



Fisheries & Habitat Conservation

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Active in

Montana — 2005

Key Partners:

- Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks Commission
- Blackfeet, Crow, Confederated Salish and Kootenai, Fort Belknap, Fort Peck, Northern Cheyenne, and Rocky Boy Tribes.
- Montana State University
- Native American Fish and Wildlife Society
- Bureau of Reclamation
- Corps of Engineers
- USDA – Natural Resources Conservation Service
- USDA – Farm Service Agency
- US Forest Service
- US Geological Survey
- Bureau of Land Management
- Environmental Protection Agency
- Montana Association of Conservation Districts
- Blackfoot Challenge
- Kootenai River Network
- The Nature Conservancy
- National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
- Izaak Walton League
- University of Montana
- Local Weed Districts
- Pheasants Forever
- Ducks Unlimited
- Trout Unlimited
- Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
- National Audubon Society
- Trust for Public Land
- Big Hole Watershed Committee
- Bonneville Power Administration
- Plum Creek Timber Company
- National Cattlemen's Beef Association

REVITALIZING MONTANA'S RIVERS

- Bozeman Fish Health Center developed a reliable DNA based diagnostic method to detect whirling disease using non-lethal sampling methods. Completed sampling and analysis of two trout populations.
- Completed comprehensive fish health assessment on captive and free-ranging pallid sturgeon.

PARTNERS FOR FISH AND WILDLIFE PROGRAM ACTIVITIES

- Worked with more than 60 landowners to voluntarily restore/enhance over 25,000 acres of wetland, upland, and riparian habitats on private lands in 2005.
- Private land projects benefit fluvial Arctic grayling, Westslope cutthroat trout, grizzly bear, gray wolf, sage grouse, ferruginous hawk, and numerous species of shorebirds, waterfowl, and grassland nesting birds.

NATIONAL FISH HATCHERIES IN MONTANA

- USFWS worked toward restoration of the fluvial Arctic grayling by developing broodstock and stocking progeny.

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