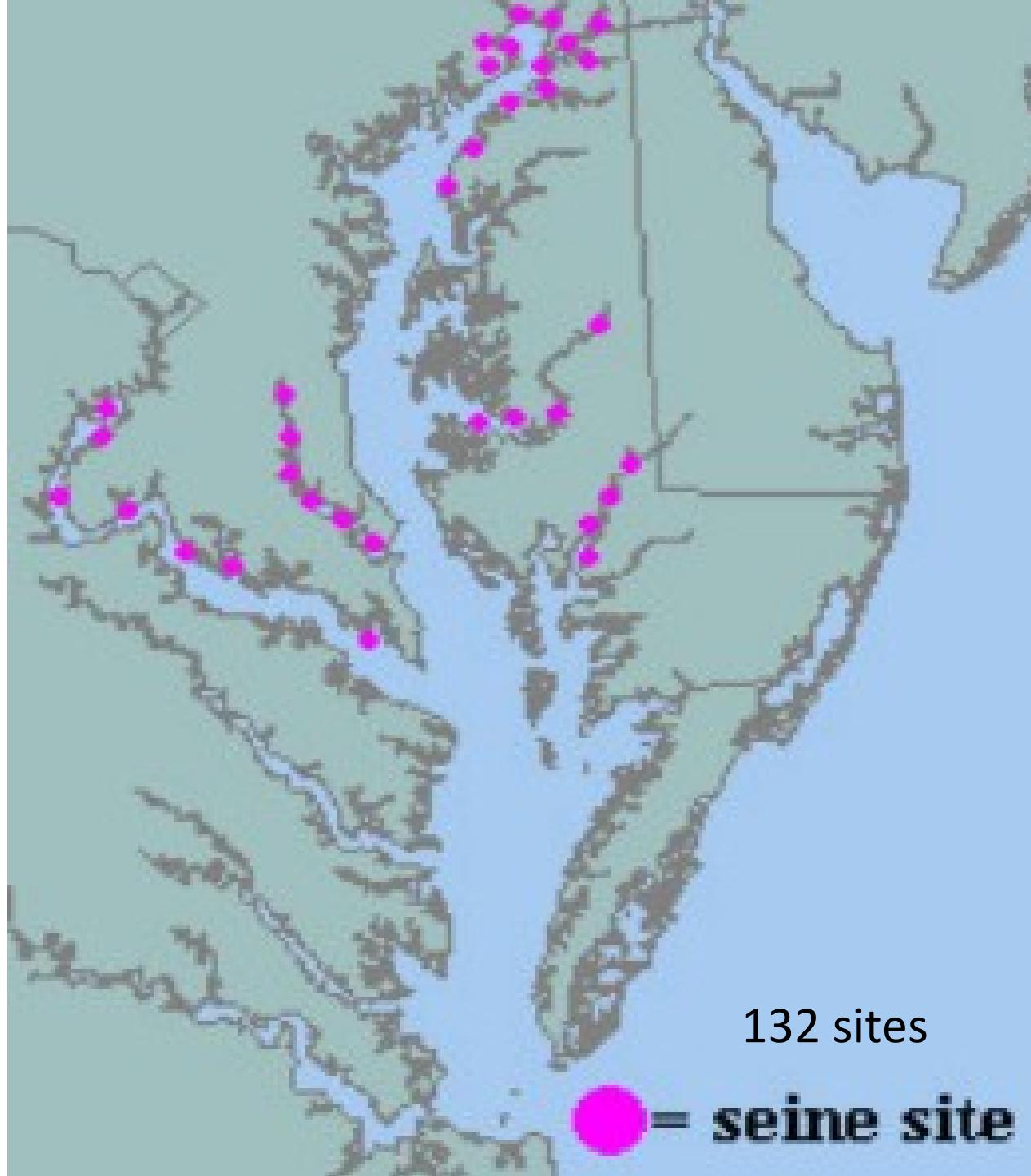


Photo courtesy of Ove Topfer

*Adults can grow to be the length of five hoagies placed end-to-end.*

Adult striped bass migrate out of the estuary and into the coastal ocean. When spring arrives, the fish will migrate back into estuaries to spawn. Each year until they are three years old, striped bass grow about 120 mm (the size of a hot dog). In their first few years, striped bass swim in schools while pursuing food: small fish such as spot and menhaden. As the fish age, they become more independent hunters. Female striped bass live longer and grow larger than males. Most fish age eleven and older are females. Large striped bass, which may weigh as much as 125 pounds and be up to 59 inches long, are





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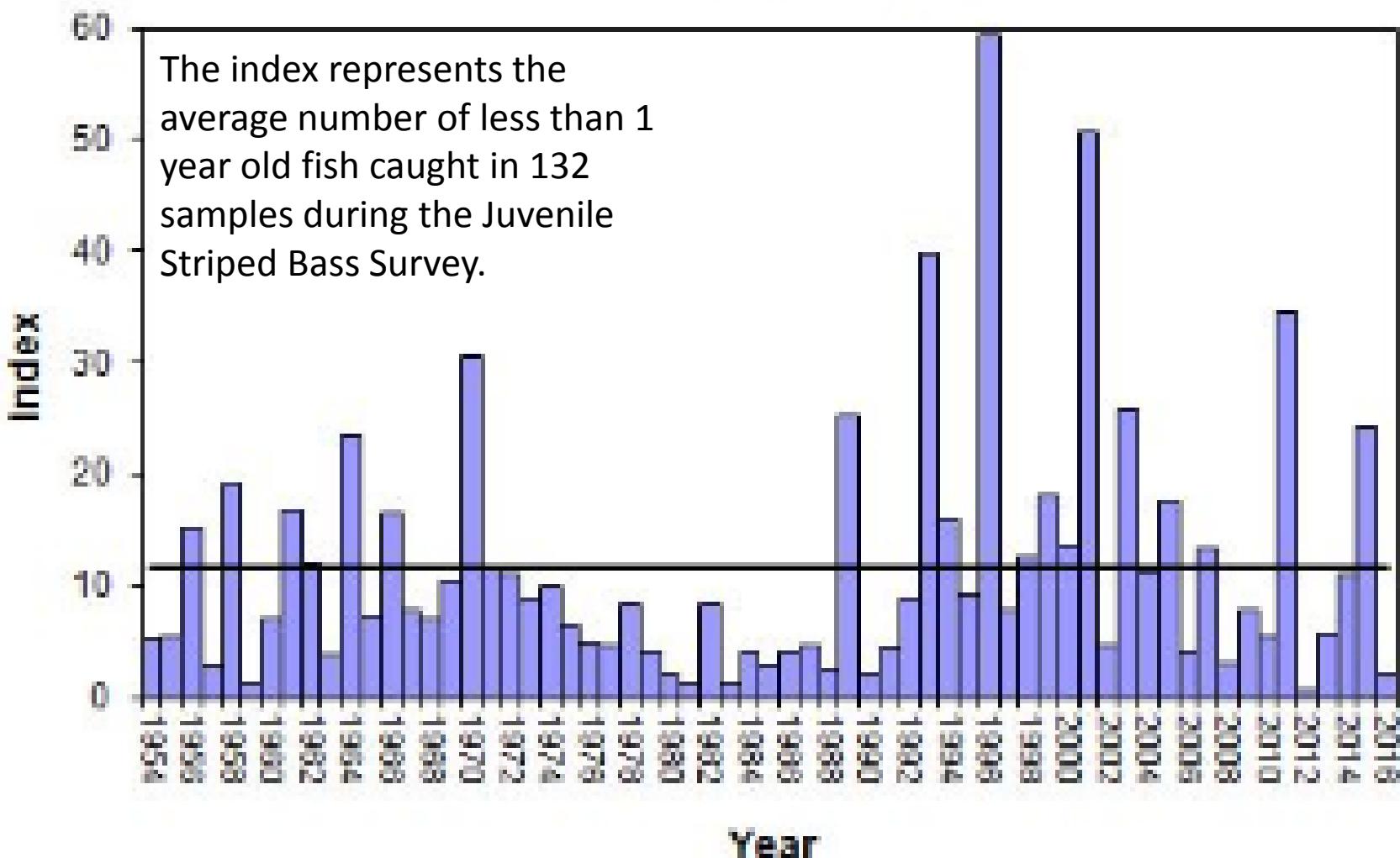


