Allegheny National Fish Hatchery

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Purpose

The mission of the Allegheny National Fish Hatchery is to aid partners in the restoration of self-sustaining lake trout populations in the lower Great Lakes, and to produce brook trout for local recreational fishing opportunities.

Public Use Notes

- Hatchery tours
- Fishing access to Kinzua Dam tailwaters
- Annual open house and kid's fishing event

Management Activities

 Working with other government agencies to maintain broodstocks for stocking, mark stocked fish, assess stocked and natural populations of fish and update recovery plans



Lake Trout

Highlights

The hatchery has held up to 2,000 lake trout broodstock to produce 2.5 million eggs and 620,000 yearling lake trout for lakes Erie and Ontario. The hatchery also produced 80,000 11.5" brook trout for recreational fishing in 2005.

Due to the discovery of a fish virus on station in September 2005, the hatchery has been depopulated of fish. The station and Service are working on a renovation plan that will allow the return to trout production as soon as possible.

Issues

- Maintaining a diverse lake trout broodstock
- Restoring lake trout to Lake Erie and Lake Ontario
- In a cooperative effort with the state of Pennsylvania, raising native brook trout for recreational fisheries

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