



Great Lakes Fishery Commission

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The Great Lakes Fishery Commission (GLFC) is pleased to announce its new journal *Laurentian*, which replaces three historically separate, irregularly published journals: *Technical Report*, *Special Publication*, and *Miscellaneous Publication*. Science Director Dr. Andrew Muir “hopes that a refreshed look, format, and style will make this publication consistent with the standards of the day and that efforts to broaden content will enhance the profile of GLFC-supported science and programs.” *Laurentian* will be published online [<http://www.glfc.org/pubs/laurentian/2022-01.pdf>] and in-print following American Fisheries Society publication guidelines and will be citation indexed by ProQuest®.

Laurentian will serve as an outlet for publication of interdisciplinary review and synthesis papers; narrowly focused material with special relevance to a single but important aspect of the GLFC’s mandate under the Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries; and scientific reports from committees that work under the umbrella of the GLFC. In addition, relevant papers that do not fit the format of mainstream journals owing, for instance, to length, extensive datasets, or nature of the material and its presentation, will be considered for publication.

The inaugural issue features a single article, “The History behind the Canada-U.S. Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries: A Seven-Decade Effort”. Commissioner William Taylor, Chair of the GLFC’s Board of Technical Experts, stated, “This first issue is a fascinating and detailed history of how binational cooperation over the shared Great Lakes fishery came to be after decades of cross-border squabbling, scant science, and considerable resource degradation. Cooperation, which we sometimes take for granted, was long in coming to the Great Lakes. This narrative chronicles the people and personalities that fought insistently for the successful Convention on Great Lakes Fisheries, after two precursors failed”.

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