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for the benefit of all

DR Michel, Executive Director
Laura Robinson, Policy Analyst
Columbia Basin Aquatic Invasive Species Team
Meeting
December 2020

UCUT Member Tribes



- **Coeur d'Alene Tribe (ID):**
2,188 Members | 335,500 acres
- **Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation (WA):**
9,353 Members | 1.4 million acres
- **Kalispel Tribe of Indians (WA):**
409 Members | 6,994 acres
- **Kootenai Tribe of Idaho:**
145 Members | 2,200 acres
- **Spokane Tribe of Indians (WA):**
2,621 Members | 156,000 acres



UCUT Mission Statement

To Unite the Upper Columbia River Tribes for the protection, preservation, and enhancement of Treaty / Executive Order Rights, Sovereignty, Culture, Fish, Water, Wildlife, Habitat and other interests and issues of common concern in our respective territories through a structured process of cooperation for the benefit of all people.



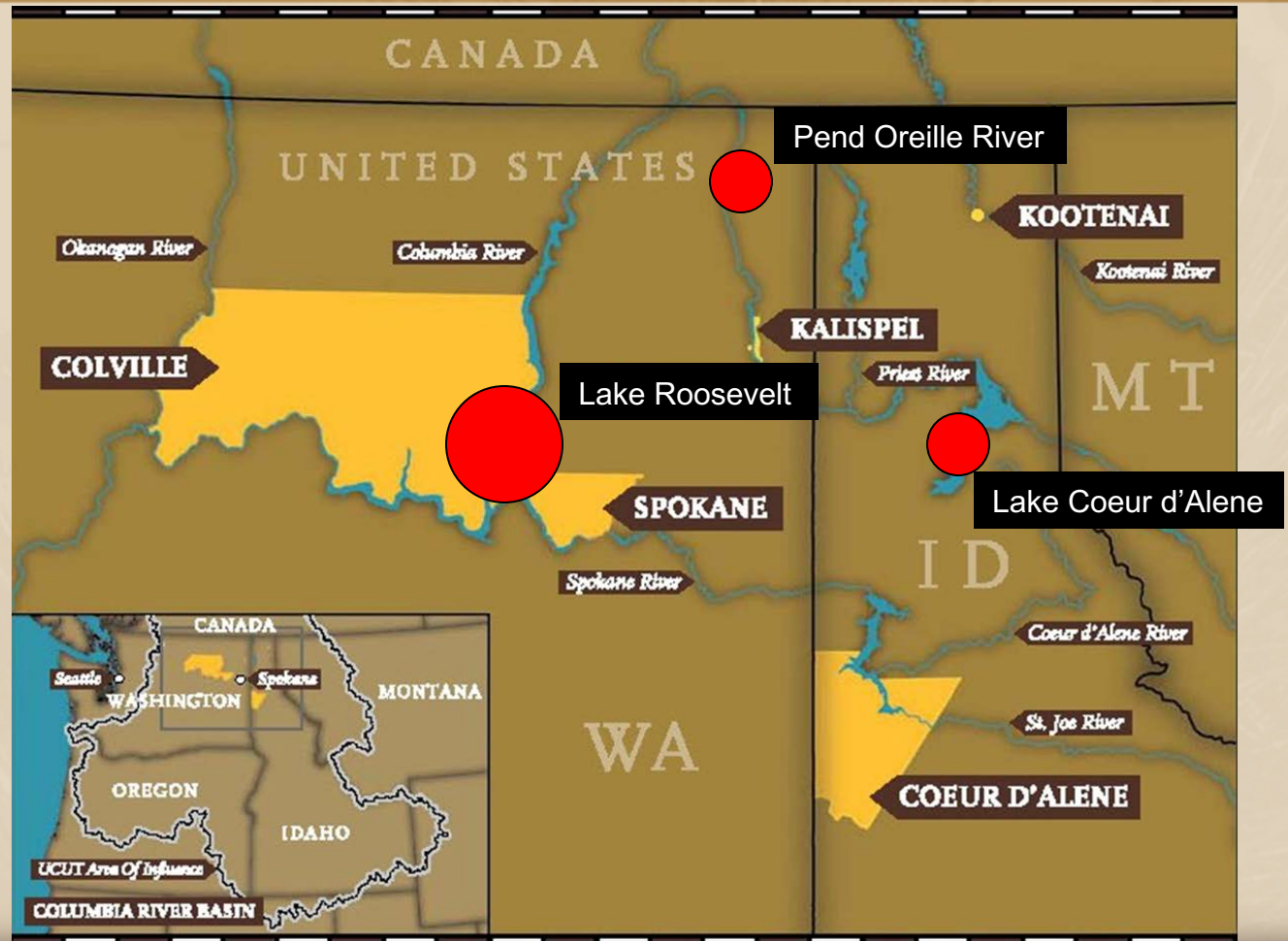
UCUT Priority



Northern Pike caught by the Spokane Tribe of Indians

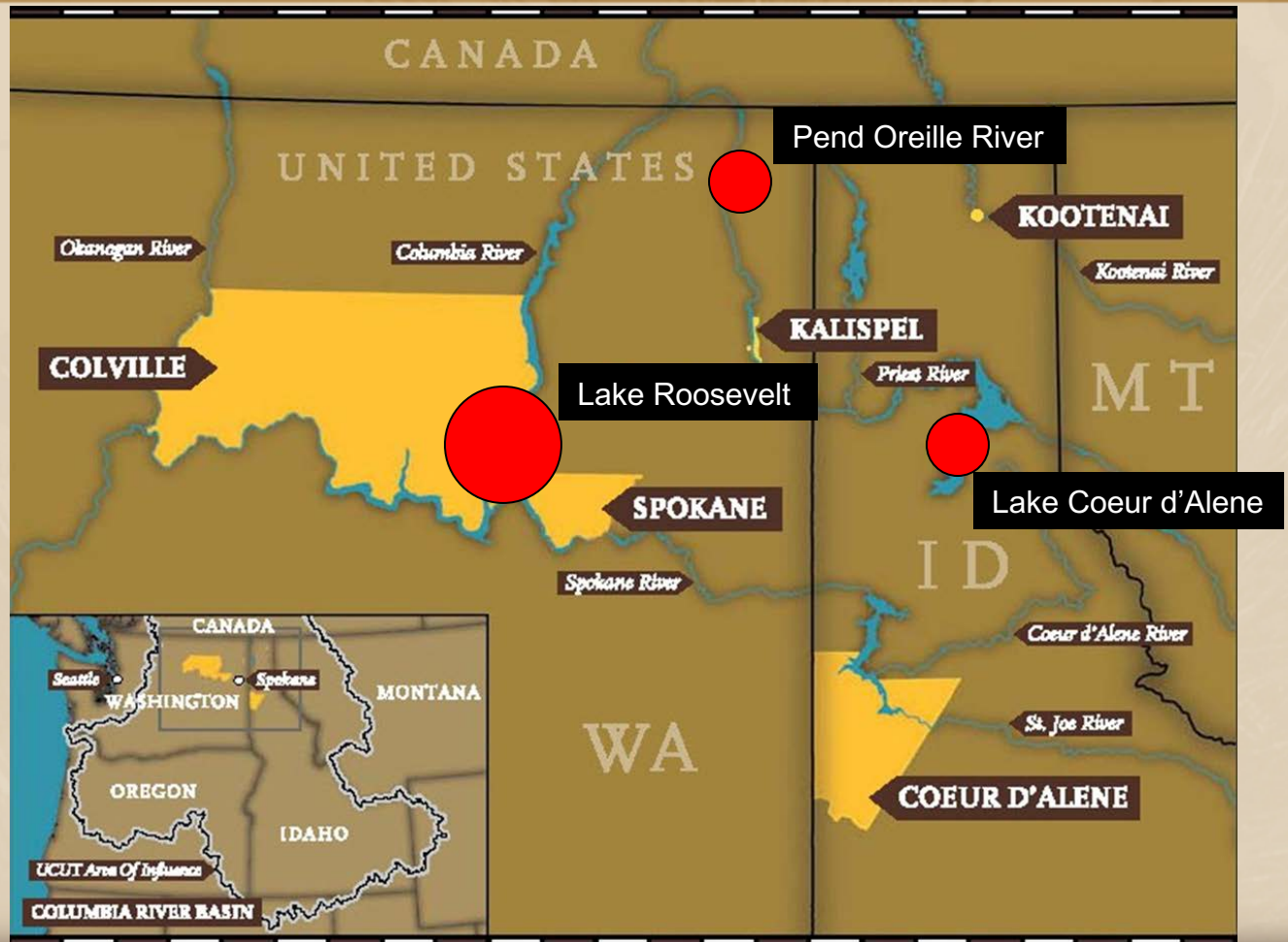


UCUT Territories with Pike

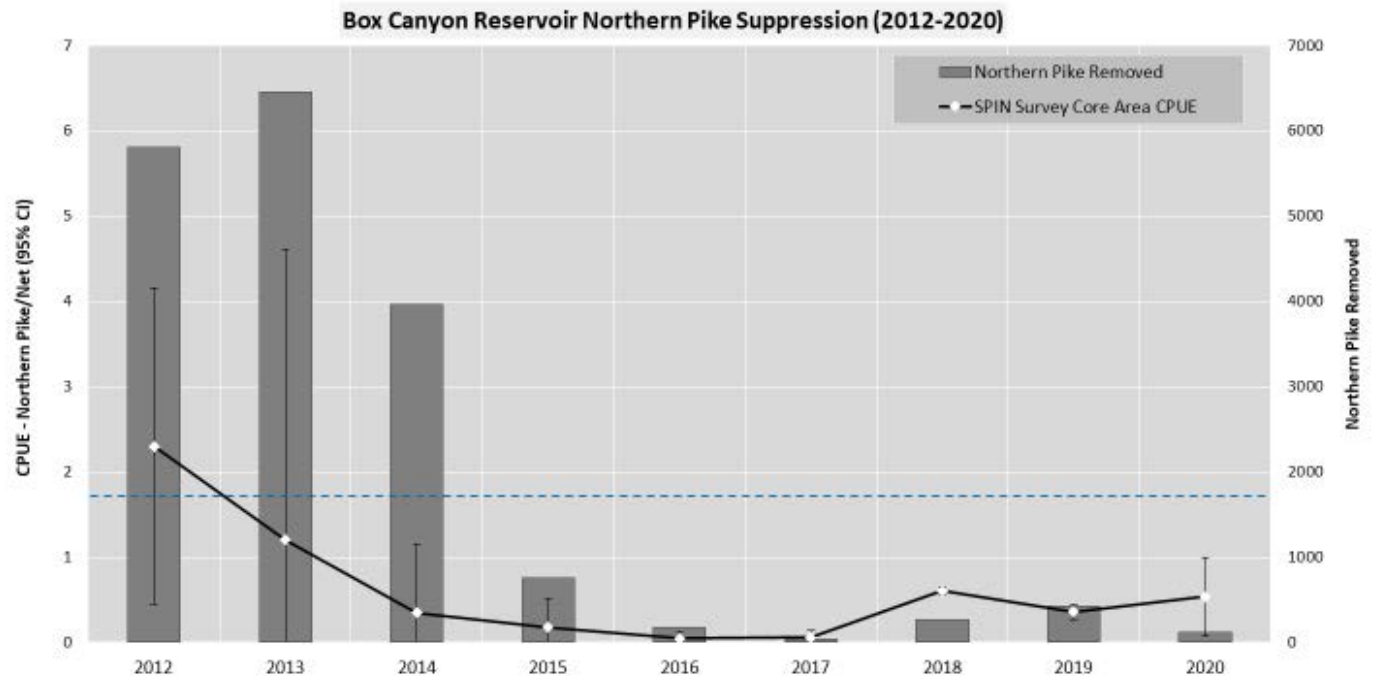


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Kalispel Tribe Efforts



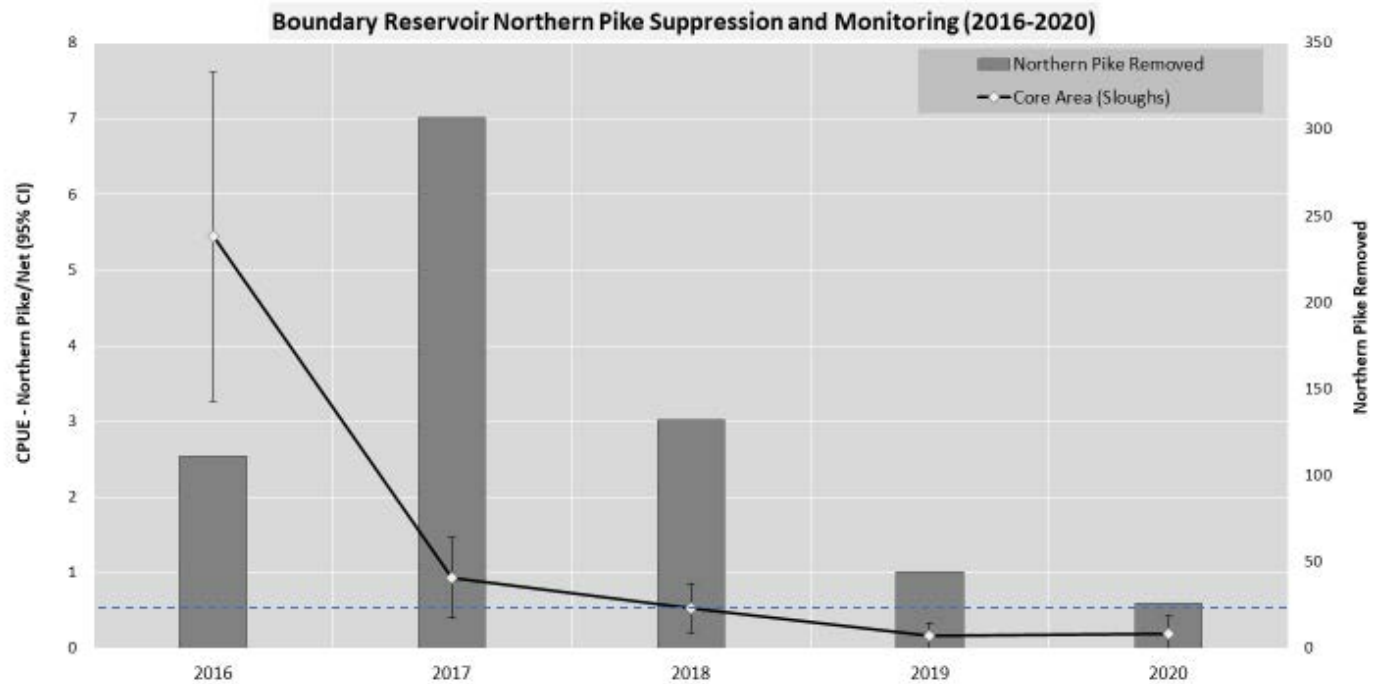
Box Canyon Reservoir, WA



Dashed blue line is monitoring (SPIN) threshold for the "core area" of the reservoir: *Mean of 1.7 Northern Pike/net*



