Maryland
Fishery Resources Office

Represented by the following Members of Congress:
Senator Paul S. Sarbanes (D)
Senator Barbara A. Mikulski (D)
Rep. Wayne T. Gilchrest (R-1st)
Rep. Ben L. Cardin (D-3rd)

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
1 800/344 WILD
http://www.fws.gov

January 2006

Contact
Steve Minkkinen, Project Leader
Maryland Fishery Resources Office
177 Admiral Cochrane Drive
Annapolis, MD 21401
Phone: 410/573 4506
Fax: 410/263 2608
E-mail: steve_minkkinen@fws.gov
http://marylandfisheries.fws.gov

Purpose
Maryland Fishery Resources Office staff works with public and private partners to protect, restore and enhance fishery and aquatic resources in Maryland. Significant species include striped bass, Atlantic and shortnose sturgeon, American shad, river herring, yellow perch, American eel and horseshoe crab.

Management Activities
- Working with the Atlantic States Marine Fisheries Commission, federal and state agencies, local organizations and Maryland residents to restore, enhance and manage fisheries.
- Administering database and tagging programs for Atlantic coast and interjurisdictional fisheries.
- Determining spawning frequency and beach fidelity for horseshoe crabs in Delaware Bay.
- Participating in efforts to restore and protect sturgeon populations.
- Working with partners to control and manage aquatic invasive species.

USFWS

Striped bass

Issues
- Presence of endangered shortnose sturgeon in the Potomac River
- Sturgeon distribution and movement in the Chesapeake Bay
- Cause and extent of increased disease occurrence in striped bass
- Development of the national snakehead control and management plan
- Menhaden abundance in the Chesapeake Bay
- Potentially declining horseshoe crab populations in Delaware Bay

Highlights
Coordinates and manages cooperative tagging programs for striped bass, Atlantic and shortnose sturgeon, and horseshoe crab to provide information vital to the conservation and management of the species along the Atlantic seaboard.