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REPORT OF FEDERAL FISH HATCHERIES--SEPTEMBER 1940

Fifty-nine Federal hatcheries in 34 States distributed in suitable waters more than 7,274,000 fry and fingerlings of 16 varieties during September. In addition, almost 35,000,000 eggs, fry, and fingerlings of 32 varieties were handled or ready for stocking.

Following is a breakdown summary of activities:

MAINE

Boothbay Harbor. - Eighteen hundred seed lobsters have been placed in pound by the State of Maine.

Craig Brook. - Six thousand fingerling lake trout, 3,850 yearling rainbow trout, and 128 adult brook trout have been distributed during the month.

NEW HAMPSHIRE

Nashua. - This station distributed 6,000 fingerling catfish during September.

National Forest. - About 50,000 brook trout fingerlings were planted by the State of New Hampshire.

VERMONT

Pittsford. - During the month, 55,750 brook trout and 10,600 rainbow trout were distributed from the station. Among the 55,750 brook trout were 10,000 selected and marked fish for stocking in Furnace Brook.

St. Johnsbury. - The Vermont Fish and Game Service cooperated in the distribution of 80,000 brown trout fingerlings. One thousand bass were delivered to applicants at Island Pond.

MASSACHUSETTS

Hartsville. - A total of 5,160 catfish were given out to applicants for stocking waters in Massachusetts and New York.

NEW YORK

Barneveld. - This substation delivered about 6,000 trout fingerlings to applicants.

PENNSYLVANIA

Sheffield. - During the month, 25,840 brown, 16,355 rainbow, and 82,640 brook trout were delivered to the Allegheny National Forest.

VIRGINIA

Roxbury. - Shad rearing pond at this station has been drained and 150,000 shad fingerlings were released into Herring Creek.

Wytheville. - To date, approximately 180,000 rainbow trout eggs have been collected.

WEST VIRGINIA

Leetown. - During the month, 17,380 smallmouth bass, 1,000 black crappies, 9,160 rainbow, and 9,410 brook trout fingerlings were distributed.

NORTH CAROLINA

Davidson River. - Fall plantings to date have consisted of 3,325 rainbow, 2,000 brook, and 640 brown trout.

GEORGIA

Lake Park. - Black bass fingerlings, totaling 25,500, were collected and distributed to local applicants.

FLORIDA

Welaka. - A total of 11,500 fingerling bass was delivered to applicants at the station, 3,000 to Lake Bedford, and 5,000 to Withlacoochie River.

ALABAMA

Marion. - Totals of 14,413 bass and 37,962 bream were distributed during the month. The Alabama Department of Conservation assisted in the distribution work.

MICHIGAN

Charlevoix. - During the month, 539,000 lake trout, of which 25,000 were planted in Lake Charlevoix and the remainder in Lake Michigan, were distributed. Total output of lake trout at this station for the season was 979,000; of steelhead trout, 24,150.

Northville. - Fourteen thousand brook trout were distributed from the Marquette National Forest Nursery; 81,750 brook trout and 63,000 rainbow trout from the Clare County Nursery; and 110,260 brook and 53,157 rainbow trout from the Huron National Forest Nursery.

WISCONSIN

Lake Mills. - Ten thousand rainbow trout, 7,550 largemouth black bass, 2,400 smallmouth black bass, and 215 crappie were distributed to applicants.

MISSOURI

Neosho. - Two thousand bream, 1,500 crappie, and 900 catfish were distributed to applicants for planting in Missouri waters.

ARKANSAS

Mammoth Spring. - Totals of 9,700 largemouth bass and 14,250 rock bass have been distributed to applicants.

OKLAHOMA

Tishomingo. - Applicants in Oklahoma and Arkansas received 17,340 bass, 22,600 bream, 225 catfish, and 1,300 crappie during the month.

NEBRASKA

Crawford. - Trout--brook, rainbow, and Loch Leven; largemouth black bass; crappie; bream; catfish; and yellow perch were distributed from this station during the month.

SOUTH DAKOTA

Spearfish. - Twenty-two thousand rainbow trout fingerling were delivered to applicants calling at the hatchery.

MONTANA

Ennis. - Distributions from this station during the month included 54,000 Loch Leven fingerling trout planted in local waters; 157,000 rainbow trout fingerlings delivered to the National Park Service for planting in waters of Yellowstone Park; 68,080 rainbow trout fingerlings planted in local waters; and 135,630 blackspotted trout fingerlings planted in local forest waters with the assistance of the Gallatin National Forest crew.

Miles City. - Approximately 10,000 bass, 55,000 catfish, and 25,000 bream are awaiting distribution which will begin in the very near future.

WYOMING

Jackson. - Eighty thousand fingerling blackspotted trout and 19,980 fingerling lake trout have been planted during the month.

Saratoga. - Totals of 310,730 brook, 82,600 blackspotted, and 6,025 rainbow trout were distributed.

