



# Willow Beach National Fish Hatchery April 2015 Monthly Report



No fish were stocked this month.

227 visitors signed the guest registry in April.

The hatchery received 1,759 razorback larvae this month from collection efforts on Lake Mohave by BOR, FWS, NPS and Marsh & Associates.

The Relict Leopard frog tadpoles started morphing and were removed from the hatchery for preparation to be stocked in translocation sites.

Bernie Freeman conducted the environmental audit for WBNFH. A few items need to be addressed and hatchery staff is working on those corrections.

Tom Frew and Mark Olson attended EEO and Diversity training in Phoenix.

Stephanie Karpowicz attended FBMS training in Albuquerque.

Giovanni Cappelli and Thomas Frew attended a recirculating aquaculture course in Phoenix put on by the Freshwater Institute.

Scott Peterson and Andrew Flaten traveled to Inks Dam National Fish Hatchery to pick up a paddle wheel for aerating ponds. The paddle wheel was delivered to Achii Hanyo.



Andrew Checking Out Inks Dam NFH



Paddle Wheel Loaded for Transportation

## Maintenance Activities

Scott Peterson conducted ATV Training for a group of American Conservation Experience employees prior to them working on a wildlife refuge; all the equipment platforms from recirculating raceways were removed; the new O2 generator required some trouble shooting after a power interruption and an air blower was shipped to Pentair for analysis after the wiring appeared damaged



Water Flowing Below the Gabion Structure

The hatchery experienced a minor rain storm this month. Enough water came down to flow the new gabion flood control structure



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## Upcoming Events

Several school tours have been scheduled for May.

The hatchery is expecting a shipment of bonytail fry from Southwestern Native Aquatic Resources & Recovery Center.

## Achii Hanyo Native Fish Rearing Facility

The main focus has been trying to control the aquatic algae growth, specifically Chara. With the increasing temperatures and days getting longer Chara has begun to explode. The aeration paddle wheel will help keep turbidity to the water and assist controlling aquatic plant growth.



Paddle Wheel in Action at Achii Hanyo