YOUNG PROFESSIONAL TRAVEL AWARD

The Education Section is glad to announce the 'Young Professional' travel grant for the 2011 annual meeting of the American Fisheries Society in Seattle Washington. The award is designed to promote meeting attendance of young professionals who have made substantial contributions to the field through continued education, outreach and AFS service. The award provides up to \$850 in travel support and a 1 year membership to AFS. Preference will be given to individuals presenting at the meeting, those involved in continuing education or outreach and those in need of financial assistance for travel. All young professional members (within 3 years of graduation), including agency biologists, post-docs, and faculty are encouraged to apply. The award winner will be required to attend the Education Section business meeting to receive the award and contribute to the Section's winter 2012 newsletter. The application should consist of the following:

1. Letter of interest (60%)

- a. Statement of service to the Society, Sections or Chapters and why you want to attend the meeting
- b. Statement of continued education effort and outreach
- c. Statement of financial need
- d. Statement of career goals

2. Current resume, degree/s, list of publications, honors/awards, and presentations (30%)

3. Title and brief abstract of the contributed paper(s) or poster(s) being presented at the annual meeting (10%)

Applications should be submitted in electronic format (PDF or Word) to Mark Fincel <u>mark.fincel@sdstate.edu</u> and must be received by <u>May 2nd, 2011</u>. The recipient will be notified in early June.