Crystal Lake Perch Exploratory Analysis

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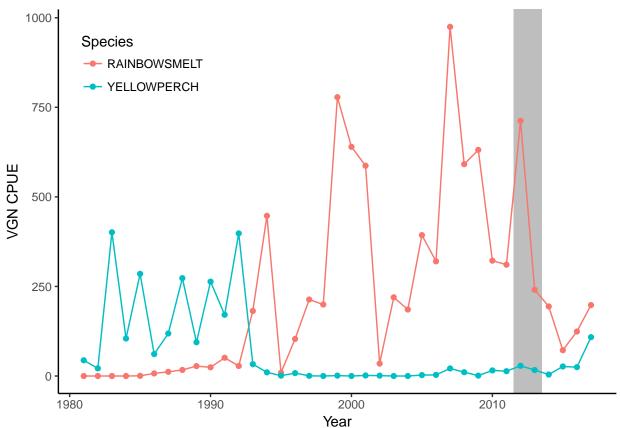
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Preliminary analysis of long-term LTER data in Crystal Lake examining patterns in Perch and Smelt following the whole-lake mixing project. In late July 2017 NRL and LTER fish crew observed that perch CPUE appeared to be higher than ever recalled (NRL involved in fish crew since 2009).

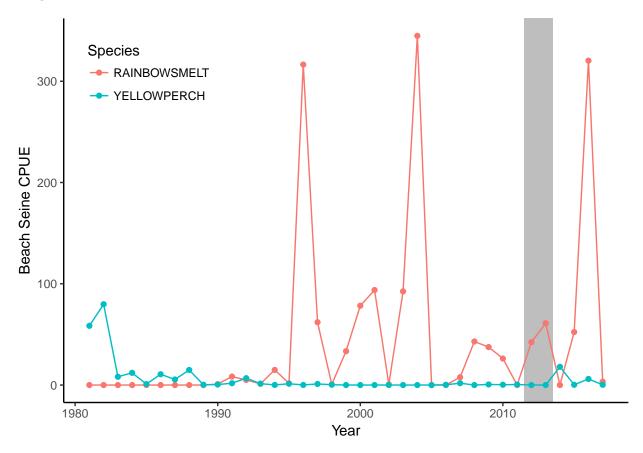
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CR_Fish = lter_fish %>% filter(lakeid=="CR") %>%
   filter(spname =="YELLOWPERCH" | spname == "RAINBOWSMELT")
CR_Fish$CPUE = round(CR_Fish$total_caught/CR_Fish$effort,digits=3)
CR_Fish$spname = as.factor(CR_Fish$spname)
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Long-term Vertical Gill Net CPUE

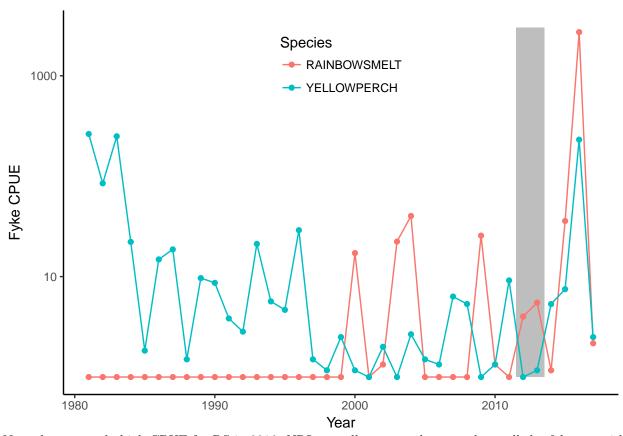
CPUE is summed across all gill nets. Grey bar denotes CR Mixing Exp.



Long-term Beach Seine CPUE

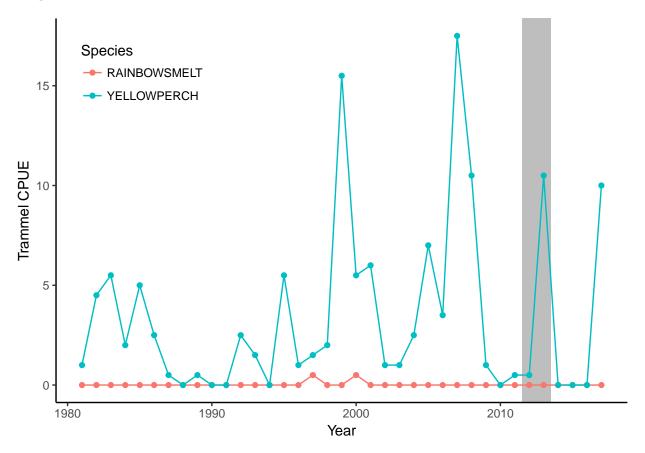


Long-term Fyke Net CPUE



Note the extremely high CPUE for RS in 2016. NRL actually was on the crew that pulled a fyke net with estimated 16k perch. The fyke at over $2 \log 10 = 100$ Kg (approx weight of yoy RS $0.2 \log 10 = 100$). Note that the y-axis is $\log 10 = 100$ scaled.

Long-term Trammel Net CPUE

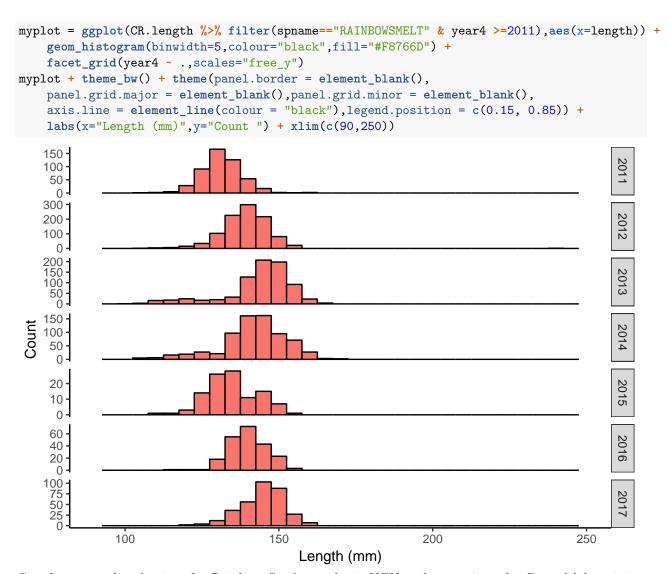


Size Frequency Distributions

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myplot = ggplot(CR.length %>% filter(spname=="YELLOWPERCH" & year4 >=2011),aes(x=length)) +
    geom_histogram(binwidth=5,colour="black",fill="#00BFC4") +
    facet_grid(year4 ~ .,scales="free")
myplot + theme_bw() + theme(panel.border = element_blank(),
    panel.grid.major = element_blank(),panel.grid.minor = element_blank(),
    axis.line = element_line(colour = "black"),legend.position = c(0.15, 0.85)) +
    labs(x="Length (mm)",y="Count ") + xlim(c(100,275))
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Count
                                                                                                 2014
     2015
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                                                        200
                                                                               250
           100
                                  150
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Size frequency distributions for Yellow Perch caught in VGN each year since the Crystal lake mixing experiment (mixed in 2012 and 2013)

Length (mm)



Size frequency distributions for Rainbow Smelt caught in VGN each year since the Crystal lake mixing experiment (mixed in 2012 and 2013)