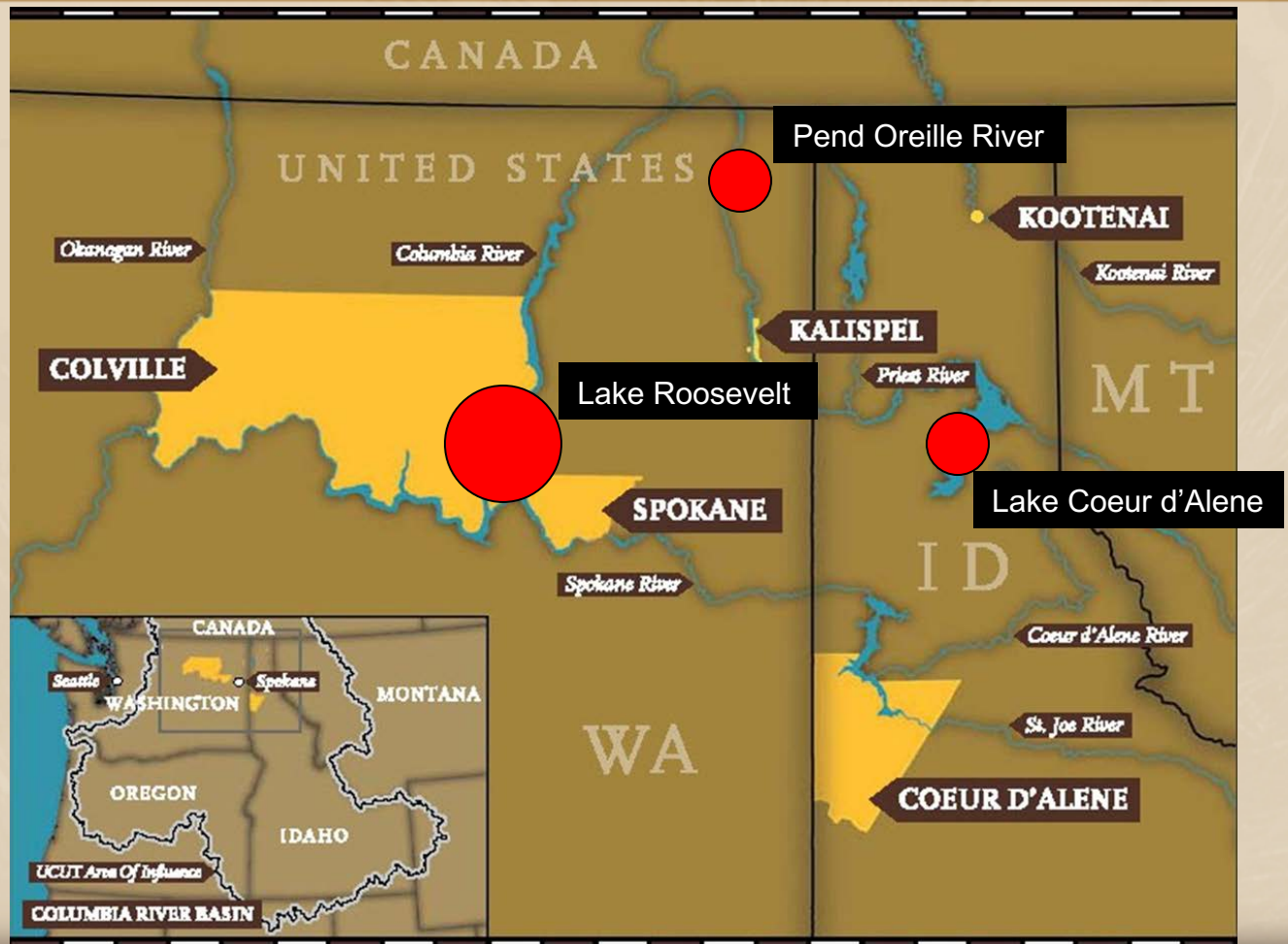
Boundary Reservoir, WA



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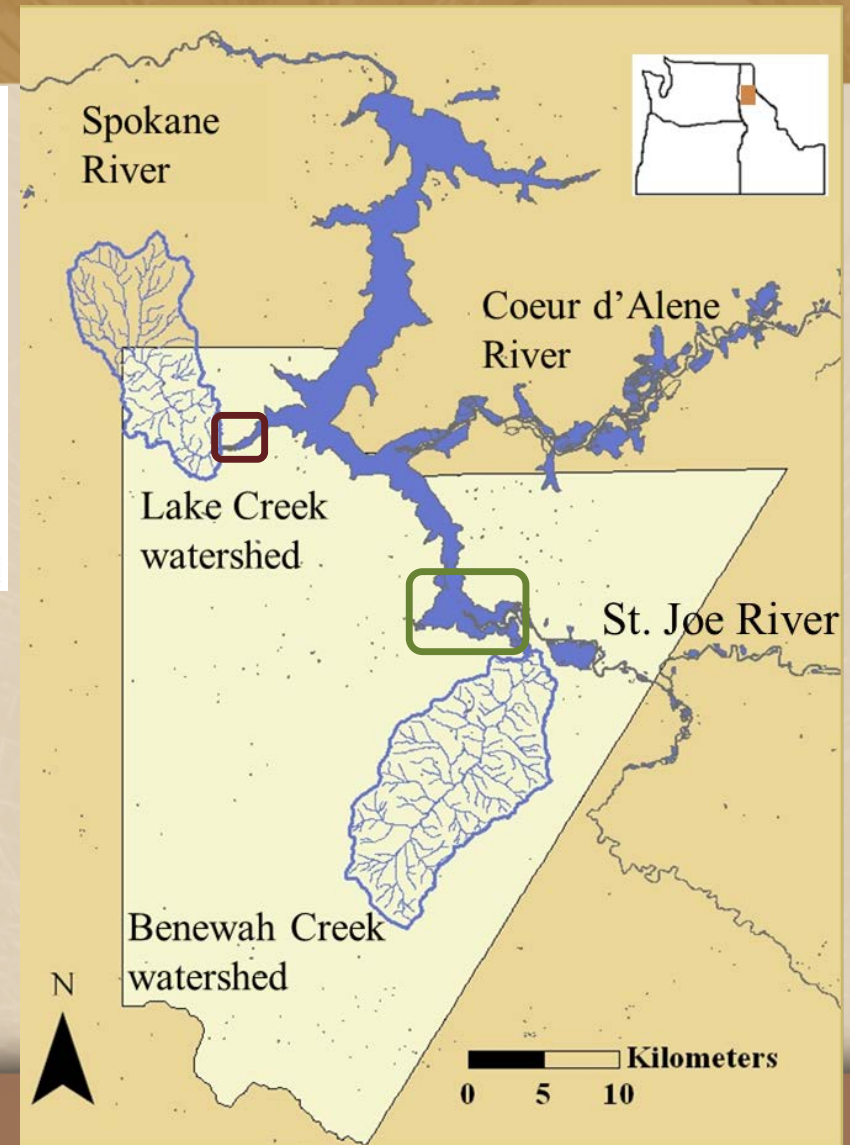
