



HDR's Senior Fisheries Biologist Tom Johnson inspects salmon eggs in vertical flow incubator in Coldwater Production Building



# AQUATIC FACILITIES

**TOM JOHNSON**





Matt Cochran

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Tom Johnson



Matt Cochran  
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A large school of small, silvery fish swimming in a dark, deep-water environment. The fish are densely packed and move in a coordinated pattern, creating a shimmering effect against the black background.

01 Design Challenges

02 Trends in Facility Design

03 Design and Construction Around  
the Country



## Wild Rose State Fish Hatchery



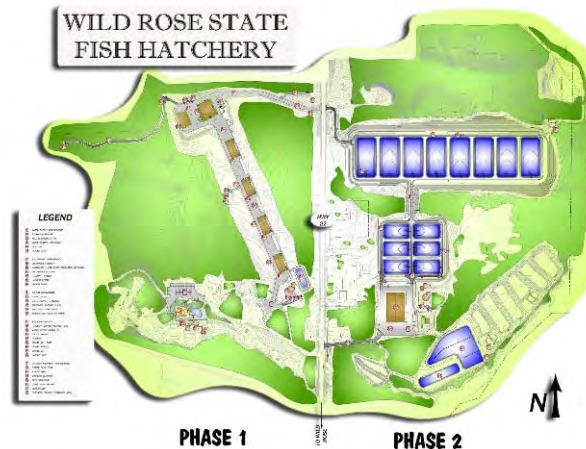
*Fish Propagation  
Water Supply Compliance  
and Renovation Study*

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FINAL CONCEPTUAL  
LEVEL STUDY



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# Design Challenges

## United States Fish Facility Locations



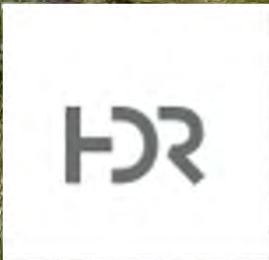
Over 600 Aquatic Facilities in the United States

## Most Facilities Require Upgrades and Repairs for:

- **Aging Infrastructure**
- **New Technologies**
- **Improved Efficiencies**
- **Water Conservation**
- **Energy Efficiency**



Water supply issues, West Virginia



# Design and Construction Challenges

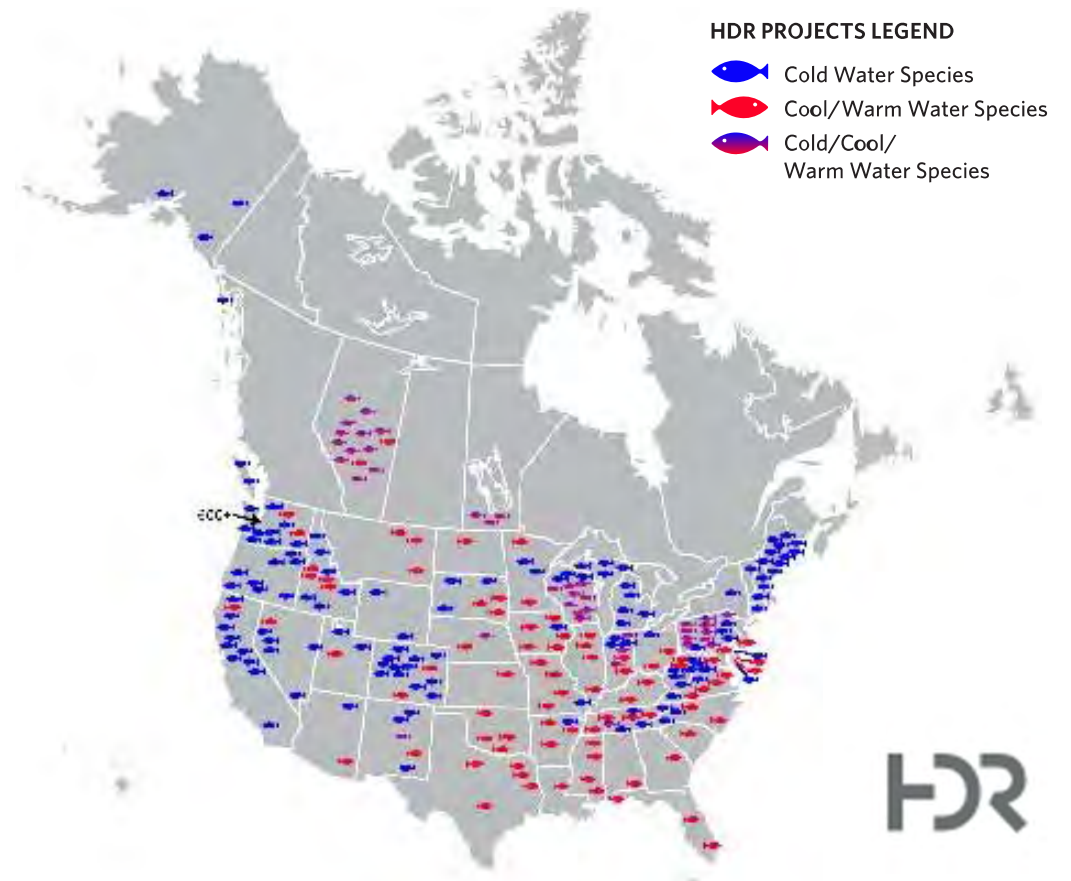


- Regulations and Codes
- Genetics and Isolation
- Increasing and Uncertain Costs
- Facility Complexities
- Biosecurity





# Fisheries Design Center



# FISHERIES ECOHYDRAULICS

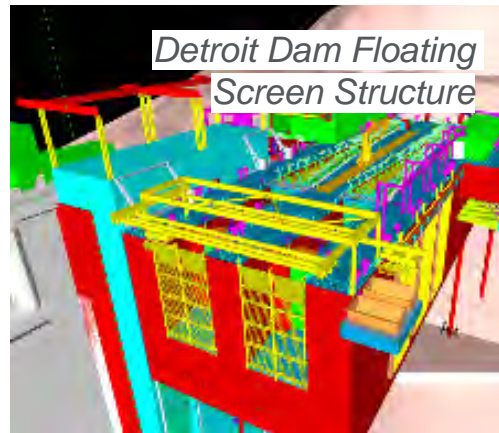
- Technical Fish Passage
- Fish Crossings
- Nature Like Fishways



*Alameda Creek Diversion Dam Fish Passage and Screening Project*



*Quiota Creek Water Crossing Design*



*Detroit Dam Floating Screen Structure*



*Heuvelton NLF, Oswegatchie River, NY*

# FISHERIES AND AQUATIC SCIENCES



*Aquatic BMI - Water Quality*



*Research*



*Fisheries Monitoring*



# 02 Trends in Facility Design

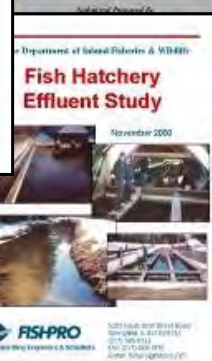
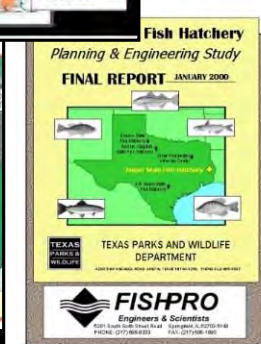
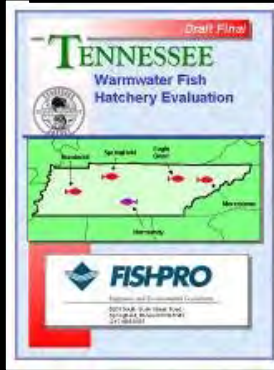
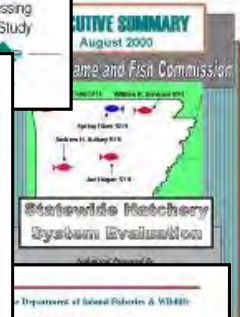
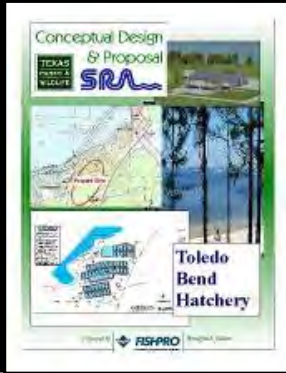


# Facility Evaluations (Studies)

- Establish a Record in Time for Condition & Needs
- Outline Needs and Ballpark Probable Costs \$\$\$
- Provide a Roadmap for Funding \$\$\$
- Build Consensus on necessary Improvement Items
- Establish Timeline for Improvements



McLaughlin Hatchery, Massachusetts



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**RECIRCULATION & WATER REUSE**

# Why Recirculate Water?

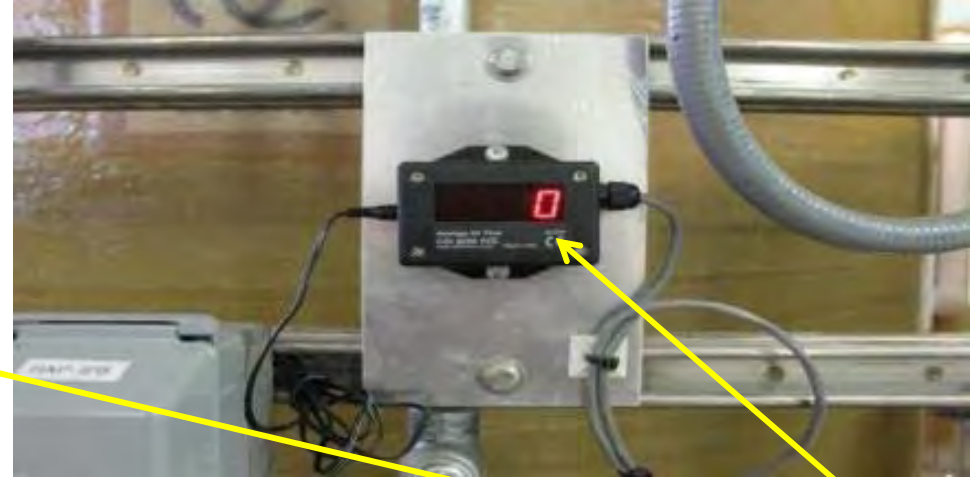
- Decrease source water demand-makeup only
- Decrease wastewater discharge volume
- Conserve heat or cold
- Improved Biosecurity
- Controlled Rearing Environment –per tank
- Excellent Water Quality with Proper RAS Treatment Components

