

Continuing Education

Utah AFS is offering two continuing education courses at the Annual Meeting on March 13th. They are free of charge, but you still need to sign up for the course if you plan on attending so we can plan accordingly. You can sign up for the courses during the meeting registration process. Here is more information on the classes:

1. Fisheries Management through the use of Triploid Fish: Willard Bay Walleye Example

Weather depending, this class will start at the Willard Bay State Park South Marina at 1 pm where you will observe and learn about walleye spawning and the pressure treating of eggs for sterility. Following the field demonstration, the group will travel back to the Ogden Eccles Conference Center where there will be presentations and Q&A on the latest triploid research, how triploid fish are being used to meet challenging management objectives, and how the Willard Bay walleye spawn is contributing to a better and more consistent sport fishery at Willard Bay. After registration closes, you will be contacted with more detailed information on this continuing education class and carpooling options.

2. Urban Stream Restoration: Applications on the Ogden and lower Weber Rivers

Completing river restoration in urban settings can provide rich, broad-based benefits to the communities in which the projects occur. However, successfully undertaking urban river restoration projects represents unique challenges that most restoration practitioners do not typically address due to extensive infrastructure, private property, buildings and competing community values. In order to be successful, urban restoration projects need to engage a broader base of experts and interested members of the community. Engineering challenges typically require extensive design, and implementation typically occurs at a slower pace than more traditional restoration projects. Please join us at the Ogden Eccles Conference Center for a continuing education session that covers the social, engineering, and ecological challenges that might occur and some of the strategies and approaches that have been successfully applied on the Ogden and lower Weber Rivers. We will spend approximately 2 hours in the classroom going over concepts and principles, and then go out into the field to view projects at several stages of completion. This workshop will be co-hosted by Paul Burnett with Trout Unlimited, Eric McCulley with RiverRestoration.org, and Justin Anderson with Ogden City.