

Greetings Cal/Neva AFS members

We are pleased to announce that a travel grant has been sponsored for presenters and young professionals for the 49th Annual Conference of the California-Nevada Chapter of the American Fisheries Society in 2015 at Santa Cruz, California. The award is designed to promote meeting attendance of young professionals and presenters who have made substantial contributions to the field through continued education, outreach and AFS service. The award provides up to \$500 in travel support.

1. Preference will be given to individuals presenting an oral presentation or poster at the meeting,
2. Preference will be given to individuals that are involved in continuing education or outreach.
3. Eligibility includes all young professional members (within 3 years of graduation), agency biologists, post-docs, staff, and faculty.
4. The award winner will be required to attend the Business meeting to receive the award.
5. Students that wish to apply must demonstrate financial hardship.
6. Professionals that wish to apply must demonstrate that their employer will not allow or pay for attendance otherwise.
7. Applicant must be a member in good standing with the Society.
8. Individual awards will be a maximum of \$500 and can be used to offset expenses for travel, lodging, and/or registration.

How to apply:

Students must fill out the Student Application and they are required to have their advisor fill out the Advisor Application. Both application must be sent in separately to Shawn Acuña, sacuna@mwdh20.com .

Professionals must fill out the Professional Application and they are required to have their employer fill out the Employer Application. The application must be sent to Shawn Acuña, sacuna@mwdh20.com .

application can be found at the Cal/Neva website:

<http://www.afs-calneva.org/>

A direct link to the pdf file can be found at:

Applications should be submitted in electronic format (PDF or Word) to Shawn Acuña sacuna@mwdh20.com and it must be received by Feb 1, 2015. The recipient will be notified at the end of February.

2015 AFS California-Nevada Chapter Travel Award Application Part I – Professional Application Form

The AFS California Nevada Chapter (CalNeva) Travel Award provides monetary awards for deserving applicant to support their attendance at the California-Nevada Chapter American Fisheries Society 48th Annual Meeting. The 2015 meeting will be held on April 8th-10th, 2015, in Santa Cruz, California.

Any member of the AFS who is active in fisheries, environmental sciences and management, or related aquatic disciplines is eligible to apply. Two awardees will be selected by established CalNeva Executive Committee members. Selection is based on academic qualifications, professional service, and reasons for attending the meeting. Travel support of \$500.00 will be made available to one successful applicant.

Below is Part I of the 2015 Application form. For questions and/or additional information, contact Shawn Acuña at (310) 938-7966 or via email at sacuna@mwdh20.com.

Both part I (*professional form*) and part II (*employer form*) of the completed application must be received no later than February 21, 2015 at 5:00pm PST. *Note that part I and II of the application are separate documents. This is Part I of the application and should be filled out by the applicant.* Limit all answers to the space provided. Additional material will not be considered in evaluating applicants. Please complete the form and email as an attachment to sacuna@mwdh20.com

2015 Application Form and Instructions

AFS California-Nevada Chapter Travel Award Application

Use this form to apply for the 2014 AFS California Nevada Chapter Travel Award for the California-Nevada Chapter 49th Annual American Fisheries Society Meeting in Sacramento, California on April 8th-10th, 2015.

There are two parts to the application. The applicant fills out this section (Part I) of the form. Part II of the application is a separate document and should be completed by the applicant's academic advisor or employer. **The advisor/employer will need to send Part II of the form separately from the applicant.** Completed applications must be received no later than **February 21, 2015 at 5:00pm PST**. Please complete the form and email the form as an attachment to sacuna@mwdh20.com

Instructions:

- Each field below has a limit on the number of characters (regardless of the size of the box).
- You will be evaluated based on four criteria: 1) AFS involvement, 2) Professionalism and leadership, 3) Reason to attend the Annual Meeting, and 4) Academic Advisor/Employer input from Part II. All four criteria are weighted equally.
- There are two parts to the application: Part I is to be filled out by the applicant; Part II by the academic advisor/employer. ***The academic advisor/employer is required to send his/her section under a separate email.***
- A written signature is not required. Please type your name in the signature line to certify the application.

