

# News Release



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### **Berkshire National Fish Hatchery Released for Public Review “Berkshire National Fish Hatchery Draft Recreational Fish Plan”**

Fishing is a traditional use of the National Fish Hatchery System. At Berkshire National Fish Hatchery (NFH), we welcome people of all backgrounds and abilities to participate in recreational fishing.

Berkshire NFH is seeking public review and comment on its proposed fishing opening. The public is invited to review the draft documents for our proposed fishing program, including the Draft Fishing Plan and Environmental Assessment. These documents will be available for a 45-day comment period.

Berkshire NFH, near Great Barrington, Massachusetts, is proposing to:

- Provide opportunities for freshwater fishing on hatchery lands
- Provide opportunities for other non-consumptive recreation on hatchery

Draft documents are available online at the hatchery’s official website at <https://www.fws.gov/berkshire>. You can contact the hatchery at 413-528-9761 or at the emails listed above to request more information.

You may submit questions or comments directly to the hatchery via mail, through the emails listed above, or during regular hatchery business hours. The hatchery is open daily, including Saturday and Sunday, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Across the country, National Fish Hatcheries work closely with state agencies, tribes, and private partners to expand recreational fishing access. Fishing provides opportunities for communities, families, and individuals to enjoy the outdoors, support conservation efforts, and participate in a popular American tradition.

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