

TROUT COMMITTEE

Southern Division, American Fisheries Society

PURPOSE: To improve trout resources in the Southeast by providing a forum for the exchange of ideas and information.

GOALS:

- (1) To meet semi-annually for the purpose of discussing ongoing projects and problems associated with trout management. The Committee provides a reservoir of expertise to offer suggestions in solving management problems.
- (2) To sponsor periodic workshops and symposiums in order to bring together and publicize recent research and management techniques that are applicable to the region's trout resources.
- (3) To provide published information for use by trout researchers and managers.
- (4) To develop regional policy or position statements for guiding Southeast agencies in their trout management program.
- (5) To conduct regional research to answer chronic management questions.
- (6) To direct research efforts by outside agencies or universities to solve regional trout resource problems.

OBJECTIVES:

- (1) Complete and publish an annotated brook trout bibliography.
- (2) Complete the approved brown trout strain evaluation research by the proposed March, 1988 deadline.
- (3) Sponsor a regional brown trout symposium after completion of the Committee's brown trout research project.
- (4) Summarize past efforts of member agencies' experimentation with various exotic salmonids and trout strains. Summary to be completed by April, 1987.
- (5) Investigate the need to develop a regional policy statement concerning the control and treatment of trout diseases in the regions' trout rearing facilities.
- (6) Identify specific needs for research in quantifying the efforts of sedimentation on trout stream biomass.