Guidelines to Part I:

CalNeva Chapter involvement: Describe your involvement in AFS chapters, sections, and divisions. Please indicate the levels of AFS to which you currently belong, the positions you currently hold (committee member, elected position, active member, etc.), and any positions you have held in the past.

Professionalism and leadership: Describe your professionalism and leadership that make you an outstanding candidate for this award. This may include (but is not limited to): presentations and publications, memberships in other societies and/or committees (AFS involvement will be described in the AFS involvement section), manuscript reviews, symposia, awards, and other outreach activities.

Reason to attend: Indicate your reason to attend the Annual Meeting. This may include (but is not limited to) attending a symposium or workshop, presenting a paper or poster, attending a committee or technical meeting, networking for job and graduate school opportunities, etc.

2015 AFS California-Nevada Chapter Travel Award Application

Part I: To be completed by the applicant

Name of applicant	
Address	
Phone number	
Email address	

Academic Advisor/Employer	
Degree	
Year completed or will complete	

Grade Point Average for current degree: B.S.: M.S.: Ph.D.:

1. Chapter Involvement

Are you an AFS member? Yes No

Describe below your involvement in AFS (e.g., Chapters, Student Subunits, Sections, Committees), including level of participation (e.g., president, committee chair, member).

Name of applicant	
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2. Professionalism and Leadership

Describe your professionalism and leadership qualities that help make you stand out as a candidate for the California-Nevada Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Travel Award. For example, describe your involvement in professional society activities (presentations, publications, other society memberships, committees, scientific reviews, symposia, awards, outreach activities, etc.). Please do not reiterate AFS activities listed above.

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Briefly describe your goals as a professional of aquatic natural resources.

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Name of applicant

3. Reason to Attend

Describe the reason(s) you want to attend the Annual meeting (e.g., presenting a paper or poster, chairing a session, networking, business meetings, etc.)

I CERTIFY that the information I reported on this application is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Name /signature

Date

Submit the application as an email attachment to sacuna@mwdh20.com

Application deadline: **February 21, 2015 at 5:00pm PST**. Please contact Shawn Acuña (310) 938-7966 or via email at sacuna@mwdh20.com for questions and/or additional information.

**2015 AFS California-Nevada Chapter Travel Award
Application
Part II – Academic Advisor/Employer Application Form**

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Below is Part II of the 2015 Application form. For questions and/or additional information, contact Shawn Acuña at (310) 938-7966 or via email at sacuna@mwdh20.com.

Both part I (*applicant form*) and part II (*academic advisor/employer form*) of the completed application must be received no later than February 21, 2015 at 5:00pm PST. Note that part I and II of the application are separate documents. This is Part II of the application and should be filled out by the academic advisor/employer. Limit all answers to the space provided. Additional material will not be considered in evaluating applicants. Please complete the form and email as an attachment to sacuna@mwdh20.com.

2015 Application Form and Instructions

AFS California Nevada Chapter Travel Award Application

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There are two parts to the application. The applicant fills out this section (Part I) of the form. Part II of the application is a separate document and should be completed by the applicant's major advisor or employer. **The advisor/employer will need to send Part II of the form separately from the applicant.** Completed applications must be received no later than **February 21, 2015 at 5:00pm PST**. Please complete the form and email the form as an attachment to sacuna@mwdh20.com

Instructions:

- Each field below has a limit on the number of characters (regardless of the size of the box).
- You will be evaluated based on four criteria: 1) AFS involvement, 2) Professionalism and leadership, 3) Reason to attend the Chapter Meeting, and 4) Academic advisor/Employer input from Part II. All four criteria are weighted equally.
- There are two parts to the application: Part I is to be filled out by the applicant; Part II by the academic advisor/employer. ***The academic advisor/employer is required to send his/her section under a separate email.***
- A written signature is not required. Please type your name in the signature line to certify the application.

Guidelines to Part II:

Please include relevant information regarding:

1) how long and in what capacity have you known the applicant,

2) the future potential of the applicant in aquatic natural resources and professional society involvement, and

3) the reason the applicant should attend the CalNeve Chapter meeting. This may include (but is not limited to) financial hardship, presenting research results, attending symposia, participates in business meetings, and other relevant information.