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# Maryland's Juvenile Striped Bass Index

## Arithmetic Mean (AM) Catch per Haul



# Is it a problem?

- Recruit overfishing?
- Habitat?
- Environmental conditions?

*“While this year’s (2016) striped bass index is disappointing, it is not a concern unless we observe poor spawning in multiple, consecutive years,” said Fishing and Boating Services Director David Blazer. “Very successful spawning years, as recently as 2011 and 2015, should more than compensate for this below-average year-class. Nonetheless, the department and our partners will continue to work to maintain a sustainable fishery for our commercial watermen and recreational anglers.”*

An aerial photograph of a coastal area. In the foreground, there is a large expanse of dark water, likely a river estuary or a bay. A prominent, narrow, light-colored sandbar or spit extends from the bottom left towards the center of the frame. To the left of the water, a small, green, grassy island or peninsula is visible. In the background, across the water, there are rolling hills covered in a mix of green vegetation and brown, possibly agricultural fields. The sky is overcast with a uniform grey.

# HABITAT MANAGEMENT

# Why is habitat important?

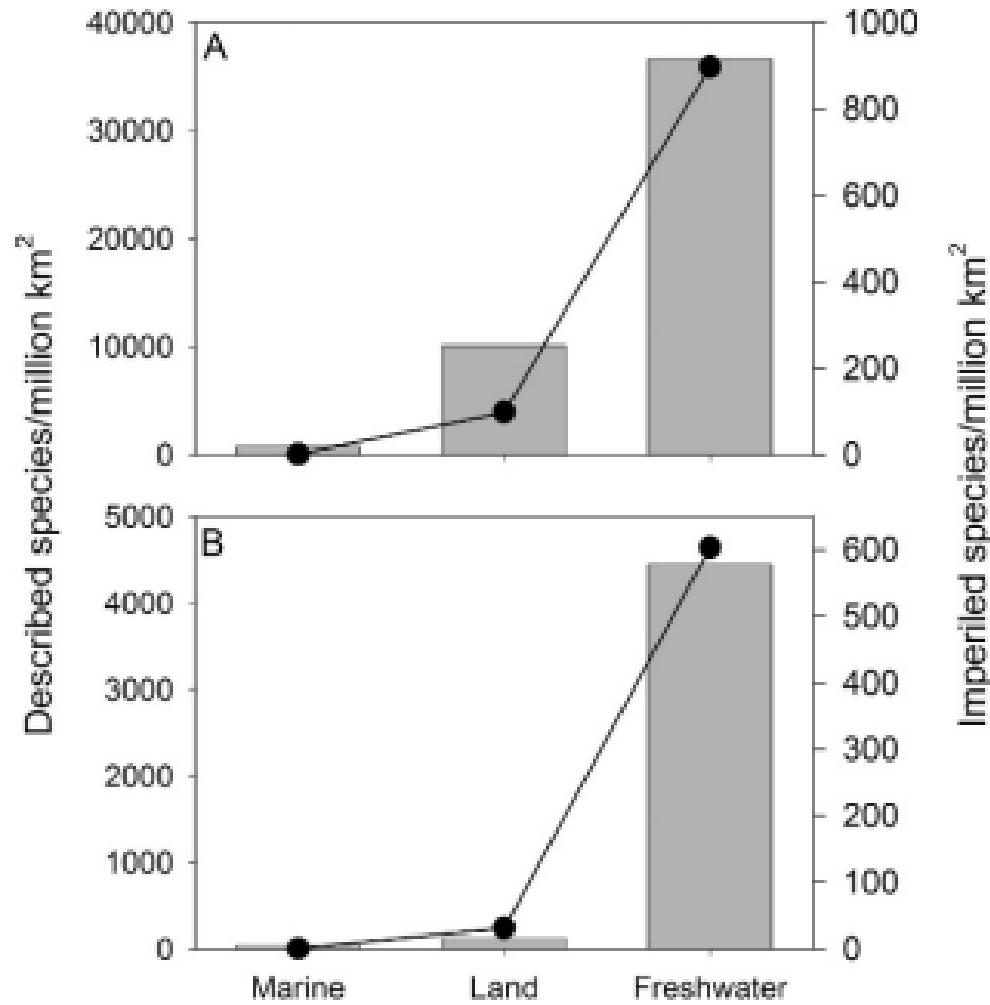


FIG. 3. The number of described (bars) and imperiled species (lines) of eukaryotes (A) and chordates (B) in fresh waters is much higher than would be expected from the area of the globe covered by freshwater habitats. This pattern holds true for chordates, which have been well inventoried, and for all eukaryotes, for which the data are very incomplete and probably biased. Numbers of described species are from Palmer et al. (1997), Groombridge and Jenkins (2002), and Balian et al. (2008). Imperiled species include species listed by IUCN (2007) in the following categories: extinct, extinct in the wild, critically endangered, endangered, and vulnerable.