**Issues** Complex, Cost & Operational Expertise

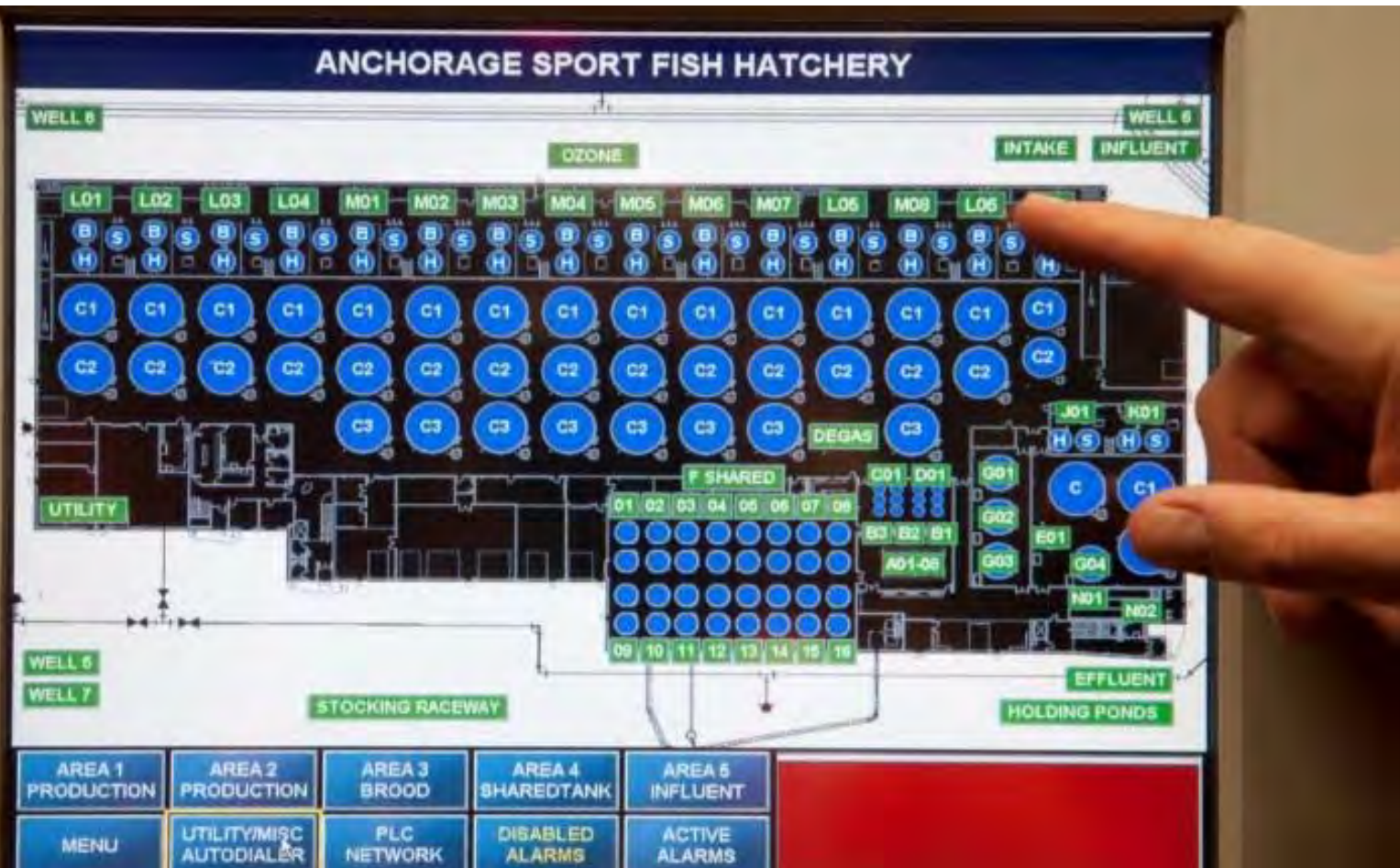




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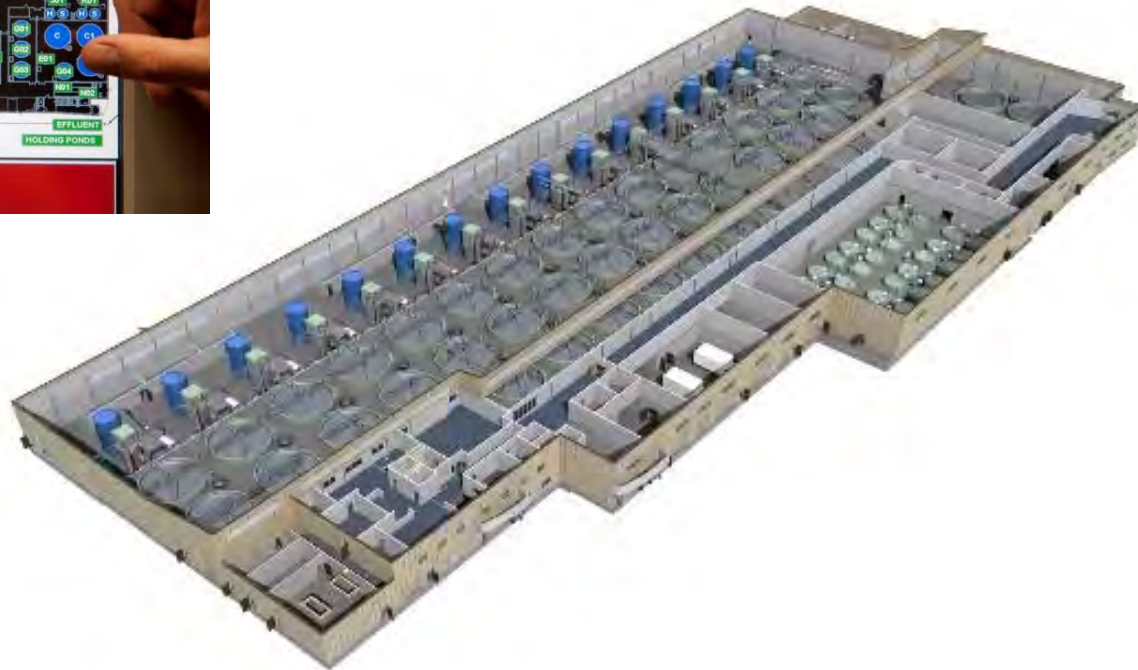
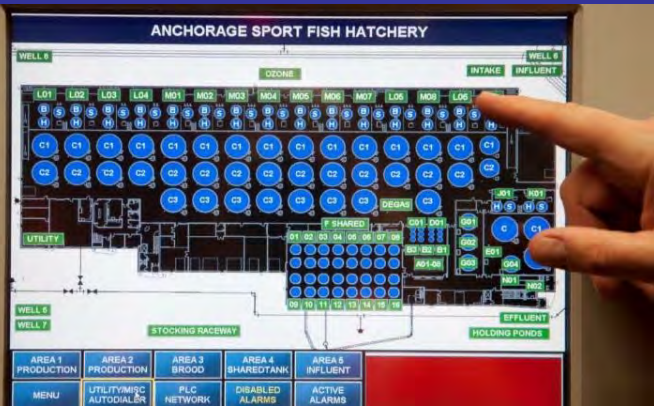


Moving Bed Biofilter & WaterTech Media  
Low Pressure Air Operated & Air Measurement



# Process Automation and Controls

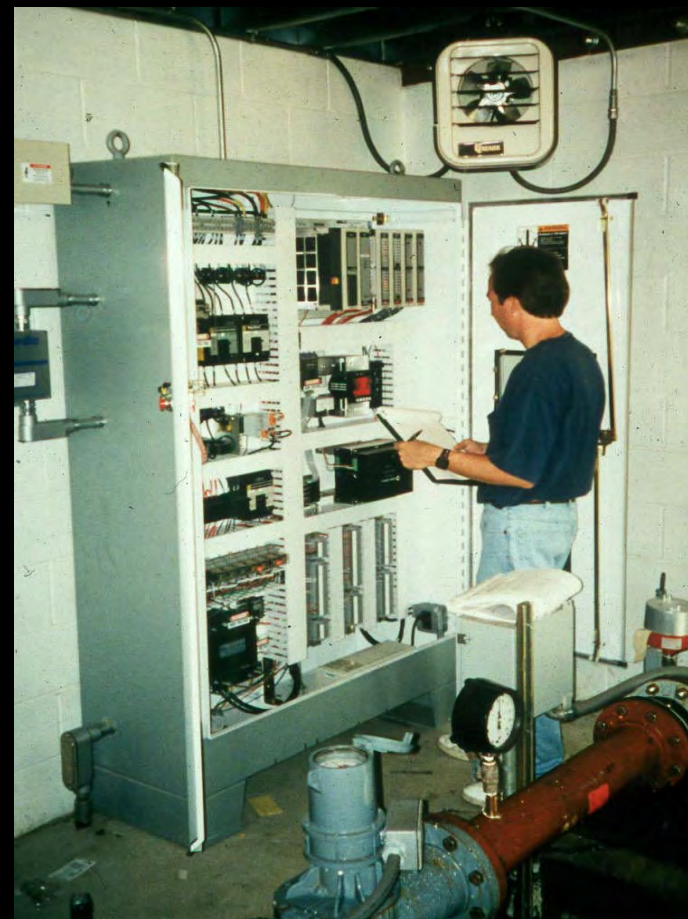




**140,000 SF Anchorage SFH in Alaska – All RAS based with circular Tanks**



Rick Schmulde









Emergency Generator, transfer Switch & Controls in Electrical Room



UV Treatment Building

Coolwater hatchery completed in Phase 2 of project: Coolwater Production Building, sludge storage, clarifier, microscreening building, and pond complex