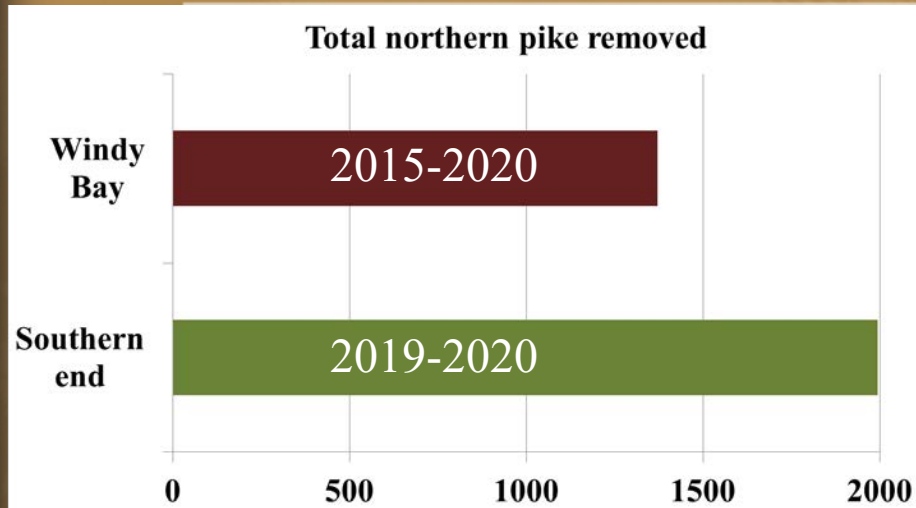


Coeur d'Alene Tribe Efforts



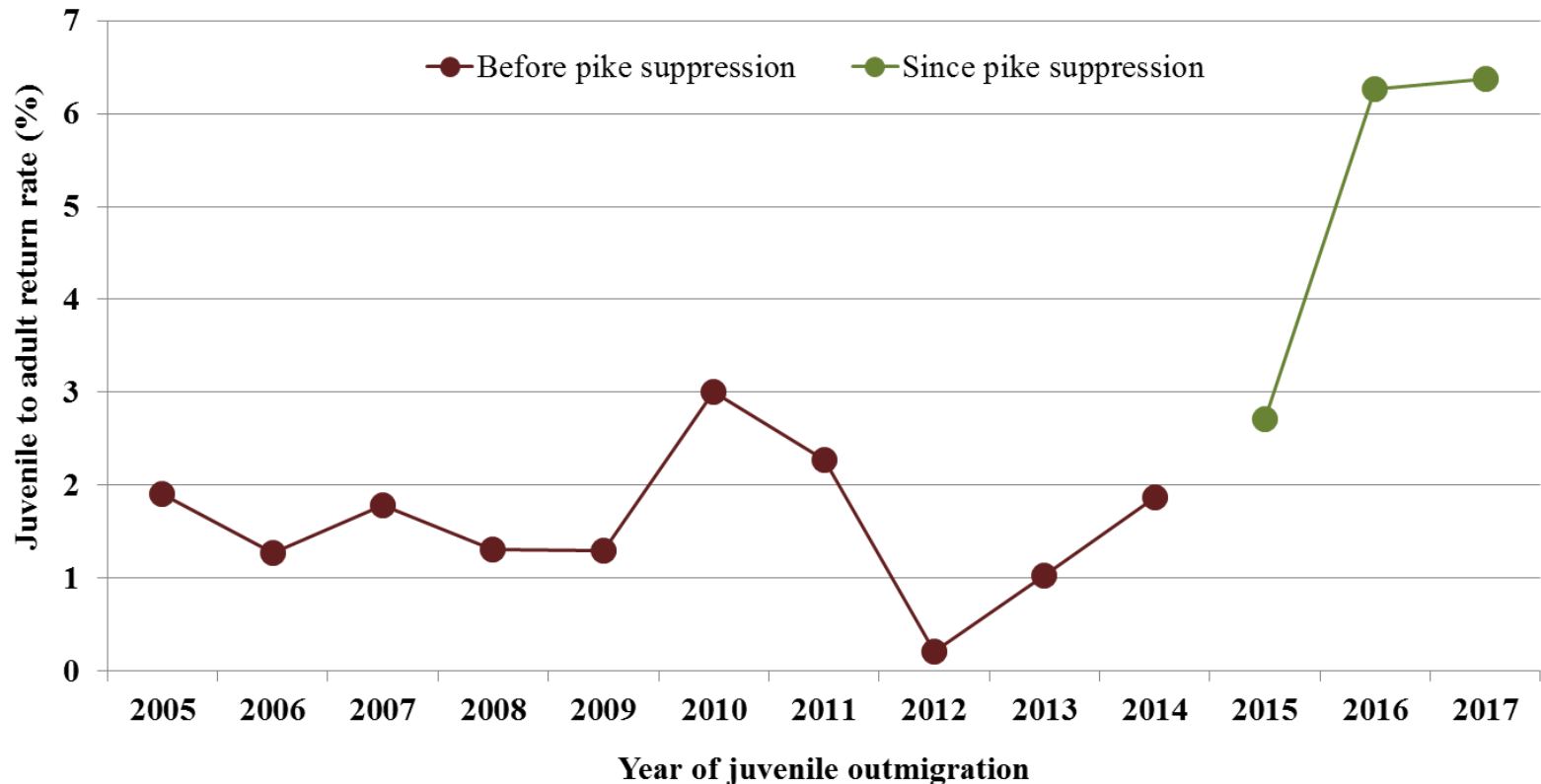
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Lake Coeur d'Alene, ID



