## The Great American **Hatchery Road Trip!**









There's nothing like cruising down the interstate, a fresh summer breeze blowing through the windows, the stereo blasting, and the ancitipation of adventures ahead! The hardest part? Picking a destination! Don't worry, we've got you covered.

The National Fish Hatchery System has been improving recreational fishing and restoring aquatic species since 1872, so what better way to explore these cool sites than by starting with ones over 100 years old! Fish hatcheries have something for everyone in your group, so buckle those seatbelts and let's hit the road!

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Little White Salmon



Founded in 1898, Little White Salmon is the oldest Columbia River hatchery and a pioneer of salmon propagation! They raise and release roughly 7.2 million young spring and up-river bright fall Chinook salmon each year. They also mitigate hydroelectric dam fishery losses, provide for important sport fishery, and fulfill Tribal Trust responsibilities.



If you aren't listening to Woody Guthrie's "Roll on Columbia" while cruising alongside the nearby Columbia River, are you even on a road trip?!



Salmon fishing opportunities abound along the hatchery's entrance road and nearby Drano Lake, one of the most popular fishing sites in the gorge! The hatchery also offers an accessible fishing ramp for people with disabilities.



The Wild and Scenic Little White Salmon River offers a glimpse of world class kayakers coming down the river, serene river views, waterfalls, and wildlife viewing. Participate in one or all of those activities and more in this outdoor paradise!



Visitors have the opportunity to view a variety of mammals including black bears, mink, otter, and even mountain lions. Birders can spy bald eagles, golden eagles, osprey, American dipper, great blue heron, and belted kingfisher.



Little White Salmon's site was selected since it was considered one of the principal spawning areas of the Quinnat or Chinook salmon. In 1898, it was noted that 2-3 salmon were speared in a single cast!



Get ready to start your fancy travel blog after photographing the views in the scenic Little White Salmon River canyon!

## **MAP LEGEND**



**The Angler** 



The Explorer



**The Animal Lover** 



**The Historian** 



**The Artist** 



Epic views abound if you cross over the Bridge of the Gods on your way to Little White Salmon! But obviously, the true detour is heading 10 minutes down the road to their sibling facility, the Spring Creek National Fish Hatchery!

## OTHER HATCHERIES IN THE PACIFIC **NORTHWEST SERIES**

- National Fish Hatchery Washington
- > Spring Creek National Fish Hatchery Washington

Next Exit:

**More Hatchery Fun!** 



Before you hit the road, be sure to check the hatchery's web page for additional activities and call ahead to check opening status.