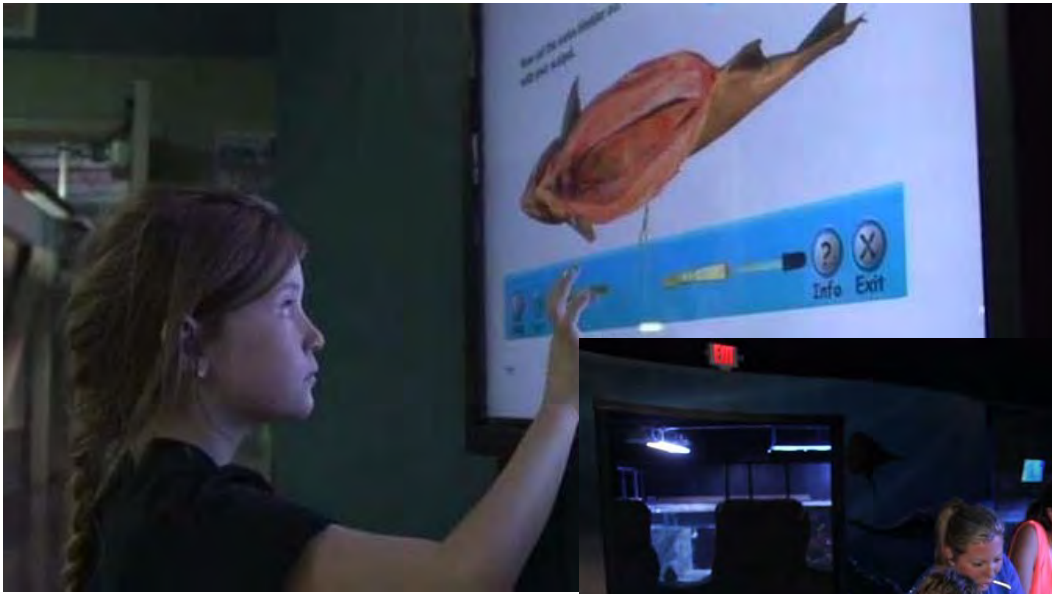






Interior of 30,000 SF Coolwater Production Building completed during Phase 2 of project





## Visitor Education & Experience





VisitorCenter aquatic and fish displays

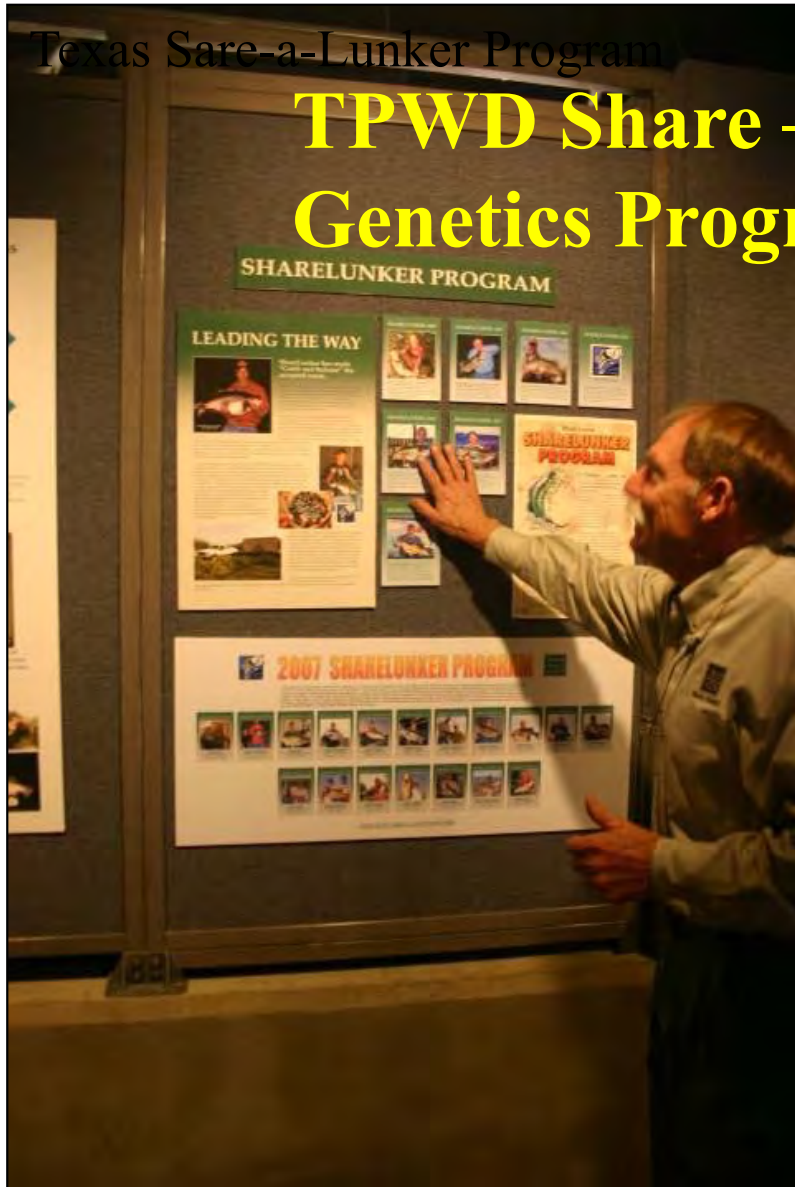


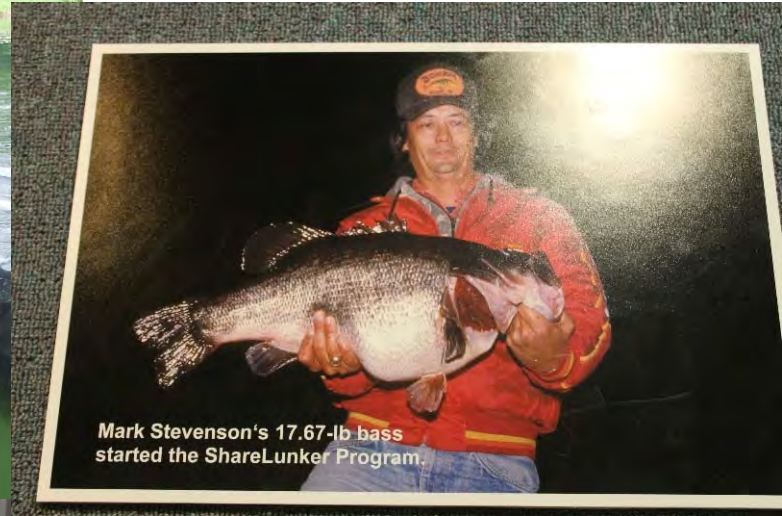
**Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center  
Visitor Center, Teaching Facility  
Production Hatchery**



Texas Sare-a-Lunker Program

# TPWD Share-A-Lunker Genetics Program





Mark Stevenson's 17.67-lb bass started the ShareLunker Program.





**A.E. Wood SFH  
TPWD  
San Marcos TX**



**Before Renovation**



**One-Acre Lined Ponds**



**After Renovation**

**microscreen**

**FishPro Design Experience for:  
New East Texas TPWD Hatchery At Sam Rayburn Reservoir**





## Indoor Raceway Bass Spawning and Rearing





8,000 gpm Effluent Treatment Plant  
3-Drum Microscreens 2-Traveling Bridge  
Filters



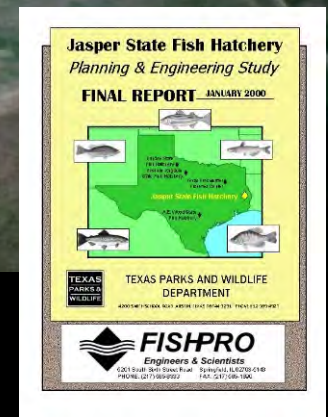
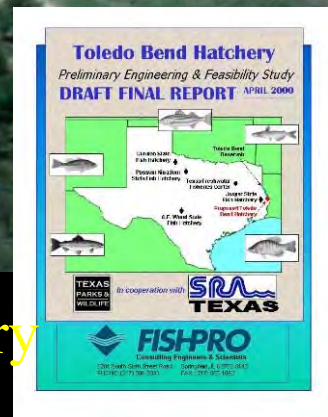
**San Marcos River  
Submerged River Intake  
T&E Species Protection  
Recreational Use  
Water Quality Protection**

