

CRESTON NATIONAL FISH HATCHERY

SEPTEMBER 2020 MONTHLY REPORT

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FISH PRODUCTION

SEPTEMBER 30, 2020

SPECIES	NUMBER	FISH/LB.	LENGTH(IN)	WEIGHT(lbs.)
RBT-ARD-19	12,374	3.75	8.74	3,298
RBT-ARD-20	159,230	23.47	4.73	6,786
RBT-ARD-20T	26,137	18.87	5.10	1,385
RBT-ELD-20	349,175	54.82	3.57	6,369
RBT-ELD-20T	22,022	64.68	3.38	340
WCT-WED-20	280,969	748.71	1.56	375
TOTAL	849,907			18,554

FACILITY MAINTENANCE



Brad Flickinger repaired the roof and the vent pipe on the main office building.



All old faded concrete signage was repainted to inform the public of the dangers around the hatchery.



Brad Flickinger replacing old worn out wooded dam boards that are starting to leak.



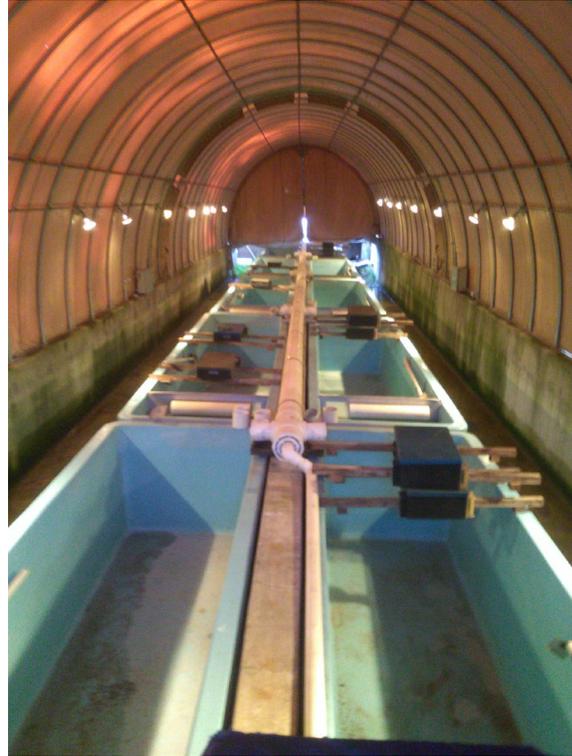
Annual service and load test was performed on our backup generators.



Service and inspections were conducted on our intake fish screen. It is now ready for the influx of larch needles that will soon overtake Jessup Mill Pond.



Work continues rewiring and replacing all fresh-flo motors and air stones on the big fish truck.



Winterization of the isolation room chiller (above left) and outdoor early rearing tanks (above right) were completed. These tanks will be filled with eggs in December.

OTHER NOTABLE ITEMS



Bear activity has been increasing in the area. Bear scat outside a hatchery residence just above the outside raceways.



Damage to one of the hatchery plum trees by recent bear activity. We have placed a trail cam nearby to hopefully catch him in action.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Scheduling of tours, picnic pavilion, and nature explore classroom will continue to be on hold due to COVID-19.**
- **Continue to work on our fish distribution truck**
- **Annual maintenance on the influent and effluent treatment buildings.**
- **Annual dam safety inspection is scheduled for October 13th.**

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