



Arizona Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office



Apache Trout



Little Colorado River,
Grand Canyon



Bonytail Chub

STATION FACTS

- AZFWCO was founded 1956
- AZFWCO has offices in Flagstaff, Whiteriver, and Parker
- AZFWCO has 27 employees
- AZFWCO-Flagstaff focuses on Grand Canyon and Little Colorado River projects
- AZFWCO-Whiteriver focuses on recovery of Apache trout and Little Colorado spinedace
- AZFWCO-Parker focuses on lower Colorado River native fish recovery projects

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Mission

Working with others to conserve, protect, and enhance fish and other aquatic organisms and their habitat in Arizona and the Southwest.

Who We Are

Fish and Wildlife Conservation Offices (FWCOs) restore and maintain fish and other aquatic resources for the benefit of the American people, helping ensure that these resources remain among the richest and most diverse in the world. Working across geographic and political borders, FWCO biologists craft partnerships and solutions to conserve, restore, and enhance our natural resources. AZFWCO has offices in three locations throughout the State: Flagstaff, Whiteriver, and Parker.

How We Help

The top priority for AZFWCO is the conservation of native fish species and their habitat. We are the lead station for recovery of the threatened Apache trout and Little Colorado spinedace. We also work with endangered loach minnow, Gila topminnow, desert pupfish, razorback sucker, humpback chub, and bonytail chub. Our recovery efforts include renovating streams

and aquatic habitats. Additional efforts include constructing barriers to prevent upstream migration of non-native species, replicating native fish populations, restoring fish passage, supporting sport fishing programs, monitoring and researching native fish populations, and coordinating the Desert Fish Habitat Partnership. Through the Partners for Fish and Wildlife program, we provide funding to private landowners, Tribes, and municipalities for on-the-ground habitat conservation projects. We work on over 550 miles of aquatic habitat throughout Arizona. We engage in community activities that connect people with nature. Projects include Trout in the Classroom, Biologist-in-Training, youth fishing clinics, educational displays, archery events, and youth hiring.

Tribal Trust Responsibilities

We cooperate with our Tribal partners by providing technical assistance in support of sport fishing programs; coordination of fish stocking programs, creel surveys, and management recommendations. We also work with Tribes to conserve and recover native aquatic species and their habitats.

Humpback Chub