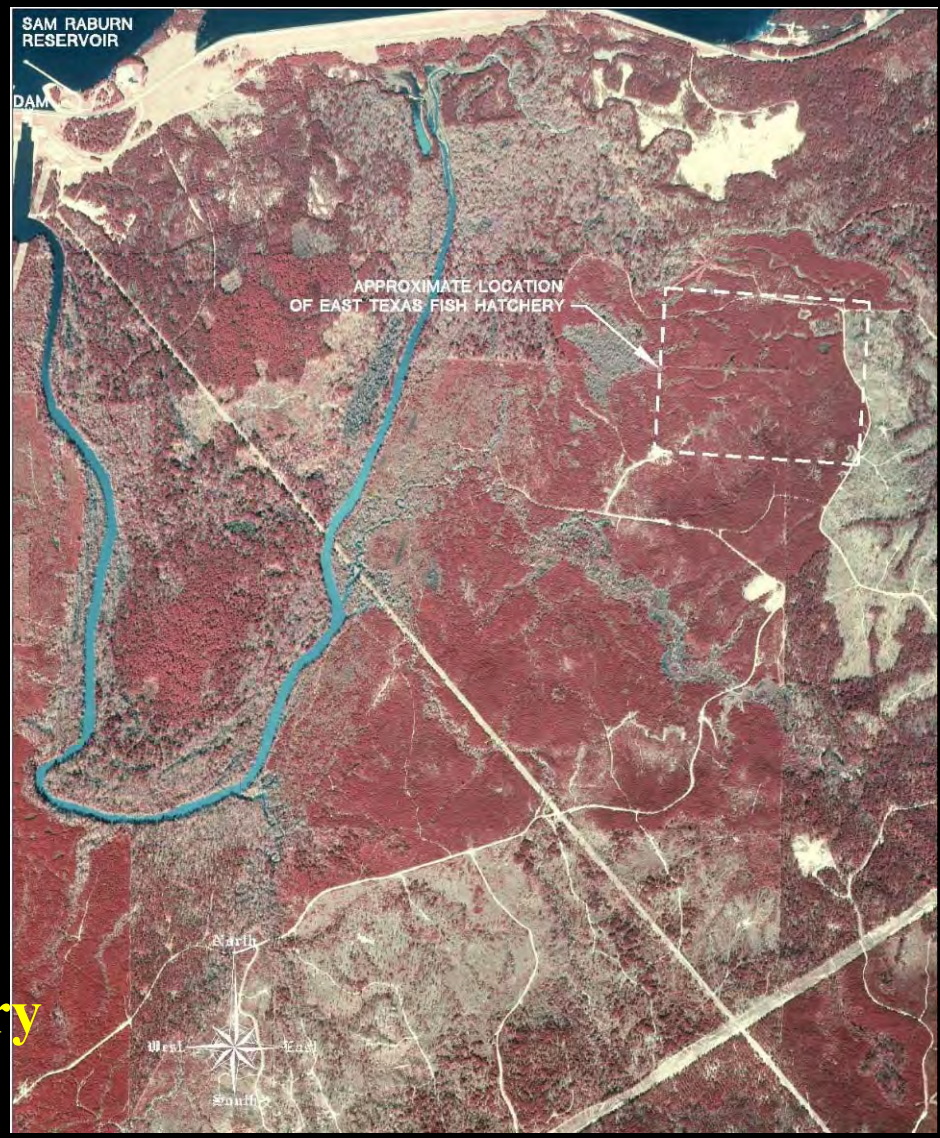
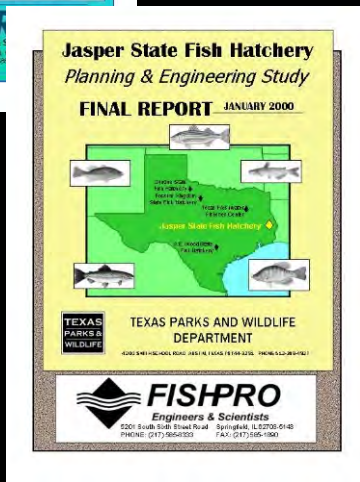
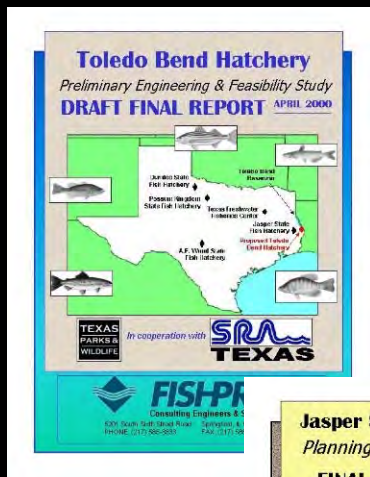




A.E. Wood SFH  
TPWD  
San Marcos TX

New East Texas TPWD Hatchery  
At Sam Rayburn Reservoir





**FishPro past A/E services to TPWD**  
**New East Texas TPWD Hatchery**  
**At Sam Rayburn Reservoir**



TPWD John D. Parker SFH

Legend  
JD Parker SFH

JD Parker SFH


Google earth

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**John D. Parker**



This fish hatchery is named for the late John D. Parker of Lufkin, who served as a Texas Parks and Wildlife Department Commissioner. He was instrumental in securing funding for this hatchery through the Freshwater Fishing Stamp.











# Indoor Recirculating Aquaculture Systems



**LMB Intensive Rearing  
Rick Stout Mgr.**



**Stock Enhancement – A Tool for Fish  
Management**



**Red Drum Stock Enhancement**

**RAS  
Pilot Rearing  
Phase 3**



**Phase 1 Red Drum**

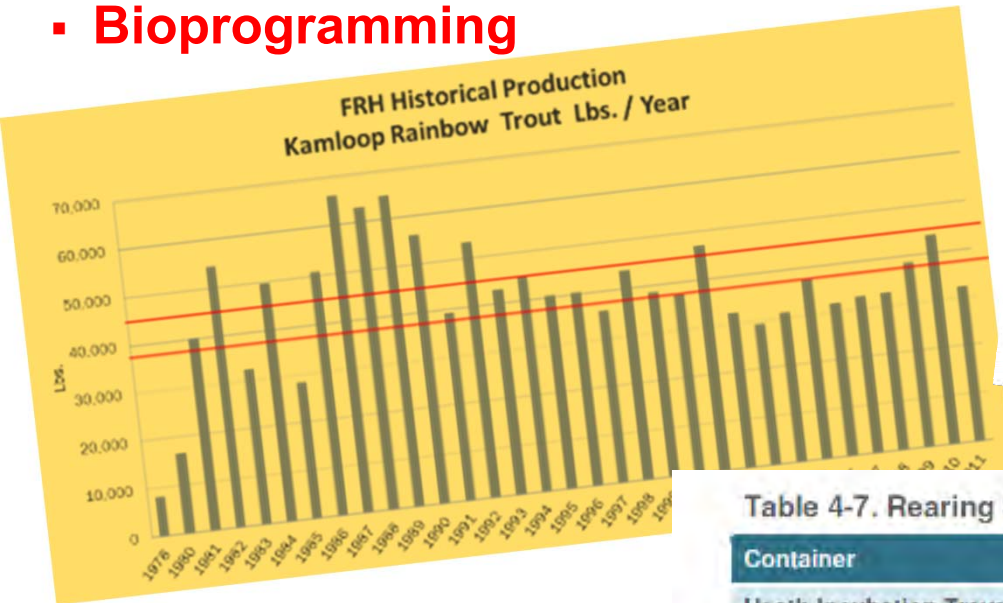


**CWT Tagging  
Systems**



# PRODUCTION EVALUATION

- **Bioprogramming**



Steelhead Rainbow Trout Anticipated Production		10% Increase		50% Increase	
	Number	Pounds	Number	Pounds	Pounds
Fingerlings (41 FPP)	250,000	5,435	275,000	6,707	9,146
Arlee Rainbow Trout Current Production		10% Increase		50% Increase	
	Number	Pounds	Number	Pounds	Pounds
Yearlings (2.5 FPP)	23,100	11,550	25,410	10,164	13,860
<b>Total of All</b>	<b>369,100</b>	<b>36,718</b>	<b>406,010</b>	<b>38,578</b>	<b>53,606</b>

Table 4-7. Rearing Space Requirements for 36,000, 7-Inch RBT

Container	Number	
Heath Incubation Trays	5	
12-foot Start Troughs	2	
20-foot Rearing Troughs	6	
25-foot Circular Rearing Tanks	2	
Water Requirement	Total Flow	Freshwater
25-foot Circular Rearing Tanks	726	145



# DEVELOP COST OPINIONS

- Utilize recently bid hatchery costs
- Consider regional factors
- Cost contingencies



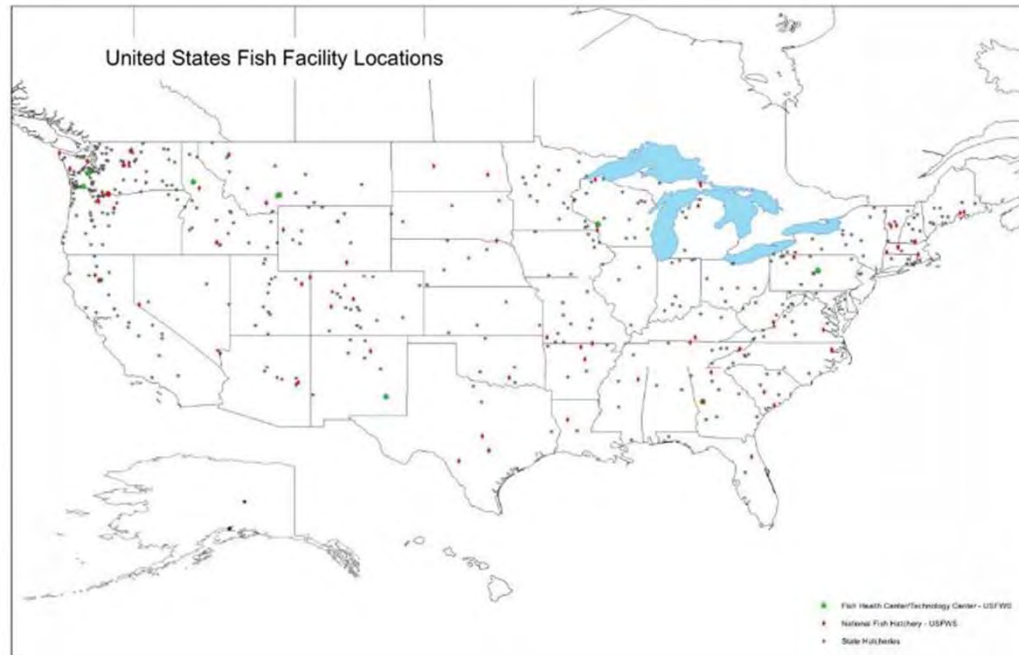
<b>Budget Package 1</b>	<b>\$17.4 million</b> (year 2020)
• Build a new northeast hatchery (\$16.3 million), renovate MXSFH biofilter and repair concrete and center drains in outdoor rearing units (\$1.1 million)	
<b>Budget Package 2</b>	<b>\$5.7 million</b> (2-year escalation: \$6 million)
• Complete MXSFH Priority 1A and Priority 1C upgrades	
<b>Budget Package 3</b>	<b>\$14.9 million</b> (4-year escalation: \$16.8 million)
• CKSFH Priority 1A and Priority 1C items	
<b>Budget Package 4</b>	<b>\$5 million</b> (6-year escalation: \$5.9 million)
• RBSFH Priority 1A and Priority 1C items	
<b>Budget Package 5</b>	<b>\$7.6 million</b> (8-year escalation: \$9.6 million)
• EFSFH Priority 1A and Priority 1C items	
<b>TOTAL PROGRAM</b>	<b>\$50.6 million</b> (year 2020)

