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RE: AIFRB Outstanding Group Achievement Award 2017

Dear Sirs:

I am pleased to inform you that the American Institute of Fishery Research Biologists (AIFRB) has selected the Center for the Advancement of Population Assessment Methodology (CAPAM) as the 2017 recipient of the AIFRB Outstanding Group Achievement Award. Since 1982, AIFRB has recognized groups who have made significant contributions to fishery science. CAPAM was established in 2012 and, in a short time, has made an impressive mark not only in its development of standards for the application of stock assessment methodology, but in filling data gaps and resolving important stock assessment issues through its training and educational workshops.

Your organization was nominated for recognition of outstanding achievement by Rick Deriso. The nomination was reviewed and the AIFRB Board unanimously approved your award at its annual meeting last month.

Your work and professional collaborations exemplify the highest standards of research that AIFRB seeks to recognize and showcase. Thank you for your contributions to fishery science and congratulations on this award! AIFRB would like to present you with this award during the Southern California district's year-end event at the Dana Point Ocean Institute on the evening of November 11th. If you are not available, let's discuss a more opportune time and location.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to remind you that you can obtain additional information about AIFRB at www.aifrb.org. I encourage you stay in touch. Please feel free to contact me should you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Kim Anthony
President, American Institute of Fishery Research Biologists

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