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Our research seeks to understand environmental trade-offs and complementarities among activities related to energy production and other human activities from an ecosystem services perspective. For hydropower, our models represent responses of riverine fishes to modifications to flow, temperature (climate change), and connectivity. For bioenergy, we develop guidance for placing and managing crops to increase sustainability with respect to yield, water quality & quantity, and biodiversity.

RESEARCH LEADERSHIP

- 2015-2017. Model-guided conservation planning for fall Chinook salmon in the Middle Snake River. Idaho Power Company
- 2014-2016. Model-guided conservation planning for white sturgeon in the Middle Snake River. Idaho Power Company
- 2014-present. SECURE Water Act Section 9505-2 Environmental Focus. DOE Wind and Waterpower (sub-PI)
- 2009-present. Forecasting water quality and biodiversity, DOE Bioenergy Technologies Office
- 2006-2014. Population viability analysis of fall Chinook salmon in the Snake River, Idaho Power Company
- 2008-2011. CDFG San Joaquin River fall-run Chinook salmon production model refinement, California Department of Fish and Game
- 2006-2010. Population viability analysis of the endangered shortnose sturgeon in the Ogeechee River, GA, DOD Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program.
- 2009-2010. Spatial modeling of geographic patterns in biodiversity and biofuel production, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Lab Directed Research & Development Program
- 2000-2007. Population viability analysis of white sturgeon in the Snake River, Idaho Power Company
- 2005-2006. Testing and improvement of the ORCM Chinook salmon model, California Energy Commission Partnership in Energy Research Program
- 2001-2003. Conceptual population viability model for pallid sturgeon in the Missouri River, ORNL State Partnership Program

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS (53 total)

Book Chapters

- Efroymson RA, **HI Jager**, & W Hargrove. 2010. Valuing wildlands. Pages 157-185 In *Environmental Risk Assessment and Management from a Landscape Perspective*, L Kapustka, W Landis, and A Johnson (editors). John Wiley & Sons.
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- Jager HI**, MS Bevelhimer, KA Lepla, JB Chandler, & W Van Winkle. 2007. Evaluation of Reconnection Options for White Sturgeon in the Snake River Using a Population Viability Model. Pages 319-335 In *Proceedings of the Symposium on Anadromous Sturgeons*. J.F. Munro et al., ed., American Fisheries Society Symposium 56, American Fisheries Society, Bethesda, MD.
- Van Winkle W, BD Holcomb, **HI Jager**, JA Tyler, SY Whitaker & BJ Shuter. 1995. Regulation of energy acquisition and allocation to respiration, growth, and reproduction: simulation model and example using rainbow trout. *IN* RC Chambers and EA Trippel, (eds.), *Early Life History and Recruitment in Fish Populations*, Chapman and Hall.

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EDUCATION

- PhD 2000, Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Tennessee
- MS 1984, Ecology University of Tennessee
- BA 1979, Biology Franklin Pierce College, SUNY ESF

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

- 1988-2015 Staff scientist
Environmental Sciences Division,
Oak Ridge National Laboratory
- 2015-Present Senior scientist
- 2003-Present Joint Faculty Associate, Ecology &
Evolutionary Biology, University of
Tennessee @ Knoxville

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

- Nat'l Inst. of Mathematical & Biological Synthesis
Center for Bioenergy Sustainability (ORNL)
Climate Change Science Institute (ORNL)
Amer. Fisheries Society, Int. Society of Landscape
Ecologists, Ecological Society of America

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- Jager HI** & WS Overton. 1993. Explanatory models for ecological response surfaces. Chapter 42, pp. 422 - 437 *IN* Goodchild, M.F., B.O. Parks, and L.T. Steyaert (eds.), Environmental Modeling with GIS. Oxford University Press, NY.
- Cook, RB & **HI Jager**. 1991. Upper Midwest: The effects of hydrologic lake type and acidic deposition on lakewater chemistry. Chapter 13 *IN* D.F. Charles (ed.). Acidic Deposition and Aquatic Ecosystems: Regional Case Studies. Springer-Verlag, New York.

