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## NMSHMM Meeting on June 26 – Hot Topics in Environment, Health, and Safety

This month's meeting will be an open discussion of "hot topics" in environment, health, and safety.

We will cover topics such as fracking, mining, water, drought, on-going remediation sites, endangered species, air permitting and power plants, global climate change,

safety issues, economic issues, federal sequester, state budget, and other topics.

Please join us at Macaroni Grill on June 26, 11:30 am. One recertification credit will be offered.

In July, we will have an aspiring

professional presentation to get a Millennial Generation perspective on the environmental field.

## NMSHMM at Isotopes Baseball

NMSHMM's annual night at the Isotopes is scheduled for August 9. As always, the event will include hamburgers, side dishes, and cookies.

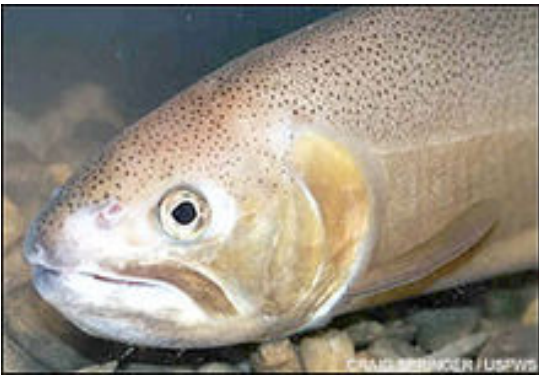
The cost will be \$25.00 per person. Please RSVP by email Tyler Irwin, NMSHMM Treasurer: [irwinct@cdmsmith.com](mailto:irwinct@cdmsmith.com)

### **EHMM Course.**

We also need volunteers to help organize the Essential of Hazardous Materials Management (EHMM) course. This is NMSHMM's main educational event. We depend on volunteers for its success. Planning for the 2013 course is in process.

Email [eric@marroninc.com](mailto:eric@marroninc.com) if you are interested.

## Bad Year To Be a Fish in New Mexico



Photographs of Rio Grande cutthroat trout (top photo), Gila trout (middle photo), and Rio Grande silvery minnow (bottom photo)

As the drought continues, fish seem to be getting the worst of it. The drought is not just affecting the little minnow-sized fish, such as the Rio Grande silvery minnow and Pecos bluntnose shiner. It is affecting what most people recognize as real fish, the Gila Trout and Rio Grande cutthroat trout. There is not enough water, or water of sufficient quality, to support many of our native fish populations.

As of early June, clouds were starting to form, and a few storms have produced small quantities of rain. Nevertheless, New Mexico is in an extreme water deficit. According to the Albuquerque Journal, Albuquerque received just 0.91 inch of rain from October 1, 2012 through May 31, 2013. It was the third driest start to the irrigation season since the late 1800's. Ninety-eight percent of New Mexico is in severe drought. On June 6, the Albuquerque Journal reported that the town of Magdalena's well, the town's only drinking water source, had dried up. Wells in Santa Fe and Las Vegas are also going dry.

New Mexico fish have been in trouble for some time. In the Pecos River,

the Pecos bluntnose shiner is restricted to reaches where enough water is available. In recent years, populations of the Rio Grande silvery minnow have been kept at a refugium near Los Lunas because of the regular drying of Rio Grande reaches.

During the 2012 Whitewater-Baldy Complex Fire, Gila trout were captured from streams in the Gila National Forest because of water quality concerns related to the fire. The Gila trout are being kept at the Mora National Fish Hatchery. On June 3<sup>rd</sup>, a population of Rio Grande cutthroat trout became the latest fish species impacted. Due to the Tres Lagunas Fire in the Pecos Canyon region, New Mexico Department of Game and Fish biologists removed 49 cutthroat trout from Macho Creek. The intent is to return the trout to Macho Creek once conditions are determined to be safe for the trout. Meanwhile, fish and humans in New Mexico wait for rain.

Sources: New Mexico Department of Game and Fish Wildlife Notes – Pecos bluntnose shiner, New Mexico Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office – Monthly Accomplishments March 2013, and Albuquerque Journal 5/31/13 and 6/6/13.

## Upcoming NMSHMM Events

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Date	Event	Location
<b>June 26, 11:30 am</b>	NMSHMM Luncheon, Hot Topics in Environment, Health, and Safety	Macaroni Grill, 2100 Louisiana NE, Albuquerque
<b>July 18, 5:30 pm</b>	NMSHMM Board Meeting	Call-in meeting, email <a href="mailto:eric@marroninc.com">eric@marroninc.com</a> if you plan to attend.
<b>July 17, 11:30 am</b>	NMSHMM Luncheon, Deanna Tenorio, Santa Fe Community College, A Millennial's Take on the Environment	Macaroni Grill, 2100 Louisiana NE, Albuquerque
<b>August 9</b>	Isotopes Game	RSVP <a href="mailto:irwinct@cdmsmith.org">irwinct@cdmsmith.org</a>
<b>October 7-9</b>	EHMM Course	AMEC, 8519 Jefferson NE, Email <a href="mailto:sandra.martin@state.nm.us">sandra.martin@state.nm.us</a>

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NMSHMM's mission is to provide environmental professionals in the Southwest with a forum for professional development, education

and networking opportunities; and to offer our community environmental, health, and safety expertise.