# Conservation status

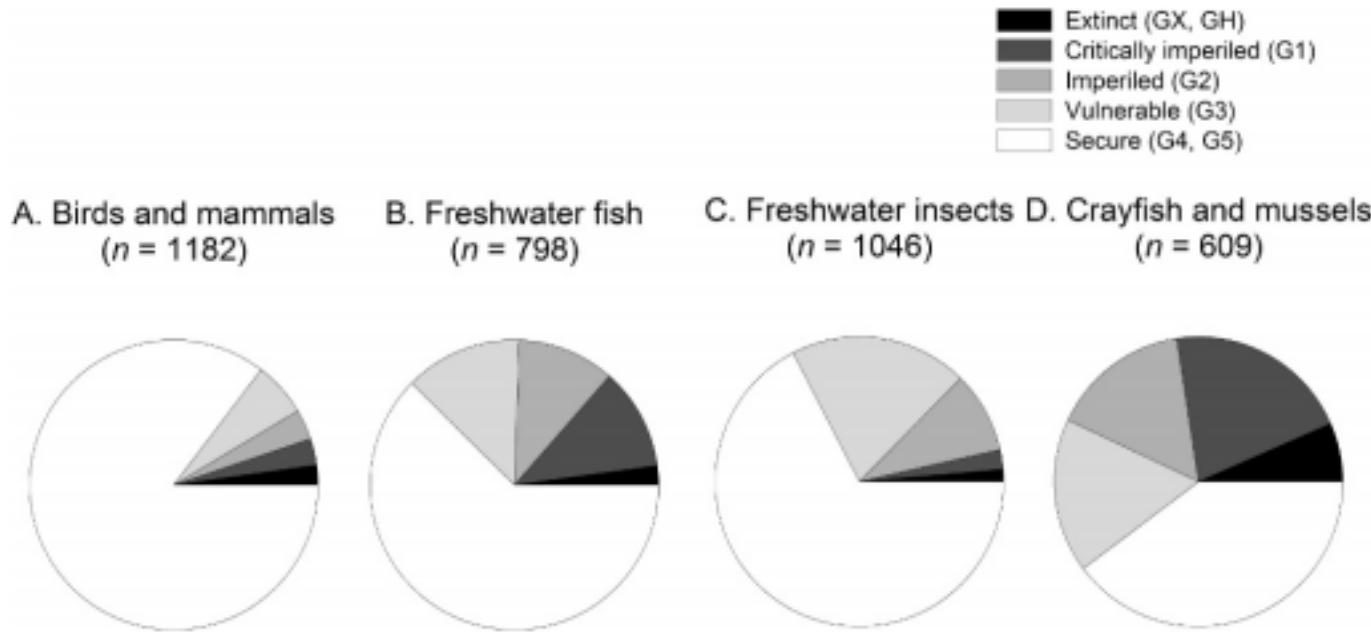


FIG. 4. Conservation status of birds and mammals (A), freshwater fishes (B), freshwater insects (C), and crayfish and mussels (D) in the US in the late 1990s (from Master et al. 2000), showing that freshwater animals, especially those that disperse poorly, are more highly endangered than their terrestrial counterparts. The number of species in each group (*n*) is given in parentheses. Freshwater insects includes only Odonata and Plecoptera. The conservation status of other freshwater insects was not assessed. Assessment codes are NatureServe designations.

# Challenges to biodiversity

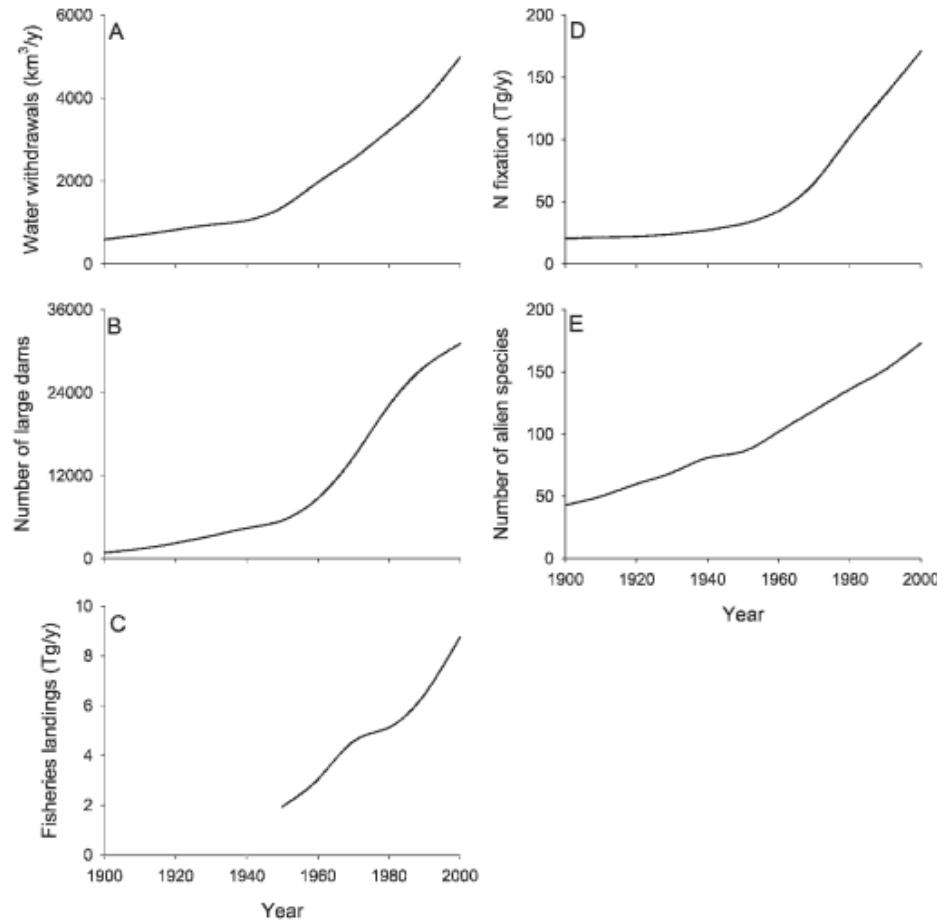
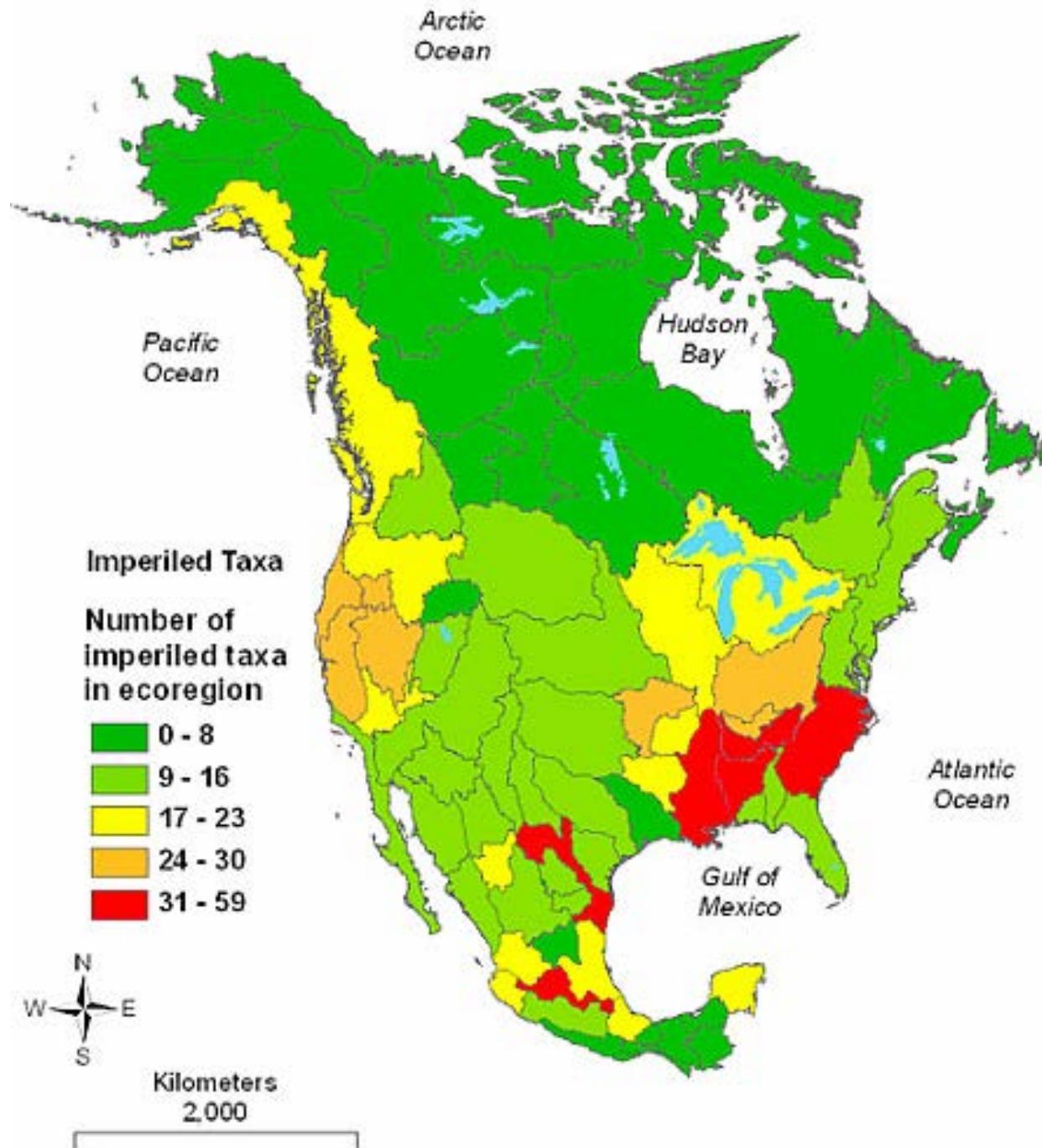


