

# The Washington State Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group Coalition



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Supporting and advocating for the RFEGs' mission  
to protect, restore and enhance the admi-  
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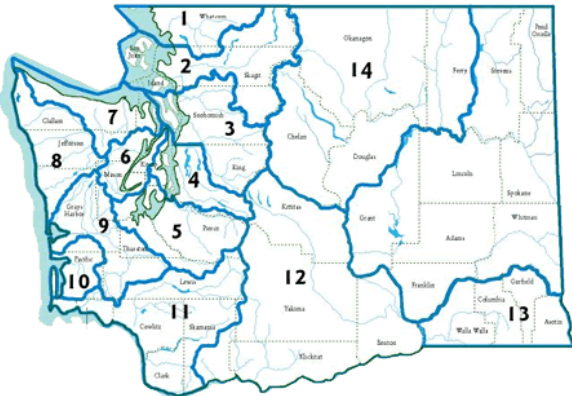
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## **Paul G. Ancich** *Memorial Scholarship*

**The Paul G. Ancich Memorial Scholarship** established in 2011 by the Washington State Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group Coalition in honor of Paul G. Ancich, a dedicated coalition member, lifelong commercial fisherman and a passionate advocate towards the preservation of wild salmon.

### **Who We Are:**

The Regional Fisheries Enhancement Coalition represents multiple Regional Fisheries Enhancement Groups (RFEG's) within Washington State. The RFEG's collectively work to rebuild salmon populations, and restore and protect salmon habitat within their regions. Through federal, state, county, tribal, and community partners RFEGs plays a role in local salmon restoration, monitoring and education. [www.rfeg.org](http://www.rfeg.org)



### **Region    Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group**

- 1    Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association
- 2    Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group
- 3    Sound Salmon Solutions/Stilly-Snohomish Fisheries Task Force
- 4    Mid-Sound Fisheries Enhancement Group
- 5    South Puget Sound Salmon Enhancement Group
- 6    Hood Canal Salmon Enhancement Group
- 7    North Olympic Salmon Coalition
- 8    Pacific Coast Salmon Coalition
- 9    Chelalis Basin Fisheries Task Force
- 11    Lower Columbia Fish Enhancement Group
- 12    Mid-Columbia Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group
- 13    Tri-State Steelheaders Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group
- 14    Cascade Columbia Fisheries Enhancement Group

### **The Scholarship Selection Process:**

This scholarship, offered each year by the WA RFEG Coalition, is designed to support the aspirations of Washington State students with goals of a natural science profession.

Interested individuals are to submit their scholarship application by June 1 to their local Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group. Visit <http://www.rfeg.org/> to determine your local RFEG. After June 1, each RFEG organization will review their applicants and submit one qualified application to the WA RFEG Coalition committee. The RFEG Coalition committee will then review the top applicants from across the state and make the final award selection.

**Application Deadline: June 1, 2012**

## ▶ Who is Eligible:

The scholarship will be awarded to a graduating Washington State high school student who is accepted in a two or four year university or college and plans to major in environmental/natural science, fisheries, biology, ecology, hydrology or related field.

## ▶ Scholarship Award:

The Paul G. Ancich Memorial Scholarship will be awarded by the Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group Coalition in the amount of \$2000 and will be paid directly to the school of the awarded recipient's choice.

## ▶ Criteria for Selection:

1. A high school senior with an acceptance letter to a two or four year college or university with a course of study leading to a major in environmental science, fisheries, biology, ecology, hydrology or related field.
2. Participation in a community or personal project that enhances, protects or restores wild salmon.
3. A short essay, describing your perspective on how to restore wild salmon within the Pacific Northwest watersheds.
4. Grades will be considered, but in context of demonstrated involvement and future goals related to the natural resource professions.

## ▶ A Completed Application Consists of:

1. A cover letter including the applicant's contact information, *a) Describe any participation or involvement in salmon-related issues. (b) What is your relationship with your local Regional Fisheries Enhancement Group?*
2. All high school transcripts.
3. A one page essay (refer to #3 under "Criteria for Selection")
4. A letter of acceptance from a college or university you plan to attend in the fall.
5. A letter of reference.

▶ **Send Completed Applications to:** your local regional fisheries enhancement group.

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