# **Facility Improvements & Modernization Programs**

## ***Issues & Impacts***

- **Expensive – to Very Expensive \$\$\$\$\$**
- **Long Time Frames (often 5 to 15 - 20 years)**
- **Disruption to On-going Production**
- **Major Agency Funding Impacts (planning, engineering, construction, operation & long –term maintenance)**
- **A Comprehensive, Credible System-wide Flexible Plan is needed to Guide, Direct & Fund the Improvements Program**





# 03 Design and Construction Around the Country







## Casco Emergency Pipeline Replacement and UV Maine





Casco Emergency Pipeline Replacement and UV - Maine



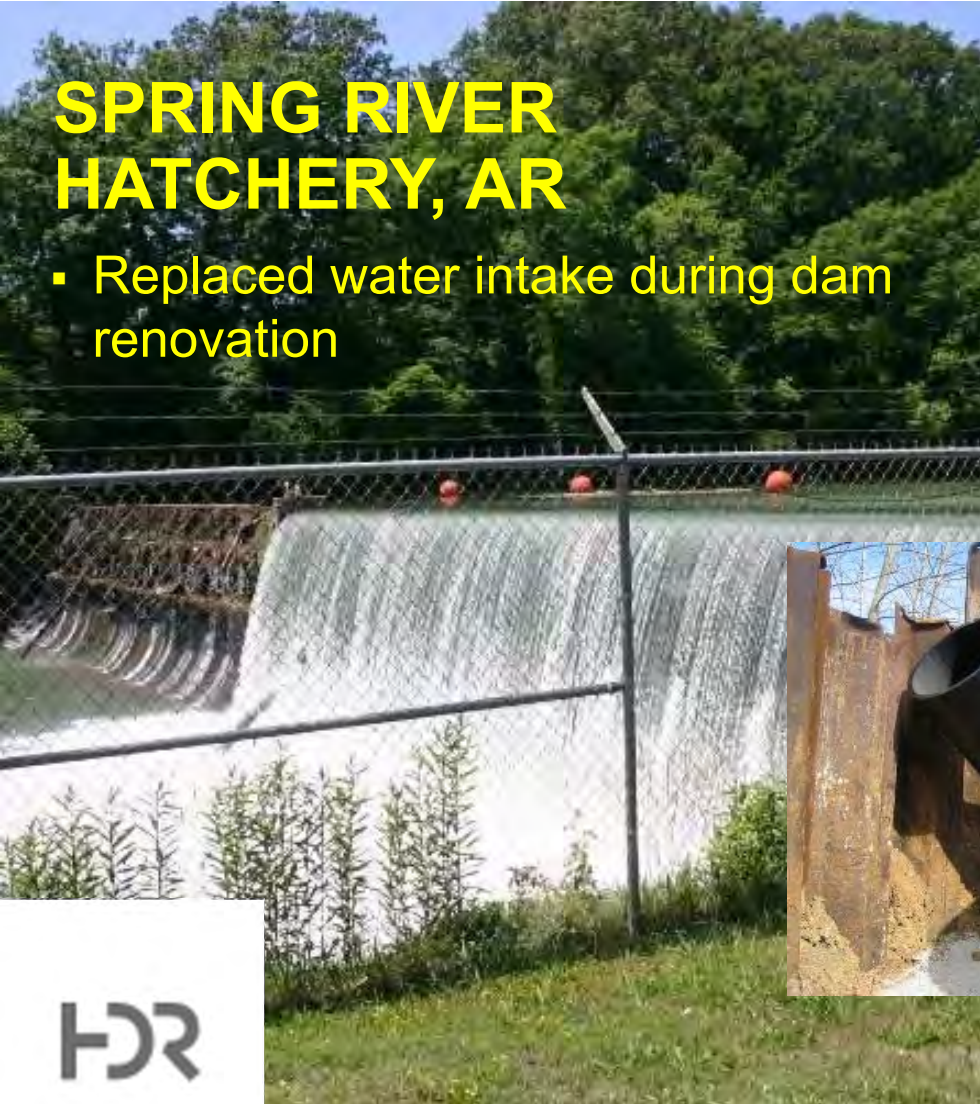


Grand Lake Stream New Deep Intake and UV - Maine



# SPRING RIVER HATCHERY, AR

- Replaced water intake during dam renovation



# Upwelling Vertical Silos 50,000 gpm





**Spring River SFH Trout Silo Harvest Pumped Out or Surface Netted**





Bio-secure Egg Disinfection Room VHS epidemic in Great Lakes Region



Art Oehmcke SFH, Wisconsin – Biosecurity Addition – Traveling Screen

Combination of Circular and Rectangular Rearing Units



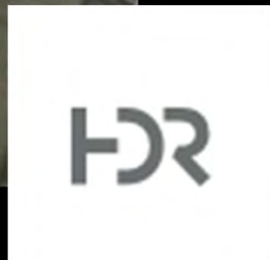
Well House 1 of 5

Headbox & LOX Tank

Coldwater Hatchery Complex (foreground) completed in Phase 1 and Coolwater Hatchery Complex (background) completed in Phase 2







**Covered Raceways with LHO Oxygen Mgt. Units and Solids Flow Baffles**



**50ft x 6ft Broodstock Raceways in Biosecure Bldg.**





Coldwater Fish Hatchery Complex view to the north





UV Treatment Building

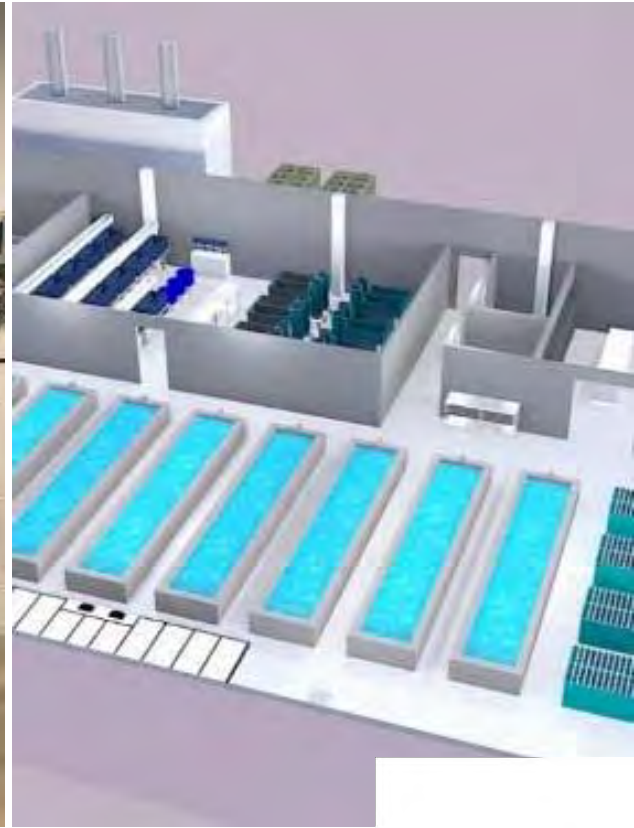


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Wells Modernization Project - Washington





# **RICHMOND HILL STATE FISH HATCHERY**

Recirculation and Chilled Water Incubation Georgia DNR striped bass facility



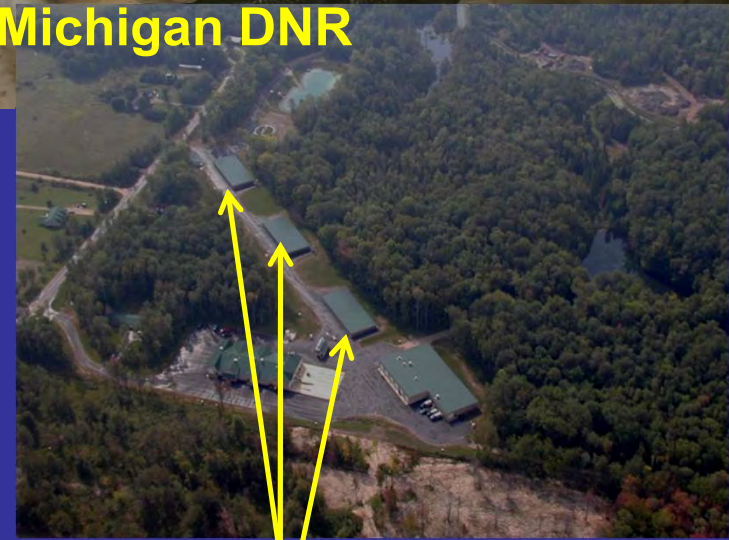


## Moccasin Hatchery Emergency Recirculation





**ODEN SFH Michigan DNR**



**Dissolved Oxygen Management & Covered Linear Raceway Option  
Raceways have full by-pass water control & LHO's each series**