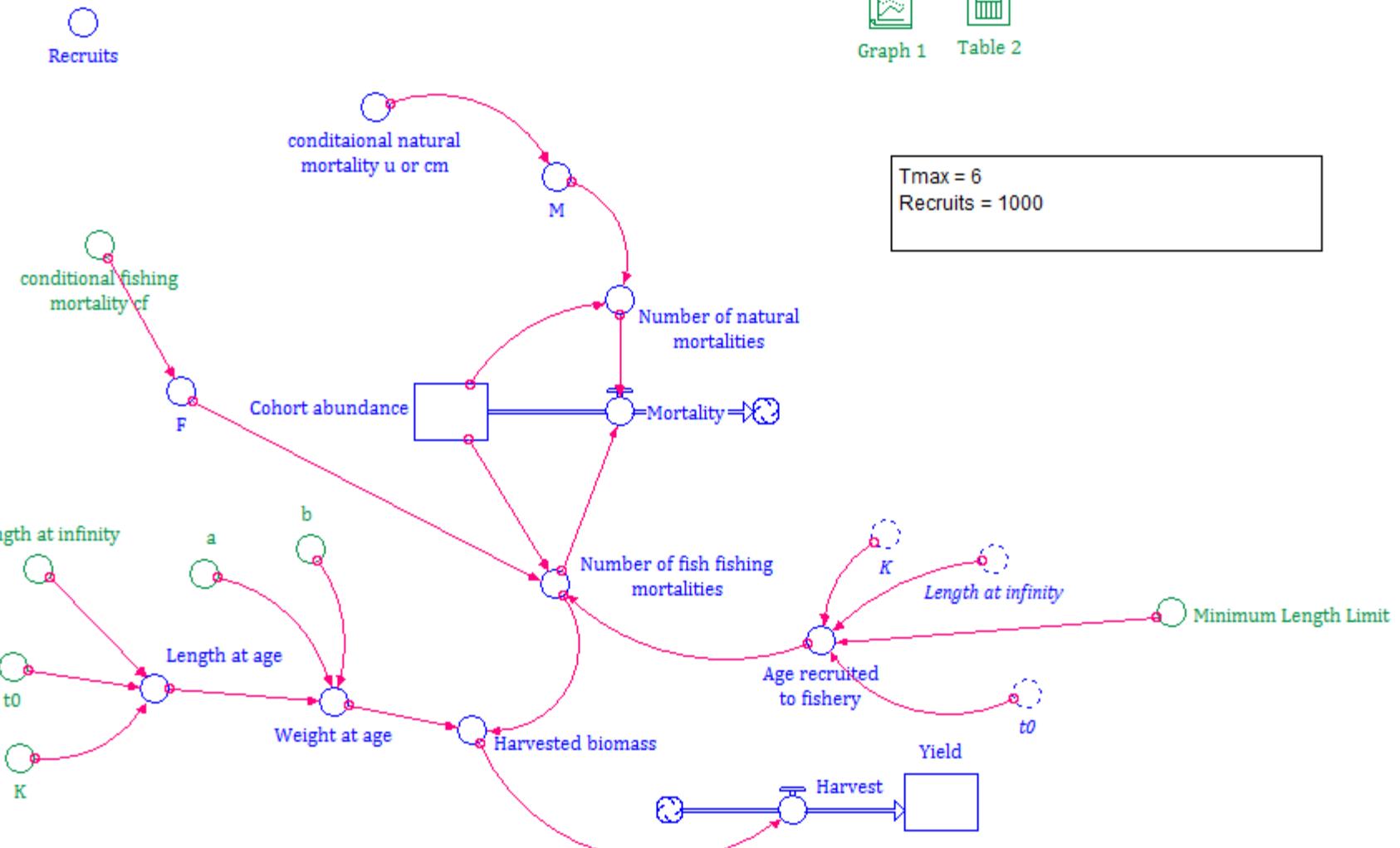
FIG. 1. Five examples of rising human pressures on the world's freshwater ecosystems. A.—Global water withdrawals (after Gleick 1993). B.—Number of large (>15 m high) dams (International Commission on Large Dams 2008). C.—Fisheries landings from inland waters (Allan et al. 2005a). D.—Global inputs of anthropogenically fixed N. Input from all natural sources is ~110  $\text{Tg}/\text{y}$  (Vitousek 1994, Galloway et al. 2008). E.—Number of known alien species in the Laurentian Great Lakes (Ricciardi 2006).



## **HABITAT AND HABITAT MANAGEMENT**

*habitat loss has been identified as the primary threat factor, more significant than invasive species or overexploitation (Dextrase and Mandrak 2006; Venter et al. 2006).*

# Where is the habitat?



Graph 1



Table 2



# Fish Habitat



Water!

