

MAGIC VALLEY HATCHERY

Monthly Narrative Report

July 2009

Rick Lowell

BROODYEAR 2009 PRODUCTION

A total of 1,880,428 eyed eggs have been received for Brood Year 2009. Current inventory of feeding fry is approximately 912,862 Dworshak stock, 573,395 Pahsimeroi Stock, 109,129 USB Stock, and 129,984 Sawtooth Stock. Our combined average size is 160.1 fish per pound. Feed conversion to date is approximately 0.68.

FISH HEALTH

All stocks of steelhead fry appear to remain in good condition. Fish pathology inspections during July have yielded negative results for pathogens.

SUMMARY

Hatchery personnel completed the following projects and activities during July:

- Completed disinfecting outside raceways to prepare for Brood Year 2009.
- Fish marking began on July 30th.
- Worked on the remodeling of Residence "D" basement Bathroom.
- Received new Oxygen meter from LSRCP.
- Completed and submitted the BY 2008 annual report to the Fisheries Bureau.
- Received bids for asphalt crack repair and seal coating.
- Completed the annual cleaning (olfactory challenging) of our feed bin metering system.
- Provided personnel to assist with vaccinating rainbow broodstock at Hayspur Hatchery.
- Provided personnel to assist Hagerman State Hatchery with stocking catchable rainbow in the South Fork Boise River.
- Continued to coordinate Fish Transport Tanker repairs with Steve Money from Hagerman National Hatchery.
- Rick took a week off to climb the highest peaks in Colorado, New Mexico, and Oklahoma.

UPCOMING PROJECTS/EVENTS

- Continue with miscellaneous landscaping.
- Replace hatchery heat pump/irrigations system pumps.
- Complete first round of fish marking.
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NEW ZEALAND MUDSNAIL OBSERVATIONS

We have not observed Mudsnails in any of the hatchery rearing containers.

Mt. Elbert, Colorado
14,433'



Black Mesa, Oklahoma
4,972'



Mt. Wheeler, New Mexico
13,161'