Journal Articles

- Jager, HI**, MJ Parsley, JJ Cech, Jr., RL McLaughlin, PS Forsythe, RF Elliott, and BM Pracheill. 2016. Reconnecting fragmented sturgeon populations in North American rivers. *Fisheries* 41(3), 140-148.
- Jager, HI**, RA Efrogmson, JJ Opperman, and MR Kelly. 2015. Spatial design principles for sustainable hydropower development in river basins. *Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews* 45: 808-816.
- Jager, HI**, LM Baskaran, PE Schweizer, A Turhollow, CC Brandt, and R Srinivasan. 2015. Forecasting changes in water quality in rivers associated with growing biofuels in the Arkansas-White-Red river drainage, USA. *Global Change Biology: Bioenergy* 7(4): 774-784.
- Jager, HI** and RA McManamay. 2014. Comment on “Cumulative biophysical impact of small and large hydropower development in Nu River, China” by Kelly Kibler and Desiree Tullos. *Water Resources Research* 50, 758–759.
- Jager, HI**. 2014. Thinking outside the channel: Timing pulse flows to benefit salmon via indirect pathways. *Ecological Modelling* 273: 117-127.
- McManamay, RA, DJ Orth, & **HI Jager**. 2014. Accounting for variation in species detection in fish community monitoring. *Fisheries Management and Ecology* 21, 96–112.
- Ridley, CE, **HI Jager**, RA. Efrogmson, C Kwit, DA. Landis, ZH Leggett, DA Miller, CM Clark. 2013. Debate: Can bioenergy be produced in a sustainable manner that protects biodiversity and avoids the risk of invaders? *Ecological Society of America Bulletin* 94(3): 277-290.
- Jager, HI**, DL Peterson, D Farrae, & MS Bevelhimer. 2013. A population model to assess influences on the viability of the shortnose sturgeon (*Acipenser brevirostrum*) population in the Ogeechee River, Georgia. *Transactions of the American Fisheries Society* 142(3): 731-746.
- Schweizer P & **HI Jager**. 2011. Modeling fish diversity in the Arkansas-Red-White River Basin. *Transactions of the American Fisheries Society* 140(5): 1227-1239. (<http://dx.doi.org/10.1080/00028487.2011.618354>)
- Jager, HI**, MS Bevelhimer, RL King, & KA Smith. 2011. Landscape influences on headwater streams on Fort Stewart, Georgia, USA. *Environmental Management* 47:95-807 (<http://dx.doi.org/10.1007/s00267-011-9722-4>)
- Perkins TA & **HI Jager**. 2011. A conditional strategy model accounts for spatiotemporal life history variation in Snake River fall Chinook salmon. *Transactions of the American Fisheries Society* 140(4): 959-972.
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- Jager HI**, KB Lepla, W Van Winkle, BA James, & SO McAdams. 2010. The elusive minimum viable population size for white sturgeon. *Transactions of the American Fisheries Society* 139: 1551-1565.
- Baskaran, LM, **HI Jager**, PE Schweizer & R Srinivasan. 2010. Progress toward evaluating the sustainability of switchgrass production at a regional scale. *American Society of Agricultural and Biological Engineers* 53(5): 1547-1556.
- Jager HI**, LM Baskaran, CC Brandt, EB Davis, CA Gunderson & SD Wullschleger. 2010. Empirical geographic modeling of switchgrass yields in the United States. *Global Change Biology: Bioenergy* 2(5): 248-257.
- Efrogmson RA, **HI Jager**, VH Dale, J Westerveld. 2009. A framework for developing management goals for species at risk and application to military installations in the United States. *Environmental Management* 44(6): 1163-1179.
- McCullough, DA, JM Bartholow, **HI Jager** and others. 2009. Research in thermal biology: Burning questions for coldwater stream fishes. *Reviews in Fisheries Science* 17(1): 90-115.
- Jager HI**, KA Rose, & A Vila-Gispert. 2008. Life history correlates and extinction risk of capital-breeding fishes. *Hydrobiologia* 602: 15-25.
- Jager HI** & BT Smith. 2008. Sustainable Reservoir Operation: Can we generate hydropower and preserve ecosystem values? *River Research and Applications* 24: 340-352.
- Jager HI** & MS Bevelhimer. 2007. How run-of-river operation affects hydropower generation. *Journal of Environmental Management* 40: 1004-1015.
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- Jager HI** 2005. Genetic and demographic implications of aquaculture on white sturgeon (*Acipenser transmontanus*) conservation. *Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences*. 62(8): 1733-1745
- Jager HI**, RA Efroymsen, K. Sublette & T.A. Ashwood. 2005. Unnatural landscapes in ecology: Generating the spatial distribution of brine spills. *Environmetrics* 16: 687-698.
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- Jager HI**, W Van Winkle, K Lepla, J Chandler, and P Bates. 2000. Population viability analysis of riverine fishes. Special issue of the *Journal of Environmental Science and Policy* 3: S483-489.
- Jager HI**, WH Hargrove, CC Brandt, AW King, RJ Olsen, JMO. Scurlock, & KA Rose. 2000. Constructive contrasts between modeled and measured climate responses over a regional scale. *Ecosystems* 3: 396-411.
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- Van Winkle W, KA Rose, BJ Shuter, **HI Jager**, & BD Holcomb. 1997. Effects of climatic temperature change on growth, survival, and reproduction of rainbow trout: predictions from a simulation model. *Canadian Journal of Fisheries and Aquatic Sciences* 54: 2526-2542.
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- Jager HI** & RH Gardner. 1988. A simulation experiment to investigate food web polarization. *Ecological Modelling* 41: 101-116.
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PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND SERVICE

