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MEMORANDUM

October 24, 2005

TO: ARD-Fisheries Attn: Rich Johnson, Field Supervisor

FROM: Project Leader, Hagerman NFH

SUBJECT: "September" Activity Report

PRODUCTION

Steelhead Brood Year 2005

Lot Number	Stock	Number	Total Fish Weight	Size (#/lb)	Length (inches)
111	Pahsimeroi	208,738	6,139	34	4.3
112	Sawtooth	1,054,966	19,571	54	3.7
110	Clearwater B	204,649	5,386	38	4.1

The health of all Steelhead lots remains good, no necropsies were performed during this month. The Pahsimeroi and unmarked Yankee Fork groups were split out to final rearing raceways in preparation for ad clipping of the other marked groups. Ad marking was initiated and then postponed because of a lack of labor force. Ad marking and CWT marking are now rescheduled for October.

Rainbow Trout (Dworshak Reservoir Mitigation)

Lot Number	Stock	Number	Total Fish Weight	Size (#/lb)	Length (inches)
108	Hayspur T-9 Rainbows	4,104	1,717	2.39	9.6
109	Hayspur T-9 Rainbows	30,096	12,592	2.39	9.6

Lots 108 and 109 were stocked on September 20th into Salmon Falls Creek Reservoir. Overall survival for Lot 108 and 109 was 93% and 77%, respectively. Broodyear 2006 requests are 105,000 Triploid Hayspur T9/KT's on December 22, 2005 for spring fingerling stocking and 50,000 Triploid Hayspur T9/KT's on January 24, 2006 for fall catchable stocking.

OPERATIONS

Bryan Kenworthy, Project Leader, and Steve Money, Maintenance Mechanic, met with engineers and surveyors working on the design for the 24-inch steel pipeline replacement (Main Spring to Bickel Ditch). The plan is to have the line replaced in February.



24-inch Line Crossing Riley Creek



Deteriorated Pipe-nothing lasts forever

COORDINATION

On September 16, Bryan Kenworthy, Project Leader and Steve Money, Maintenance Mechanic met with Kelly Donahue, Landscape Architect-Division of Visitor Services and Communications (VSC), and a contract design engineer regarding development of a design for the rehabilitation of the Hatchery's Display Pond and Picnic Area. The VSC office provided the funding for project design. The design will focus on improving accessibility to the area. During her visit, Kelly had the opportunity to meet with Debbie Dane, Executive Director – South Central Idaho Tourism and Recreation Development Association (SCITDRA), regarding progress on the update of the Thousand Springs Scenic By-way, Corridor Management Plan (Plan). A portion of the funding provided by the Fish and Wildlife Service Refuge Roads Program, through a Cooperative Agreement with the Hatchery, has allowed SCITDRA to secure an additional \$36K funding through the Idaho Department of Transportation. This funding will allow the by-way committee to hire a consultant to assist with the update of the existing Plan.

Bryan Kenworthy and Mark Olson, Assistant Project Leader, participated in a conference call with Idaho Fish & Game, the Lower Snake River Compensation Plan Office, and the Idaho Fisheries Resource Office to discuss future plans for fish marking operations for the three Southern Idaho steelhead hatcheries. A proposal is being considered to have the automatic trailer operated out of the Columbia River Program Office to conduct the marking at the Hatchery in FY06.

PERSONNEL/TRAINING/SAFETY

Brian Clifford, Motor Vehicle Operator, traveled to NCTC to attend the “Maintenance Workshop for FWS Wage Grade Professionals”.

James Brandon traveled to Spring Creek National Fish Hatchery for a one week Chinook salmon spawning detail and to assist with their annual open house.

OUTREACH

For the second year in a row, the Hatchery partnered with the National Parks Service, Hagerman Fossil Beds National Monument (NPS), to staff a booth at the Twin Falls County Fair. Nathan Wiese, Fishery Biologist, worked with the NPS staff as part of an effort to increase public awareness about the Hatchery and the Fossil Beds. A total of 4,251 contacts were made during the 6 day event.

Nathan Wiese also assisted Chris Starr, Margaret Anderson, and Tammy Froscher from the Lower Snake River Compensation Plan Office to staff the 2005 Idaho Salmon and Steelhead Days for 5th graders. Held in Boise, activities included Kids in the Creek, fish prints, a Salmon obstacle course, and an interactive question and answer sessions with staffers.

The Hatchery conducted 4 scheduled tours consisting of 40, 4th graders and adults for the Rose Hill School of Boise, the Gooding Walker Center, Boy Scout Wolf Den Pak 139, and a small group of visitors from Illinois.

350 visitors signed the guest registry.



Twin Falls Fair



Clipping Trailer Arrives

MAINTENANCE

Vehicles and Equipment

- The Fire/Water Truck was delivered to a commercial vendor for repairs.

- A quarterly bacteria test was completed on the domestic water system.
- A new axle was welded on the trac-vac, leaf vacuum.
- Serviced Forklift.
- Installed slide gate and hopper, finished building cone in feed bin #1.
- Sealed floor and bin bottoms and also installed wall panels to attach, transformers, circuit panels, electrical panels and receivers for remote start systems on feed bins #1 and #2 for the automatic feed delivery system.

Buildings and Grounds

- Painting contractor completed project to paint steel fascia on the Administration and Hatchery #2 buildings.
- Washed asphalt for repair and seal coat.
- A paving contractor completed the asphalt seal coat of the Hatchery's entrance way and a major portion of the asphalt around the residences and the Steelhead Raceways. A small portion of the asphalt area was not done due to limited funds.



Blacktop Project

- The two Hatchery buildings were winterized.

