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## ***Monster Fish's Stay Extended Through Summer***

- *As The Discovery unveils NEW Underwater Nevada exhibit, the wildly popular Monster Fish: In Search of the Last River Giants will stay through September 5, 2016 -*

(Reno, NV) – Mat Sinclair, executive director at The Terry Lee Wells Nevada Discovery Museum (The Discovery), is proud to announce that while *Monster Fish: In Search of the Last River Giants* was due to close at the museum this weekend, the exhibition has been granted an extended stay through September 5, 2016. Fans of the 6,000 square-foot traveling exhibition from National Geographic have even more to look forward to with five species of live fish recently added, and an all-new experience that explores fish native to Nevada.

Created in collaboration with Dr. Zeb Hogan, a National Geographic Explorer and University of Nevada, Reno Research Associate Professor, The Discovery has unveiled *Underwater Nevada: Connecting Fish, Water, and People*. This new exhibit explores the freshwater fish, and accompanying aquatic habitats, of arid Nevada, with a special focus on Nevada's heritage tied to conservation efforts in the state. Funding for *Underwater Nevada* was provided by Trout Unlimited - Sagebrush Chapter, the Western Division of the American Fisheries Society, and the Global Water Center at the University of Nevada, Reno.

"We have been overwhelmed by the incredible reaction to *Monster Fish*," said Sinclair. "So naturally, we were thrilled at the opportunity to keep the exhibition through the summer months. We continue to see return guests, as well as those that are coming to see this unique attraction for the first time." He added, "The timing is perfect as we can now also offer guests an opportunity to learn more about aquatic life from right here in Nevada."

*Monster Fish: In Search of the Last River Giants* features stunning life-size sculptures, hands-on interactive exhibits, and evocative video installations that put you face-to-face with more than 20 species—each at least six feet long or weighing in at more than 200 pounds. Museum visitors are taken on a global journey to storied river basins with Dr. Hogan on his quest to find, research, and protect these freshwater giants and the habitats they call home.

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