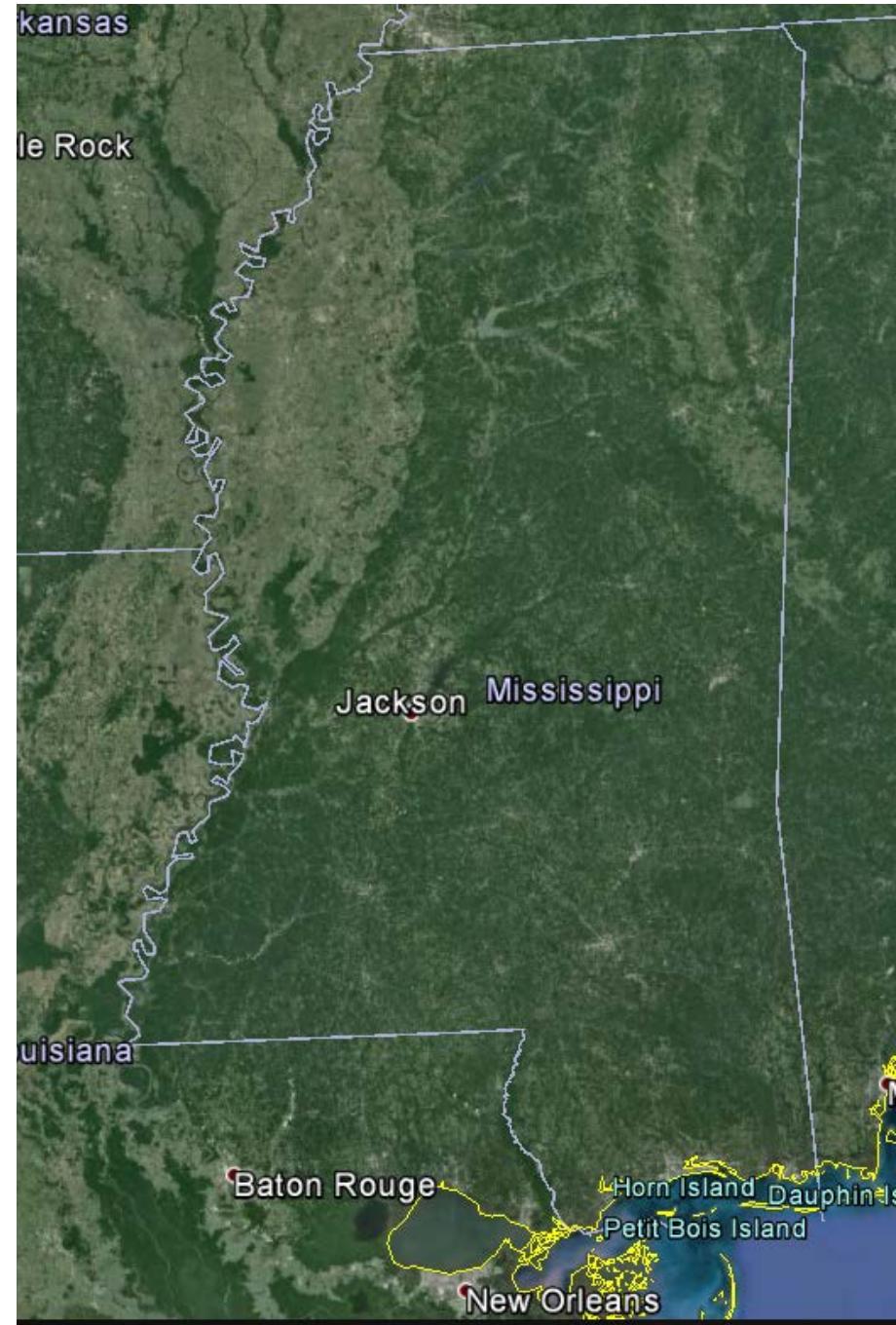
# What is habitat

*NSW Fisheries Management Act 1994 fish habitat means: any area occupied, or periodically or occasionally occupied, by fish or marine vegetation (or both), and includes any biotic (living) or abiotic (non-living) component.*