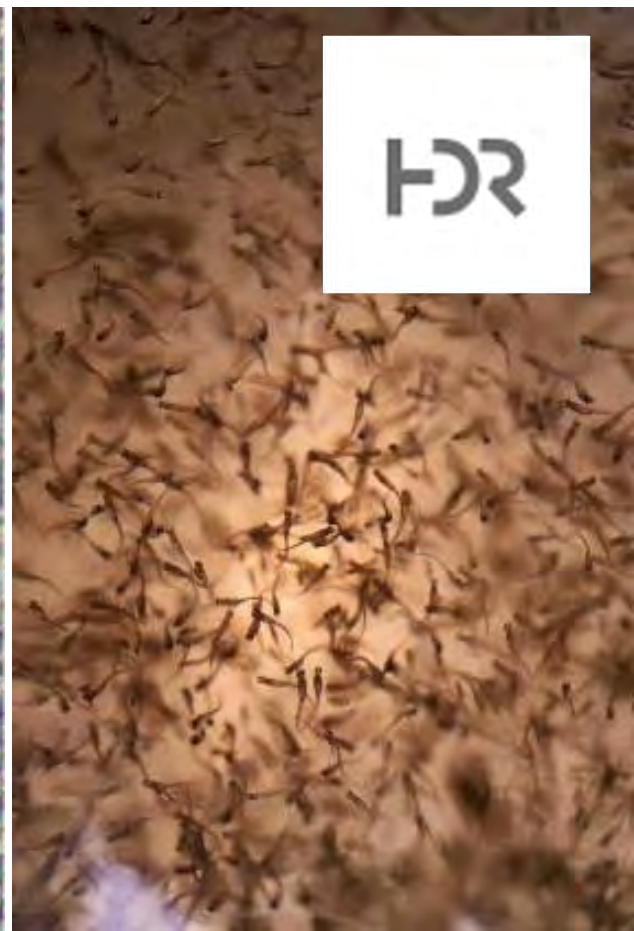
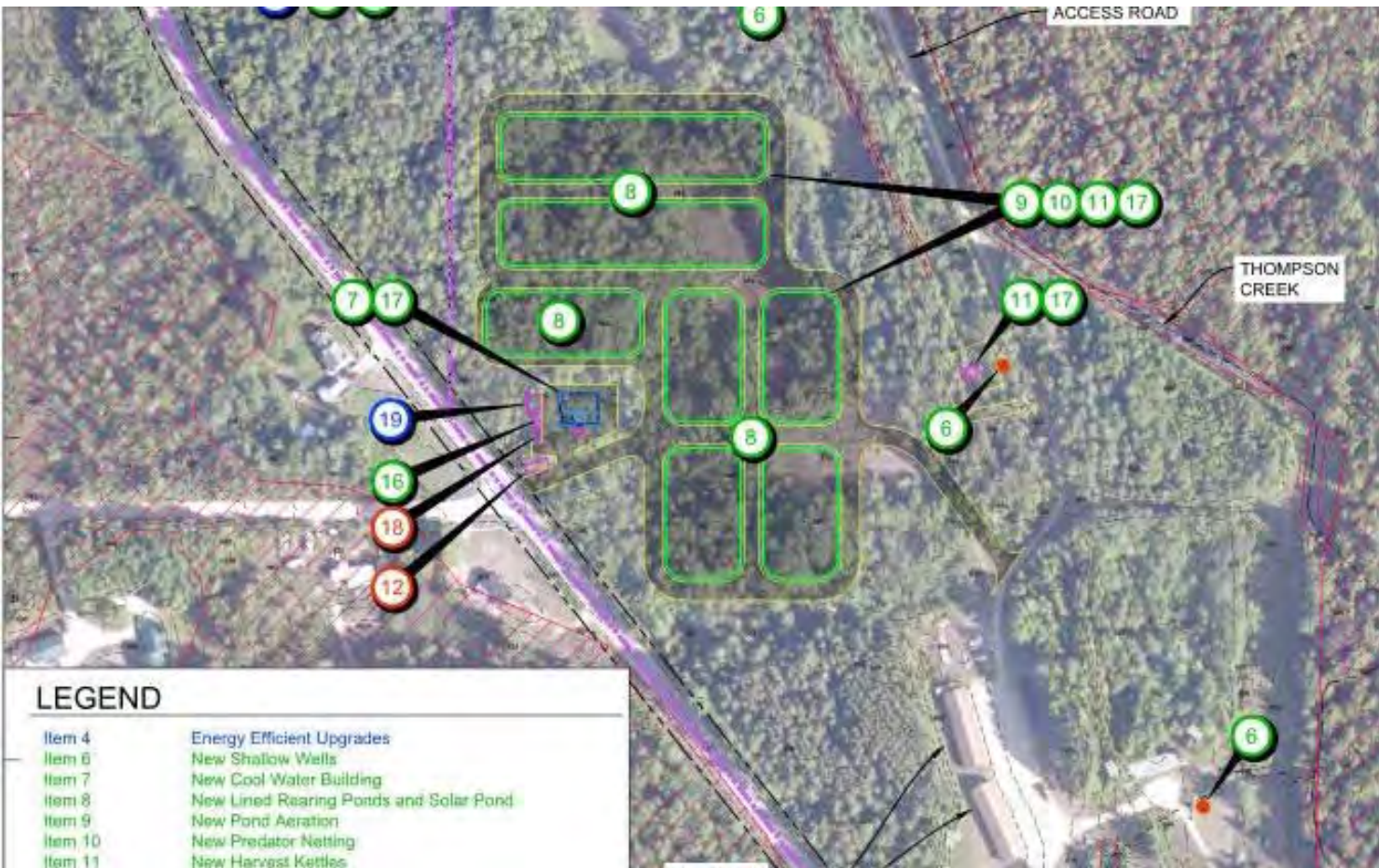


## Platte River SFH Renovation Michigan DNR





Governor Tommy Thompson, Wisconsin – Pond Liners and Egg Prep



## Michigan– Thompson State Fish Hatchery – Coolwater Expansion



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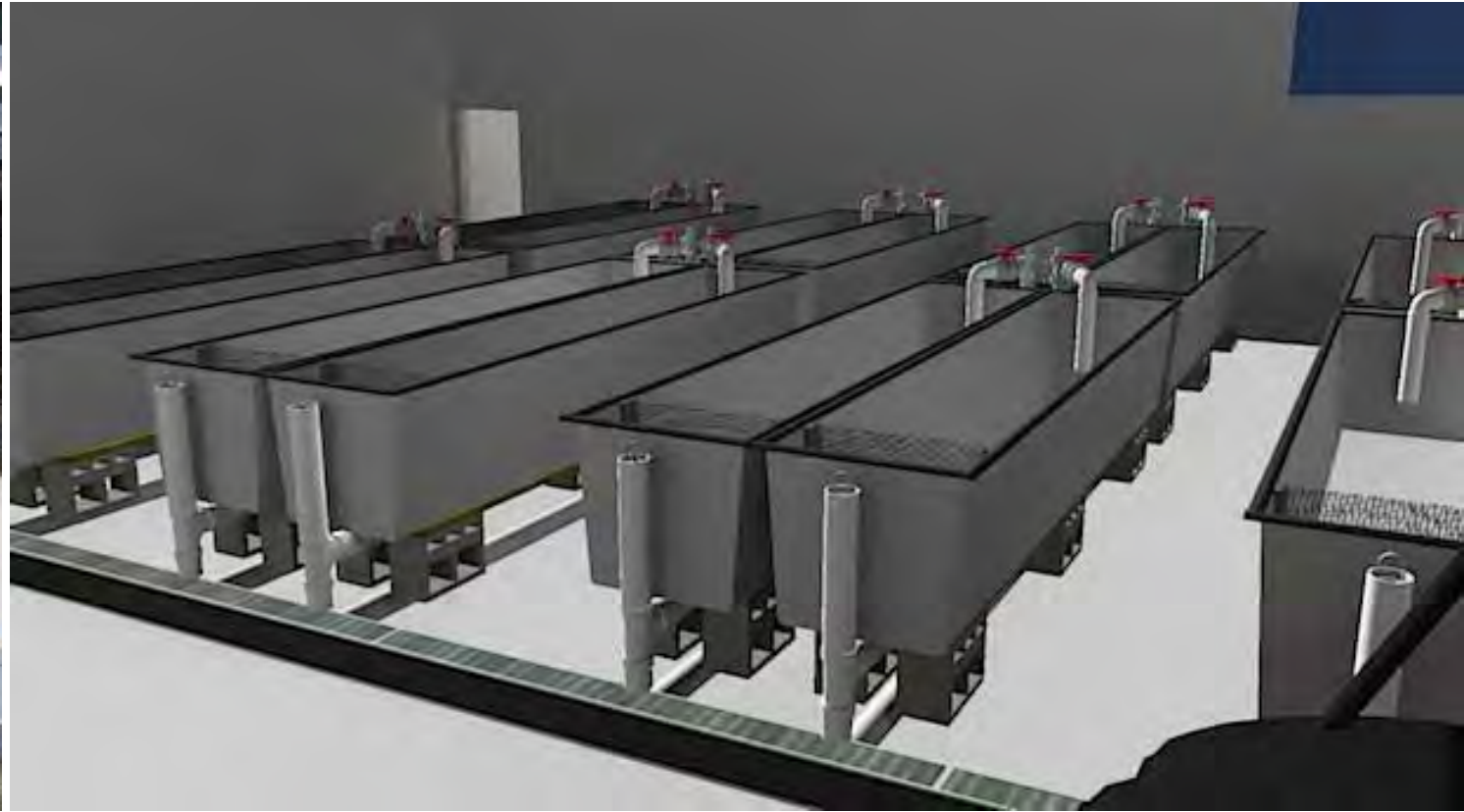
- Item 3 New Fish Holding Ponds
  - Item 4 New Exterior Lighting System
  - Item 5 Repair and Resurface Floor in Egg Take Building
  - Item 6 New Perimeter Fencing
  - Item 7 Replace Lighting in Egg Take Building
  - Item 8 Electrical Improvements
  - Item 9 Replace HVAC in Egg Take Building
  - Item 10 Replace Floor Grating in Egg Take Building
  - Item 11 Renovate or Replace Effluent Tunnel
  - Item 12 Water Supply Improvements
  - Item 13 Pump Improvements
  - Item 14 Replace Sewage Pumps
  - Item 15 New Recovery Tank Pump
  - Item 16 Update Dam Board Removal System
  - Item 17 Add Weir Power
  - Item 18 New Bar Screens at Dam
  - Item 19 New Grating at Weir
  - Item 20 New Finger Gate at Weir
  - Item 21 Upgrade Access Road
  - Item 22 Renovate Pump Intake Building
- GREEN = Proposed Improvements    BLUE = Supplemental Improvements  
 RED = Removed from Scope



Michigan– Little Manistee Weir – Salmon and Steelhead Egg Collection



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Lanesboro, Minnesota – Trout Building Replacement





Bennett Springs SFH



MontaukSFH



Missouri Statewide Coldwater Hatchery Study



Roaring River SFH

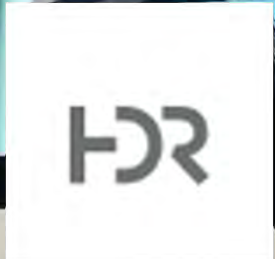
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**COLDWATER HATCHERY STUDY**

