

European restoration programme for common sturgeon. (Cemagref Report - 12/2002)

This report presents an European restoration programme for the endangered common sturgeon, *Acipenser sturio*, in the Gironde-Garonne-Dordogne system in the south west of France. The programme was launched in October 1994 to end in December 1996.

It is done in three different operations which are :

- catching of wild breeders for stocking experiment
- identification and protection measures for spawning ground
- status of the sturgeon population in the wild.

Key words : ACIPENSER STURIO; RESTORATION OF POPULATION;
BREEDING; SPAWNERS; JUVENILES; STOCKING ; CONTROL REPRODUCTION ;
CAPTURE; MIGRATION; SEASONAL PHENOMENON; SPAWNING GROUND; AGE
GROUP; ESTIMATE OF ABUNDANCE; FISHING