

ANGLERS - REWARD FOR RETURNED TAGS



SCDNR is conducting a study of Largemouth Bass and Striped Bass in Stevens Creek Reservoir. Primary funding for the study is provided by SCE&G through the Stevens Creek Mitigation Trust Fund.

The objectives of the study are to:

1. Estimate mortality rates of Largemouth Bass.
2. Determine angler harvest rates of Largemouth Bass.
3. Determine seasonal movements of Striped Bass.

To accomplish these objectives, a number of Largemouth Bass and Striped Bass have been implanted with transmitters and externally tagged. All external tags have a \$50.00 value.

How do you report a tag?

- You do not need to harvest the fish to claim your reward.
- If you do not harvest the fish, simply clip the external tag (yellow monofilament streamer) from the fish. Do not pull it from the body, carefully release the fish and return the external tag to SCDNR for your reward.
- Do not cut the wire antenna from the fish if releasing.
- If harvesting the fish, please return the external tag and the internal transmitter (which should be visible inside the fish after filleting) so it can be reused.
- To report a tagged fish, call **1-888-824-7472**

What do you report about your tagged fish?

- Report the date your fish was caught, the location, the tag number and total length of the fish (when possible).
- Report whether the fish was released or harvested.

Thank you for your assistance in fisheries conservation and management!
For more information, call 803-353-8232.