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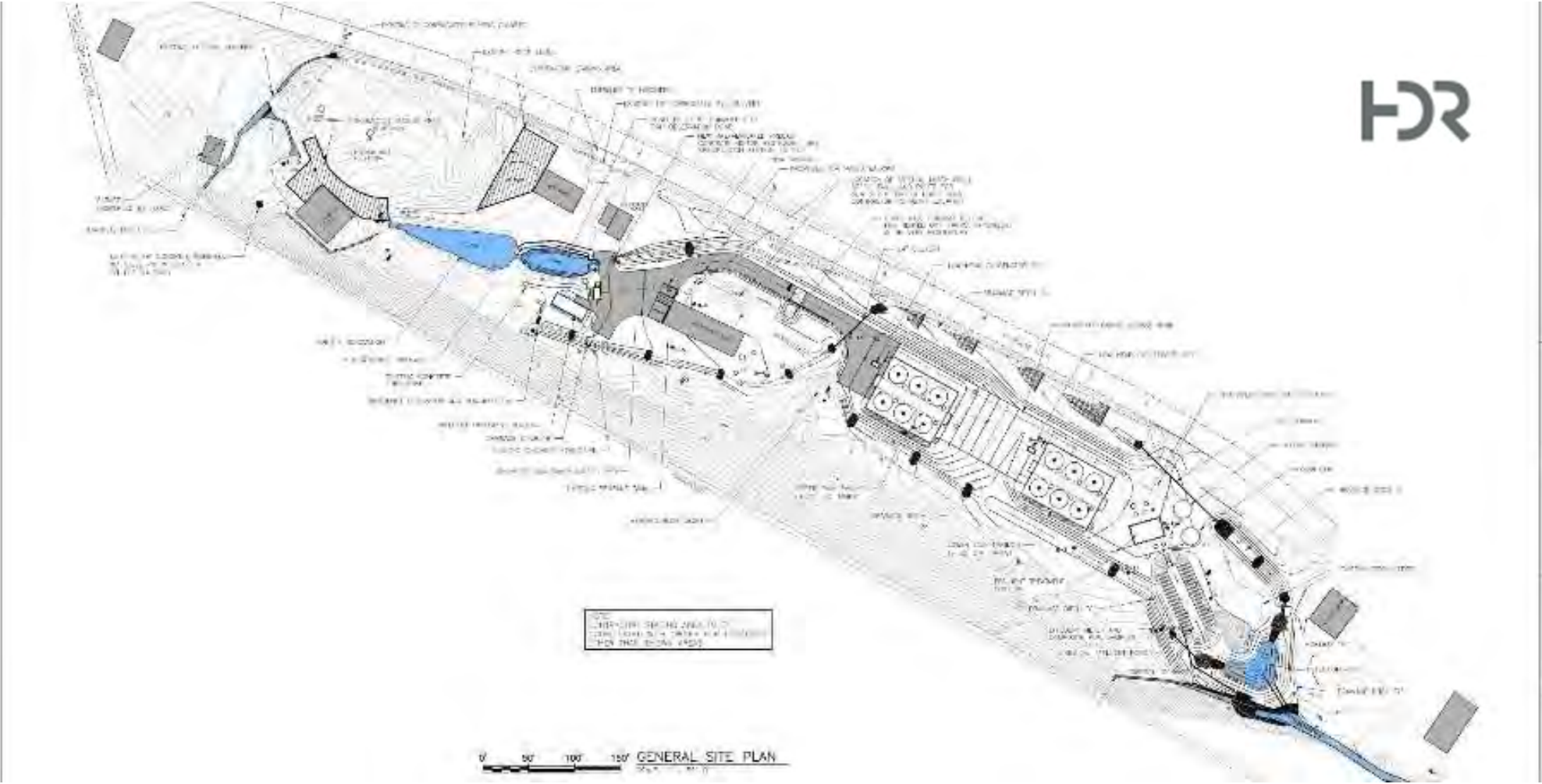




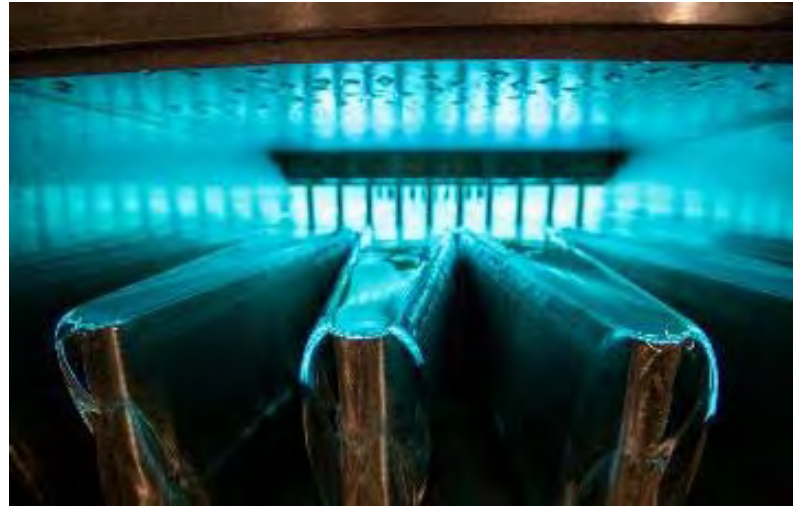


**Shepherd of the Hills Fish Hatchery Expansion  
Missouri DOC**





Roxbury, Vermont Conceptual Site Layout

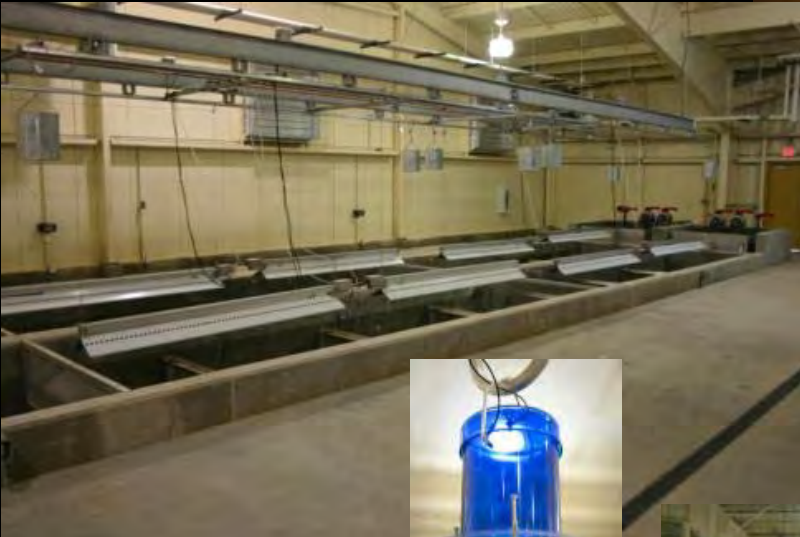


**Roxbury State Fish Hatchery, Vermont**



**Wild Rose State Fish Hatchery Coldwater & Coolwater Facility with visitor Center**





Fish Feeder PCL Control Screens



Fish Feeding System



Tank Fish Feeders –air operated

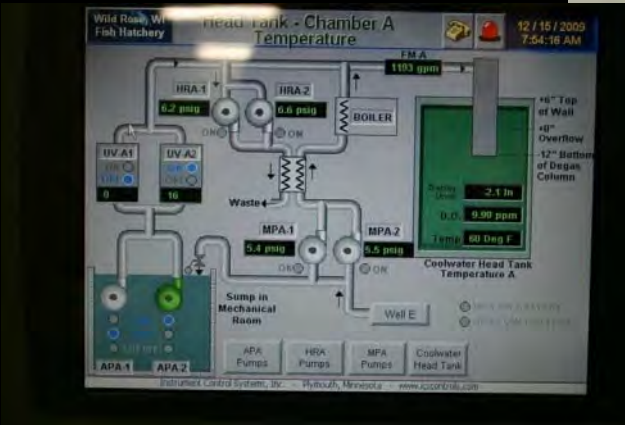


**Wild Road, WI Fish Hatchery Alarm Setpoints** 8/28/2009 4:33:49 PM

	High Setpoint	Low Setpoint	High Setpoint	Low Setpoint
FM Temp B Flow (gpm)	2000	200	Headtank Chamber E Level Display (Inches)	39.0 3.0
Headtank Chamber B D.O. (ppm)	15.00	5.00	HT Chamber South Temperature (Deg F)	37 3
Headtank Chamber B Level Control (Inches)	5.0	2.0	4' Trough A Temperature (Deg F)	75 36
Headtank Chamber B Level Display (Inches)	5.0	3.0	4' Trough B Temperature (Deg F)	70 35
HT Chamber Center Temperature (Deg F)	400	200	4' Trough C Temperature (Deg F)	68 45
FM Well E Flow (gpm)	1200	200	4' Trough D Temperature (Deg F)	73 40
Headtank Chamber E D.O. (ppm)	14.12	3.22	4' Trough E Temperature (Deg F)	80 39
Headtank Chamber E Level Control (Inches)	6.0	3.0		

