

HATCHERY HIGHLIGHTS

Dworshak National Fish Hatchery

Kids Fishing Day



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Tunnel Ponds



The Dworshak National Fish Hatchery (Hatchery) partnered with the Nez Perce Tribe to host the annual Kids Fishing Day at the Tunnel Ponds near Orofino, Idaho. Hatchery volunteers and staff, along with local volunteers from the Clearwater Sheriff's department, the Nez Perce Tribe, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, and the local school district helped bring the event together.



Bait, Tackle, and More!



The Hatchery and Nez Perce Tribe and local vendors provided poles, bait, nets and even capable fishing experts to help with the experience.



Clearwater County sheriff deputies taught participants about boating safety and awareness and showed off their tools of the trade.

All about the Fish



Patient anglers under 12 years of age were rewarded with a relaxing morning of fishing. The rainbow trout were eager to bite and kept short attention spans occupied until a limit of 6 fish per child was reached.

Helping Hands



Staff helped net fish, bait hooks, provide casting lessons, stories between bobber dunks, and iced caught fish. It was a wonderful spring day and everyone had a great time.

Family Fun!



The event had 59 registered kids (under 12) for fishing and about twice that number of total participants. Although total numbers were down from previous years due to weather reports, everyone that made the event had fun!

Connecting Children and Nature

This event was made possible through funding from the Army Corps of Engineers and the dedicated support from staff, volunteers, and partners. The Hatchery looks forward to similar events in the future.

Partnerships in Action

