



Willow Beach National Fish Hatchery July 2014 Monthly Report



No fish were stocked this month.

62 visitors signed the guest registry. In the heat of the summer visitation is typically lower.

Scott Peterson, Maintenance Worker drove the distribution truck in the 4th of July parade in Boulder City, NV

The hatchery conducted 1 official tour for Arizona Game and Fish's Bighorn sheep boat tour group. 15 adults enjoyed the tour of the hatchery prior to their day looking for sheep.

The Bureau of Reclamation finned clipped razorbacks for genetic analysis. These razorbacks were caught as larvae in the cove north of the hatchery. This is the first time larvae have been caught there.



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The new gabion flood control structure flowed water for the first time when a hard rain hit the hatchery in late July.



The structure appeared to work as designed.

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During July 2014, Tom Frew had an opportunity to travel to the Tishomingo

NFH to visit the site where the Career Discovery Internship Program (CDIP) student he was mentoring is stationed. Antonio Jackson was assigned here for a



12 week internship to learn more about the US Fish and Wildlife Service and possible career paths available to him. Tishomingo NFH Project Leader Kerry Graves is extremely pleased with Antonio's work this summer and looks forward to having similar interns in the future. Antonio had a very good summer and he showed Tom around the hatchery grounds, showcasing several projects that he was involved in over the summer. One of the highlights of the work he did was the collection, egg incubation and overall care of the alligator snapping turtles that the hatchery is raising in its efforts to conserve the species. Tom would like to thank all of the staff at the hatchery as well as the regional office that allowed this project to be such a success in this region.



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Maintenance activities included:
Replaced tires on Yamaha carts and Achii work truck; nitrogen filled all truck tires to prevent air pressure fluctuations; serviced Achii cart and hatchery staff re-plumbed some 7 foot circular tanks for early rearing bonytail.

Achii Hanyo Native Fish Rearing Facility

Staff from WBNFH continue to work at Achii Hanyo, rotating someone new every week.

Maintenance Activities included:
Repairing and startup of the aeration systems; A flooring company was hired to replace the vinyl flooring in the Biologist trailer; new lights were installed in both trailers and the office and weed management in the ponds

