

North Carolina Fisheries Workers Association

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Dear fellow fisheries workers:

The North Carolina Fisheries Workers Association was formed at an organizational meeting on February 16 and 17, 1988. The following officers were elected: Tony Mullis-president; Scott Van Horn-president elect; Don Cloutman-secretary/treasurer. A constitution and set of bylaws were adopted by the participants at the organizational meeting. The following goals and objectives of the Association were also adopted:

- Goal #1: To facilitate the exchange of information between fisheries resource agencies and organizations in North Carolina.
- Goal #2: To enhance and protect the fishery resources of the state.
 - Objective A - To identify problems and issues of concern common to the membership of the Association and the agencies they represent.
 - Objective B - To develop policy statements based on sound biological principles to guide management decisions.

The Association will hold at least one meeting annually at various locations in North Carolina. Membership in the N. C. Fisheries Workers Association is open to all persons who are involved in fisheries related work in this state. Annual dues for membership in the Association are \$4.00 per calendar year which must be paid before or at the annual meeting.

The Association will provide an opportunity for fisheries workers to become acquainted with other professionals in their field and to interact with them in developing solutions to the problems which face fishery resource managers in North Carolina. Meet your counterparts working with other organizations and discuss common issues in a relaxed unofficial setting while having a good time in the process. Fill out the attached membership application and send it with your dues payment (or requests for additional information) to the secretary-treasurer at the address on the application. The registration fee for attendees of the 1988 meeting included dues payment for 1988. Dues for 1988 from other prospective members are payable immediately. All present and prospective members may pay 1989 dues now if you wish. Please mark which year(s) you are paying for on the application form. Please help in spreading the word by circulating this announcement and application forms among your colleagues and posting them in appropriate locations.

Sincerely,

Don Cloutman
Secretary-Treasurer