Yellowstone Park. - The 2,050,000 blackspotted trout fry planted in Yellowstone Park waters during the month brought the season's total to 6,802,182.

Plantings in Grand Teton National Park waters were 550,000 blackspotted trout fry for the month; 1,000,318 for the season.

During the month, 1,068,487 blackspotted trout fingerling were planted in Yellowstone Park waters.

COLORADO

Creede. - During the month, 514,000 blackspotted, 485,200 rainbow, and 18,000 brook trout fingerlings were distributed.

Leadville. - There have been 251,000 rainbow trout and 175,000 blackspotted trout distributed to applicants and to the Forest Service during the month.

IDAHO

Ashton. - The Warm River substation planted 198,000 blackspotted fry in the headwaters of the North Fork of the Snake River and 100,000 blackspotted fingerlings in various creeks tributary to Island Park Reservoir.

Clark Fork. - During the month, 8,656 eastern brook trout were furnished to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game for distribution; 15,040 brook trout fingerlings were delivered to the Eureka (Mont.) Rod & Gun Club; and 63,472 blackspotted trout and 8,064 rainbow trout fingerlings were delivered to the Kaniksu National Forest. The U. S. Forest Service assisted in the fish planting activities.

Hagerman. - Totals of 46,500 rainbow and 30,000 brook trout fingerlings were delivered to the Fort Hall Indian Council.

Totals of 30,500 rainbow trout and 50,000 blackspotted trout were distributed in lakes and streams tributary to the South Fork of the Boise River, within the Boise National Forest, through an arrangement with the Forest Service officials.

The Idaho Fish and Game Commission distributed 15,000 rainbow and 20,000 brook trout from the Hagerman station during the month. Arrangements have also been made with this Department to continue distribution of blackspotted trout from this station to the various streams of this section before mountain roads become impassable this fall.

Mullan. - Distribution from this station consisted of 107,920 cutthroat trout in three tributaries of the St. Joe River, 39,830 rainbow trout in lakes and streams of the Coeur d'Alene River watershed, and 10,500 cutthroats in the St. Joe River.

Salmon. - During the month, 9,410 brook trout, 42,020 rainbow trout, and 32,000 blackspotted trout were distributed from this station, with the assistance of the Idaho Fish and Game Department.

UTAH

Bear Lake. - The Laketown substation planted 48,500 mackinaw trout and 418,688 native trout in the waters of Bear Lake.

Springville. - Distribution for the month amounted to 161,325 trout as follows: 151,550 blackspotted trout and 9,775 rainbow trout. Of these, 66,775 were delivered to applicants at the station.

NEVADA

Las Vegas. - Forty-two thousand bluegill and 300 bass were planted during the month, bringing the total for this season to 124,600.

WASHINGTON

Big White Salmon. - This substation liberated 142,845 fingerling blackspotted trout during the month.

Birdsview. - Distributed during the month from this station were 23,000 Montana blackspotted trout, 285,697 steelhead salmon, 111,289 chinook salmon, and 200,245 silver salmon.

Carson. - During the month, 265,000 blackspotted trout fingerlings were planted in waters of the Columbia National Forest.

Leavenworth. - Hauling adult salmon from Rock Island Dam to the Icicle Creek holding ponds was continued throughout the month.

Since August 22, 631,700 chinook salmon eggs and 17,600 blueback salmon eggs have been collected.

The Washington State Department of Game liberated 260,000 rainbow trout fingerlings in the waters tributary to the Columbia River. An additional 63,000 fingerlings are available for stocking.

Mount Rainier. - Since August 15, the National Park Service has assisted in the distribution of 44,500 rainbow trout, 280,000 blackspotted trout, and 24,200 eastern brook trout—all fingerlings; and 2,122 adult rainbow trout in the waters of Mt. Rainier National Park.

Quinault. - Totals of 8,915 rainbow trout fingerlings and 143,909 blackspotted trout fingerlings were distributed during the month, most of the fish being delivered to the National Park Service and the Washington State Game Department for stocking waters of the Olympic National Park and waters in the Quinault district.

Sockeye salmon fingerlings, totaling 13,750, were delivered to the Service's Quilcene (Wash.) station for stocking waters in that district at a later date in accordance with a request from the Washington State Department of Fisheries.

Screens were removed from the pond containing the station's lot of silver salmon, approximately 34,019 fingerlings, to permit these fish to migrate at will. Very few of the fish have left the pond.

Reason for the abnormal loss of sockeye salmon, retained for rearing through the winter to migrant size, has not been determined. It is believed that the very short water supply, which has prevailed through the summer, has been a factor and that the condition will improve as the water supply increases with the early fall rains.

OREGON

Butte Falls. - Chinook salmon eggs, totaling 1,044,000, have been collected and delivered to this hatchery.

During the month, 25,448 steelhead fingerlings were liberated.

Clackamas. - Seven thousand rainbow trout fingerlings were furnished to applicants during the month.

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