



Consortium of
Aquatic Science Societies

Working together to broaden the reach and strengthen the impact of aquatic sciences

The Consortium of Aquatic Science Societies improves collaboration and coordination among its member organizations by promoting:

- **the advancement of aquatic sciences**—Addressing complex aquatic science and management issues such as climate change requires broad, cross-disciplinary collaboration. CASS supports engagement across the aquatic sciences by organizing the Joint Aquatic Sciences Meeting, and by encouraging joint special sessions, town halls, and workshops at our member conferences.
- **scientifically sound policy**—CASS member societies provide access to experts on a wide variety of policy issues facing aquatic resources; working together allows us to amplify our voice on these critical topics. Together, CASS has developed statements on policy issues such as funding for U.S. federal agencies that support aquatic science and management, and opposing the repeal of the 2015 Clean Water Rule.
- **education and outreach for an informed public**—CASS members host joint events to educate the public about aquatic sciences and to recruit and encourage the next generation of aquatic scientists, particularly underrepresented minorities. Past outreach events include the USA Science & Engineering Festival and the Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science (SACNAS).
- **professional development opportunities**—CASS members offer a wide variety of programs and resources for the continuing education, training, and certification of aquatic scientists
- **engagement across disciplines**-- CASS collaborates with other similar scientific societies and organizations, including social science societies, to broaden our understanding of complex policy and resource management issues

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Member Organizations:

American Fisheries Society (AFS)
Association for the Sciences of Limnology and Oceanography (ASLO)
Coastal and Estuarine Research Federation (CERF)
Freshwater Mollusk Conservation Society (FMCS)
International Association for Great Lakes Research (IAGLR)
North American Lake Management Society (NALMS)
Phycological Society of America (PSA)
Society for Freshwater Science (SFS)
Society of Wetland Scientists (SWS)

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