Windy Bay of Lake Coeur d'Alene, ID

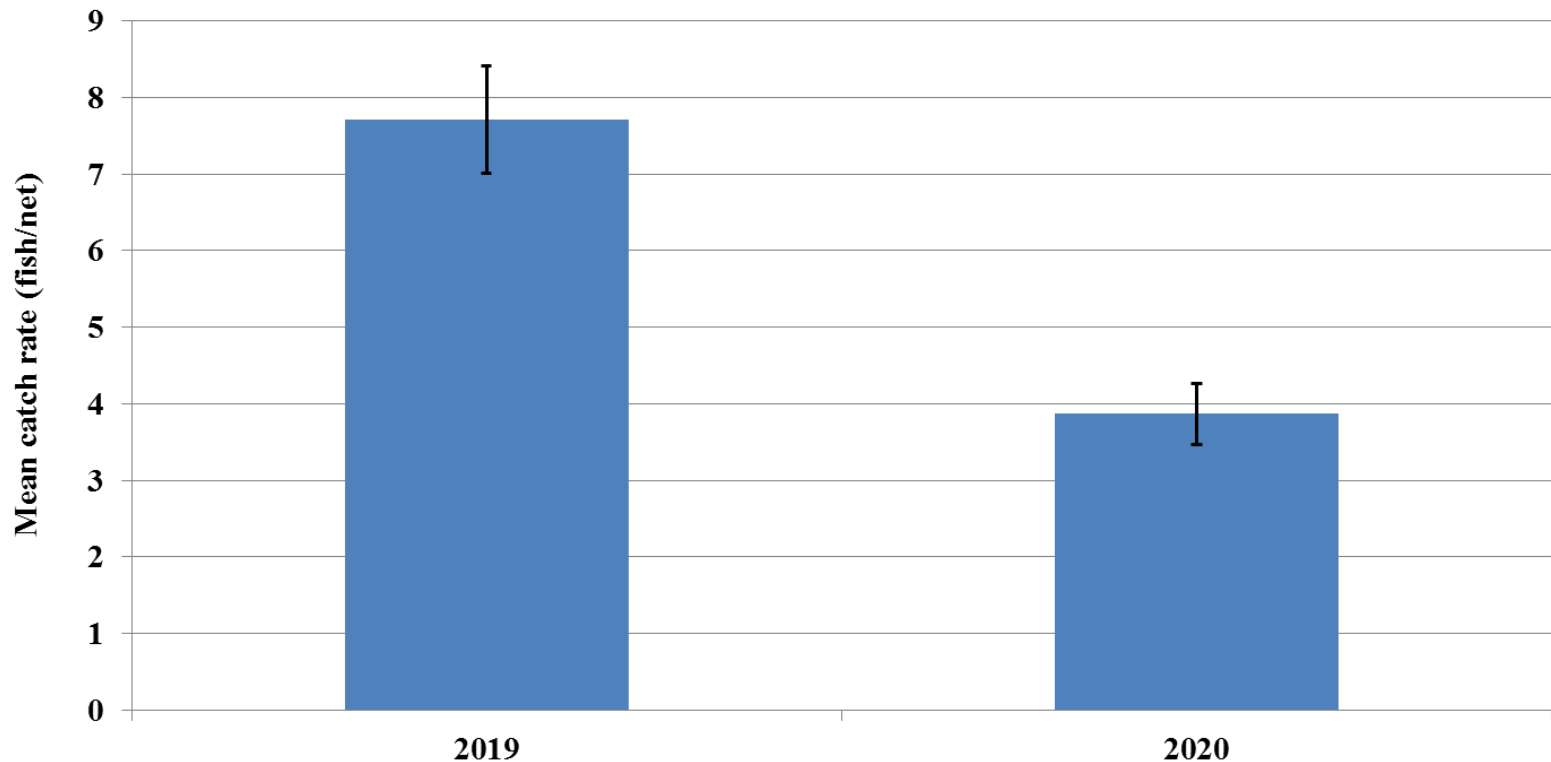
Lake Creek Cutthroat Trout response to suppression efforts



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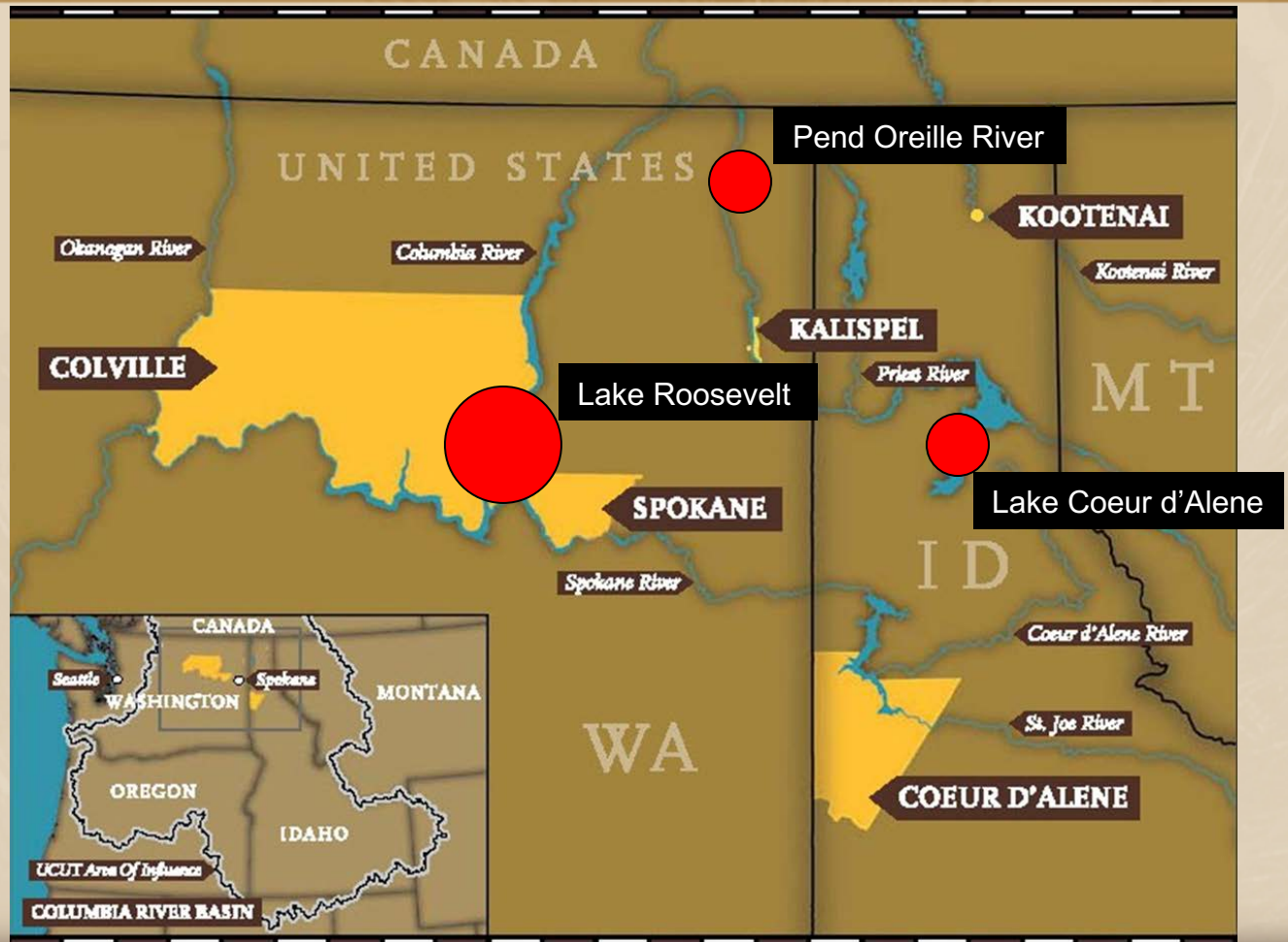
Southern end of Lake Coeur d'Alene, ID

