

Project Proposal Presentations General Guidance

- Provide an overview for your project. Use maps and photos to quickly orient reviewers to your proposal and use your remaining time to emphasize the strongest features of your proposal in the clearest manner possible.
- For ongoing projects - Focus on results to date, how the results inform management of the project and program (adaptive management), and the expected outcomes of proposed work. Use summary tables, figures and photos to illustrate accomplishments, observations, and future expectations. The ISRP will likely ask for your results during the question period.
- For new proposals - Provide a thorough description of your project design (e.g., study, restoration, production) as well as a discussion of expected results. Include overview of timelines, budget and methods.
- Use only good quality graphics - Avoid slides with huge amounts of text or poor contrast between background and text. The more you can use short bullets to make your points, the better. Try not to “read” the slides; use conversational tone to convey the points. Use large font and check to be sure the image reads well from the back of a large room.
- Select the person that is most capable of making effective presentations - Additional technical staff can and should be present in the audience to help answer questions.
- Practice your presentation - It is essential that you remain within your time limits for the presentation; including 5 minutes for the ISRP questions. Facilitators will ensure that all presenters have time to present their proposal.

Sample slide presentation: *(You should have no more than 15 slides and aim for 10)*

- brief intro summing up the importance / purpose of project - 1 slide
- project objectives - 1 or 2 slides
- how the work fits in with other or similar work in the basin- 1 slide
- brief study design (location and number of sites, frequency of sampling, etc) - 1 or 2 slides
- overview of analysis performed and proposed - 1 or 2 slides
- results - 1 or 2 slides
- implications of results to fish and wildlife management - 1 slide
- conclusions / lessons learned / adaptive management implementation - 1 or 2 slides