# Water & Land

Inland habitat types

1. Streams
2. Lakes & Reservoirs

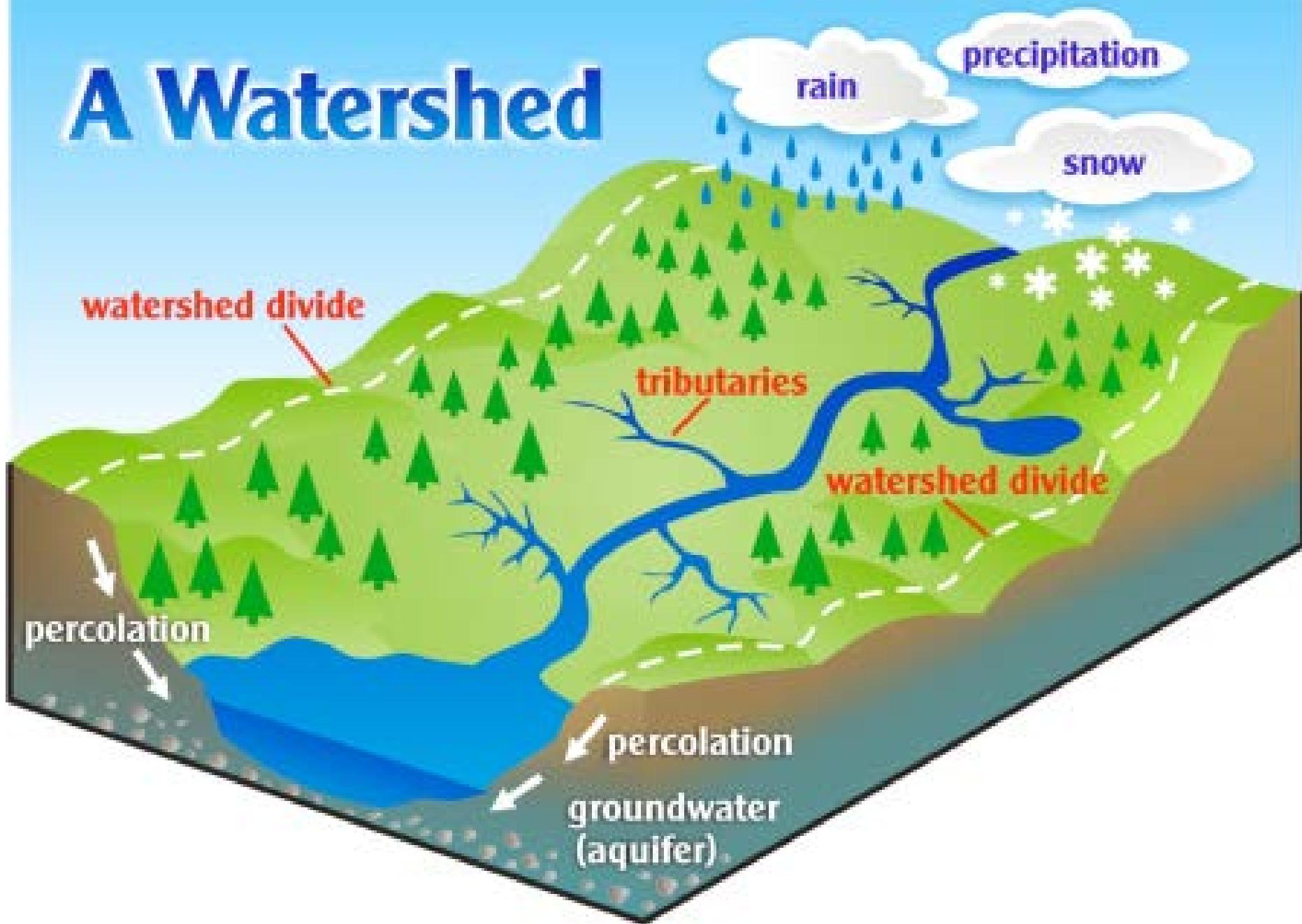


# Habitat

- 119 public lakes
- 123,000 stream miles
- 225,000 freshwater acres



# A Watershed



# Hierarchical organizations

## A Hierarchical Framework for Stream Habitat Classification: Viewing Streams in a Watershed Context

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**ABSTRACT** / Classification of streams and stream habitats is useful for research involving establishment of monitoring stations, determination of local impacts of land-use practices, generalization from site-specific data, and assess-

ment of basin-wide, cumulative impacts of human activities on streams and their biota. This article presents a framework for a hierarchical classification system, entailing an organized view of spatial and temporal variation among and within stream systems. Stream habitat systems, defined and classified on several spatiotemporal scales, are associated with watershed geomorphic features and events. Variables selected for classification define relative long-term capacities of systems, not simply short-term states. Streams and their watershed environments are classified within the context of a regional biogeoclimatic landscape classification. The framework is a perspective that should allow more systematic interpretation and description of watershed-stream relationships.

Managers of streams and their associated resources face problems of understanding and managing nonpoint source pollution, evaluating the complex, cumulative impacts of changing land use on stream habitats and biological communities, and assessing the effectiveness of fish habitat improvement projects and other mitigation procedures. Scientists have developed few generally applicable perspectives

system is designed to intermesh with a biogeoclimatic land classification system (Warren 1979, Lotspeich and Platts 1982, Warren and Liss 1983), and emphasizes a stream's relationship to its watershed across a wide range of scales in space and time, from the entire channel network to pools, riffles, and microhabitats.

# Class roadmap

1. Elements of aquatic habitat
2. Elements of aquatic habitat management
3. Stream habitat Examples
  1. Lower Missouri River
  2. Pahsimeroi River

# Elements of aquatic habitat

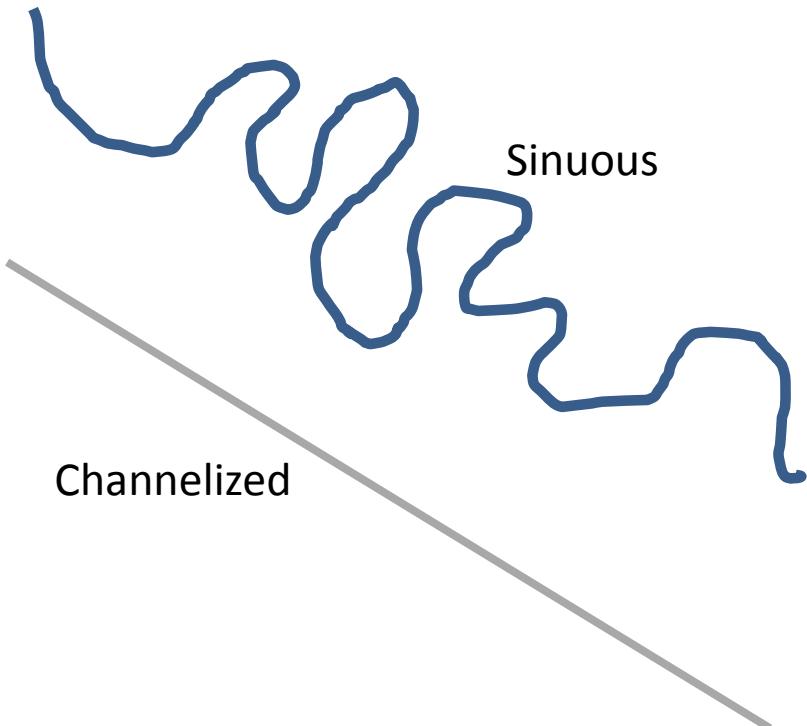
1. Amount
2. Chemical
  - Dissolved oxygen, pH, salinity
3. Physical
  - Sediment, turbidity, substrate
4. Biological
  - Macrophytes, Woody debris

# Elements of aquatic habitat management

1. Restoration
2. Conservation
3. Mitigation

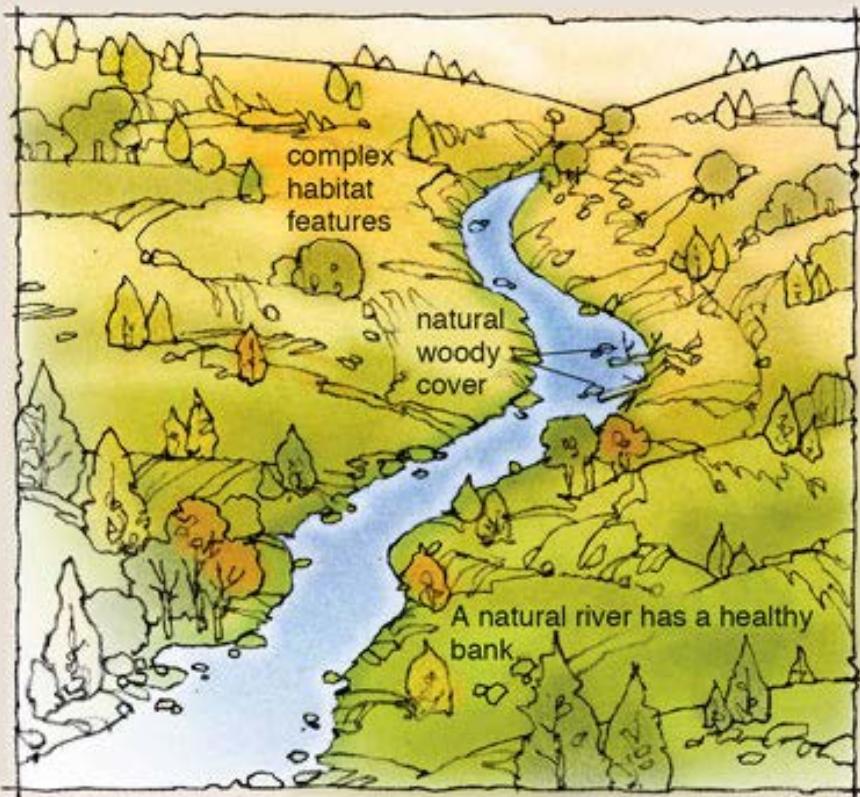
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## Sinuosity

