

**Curriculum Vitae  
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***Qualifications and Skills:***

***Professional Experience:***

Deputy Director

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission  
Administration Division  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

June 2022 – Present

Supervisor: Doug Schoenrock

Chief of Fisheries

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission  
Fisheries Division  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

July 2018 – June 2022

Supervisor: Roger Mangham

Assistant Chief of Fisheries

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission  
Fisheries Division  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

July 2015 – July 2018

Supervisor: Chris Racey

Program Coordinator

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission  
Fisheries Division  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

September 2012 – July 2015

Supervisor: Chris Racey

Assistant Fisheries Biologist

Arkansas Game and Fish Commission  
Fisheries Division  
Little Rock, Arkansas 72205

May 2009 – September 2012

Supervisor: Clifton Jackson

Ecologist II

Arkansas Department of Environmental Quality  
Environmental Preservation Section  
North Little Rock, Arkansas 72118

May 2008 – May 2009

Supervisor: Nat Nehus

Research Technician  
University of Arkansas Pine Bluff  
Aquaculture Fisheries Center of Excellence  
Pine Bluff, Arkansas 71601

January 2007 – May 2008  
Supervisor: Dr. Mike Eggleton

Graduate Research Assistant  
University of Arkansas Pine Bluff  
Aquaculture Fisheries Center of Excellence  
Pine Bluff, Arkansas 71601

May 2004 – January 2007  
Supervisor: Dr. Mike Eggleton

Hourly Museum Assistant  
Illinois Natural History Survey  
Center for Biodiversity – Ichthyology  
Champaign, Illinois 61820

May 2002 – May 2004  
Supervisor: Dr. Mike Retzer

***Education:***

Masters of Science – Fisheries, May 2008, University of Arkansas Pine Bluff

Bachelor of Science – Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences, May 2004,  
University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

***Grants Received:***

2014 AFWA Locavore Hunting Program Grant \$2,000

2003 R. Weldon Larimore/Jordan Creek Endowment Fund Award \$500  
“Recovery of a Midwest stream following an ammonia spill.” Benjamin Batten

***Professional Awards:***

2015 Arkansas AFS Service Award - President

2012 Arkansas AFS Service Award - Secretary

2004 Competitive Research Assistantship, Aquaculture/Fisheries Center of Excellence,  
University of Arkansas Pine Bluff

2001 – 2004 Dean’s List, University of Illinois

***Publications:***

**Peer-Reviewed Publications**

- Eggleton, M. A., B. G. Batten and C. R. Peacock. 2012. Spotted bass population characteristics and relationships with macrohabitat variables in the Arkansas River, Arkansas. Proceedings of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies. In Press.
- Peacock, C. R., B. G. Batten and M. A. Eggleton. 2011. Exploring the utility of various minimum-length limits for the largemouth bass fishery in the Arkansas River, Arkansas. Proceedings of the Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies 65:148-155.
- Eggleton, M. A., B. G. Batten and S. E. Lochmann. 2010. Largemouth bass fishery characteristics in the Arkansas River, Arkansas. Proceedings of the Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies 64:154-161.
- Neal, J. W., N. J. Harris, S. Kumaran, D. A. Behler, T. J. Lang, P. R. Port, M. Melandri and B. G. Batten. 2007. Comparison of aquatic-insect habitat and diversity above and below road crossings in low-order streams. Journal of the Arkansas Academy of Science 61:78-83.
- Retzer, M. E. and B. Batten. 2005. Fishes of the Chicago Region: A review of the Dennison and Illinois Natural History Survey Collections. Transactions of the Illinois Academy of Science 98:67-73.

#### **Technical Reports**

- Nault, K. N., B. G. Batten. 2015. Lake Maumelle 2014 Creel Report.
- Nault, K. N., B. G. Batten. 2014. Lake Maumelle – 2009 to 2013 Largemouth and Spotted Bass Management Report.
- Eggleton, M. A., B. G. Batten and B. V. Fontaine. 2008. Task 2 – Arkansas River Mitigation Study: Characterization of dike fields prior to proposed notching with respect to fish communities and aquatic habitats in the lower Arkansas River – 2007 project report. U. S. Army Corps of Engineers – Little Rock District and Waterways Experiment Station.