- Invited to attend the Mississippi River Basin / Gulf Hypoxia Initiative meeting in Indianapolis. This initiative, led by the USFWS, seeks to provide guidance and also involves developing a decision support framework for farmers. (2016)
- Search committee, Spatial Biologist faculty position, Ecology and Evol. Biology, University of Tennessee, Knoxville
- Invited presentation, Symposium “Expanding the bioenergy paradigm- Certification and multi-use options (biodiversity, riparian buffers, water quality)”, National Working Forum: Managing Poplar and Willow for Environmental Benefits and the Renewable Fuels Industry, Portland, April, (2016)
- Invited presentation, Symposium “Using Science to Promote Sustainable Biofuels Production in the Southeast,” National Bioenergy Day webinar, Southeastern Partnership for Integrated Biomass Supply Systems (2015)
- Search committee, University of Tennessee EEB Faculty search (Spatial Ecologist) (2015-2016)
- Career panel (Non-academic careers in Statistical Ecology), National Institute for Mathematical & Biological Sciences, University of Tennessee, Knoxville (2015)
- Invited presentation to NSF Scholars, "Preparation of Data Driven Mathematical Scientists for the Workforce", East Tennessee State University (2015)
- NIMBIOS Working group, ‘Modeling Species Interactions’ (2013-2015)
- Invited presentation, Center for Bioenergy Sustainability, ORNL (2014).
- Invited presentation, NSF National Institute of Mathematical and Biological Synthesis (2014).
- Search committee, Director of National Institute for Mathematical & Biological Sciences (2014)
- Invited presentation Symposium, Model Complexity, American Fisheries Society meeting, September (2013).
- Keynote presentation Spring Runoff Conference, Utah State U. April (2013)
- Co-organizer, debate on the Sustainability of Biomass Production for Energy. Annual Meeting of the Ecological Society of America (2012)
- Local organizing committee, Annual Meeting of the Society of Mathematical Biology, Knoxville, TN. (2012)
- Invited presentation to Columbia Basin Sturgeon Workshop on sturgeon passage, Northwest Power Planning Council (2012)
- Scientific review of Alternative San Joaquin River Flow Objectives for the Protection of Fish and Wildlife for California EPA (2011)
- Peer review of USEPA Conceptual Models for Biofuel Feedstock Production (2011)
- Presentation to the Center for BioEnergy Sustainability Workshop “Billion Ton Study Sustainability” (2011)
- Invited presentation Great Lakes Fishery Trust Workshop, “Enhancing Lake Sturgeon Passage at Hydroelectric Facilities,” (2011)
- Invited presentation NMFS Sturgeon workshop - Recovery measures for Atlantic and shortnose sturgeon in Alexandria, VA (2011)
- Symposium “Shifting Landscapes: Biomass and Biodiversity” 2010 Intern’l Assoc. Landscape Ecologists, Athens, GA www.esd.ornl.gov/~zjj/IALE_symposium/
- EPA-DOE Joint workshop “A Watershed Perspective on Bioenergy Sustainability” (2010)
- Invited presentation Gulf Sturgeon Modeling Review Panel (2009), Cedar Key, Florida
- NSF Workshop “Computational Science for Natural Resource Managers,” Keynote presentation (2007)
- San Joaquin River Fall Chinook Salmon Modeling Review (2006), California Dept of Fish & Game.
- Scientific Committee, “Fish and Diadromy in Europe,” Conference, Bordeaux, France (2005)
- Pallid Sturgeon Review Panel for the US Army Corps of Engineers (2004-2005)
- Everglades Model Review Team for the US Geologic Service, Miami, FL (2002-2003)
- Panel discussion, Hydropower Relicensing and the Environment, WaterPower, Orlando, FL (1998)

AWARDS & EDITORIAL POSITIONS

Editorial Board, ‘Sustainability of Water Quality and Ecology’ (2015-2017)

Distinguished Scientific Achievement (Auerbach) Award, Environmental Sciences Division, ORNL (2006)

DOE Outstanding Mentor Award (2006)

ORNL Technical Publication Award (2001) for Jager et al. 2000. *Ecosystems* 3: 396-411

Ecological Society of America, Southeast Chapter Secretary-Treasurer (2002-2004)

Associate Editor for the North American Journal of Fisheries Management (2001-2002)

MENTORING

James Nance (Postdoc Fellow 2016), Jake Ferguson (NIMBIOS Postdoc Fellow 2015-); Angie Peace (NIMBIOS Postdoc Fellow 2015); Matthew Fuller, DOE Hydropower Fellow (2014-); Nate Sutton, post-MS (2014-2016); Jasmine Krieg, post-BS (2014-2015); Angelina Haines, post-BS (2014-2015); David Gorelick, BS (2014, 2015); Michael Kelly, PhD student (2013); Jamie Smedsmo, DOE Krell Institute Computational Fellow (2013); Peter Schweizer, postdoc (2008-2010); Mathew Rice (2011); Alex Perkins, PhD student, DOE Krell Institute Computational Fellow (2010); Lin Shi (2010); Alexandre Lockhart (2008); Emanuel Isang, ETSU (2008), Kendall Ernst, Stanford U. (summer 2007); Darryl Hoy, Dartmouth College (2005); Eric Carr, post-MS (2005), Liliya Hartman (2003); Annett Sullivan, Wigner Postdoc Fellow (2000-2002); Brian Maskarinek (2000-2001).