Northern pike response to suppression efforts



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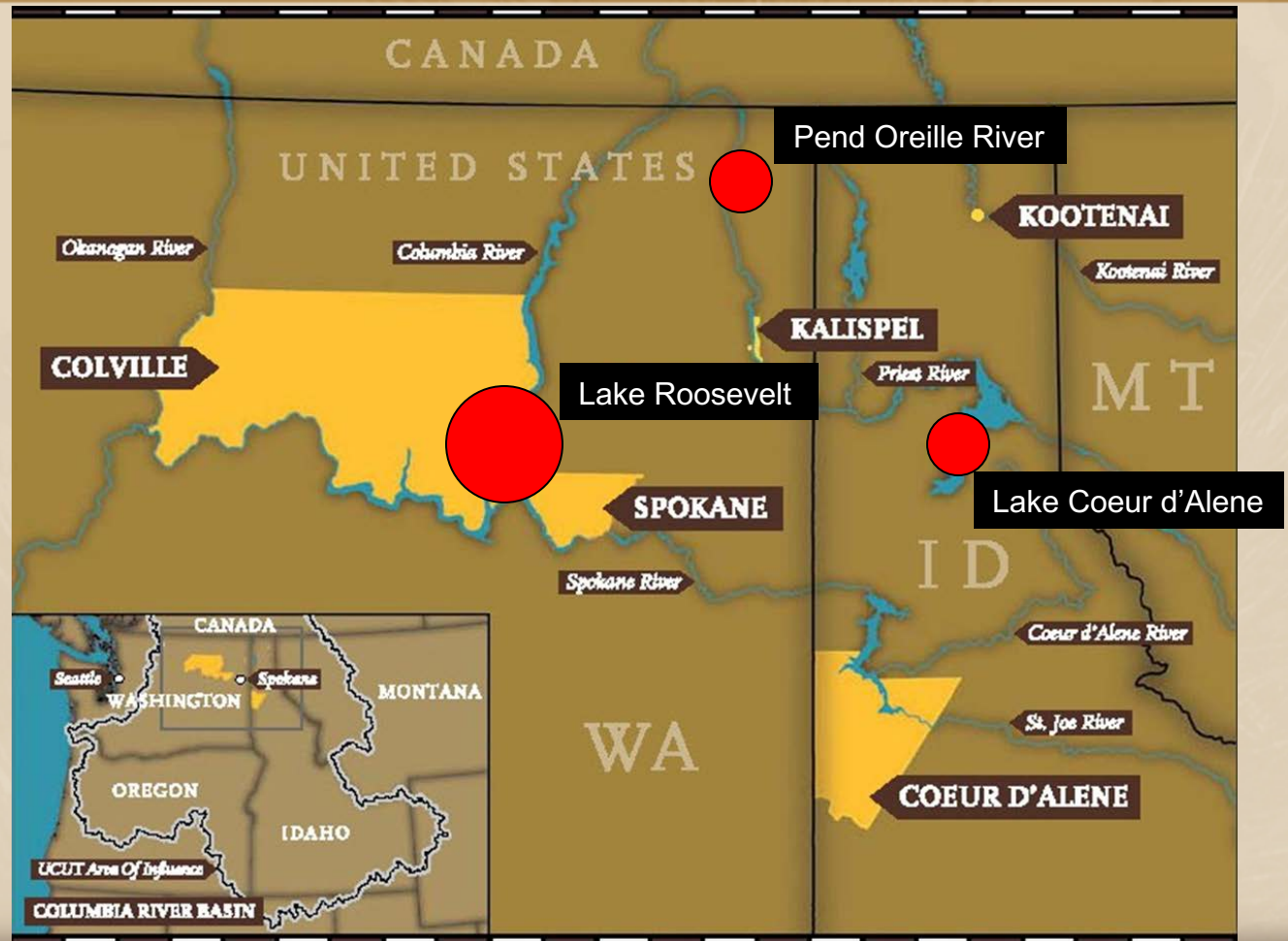
Spokane Tribe Efforts



Lake Roosevelt Suppression



Colville Tribe Efforts



Lake Roosevelt Suppression



Lake Roosevelt Reward Program



STOP THE SPREAD OF INVASIVE NORTHERN PIKE



Northern Pike (*Esox lucius*) are a Prohibited Species in Washington State. Anglers are encouraged to kill **ALL** Northern Pike caught. Harvested Northern Pike must be dead before anglers leave the water where they are caught.

No minimum size or possession limit.

Northern Pike are now present in Lake Roosevelt. This fish species is known to have negative impacts on native fish populations and popular sport fisheries. In addition, further spread of Northern Pike into downstream portions of the Columbia River poses a severe threat to Salmon and Steelhead recovery efforts.

It is illegal to transport or release live fish without a WDFW permit.

