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Classroom Aquarium Education Program Receives

Two National Awards

American Fisheries Society

In 2011, the California Department of Fish and Game's *"California's Classroom Aquarium Education Project"* was selected to receive the 2011 Sport Fish Restoration Outstanding Project award in the category of **Aquatic Education**. The annual Sport Fish Restoration Outstanding Project awards, given by the Fisheries Administration Section of the American Fisheries Society, are intended to both highlight the importance and effectiveness of the Sport Fish Restoration program and recognize excellence in fisheries management, research, and education.

Aquatic Resource Educators Association

In 2012, the Aquatic Resource Educators Association recognized the CAEP program for excellence in Classroom Aquarium Education. The award was presented to the Northern California Council Federation of Fly Fishers for their outstanding support of the Bay Area CAEP program.

The Federation of Fly Fisherman, Northern California Council was instrumental in the early adoption, ongoing support, and encouragement of clubs in other regions and states to support similar conservation programs.

The Federation of Fly Fishers, Northern California Council is dedicated to conservation and conservation education. Since the late 1980's they have supported efforts that have allowed more than half a million students to hatch fish in classroom aquariums.

Since the late 1980's, the NCFFF has provided volunteer and financial support to teachers involved in hatching fish in the classroom. (Their involvement stretches back further than our records)

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