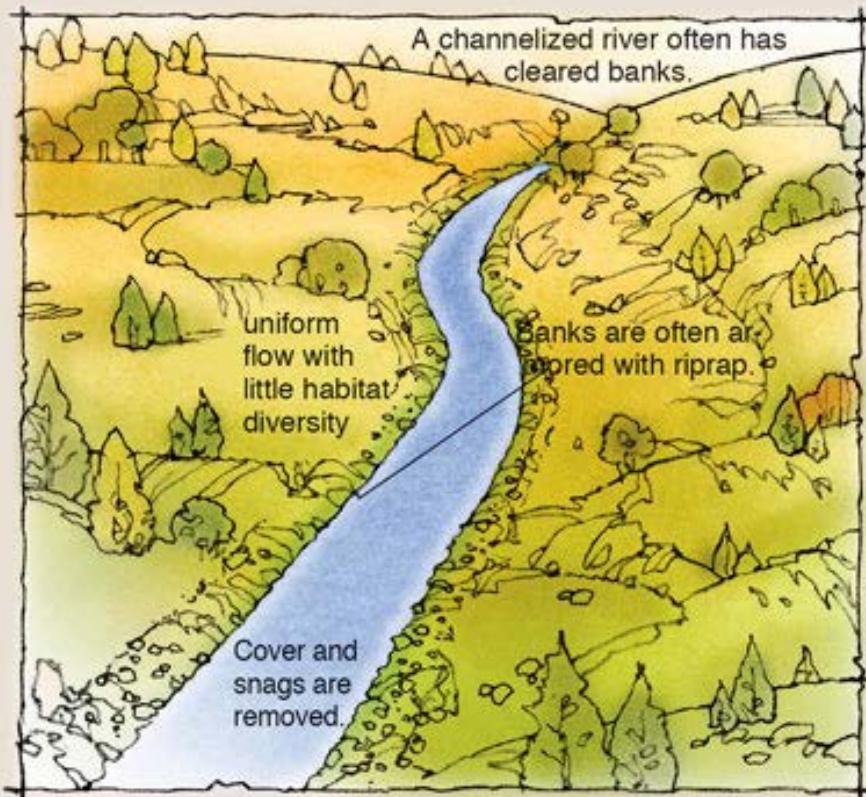


# Stream channelization

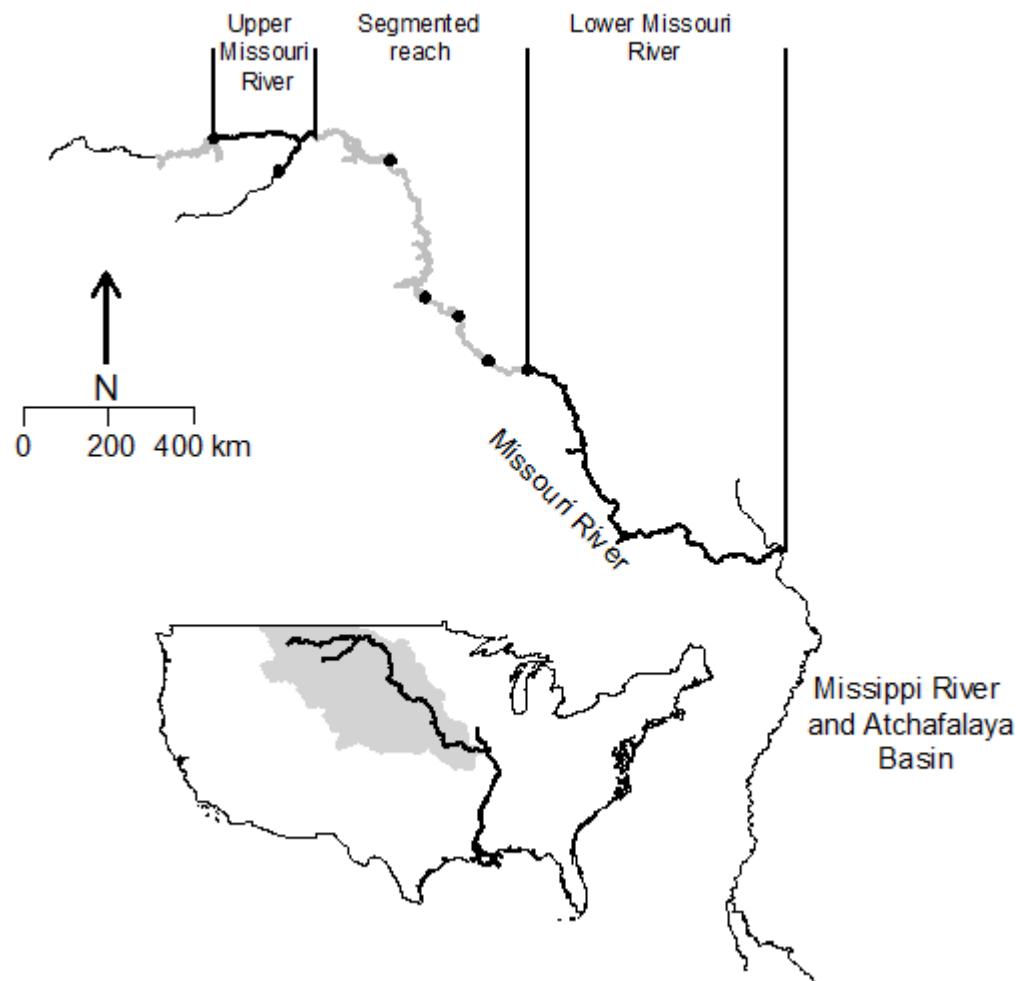
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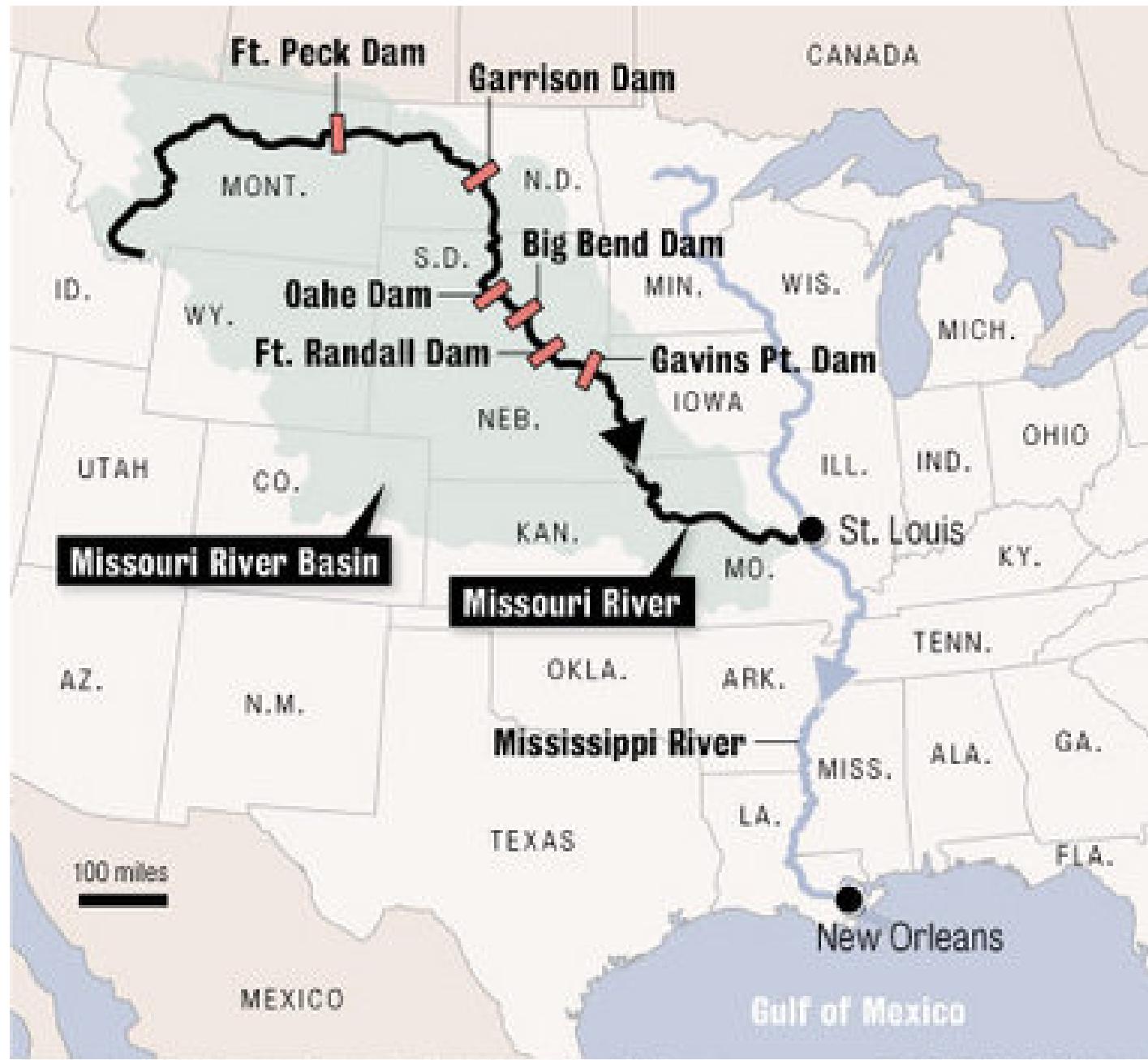