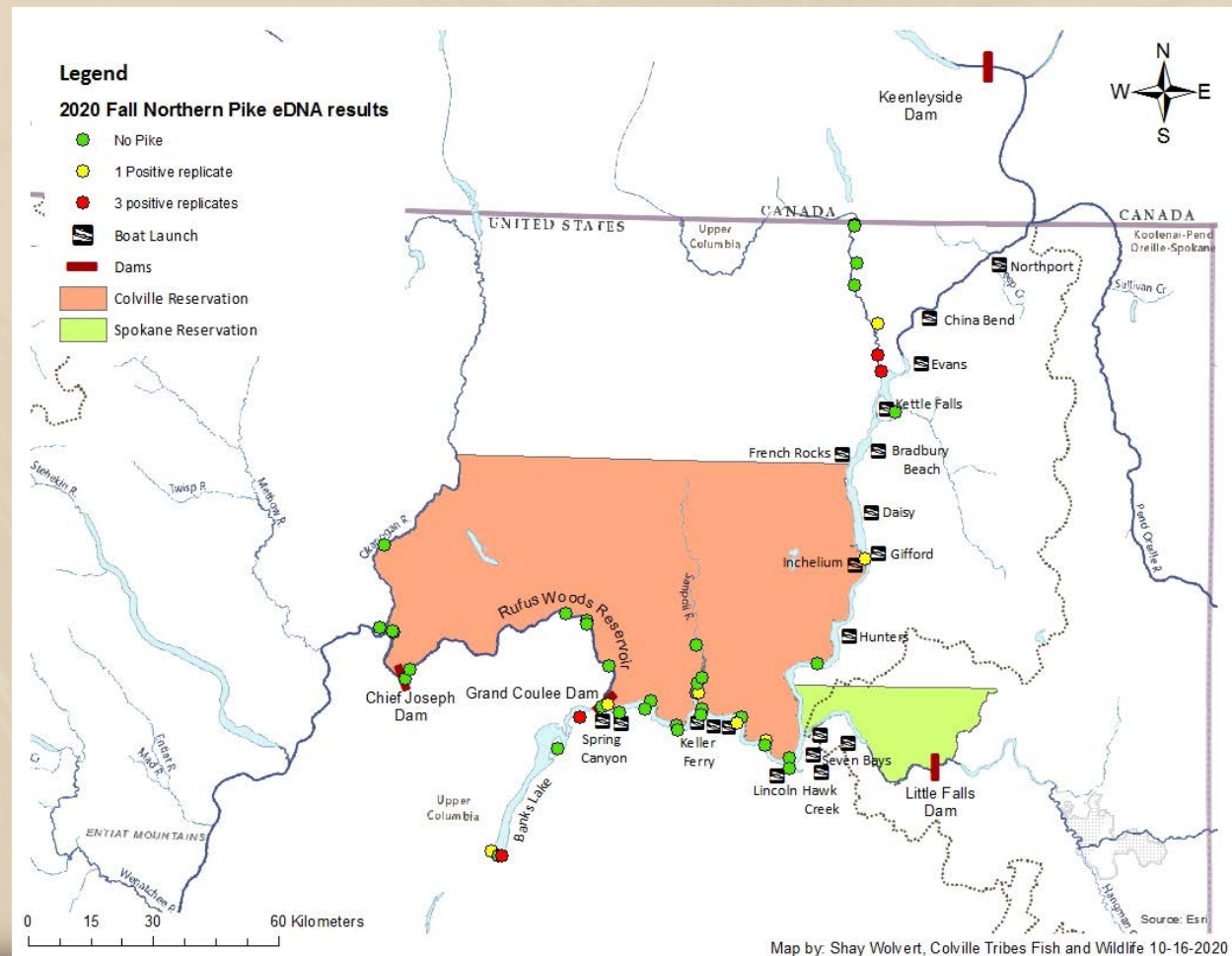
Penalty includes up to \$5,000 in Fines and A Year in Prison (RCW 77.15.250) and a person found guilty can also be ordered to pay all costs of capturing, controlling or killing those fish or their progeny (in excess of \$100,000).

If you see someone transporting or releasing live fish, please call the Washington State Patrol. They will contact the nearest WDFW officer.

Spokane County WSP Dispatch: 509-456-4101
Stevens County WSP Dispatch: 509-684-7431



eDNA Monitoring



UCUT Resolution



UCUT RESOLUTION 2020-003 Northern Pike Resolution

WHEREAS: the Upper Columbia United Tribes is a duly constituted intertribal commission of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe, Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation, Kalispel Tribe of Indians, Kootenai Tribe of Idaho, and the Spokane Tribe of Indians, by authority of the Constitution and By-Laws for the Upper Columbia United Tribes (UCUT); and,

WHEREAS: under the Constitution and By-Laws of the UCUT, the UCUT Commission is charged with the duty of protection, preservation, and enhancement of Treaty/Executive Order Rights, sovereignty, culture, fish, water, wildlife, habitat, and other interests and issues of common concern; and,

WHEREAS: the UCUT Member Tribes manage nearly 2-million acres of reservation land and co-manage nearly 14-million acres of aboriginal territory; and,

WHEREAS: UCUT Member Tribes maintain management authority of the waters of their Reservations and off-Reservation areas; and,

WHEREAS: the UCUT Commission classifies Northern Pike, *Esox lucius*, as an aquatic invasive, non-native, prohibited species; and,

WHEREAS: the establishment and expansion of Northern Pike, throughout the Columbia Basin poses a serious threat to fish and wildlife resources important to the UCUT Member Tribes; and,

WHEREAS: the establishment and expansion of Northern Pike is exacerbated due to hydropower development and operations in the Columbia Basin and illegal introductions; and,

WHEREAS: UCUT Member Tribes actively implement measures to control Northern Pike, take action to reduce their spread, and prevent future invasions on the waters of their Reservations and off-Reservation areas; and,

WHEREAS: the UCUT Commission recognizes that consistent Northern Pike management and policies are necessary for the coordination and the success of measures implemented by the Member Tribes and other governments; and,

WHEREAS: the UCUT Commission acknowledges that adequate funding for Northern Pike is a high priority; and,

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED: that in light of collaborative efforts, the UCUT Commission advocates all appropriate agencies to fully fund the prevention, control, and eradication efforts identified in UCUT management of Northern Pike; and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED: that the UCUT Commission will work with UCUT Member Tribes to develop Northern Pike policy that could be adopted by the UCUT Commission and all Member Tribes.

CERTIFICATION

The Upper Columbia United Tribes adopted the foregoing RESOLUTION at a regular meeting held on the 15th day of June, 2020, at Spokane, Washington, with the required quorum present, by a vote of 5 FOR, 0 AGAINST, 0 ABSTAIN, 0 ABSENT.

Damell Sam, Chairman, Upper Columbia United Tribes

Motion: Gary Aitken Jr.
Second: Nick Pierre
Voting Record: 5-0-0-0



Coeur d'Alene Tribe Resolution

LAW AND ORDER

REVISE AMEND TRIBAL CODE, CHAPTER 20,
SECTIONS: 20-3.01, 20-8.01 & 20-18.01

CD'A RESOLUTION 125 (2020)

WHEREAS, the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council has been empowered to act for and on behalf of the Coeur d'Alene Tribe pursuant to the revised Constitution and By-Laws adopted by the Coeur d'Alene Tribe by referendum November 10, 1984, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs, December 21, 1984; and

WHEREAS the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council has a responsibility to ensure the safety and well-being of its tribal members; and

WHEREAS the Tribal Council has the authority to enact laws and policies regarding the submerged lands and waters within the Coeur d'Alene Reservation including the authority to regulate hunting, fishing and trapping within the Coeur d'Alene Reservation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED That the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council hereby approves the Amendments to Chapter 20, Sections 20-3.01, 2 & 20-18.01 to read as follows:

20-3.01

Insert:

Definitions

(15) Invasive and Prohibited Species: Species that are not indigenous to the Reservation area, and are considered to have severe and deleterious impacts on resources that are important to the Tribe. For purposes of this Chapter, those species outlined by State of Idaho regulations as "Invasive" or "Prohibited" are herein adopted by reference unless otherwise adopted and defined by Tribal regulations.

- (a) Northern Pike – *Esox Lucius*
- (b) Muskellunge – *Esox masquinongy*
- (c) Any hybrids of the above species

20-18.01

Unlawful Possession of Game

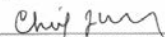
- (F) It shall be unlawful to waste and abandon sizeable, useful and edible portions of game and fish to feed such game to dogs, or other domestic animals, or throw away or dispose of edible portions or quantities of fish, game animals or game birds. Insert: Exceptions to this rule are those fish classified as invasive or prohibited.


