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\$5,500,000 DISTRIBUTED TO STATES FOR FISH RESTORATION

Distribution to the States of \$5,500,000 in Federal Aid funds for sport fish restoration was announced today by Secretary of the Interior Rogers C. B. Morton.

This apportionment will enable States to continue their fish restoration programs after July 1 until an additional apportionment is made in the fall.

Under the Federal Aid in Fish Restoration program, administered by Interior's Fish and Wildlife Service, States are reimbursed for up to 75 percent of the cost of approved projects. Activities performed by the States include acquisition of land and water areas, construction and rehabilitation of lakes, development of access sites and facilities for fishermen, and research to aid in management of sport fisheries.

Funds come from the 10 percent excise tax on fishing rods, reels, creels, and artificial baits, lures and flies, established under the Dingell-Johnson Act. Distribution is made according to a formula based on the number of sport fishing license holders in the State and the area of each State, including coastal and Great Lakes waters.

The attached table shows the distribution of funds that will be available July 1.

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Apportionment for Federal Aid in Fish Restoration
Fiscal Year 1974

Alabama	\$ 96,337
Alaska	275,000
Arizona	111,669
Arkansas	110,262
California	275,000
Colorado	134,619
Connecticut	55,000
Delaware	55,000
Florida	135,159
Georgia	110,022
Hawaii	55,000
Idaho	95,780
Illinois	132,581
Indiana	105,744
Iowa	89,987
Kansas	94,215
Kentucky	86,828
Louisiana	72,323
Maine	55,000
Maryland	55,000
Massachusetts	55,000
Michigan	192,449
Minnesota	224,720
Mississippi	73,974
Missouri	144,922
Montana	121,689
Nebraska	75,315
Nevada	83,969
New Hampshire	55,000
New Jersey	55,000
New Mexico	94,202
New York	123,161
North Carolina	86,414
North Dakota	58,790
Ohio	116,522
Oklahoma	109,636
Oregon	137,259
Pennsylvania	125,567
Rhode Island	55,000
South Carolina	60,763
South Dakota	68,761
Tennessee	127,077
Texas	275,000
Utah	92,370
Vermont	55,000
Virginia	81,882
Washington	97,904
West Virginia	55,000
Wisconsin	200,068
Wyoming	87,061
American Samoa	18,333
Guam	18,333
Puerto Rico	55,000
Virgin Islands	18,333
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