

A/OFRC EDUCATIONAL OUTREACH KETTLE & STONY POINT FIRST NATION

November 2015

FISHERIES WORKSHOP

INTRODUCTION

The Anishinabek/Ontario Fisheries Resource Centre (A/OFRC) hosted a morning of activities for students from Hillside School on Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at Brian's Channel in Kettle & Stony Point First Nation.

METHODS

A/OFRC hosted a workshop with two groups of 17 students from 5th grade classrooms. The workshop began with an introductory circle where students were asked to give their name and describe their favourite outdoor activity. The fisheries demonstration was lead by A/OFRC's fisheries biologists, and included an electrofishing demonstration and fish identification exercise. Several



Heidi Manitowabi, Community Liaison Specialist leading a circle

games were prepared in advance, and included a "day at the beach" relay race, School of Fish game, and a scavenger hunt. A group discussion on Invasive Species, specifically Phragmites, took place at the end of the workshop while waiting for the school bus.

RESULTS

A total of 34 students participated in the workshop in Kettle & Stony Point. Unfortunately, due to the

schedule changing at the last minute, we had to think on our feet and make some accommodations. This resulted in a missed activity with Community Elder and A/OFRC Board Member, Brian Monague, on fish filleting and the history of Kettle & Stony Point waters.

CONCLUSION

Overall, the workshop was a success. When requesting verbal feedback from participants, they all agreed that they had fun and learned at the same time. The teachers were impressed by some of the techniques utilized by the A/OFRC, and invited us back to conduct another workshop.



Kyle Crans, A/OFRC Fisheries Biologist, leading a fish identification exercise



Kyle Crans and Curtis Avery, A/OFRC Fisheries Biologists, showing off the swine net



Hillside School students listening attentively about invasive species



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