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Insert: (G) It shall be unlawful to have a live northern pike or muskellunge, or a hybrid of the two species, in possession when on the Reservation or on tribally managed waters of Coeur d'Alene Lake.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing resolution was adopted at a meeting of the Coeur d'Alene Tribal Council held at the Tribal Headquarters Building, 850 A Street, Plummer, Idaho on September 10, 2020, with the required quorum present by a vote of 6 FOR 0 AGAINST 0 ABSTAIN 0 OUT


CHIEF J. ALLAN, CHAIRMAN
COEUR D'ALENE TRIBAL COUNCIL


GENE H. JAMES, SECTREASURER
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ATNI Resolution



2020 Virtual Annual Convention

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NORTHERN PIKE IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST

PREAMBLE

We, the members of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians of the United States, invoking the divine blessing of the Creator upon our efforts and purposes, in order to preserve for ourselves and our descendants rights secured under Indian Treaties, Executive Orders, and benefits to which we are entitled under the laws and constitution of the United States and several states, to enlighten the public toward a better understanding of the Indian people, to preserve Indian cultural values, and otherwise to promote the welfare of the Indian people, do hereby establish and submit the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) are representatives of and advocates for national, regional, and specific tribal concerns; and

WHEREAS, ATNI is a regional organization comprised of American Indians/Alaska Natives and tribes in the states of Washington, Idaho, Oregon, Montana, Nevada, Northern California, and Alaska; and

WHEREAS, the health, safety, welfare, education, economic and employment opportunity, and preservation of cultural and natural resources are primary goals and objectives of the ATNI; and

WHEREAS, ATNI classifies Northern Pike, *Esax lucius*, as an aquatic invasive, non-native, prohibited species when not in their historical range; and

WHEREAS, the establishment and expansion of Northern Pike outside of their historic range poses a serious threat to fish and wildlife resources; and

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WHEREAS, the establishment and expansion of Northern Pike outside of their historic range is exacerbated due to hydropower development and operations and, illegal introductions; and

WHEREAS, it is important to actively implement measures to control Northern Pike, take action to reduce their spread, and prevent future invasions on Reservation waters and off-Reservation areas; and

WHEREAS, ATNI recognizes that consistent Northern Pike management and policies are necessary for the coordination and the success of measures implemented by Tribes and other governments; and

WHEREAS, ATNI acknowledges that adequate funding for Northern Pike is a high priority; now

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that ATNI does hereby advocate all appropriate agencies to fully fund research, prevention, control, and eradication efforts for Northern Pike; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that ATNI does hereby commit to developing strategies to further Tribal, regional, state, and federal policy as it relates to the prevention and suppression of Northern Pike.

CERTIFICATION

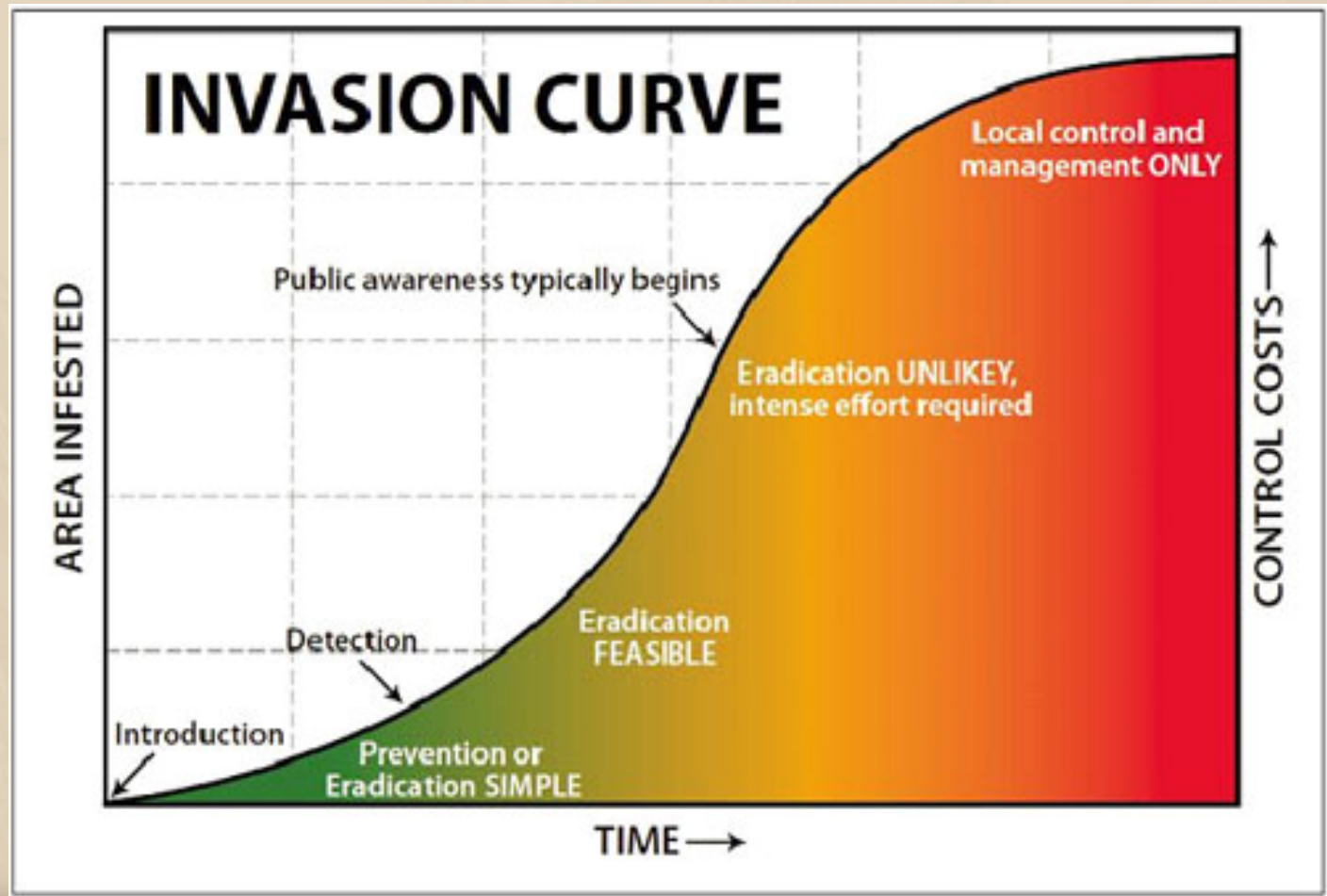
The foregoing resolution was adopted at the 2020 Virtual Annual Convention of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, Portland, Oregon, on October 5 - 8, 2020, with a quorum present.


Leonard Forsman, President


Norma Jean Louie, Secretary



Act NOW to Reduce Spread



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What the CB AIS Team Can Do

- Share the resolutions and continue to spread the word
- Collaborate with the UCUT Tribes, Washington, and Idaho
- Increase tools for early detection, prevention, and management
- Hold agencies accountable
- Continue to hold the pressure





Thank you

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