AFS California Nevada Chapter Travel Award Application

Part II. To be completed by the applicant's faculty advisor/employer

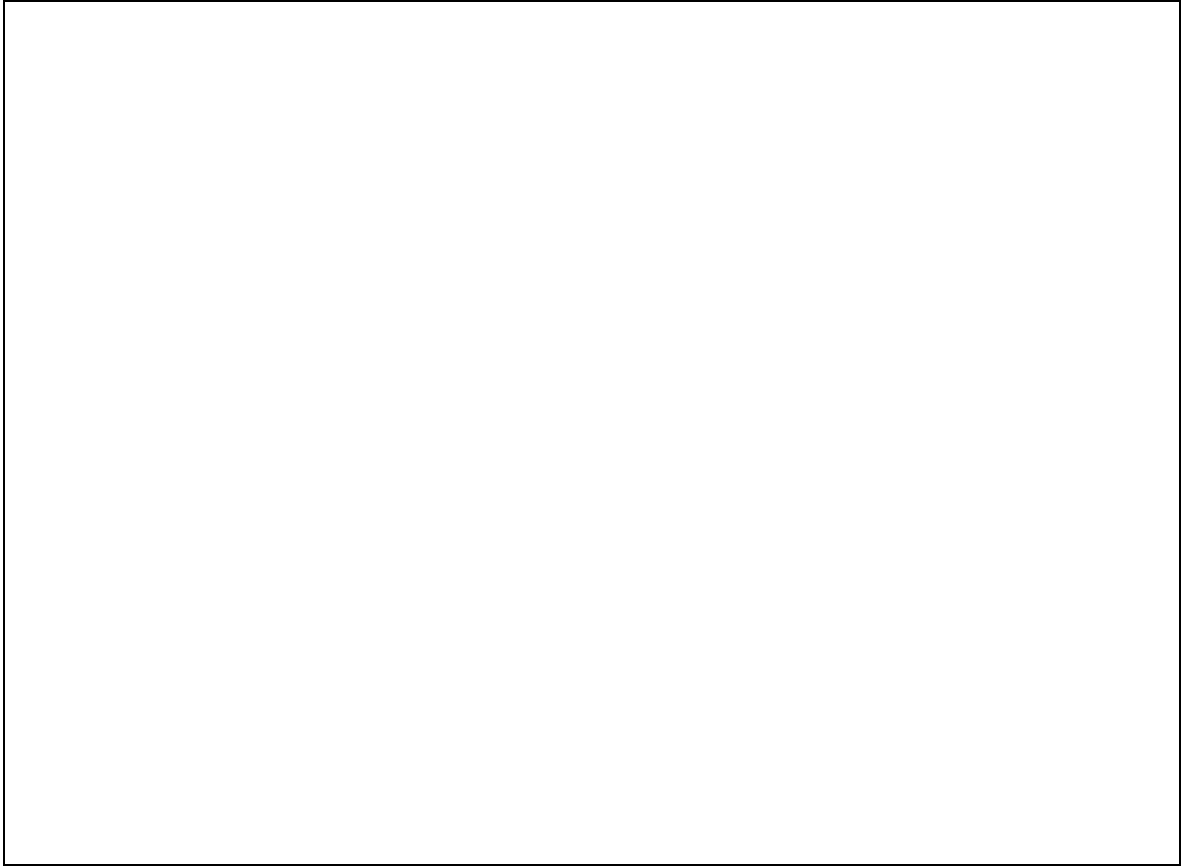
Name of applicant	
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Name of advisor/employer	
Address	
Phone number	
Email address	

1. How long and in what capacity have you known the applicant?

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2. What is the applicant's involvement in aquatic natural resources and the American Fisheries Society?



Part II. Continued.

Name of applicant

3. Give reasons why the applicant should receive the California-Nevada Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Travel Award to attend the Annual Meeting this year (e.g., scholarship, leadership, or financial need if appropriate)?

I CERTIFY that the information I reported on this application is true, correct and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Advisor/Employer Name

Date

Submit the application as an email attachment to sacuna@mwdh20.com

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