## » Channelized River



# Restoration Example





Sources: National Research Council, National Academies of Science

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# Lower Missouri River

Gavins  
Point  
Dam

Yankton, SD

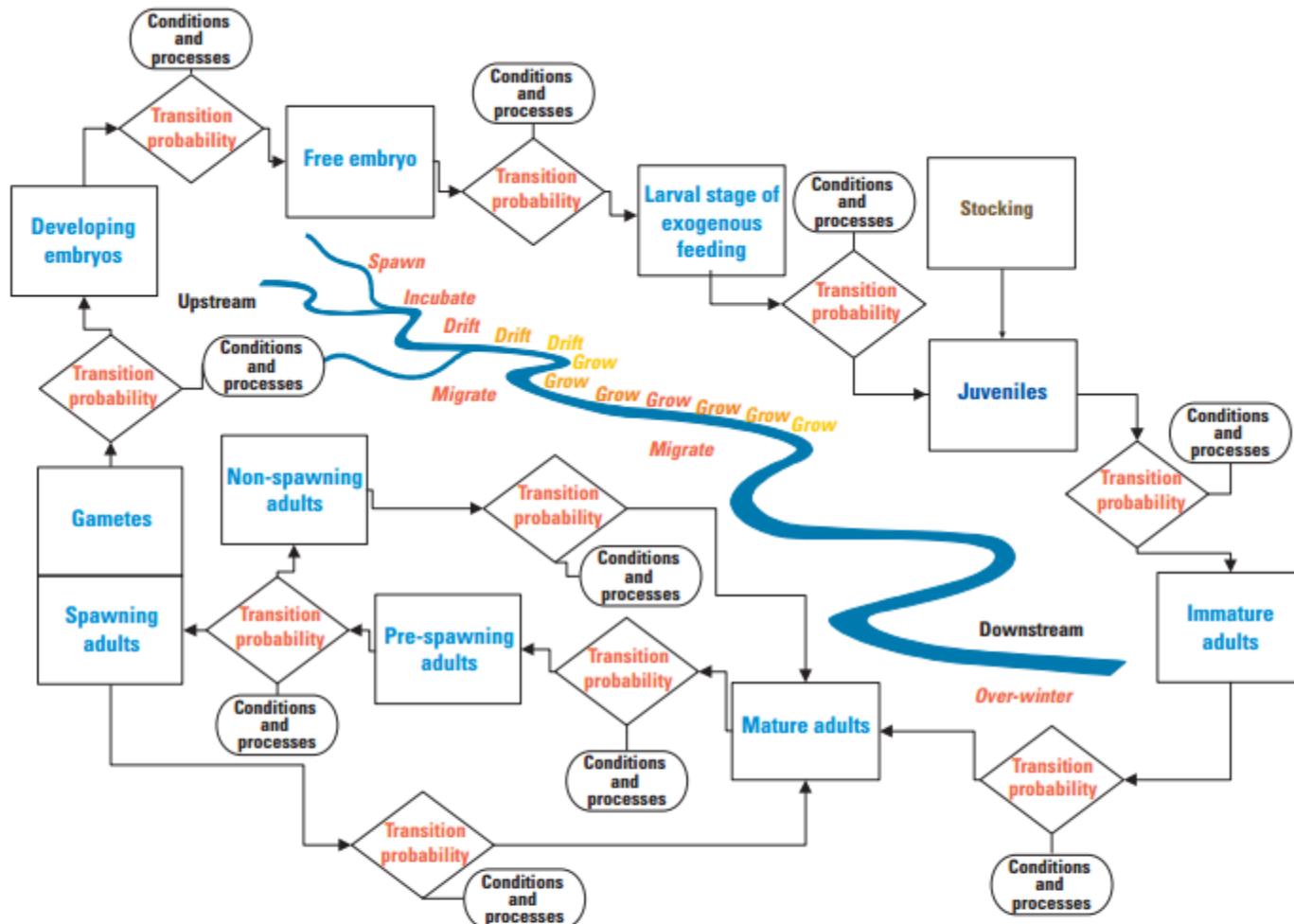
Sioux City, IA

300' by 9' deep channel



St. Louis

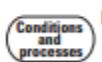
Mississippi  
River



#### EXPLANATION



Indicates distinct life stages



Determines whether individual sturgeon complete the transition from one life stage to the next



Indicates transition from one life stage to the next



Indicates direction of sturgeon development



Figure 2. Conceptual model of *Scaphirhynchus* sturgeon life history.