

SIFN Friday message, Feb. 12, 2010

Hello everyone: There is only one message this week, but an important one. Kim Elkin of the Tennessee team is helping to put together a flow symposium for the national AFS meeting in Pittsburgh. She needs participants/presenters. Her message is attached. Kim's deadline is Feb. 26, so please read and consider the possibility of sharing your work/findings. Respond directly to Kim if you wish to be involved. Her email is Kimberly.elkin@tn.gov and her phone, 615-781-6643. Thanks.

Have a wonderful valentines day, president's day, and mardi gras. Marilyn Barrett-O'Leary

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Influencing the Public, Industry, and Government to Maintain Environmental Flows

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Maintaining environmental flows is integral to human and aquatic organism needs. Gaining support for the maintenance of environmental flows for aquatic organisms can be extremely difficult. Scientists have to make a strong case for the importance of environmental flows. This session will explore how scientists use environmental flow research to influence the public, industry and government to make the right decisions for our rivers and streams. If we can't convince influential people about the importance of environmental flows, flows will be minimal and diversity will continue to decline. This session will be valuable to AFS members and participants because of the importance of environmental flows in fisheries management decisions.