

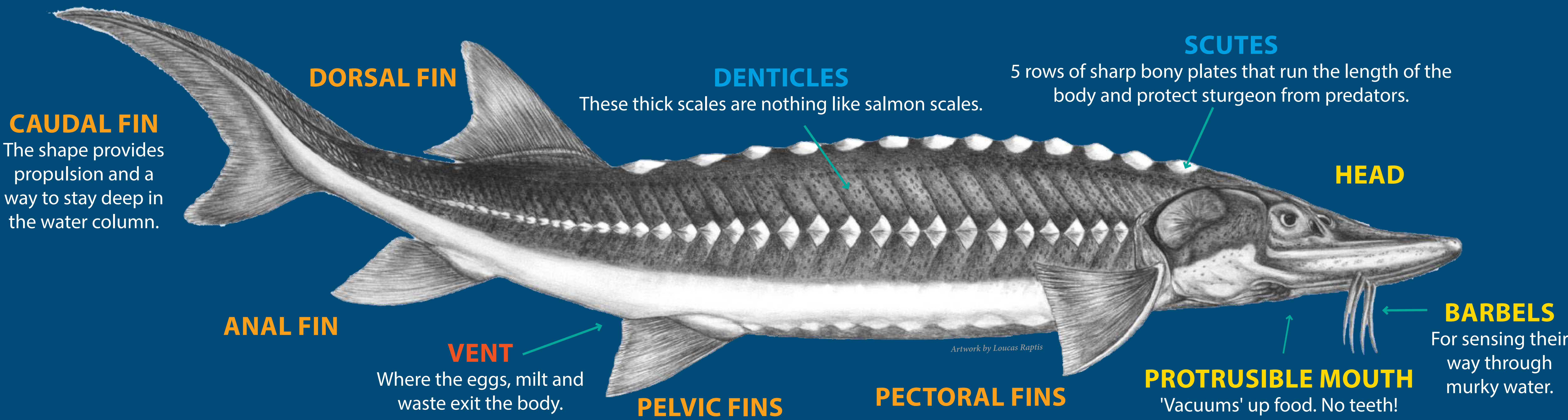
# NECHAKO WHITE STURGEON

## FACTS & FIGURES

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### Nechako River Conservation

The population in the Nechako River is **Endangered** under the *Species at Risk Act*. The *Nechako White Sturgeon Conservation Centre* in Vanderhoof is one of a number of initiatives that support the recovery of the Nechako white sturgeon population. This conservation fish culture program accounts for genetic diversity of the natural population. **Tours of the Conservation Centre are available year-round.**



### Did you know?

- individuals can swim hundreds of kilometers between winter and summer habitats
- if water or habitat conditions aren't right, females may re-absorb their eggs at spawning
- female sturgeon spawn every 2-10 years
- a full-sized female can release up to 1,000,000 eggs!
- sturgeon eggs are sticky
- sturgeon have no bones - only cartilage
- sturgeon lived during the time of dinosaurs!

**Please tell us if you see a sturgeon**  
 Researchers work year-round to learn more about White Sturgeon in the Fraser and Nechako rivers. Reporting sightings or accidental catches of sturgeon helps researchers understand the population and supports recovery. Make your report to a Conservation Officer and [info@nechakowhitesturgeon.org](mailto:info@nechakowhitesturgeon.org).  
**White sturgeon in our area are endangered - it is illegal to kill or keep any part of a sturgeon.**

