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# Sport Fish Enhancement Fact Sheet Statewide Stocking Locations

- The Division stocks nearly 7.2 million fish into almost 270 release locations annually to provide diverse fishing experiences to recreational anglers—predominately in Southcentral and Interior Alaska
- Citing a 2001 study on the economic benefits from the division's regional stocking programs in Southcentral and Interior, and adjusting 2001 dollars for 2020, nearly \$50.0M is generated annually from anglers taking advantage of those opportunities afforded by fish produced from these two new facilities
  - The largest biomass produced in both the William Jack and Ruth Burnett facilities is catchable rainbow trout, but total production includes: Arctic char; Arctic grayling; lake trout and both Chinook (king) and coho salmon



## Southcentral Alaska Stocking Locations



- Production objectives for 2021 from the WJHSFH is 4.03M fish at 96,900kg
  - 2.38M king salmon (38,300kg)
  - o 0.91M coho salmon (15,900kg)
  - o 0.71M rainbow trout (39,900kg)
  - 0.04M Arctic char (2,800kg)
  - o 0.00M Arctic grayling (0.0kg)—discontinued due to loss of revenue (COVID related)
  - o 0.00M lake trout (0.0kg)—off year of production cycle





Numbers of fish and biomass of fish produced at the William Jack Hernandez Hatchery for release in Southcentral Alaska.



- Production objectives for 2021 from the RBSFH is 0.41M fish at 32.600kg
  - 0.04M king salmon (4,800kg)
  - o 0.09M coho salmon (300kg)
  - o 0.24M rainbow trout (25,500kg)
  - o 0.05M Arctic char (2,000kg)
  - o 0.00M Arctic grayling (0.0kg)—discontinued due to loss of revenue (COVID related)
  - o 0.00M lake trout (0.0kg)—off year of alternate production cycle



Numbers of fish and biomass of fish produced at the Ruth Burnett Hatchery for release in Interior Alaska.



## Southeast Alaska Stocking Locations

- The Division provides nearly \$1.2M in funding (Dingell/Johnson matched with Fish & Game Funds • and License surcharge) to Regional Aquaculture and Private-Non-profit organizations to contractually raise and release salmon and rainbow trout for enhancing recreational fishing opportunities in coastal areas-predominately Southeast Alaska.
- Production objectives for Crystal Lake Hatchery (SSRAA) Central & Southern SEAK (\$200k from surcharge)
  - 1.21M Chinook 0
  - 0.10M coho 0

- <u>Production objectives for Douglas Island Pink & Chum (DIPAC) Central & Northern SEAK (\$300K from</u> <u>surcharge)</u>
  - o 0.59M Chinook
  - 0.01M rainbow trout
- Production objectives for Deer Mountain Hatchery (SSRAA), Southern SEAK
  - o 0.05M rainbow trout
- Stocking in the Sitka area consists of a small wild rainbow trout transfer to an easily accessible local lake.
- Based on recent 5-year average of hatchery contribution estimates, nearly 50% of all Alaska hatchery king salmon harvested in Southeast Alaska originate from Crystal Lake Hatchery near Petersburg. This is a state-owned facility and operated under contract by Southern Southeast Regional Aquaculture Association with funding from ADF&G Sport Fish. The large percentage highlights the importance of the facility when accounting for the total king salmon harvest under the auspices of the US/Canada Pacific Salmon Treaty



As the facilities age, they will require further attention in order to maintain them at peak efficiency. The following is a general listing of the scope and type of work that is currently needed, or will be needed, in coming years. Note that items are in <u>priority order</u> but subject to change at any time due to unexpected/unplanned circumstances.

#### Ruth Burnett Sport Fish Hatchery (\$5.85M)

•	Installation and startup of final production well -		\$1,000,000
•	Existing Well Re-development -		\$50,000
•	Stocking truck purchase/replacements -		\$150,000
•	Evaluation and correction of building structure -		\$50,000
•	Evaluation and correction of air handling system -		\$100,000
•	Boiler system upgrade and replacement -		\$1,000,000
•	Major maintenance and replacement of the influent water treatme	nt system -	\$3,000,000
•	Oxygen system upgrade and replacement -		\$500,000

#### William Jack Hernandez / Fort Richardson (\$7.14M)

• Safety barrier design and construction to separate public and work areas -	\$150,000			
<ul> <li>Egg-take, sampling, and public access at brood stock raceways -</li> </ul>	\$500,000			
Well Redevelopment -	\$100,000			
• Evaluation, design, and construction of formal concentrated effluent disposa	of formal concentrated effluent disposal system -			
	\$2,000,000			
Stocking truck purchase -	\$150,000			
<ul> <li>Boiler system upgrade and replacement -</li> </ul>	\$1,500,000			
<ul> <li>Oxygen system upgrade and replacement -</li> </ul>	\$500,000			
• Evaluation, design, and construction of additional washroom space within the	uation, design, and construction of additional washroom space within the Visitor's space			
	\$200,000			
<ul> <li>Well Removal (Fort Richardson) -</li> </ul>	\$40,000			
<ul> <li>Eventual Facility demolition at Fort Richardson -</li> </ul>	\$2,000,000			
<u>Crystal Lake Hatchery (\$2.5M)</u>				

- Single Project cost \$2,500,000
   Deconstruction of existing raceways.
   Replace deteriorating concrete raceways.
  - Replace associated plumbing infrastructure.