Setpoint Menu

System Testing & Training



Instrumentation & Alarm

RAS Microscreens & Moving Bed Bioreactors

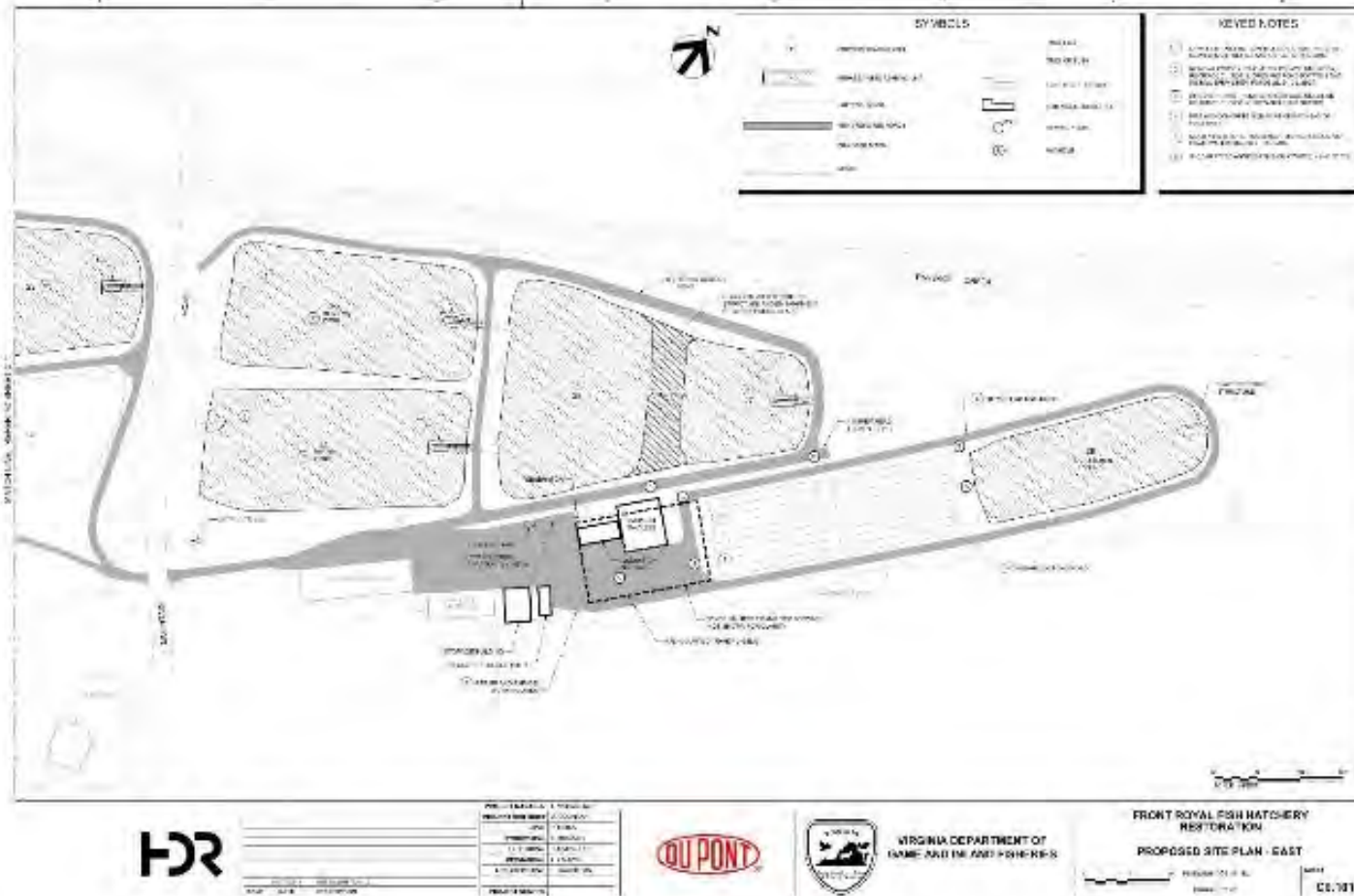






Apple Grove, West Virginia – Pond Liners





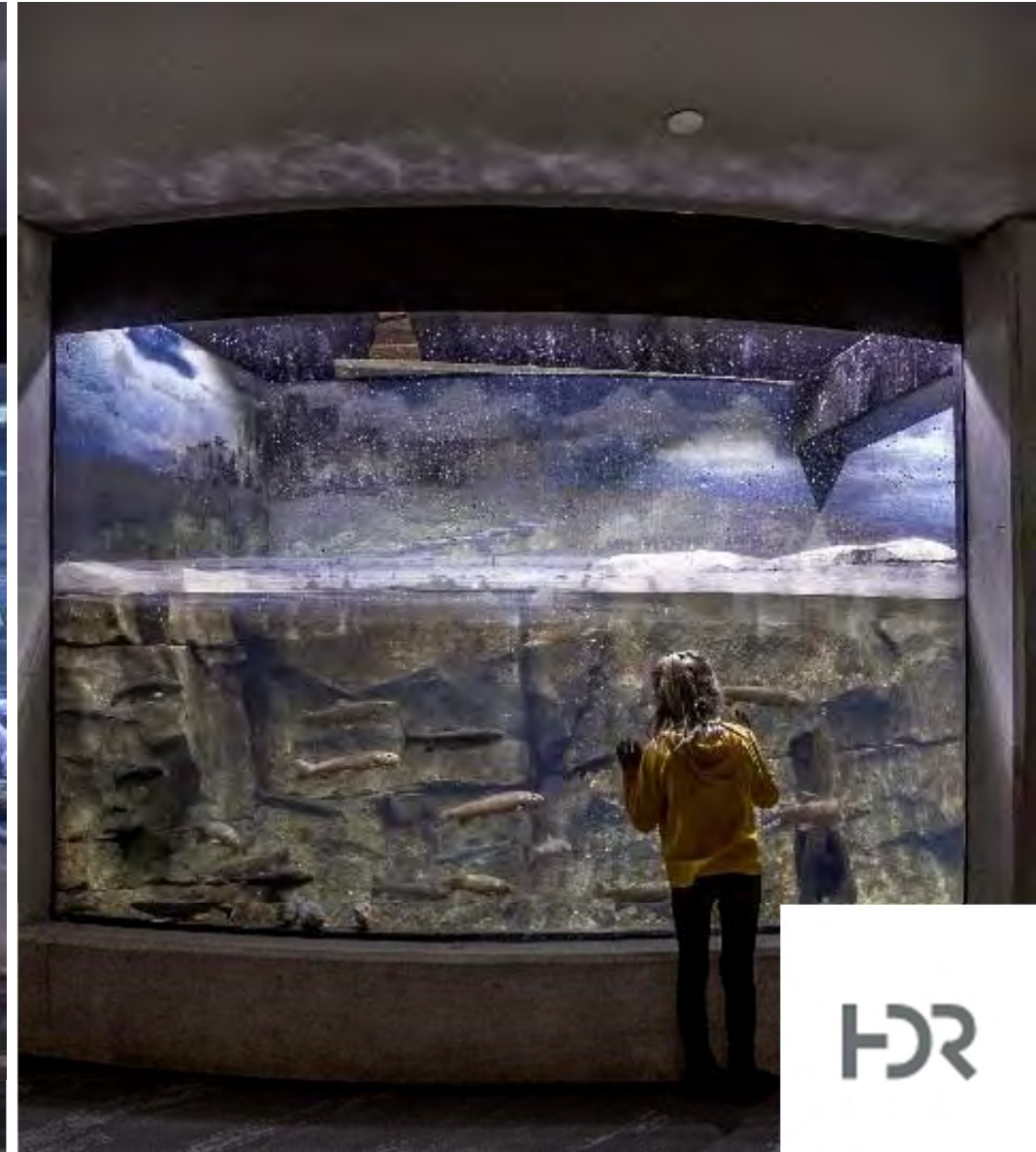
Front Royal, Virginia





Schramm Aquarium - Nebraska







# FLUSH TO FISH

- Reclaiming water from waste treatment to raise fish
- Education and Outreach opportunities



# AQUATIC RESEARCH AND WET LABS

- Auburn University





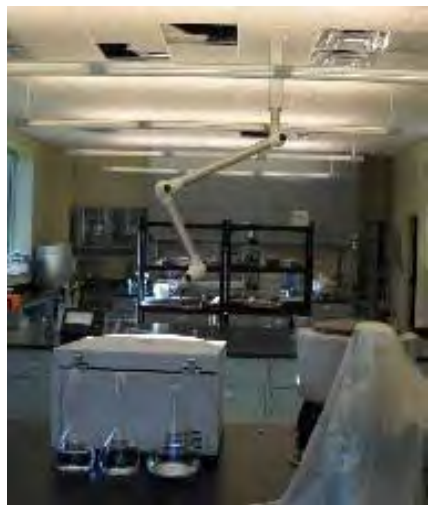
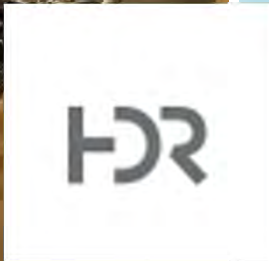
WS  
Reservoir

Pond complex  
Holding / Processing Bldg.

General Project Site Area







# AQUATIC RESEARCH AND WET LABS

- **ABEL**
- Aquatic Biotechnology Environmental Laboratory
- University of Georgia
- Zebrafish Genetic -Toxicology Studies





HDR



**Open Research Area  
Water Filtration & Heating  
System.  
Purdue University Aquaculture  
Research Building**



# T & E SPECIES REFUGIA

- Los Lunas Silver Minnow Project, NM







Cougar Fish Collector Floating Barge

Collection of Endangered  
Species  
for Propagation &  
Restoration



**A successful project is a  
TEAM EFFORT  
Agency Staff,  
Legislative Supporters,  
Design Team  
Construction Contractors  
Fishing License Buyers**





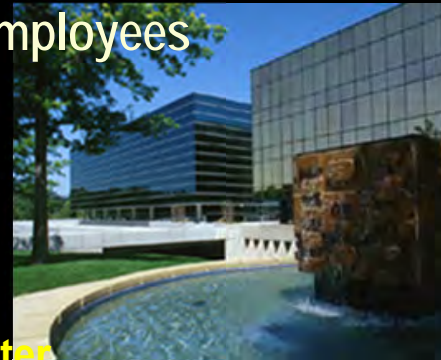


# Questions ?

HDR History  
 Founded in 1917  
 Employee Owned  
 Award Winning Design and Consulting  
 Offices Worldwide  
 160 Offices  
 6,000 employees



**HDR Springfield Office Fisheries Design Center**



Omaha NE Corporate Headquarters



**Take Kids Fishing –Pay It Forward**



**MENTORING – PASS ON EVERYTHING YOU KNOW**

**MATT COCHRAN –HDR Fisheries Director & Me cooking for HDR STAFF**

**Thank You**  
**Association of Conservation Engineers**



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**Missouri Department of Conservation**  
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