#### **Non-Refereed Articles**

- Batten, B. G. and M. A. Eggleton. 2009. "Seeing spots: don't forget the black bass family's other member." Arkansas Wildlife. May-June 2009, p. 10-11.
- Batten, B. G. and M. A. Eggleton. 2009. "Current state of the Arkansas River largemouth bass fishery." Arkansas Outdoors (<http://www.agfc.com/news/arkansasoutdoors.aspx>). 8 April 2009.

**Contributed Oral Presentations (Bold indicates speaker)**

**Batten, B. G.** 2013. Perception is Reality: Resurrecting the “Dead Sea” in Arkansas through partnerships.

**Batten, B. G.** 2011. Habitat enhancement in Lake Maumelle, or thinking outside the brush. Arkansas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Meeting, Little Rock, AR.

**Eggleton, M. A.,** B. G. Batten and S. E. Lochmann. 2010. Largemouth bass fishery characteristics in the Arkansas River, Arkansas. Southeastern Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies Meeting, Biloxi, MS.

**Peacock, C. R.,** B. G. Batten and M. A. Eggleton. 2010. Relationships between largemouth bass *Micropterus salmoides* and hydrology in the Arkansas River. Southern Division American Fisheries Society Student Colloquium, Mountain View, AR.

**Eggleton, M. A.,** B. V. Fontaine, and B. G. Batten. 2009. Characterizations of dike field fish communities prior to proposed notching in the lower Arkansas River. Arkansas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Meeting, Bentonville, AR.

**Fontaine, B. V.,** C. P. Hutt, B. G. Batten, J. W. Neal and M. A. Eggleton. 2008. Assessment of exploitation patterns of largemouth bass in the lower Arkansas River. Joint meeting of the Arkansas and Mississippi Chapters of the American Fisheries Society, Tunica, MS.

**Batten, B. G.,** M. A. Eggleton and S. E. Lochmann. 2008. Population dynamics of black bass *Micropterus spp.* in the lower Arkansas River. Joint meeting of the Arkansas and Mississippi Chapters of the American Fisheries Society, Tunica, MS.

**Batten, B. G.,** M. A. Eggleton and S. E. Lochmann. 2007. Patterns in Largemouth bass (*Micropterus salmoides*) population dynamics in the lower Arkansas River. Arkansas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Meeting, Mountain View, AR.

**Batten, B. G.,** M. A. Eggleton and S. E. Lochmann. 2007. Patterns in Largemouth bass (*Micropterus salmoides*) population dynamics in the lower Arkansas River. Annual Meeting of the Southern Division of the American Fisheries Society, Memphis, TN.

**Batten, B. G.,** M. A. Eggleton and S. E. Lochmann. 2006. Largemouth bass population characteristics in the lower 11 pools of the Arkansas River. Annual Meeting of the Southern Division of the American Fisheries Society, San Antonio, TX.

**Batten, B. G.,** M. A. Eggleton and S. E. Lochmann. 2006. Largemouth bass population characteristics in the lower 11 pools of the Arkansas River. Arkansas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Meeting, Bismarck, AR.

**Batten, B. G.,** M. A. Eggleton and S. E. Lochmann. 2006. Largemouth bass population characteristics in the lower 11 pools of the Arkansas River. University of Arkansas Pine Bluff Research Forum, Pine Bluff, AR.

**Batten, B. G.** and M. A. Eggleton. 2005. Relationships between largemouth bass *Micropterus salmoides* and off-channel habitats in the lower Arkansas River. Arkansas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society Meeting, Russellville, AR.

### ***Professional Memberships***

2006	Sigma Xi
2005 – Present	American Fisheries Society
2004 – Present	Arkansas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society

### ***Professional Certification***

2017 – Present	American Fisheries Society – Certified Fisheries Professional
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### ***Professional Service***

2024 – Present	Chairman of the Board, Mississippi Interstate Cooperative Resource Association
2021 – 2024	Executive Board Member, Mississippi Interstate Cooperative Resource Association
2018 – 2021	General Meeting Chair, Southern Division American Fisheries Society 2020 Annual meeting, Little Rock
2015 – 2016	Past President, Arkansas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society
2014 – 2015	President, Arkansas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society
2010 – 2012	Secretary, Arkansas Chapter of the American Fisheries Society
2010 – 2012	Member, Arkansas Game and Fish Commission Electrofishing standard sampling committee

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Arkansas River Standard Sampling Committee

2005 – 2006

President, UAPB student sub-unit, Arkansas AFS