

## **John Farrell, PhD**

John is a Professor of Aquatic and Fisheries Science at the SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry and serves as coordinator of the AFS major in the Department of Environmental Biology. He also serves as the founding director of the Thousand Islands Biological Station (TIBS), an aquatic research station on Governors Island in the St. Lawrence River and he works to promote its mission of applied science, education, and management to guide informed policy and enhancement of fish and aquatic resources. John received his BS degree from Cornell University and MS and PhD from ESF, but also spent a year in Canada at York University including a memorable summer with Ann Roche *et al.* at the Dorset Lab in Central Ontario. He is about to begin his 32nd field season at TIBS. He conducts research on warm and coolwater fish ecology but also works on topics including environmental monitoring, wetland ecology, lower trophic levels, invasive species, disease ecology, and habitat management. John has mentored numerous students including AFS Hutton Scholars undergraduates, MS and PhD students and post-doctoral fellows. John is a past-president of New York AFS and has been Associate Editor for the journal *Wetlands*, and completed special issues for the *Journal of Great Lakes Research*, *Hydrobiologia*, and the *North American Journal of Fisheries Management* and co-edited an AFS book on Muskellunge Management. In 2017, he received the SUNY-ESF Exemplary Researcher Award for excellence in mid-career achievements. John strongly advocates for field stations and marine laboratories and is active on the Advisory Board for the Central Michigan University Biological Station, and the Cornell University Biological Field Station where he got his start in research.