

## **Project Update: July 2011**

We have made the first trip to Gilgel Abay River and its tributaries and identified seven sampling sites.

The following are our sampling sites:

- The River mouth-where Gilgel Abay River joins Lake Tana
- Gilgel Abay River
- Koga River (tributary of Gilgel Abay River)
- Kilti River (tributary of Gilgel Abay River)
- Ashar River (tributary of Gilgel Abay River)
- Jemma River (tributary of Gilgel Abay River)
- Zabzini River (tributary of Gilgel Abay River)

Fish specimens of *Labeobarbus* spp. were also collected and we are able to note that this is the beginning of the spawning migration of these fishes.

The sampling efforts will continue until November 2011 (the end of the spawning period for *Labeobarbus* spp.).

We will have a workshop in December 2011 to review our findings and create awareness among fishermen, development workers and local officers working in the vicinity in the fields of Agriculture and Environment.