

Willow Beach National Fish Hatchery

June 2016 Monthly Report

WB reared 15,000 bonytail fry for several weeks to get them started on artemia prior to being stocked in ponds at Achii Hanyo. The bonytail were transferred this month to ponds 2 and 5.

A selection was made for the vacant Bio Science Tech position and her name is Heidi Stream. This will be the first time the hatchery has a dual duty position that will be administrative and bio science combined. Heidi's start date is July 11th.

Jennifer Fowler Propst visited the hatchery to conduct Mark Olson's mid-year review. In addition Bernie Freeman was here to inspect the floating pump system.



Tom Frew was an instructor for the Coldwater Fish Culture Course held in Port Angeles, Washington. Tom spent two weeks teaching with several other instructors and enjoyed his time away from the Willow Beach heat.



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The contractor building the floating pump system started work again this month. The floating structure was all assembled and set in place. The majority of the wiring has been complete and some of the piping to connect the pumps to the existing piping has been assembled.



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The hatchery acquired office furniture from Homeland Security when they were moving locations. Three sets of office furniture, chairs, bookshelves and lockers were all part of the acquisition. The furniture was move by hatchery staff in a U-Haul so the job could be completed in one load.

The irrigation line connection to the fire suppression line started leaking and was repaired.



The emergency stop switch for the diesel tank was relocated by an electrician to meet current regulations. The old location was too close to the tank



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Achii Hanyo Native Fish Rearing Facility

A selection was made for the Fish Biologist at Achii Hanyo. Shuanna Harris is from Louisiana and has a degree in Marine Biology. Shuanna's start date is July 11th.

Maintenance activities included chain link fence repair; pond treatments for anchor worm; weed control and the Gator oil change.

Upcoming Activities

- Startup of the new pumping system
- Preparation for trout production
- Hire the Maintenance Worker position