

# **Ceratomyxosis (*Ceratomyxa shasta*)**

## **DISEASE IN ANIMALS**

Ceratomyxosis is caused by a tissue-invading protozoan parasite that can cause serious losses in pre-spawning adult and juvenile Salmonids. The formation of large, spore-filled cysts leads to loss of appetite, emaciation, distended abdomen, dropsy and popeye.

**Reporting:** This is a reportable animal disease in Ohio and all suspected cases must be reported to the Ohio Department of Agriculture (ODA), Division of Animal Industry at (614) 728-6220 or (800)-300-9755 or the USDA APHIS Veterinary Services at (614) 856-4735 or (800) 536-7593.

## **DISEASE IN HUMANS**

This is not a zoonosis.

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

### **Reportable Animal Diseases in Ohio:**

[ODA Division of Animal Industry](#)

[OAC Chapter 901:1-21 Dangerously Contagious or Infectious and Reportable Diseases](#)

[USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service](#)

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[Great Lakes Fishery Commission](#)