

American Fisheries Society

Genetics Section Hall of Excellence



Dr. Mary Peacock

Dr. Peacock retired in 2023, after an almost 30-year career at the University of Nevada, Reno. She joined UNR in 1994 as a Postdoctoral Fellow, advancing to become a tenured Professor. Her acumen was recognized and tapped through roles including Assistant Director of the Biological Resources Research Center and Director of the Graduate Program in Ecology, Evolution and Conservation Biology. Her Conservation Genetics/Genomic research focused on ESA listed fish species in the western United States and how movement patterns of organisms are shaped by landscape drivers and disturbance. She spent 30+ years working on the conservation of Lahontan cutthroat trout (*Oncorhynchus clarkii henshawi*), working with many entities to formulate recovery strategies for the species. Her record exemplifies the work of a quiet leader: consistent support for her students, peers, and collaborators. Her accomplishments impress with the breath of her engagement in academic, agency, and cross-disciplinary teams. Dr. Peacock's service to AFS reflects a commitment to promoting the success of others. As Treasurer/Secretary, she has assumed responsibility for the Genetic Section's business operations. She served as a key link between the Section and the bi-annual meeting of the Coastwide Salmonid consortium. She provided an effective networking framework for the Graduate Students and Postdocs of our Section, thus ultimately enhancing their careers by organizing a dedicated Symposium at the annual AFS conference that to heighten their visibility.

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